



## The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

**FIRST.** The development of an acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

**SECOND.** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

**THIRD.** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life.

**FOURTH.** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## The Four Way Test

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## President's Message

As we are now nearing the end of my term as president, may I to pay tribute to and thank a number of people who, quietly and without seeking publicity, have generously donated cash as well as other items towards our various projects over this and past years.

Those friends know who they are and on behalf of myself, members of the Club and of course the beneficiaries, we thank you very much indeed for trusting us with your donations.

From my own viewpoint I take great satisfaction from the fact that the Rotary Club of Koh Samui is widely accepted as a charitable organisation which is trustworthy and can be relied upon to spend 100% of the funds raised in supporting our projects.

May I also give my grateful thanks to all those who have supported us by attending our Monthly Dinner Parties and again generously helped boost our funds by purchasing raffle tickets and bidding and buying items

from our auction on Installation Night.

Every year, this one included, I think we have the satisfaction that all of us, members and friends alike have given something back to the local communities on the island where we live by recognising those in need and in small ways improving the lives of the Samui residents.

Our major project this year, the purchase of the 'Jaws of Life' equipment for Samui Recue Foundation is now completed with over 50 of their staff trained in its effective use to speedily cut out or open wrecked vehicles and remove injured victims.

May I now also take this opportunity to thank all the members of the club who have taken an active and enthusiastic part in ensuring this year's fund raising and social events have been so successful.

When visiting Rotary Clubs in other countries, their members are always in awe that we do so much with few active members.



Peter Breaks  
President 2010-2011  
Rotary Club of Koh Samui

Finally, but not least, may I pay tribute and give thanks to my wife, Poom, for her unstinting support throughout the year.

Many Presidents around the world are, I am sure able to make the same acknowledgement, however in a foreign country, where my ability to communicate in the Thai language is practically nil, our club could not have successfully carried out our projects this year without her determination and persistence in talking to and cajoling her fellow countrymen in to action.

Thank you all.



# Annual Installation Night

**We are pleased to announce that the installation of our President for Rotary year 2011-12 Philip Parker will take place on Saturday July 2nd 2011 at the Samui Palm Beach Resort in Maenam.**

**Tickets for this, one of the most popular events of our calendar, are now available at 1,200 baht per person.**

**The price includes a welcome cocktail, a truly international sumptuous Buffet, free flow red and white wine and beer throughout the meal Entertainment will be provided by one of the leading bands here on Samui.**

**Reception 6.00 pm—7.00 pm \* Dress Code Smart Casual \* Dancing 'til midnight**

**Beer courtesy Max Murphy's Bar, Park Avenue, Samui Airport**

**Wines courtesy of Italiasia, Maenam**

**Ovada Show Band courtesy of ScoopS Ice Cream Parlour, Lamai**

**Please R.S.V.P to [rockssecretary@rotarysamui.org](mailto:rockssecretary@rotarysamui.org) or phone Philip on 0862715197**

## Samui Rescue Jaws of Life training

Following our purchase of the 'Jaws of Life' machine for Samui Rescue our final commitment was to ensure adequate training was carried out for the volunteers who would be using the equipment in cases of emergency.

Sister organisation Satar Rescue from Suratthani brought six of their own staff across to Samui to train over 50 staff based at the seven stations around Samui.

The training was carried out at Samui Rescue's primary base in Nathon where the staff were divide in to teams of six.

An initial lecture was given by Khun Un followed by instruction as to how the equipment should be assembled prior to use.



Teams were then shown how to use the various components of jaws, cutters and hydraulic lifting gear utilising a wrecked taxi for practice.



# Sarnelli House Orphanage

Over the past seven years one of our major annual projects has always been to bring some orphaned children here to Koh Samui for a holiday from the Mercy Centre in Bangkok.

Towards the end of last year, I became aware of a similar project carried out last October by Christoph Leonhard the General Manager of Amari Palm Reef Resort here in Chaweng.

Sarnelli House Orphanage near Nongkai in Northern Issan is home to children of all ages, many being HIV positive through no fault of their own and run by Father Michael Shea.

Unlike our own club with many of our members and friends helping to raise funds to cover the cost of the holidays and indeed get involved in the weekend itself, last October, Christoph took it upon himself to bring 12 children on the long journey from Nongkai to the holiday island of Samui.



The trip was an unqualified success with Christoph promising to organise a similar holiday at a later date.

Last month, during Thailand's long two month school holiday period, Christoph once again brought twelve orphans here to Samui from Sarnelli House for a full weeks holiday.

As we in the Rotary Club have empathy with his endeavours we decided the least we could do was to help fill the week long holiday by organising something for the kids ourselves.

Rotarian Paul Hawkins and his wife Sim the owners of Scoops American style Ice Cream parlour in Lamai were approached to ask if they could help.



Paul immediately agreed to invite the kids to his shop and gave them the ice creams of their choice.

For entertainment, we invited the local 'balloon' man who kept the kids entertained producing animals and other objects using only long cylindrical balloons.

Although tired when they arrived, following their earlier trip to Namuang Safari Park, they soon perked up quaffing

copious amounts of ice cream and playing with the balloons.



Thanks also to Lorraine Clark of Women's Business Network who

provided all the kids with 'goodie bags'

The club gave all the kids T-shirts and baseball caps as a reminder of their stay.

Many thanks to Christoph for allowing us to

play a small part in entertaining these wonderful kids during their stay and will again offer him support the next time some of these amazing kids arrive for their holiday of a lifetime here on Samui.



## It happened this month .....

**June 3, 1937** - The Duke of Windsor married Wallis Warfield Simpson in Monts, France. As King Edward VIII, he had abdicated the British Throne in December of 1936 amid tremendous controversy to marry Simpson, an American who had been divorced. Following the wedding, the couple lived in France and had minimal contact with the British Royal family. The Duke died in Paris on May 28, 1972, and was buried near Windsor Castle in England.

**June 5, 1968** - Robert F. Kennedy was shot and mortally wounded while leaving the Hotel Ambassador in Los Angeles. The shooting occurred after a celebration of Kennedy's victory in the California presidential primary. He died at 1:44 a.m., June 6, at age 42, leaving behind his wife Ethel and eleven children, the last one born after his death.

**June 6, 1944** - D-Day, the largest amphibious landing in history, began in the early-morning hours as Allied forces landed in Normandy on the northern coast of France. Operation Overlord took months of planning and involved 1,527,000 soldiers in 47 Allied divisions along with 4,400 ships and landing craft, and 11,000 aircraft. The Germans had about 60 divisions spread along France and the Low Countries. American forces landed on two western beaches, Utah and Omaha, while British and Canadian troops landed farther east on Gold, Juno and Sword beaches. By the end of the day 150,000 Allied soldiers and their accompanying vehicles had landed with 15,000 killed and wounded.

**June 9, 1898** - The British signed a 99-year lease for Hong Kong, located on the south eastern coast of China. Hong Kong, consisting of an area measuring 400 square miles, was administered as a British Crown Colony until July 1, 1997, when its sovereignty reverted to the People's Republic of China.

**June 11, 1994** - After 49 years, the Soviet military occupation of East Germany ended. At one time there had been 337,800 Soviet troops stationed in Germany. Over 300,000 Russians died during World War II in the Battle for Berlin.

**June 16, 1963** - Valentina Tereshkova, 26, became the first woman in space as her Soviet spacecraft, Vostok 6, took off from the Tyuratam launch site. She manually controlled the spacecraft completing 48 orbits in 71 hours before landing safely.

**June 17, 1972** - Following a seemingly routine burglary, five men were arrested at the National Democratic Headquarters in the Watergate complex in Washington, D.C. However, subsequent investigations revealed the burglars were actually agents hired by the Committee for the Re-election of President Richard Nixon. A long chain of events then followed in which the president and top aides became involved in an extensive cover-up of this and other White House sanctioned illegal activities, eventually leading to the resignation of Richard Nixon on August 9, 1974.

**June 18, 1815** - On the fields near Waterloo in central Belgium, 72,000 French troops, led by Napoleon, suffered a crushing military defeat from a combined Allied army of 113,000 British, Dutch, Belgian, and Prussian troops. Thus ended 23 years of warfare between France and the other powers of Europe. Napoleon was then sent into exile on the island of St. Helena off the coast of Africa. On May 5, 1821, the former vain-glorious Emperor died alone on the tiny island, abandoned by everyone.

**June 25, 1950** - The Korean War began as North Korean troops, led by Russian-built tanks, crossed the 38th parallel and launched a full scale invasion of South Korea. Five days later, U.S. ground forces entered the conflict, which lasted until July 27, 1953, when an armistice was signed at Panmunjom, formally dividing the country at the 38th parallel into North and South Korea.

**June 28, 1919** - The signing of the Treaty of Versailles formally ended World War I. According to the terms, Germany was assessed sole blame for the war, forced give up Alsace-Lorraine and overseas colonies, and pay reparations of \$15 Billion. The treaty also prohibited German rearmament.

**June 30, 1997** - In Hong Kong, the flag of the British Crown Colony was officially lowered at midnight and replaced by a new flag representing China's sovereignty and the official transfer of power.

## Polio Plus

**PolioPlus**, the most ambitious program in Rotary's history, is the volunteer arm of the global partnership dedicated to eradicating polio. For more than 20 years, Rotary has led the private sector in the global effort to rid the world of this crippling disease. Today, PolioPlus and its role in the initiative is recognized worldwide as a model of public-private cooperation in pursuit of a humanitarian goal. In addition to providing financial and volunteer

support, Rotary works to urge support from other public and private sector partners. This includes the campaign to End Polio Now, inspired by the extraordinary challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

.As of 25 May, Rotarians have raised about US\$127.4 million for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge. These contributions will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received

from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high.



## The Rotary Challenge to **END** Polio

Since 1988, Rotary International and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) — the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention — have worked to wipe polio from the face of the earth. A volunteer service organization of 1.2 million men and women, Rotary began immunizing children against polio in 1985 and became a spearheading partner in the GPEI three years later.



Rotary's main responsibilities are fundraising, advocacy, and volunteer recruitment. To date, Rotary has contributed more than US\$900 million to the polio eradication effort.

With over 33,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas, Rotary is able to reach out to national governments worldwide to generate crucial financial and technical support for polio eradication. Since 1995, the advocacy efforts of Rotary and its partners have helped raise more than \$8 billion from donor governments.

Rotary clubs also provide "sweat equity" on the ground in polio-affected communities, which helps ensure that leaders at all levels remain focused on the eradication goal. Rotary club members have volunteered their time and personal resources to reach more than two billion children in 122 countries with the oral polio vaccine.

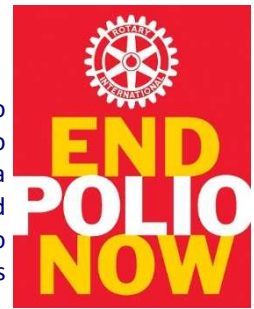
**"If we all have the fortitude to see this effort through to the end, then we *will* eradicate polio."**

**— Bill Gates,  
co-chair of the  
Bill & Melinda  
Gates Foundation**

Thanks to Rotary and its partners, the world has seen polio cases plummet by more than 99 per cent, preventing five million instances of child paralysis and 250,000 deaths. When Rotary began its eradication work, polio infected more than 350,000 children annually. In 2009, fewer than 1,700 cases were reported worldwide.

But the polio cases represented by that final 1 per cent are the most difficult and expensive to prevent. Challenges include geographic isolation, worker fatigue, armed conflict, and cultural barriers.

That's why it's so important to generate the funding needed to End Polio Now. To fail is to invite a polio resurgence that would condemn millions of children to lifelong paralysis in the years ahead.



**The bottom line is this: As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, all children — wherever they live — remain at risk.**

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**Please watch these videos:**

<http://www.rotary.org/en/EndPolio/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

<http://vimeo.com/17854874>

**And donate directly or through the Rotary Club of Koh Samui, please contact:**

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## Roll of Honour

### Paul Harris Fellows

Ken Chung R.C. Crow's Nest Australia		1987
Paul Hawkins	March	2006
Paul Watson	July	2006
Mike Langaskens	April	2007

## Interested in our Club?

### Come and join us at one of our meetings.

The Rotary Club of Koh Samui meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Renaissance Resort & Spa, Ring Road, Lamai.

Meeting time 6.15 pm

Anyone interested in joining our club is welcome to join us at one of our meetings.

A Dinner Party is often held on the last Friday of every month at a prestigious resort or restaurant in Samui.

Further details inside

You are welcome to join us.

## Board of Directors and Committee

President	Peter Breaks
Immediate Past President	Claudio Cerquetti
Secretary	Christian Glanville
Treasurer	Adele Smith
President Elect	Philip Parker

### Committees

Chairman - Membership	Philip Parker
Chairman - Club Administration	Christian Glanville
Chairman - Public Relations	Claudio Cerquetti
Chairman - Service Projects	Adele Smith
Chairman - Foundation	Philip Parker
Sergeant at Arms	Colin Jones

## Past Presidents

Ken Chung	Charter President	2003
Bernd Schillig	President	2003/04
Paul Hawkins	President	2004/05
Paul Watson	President	2005/06
Rico Stapel	President	2006/07
Adele Smith	President	2007/08
Philip Parker	President	2008/09
Claudio Cerquetti	President	2009/10

## Rotary International

Rotary International is the world's first service club organization, with more than 1.2 million members in 33,000 clubs worldwide.

Rotary club members are volunteers who work locally, regionally, and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, provide education and job training, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto:

**"Service Above Self"**