

WATER AND SANITATION MONTH

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TONIGHT'S MEETING

- Call to Order
- The National Anthem of Barbados
- Rotary Grace
- Toasts to Her Majesty the Queen & Barbados
- Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests
- Dinner
- Presentation Director of PR – Rtn Morton Holder
- Summary Feb Board Meeting Secretary Rtn Martin Steinbok
- Relocation of Weekly Meeting
- Toast to Rotary International

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Alexandra School Interact Club - 3:00pm

Wednesday, March 8 th	Rtn Martin Steinbok & PP Michael Stuart
Wednesday, March 15 th	PP Mark Thompson & Rtn Janelle Ward
Wednesday, March 22 nd	Pres Kevin Watson & PP Trevor Williams
Wednesday, March 29 th	Rtn. Kathryn Barry & Rtn. Edward Benn

Meals on Wheels

Thursday, March 9 th	PP John Hadchity
Friday, March 10 th	Rtn Nicholas Hartman
Thursday, March 16 th	PP Ian Hinds
Friday, March 17 th	Rtn Morton Holder

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT

Kevin Watson

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

Farid Mansour

PRESIDENT ELECT

Douglas Luke

VICE PRESIDENT

Joseph Steinbok

SECRETARY

Martin Steinbok

TREASURER

Marcia Cyrus

DIRECTOR OF CLUB SERVICE

Mark Thompson

DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP

Michael McClean

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

Morton Holder

DIRECTOR OF SERVICE PROJECTS

Michael Stuart

DIRECTOR OF ROTARY FOUNDATION

Ezra Prescod

Gentle Reminder

If you have not done
so already, please

PAY MEMBERSHIP FEES

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Feed the Needy - Rotarians from West

Monday, March 27 th	PP Oliver Jordan Rtn Winfield King Rtn Alkins Kirton
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CELEBRATION CORNER

Birthdays: The Month of March

Wednesday, March 8 th	Rtn Jeffrey Gay
Monday, March 20 th	Claire Jordan (Partner-In-Service)
Tuesday, March 21 st	PP Horace Cobham
Wednesday, March 22 nd	Rtn Marcia Cyrus
Saturday, March 25 th	PDG Milton Inniss

Anniversary: The Month of March

Saturday, March 25 th	Walter & Anne Johnson
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Rotary Food for Thought

Tax Humor

"According to the government, a taxpayer is someone who has what it takes." - Anonymous

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM CLUB MEETING FEBRUARY 28th 2017

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR (2016-17) HALF YEAR REPORT

- ✚ President-elect Michael McClean presented his half-year report. He began on a positive note. The Rotary Club of Barbados West is on an upward trajectory. It has bucked the trend of declining membership experienced by other rotary clubs in Barbados and around the world.
- ✚ Additionally, the Club has made significant strides in achieving, and in some cases surpassing, its goals for the Rotary Year 2016-2017.
- ✚ Six (6) new members were inducted into the Club, two (2) of them were under the age of 40. Each new Rotarian was assigned a mentor. This has proved invaluable in integrating them into the Rotary family. Membership retention was 100% and each Rotarian was meaningfully engaged in club activities, projects and committees. In addition, some of the newly inducted Rotarians contributed by presenting informative talks on membership classification.
- ✚ The average attendance of members at rotary meeting for the year was 76%. The positive trend in attendance continued into club activities and service projects. The average attendance on these occasions exceed those recorded for the previous Rotary Year. Special mention was made of the five (5) Rotarians who achieved the outstanding feat of 100% attendance for the period July – December 2016. These were:
 - ❖ President Kevin Watson
 - ❖ PP Michael Stuart
 - ❖ PP Mark Thompson
 - ❖ Rtn Martin Steinbok
 - ❖ Rtn Morton Holder
- ✚ The Rotary Club of Barbados West continues to strive for improvement. A greater emphasis will be placed during the remainder of the year on education and development. This will include the publishing of various articles in the weekly bulletin.

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- ✚ On a sad note, this year marked the passing of one of the stalwarts of the Rotary Club of Barbados West, Past President Bruce Anthony “Tony” Thomas. In his memory, the Club joined in the efforts to raise funds for prostate cancer awareness.
- ✚ President-elect Michael expressed his thanks to the Board and various committee members for their support during the past six months. The Rotary Club of Barbados West remains well on track to achieve its goals for the Rotary Year 2016-2017.

FINANCIAL REVIEW HALF-YEAR REPORT

Rotarian Marcia Cyrus provided the Club with her half-year report as Treasurer on the Rotary Club of Barbados West Trust and Club accounts.

Rotary Club of Barbados West Trust Accounts

- ✚ The collection of accounts receivables continues to present a challenge. However, significant progress has been made in this regard, particularly with respect to the Christmas Bingo Night. A sustained effort is still required to ensure this progress is maintained with respect to the polo and golf events.

Club Donations

- ✚ Donations to charitable causes continues to be of great significance to the Rotary Club of Barbados West. During the Rotary Year, thus far, the Club has contributed over \$63,479 to 10 different causes. In addition to the \$14,000 paid in scholarships to assist deserving students with defraying their educational expenses.

Community Projects

- ✚ The Rotary Club of Barbados West continues its drive in community projects such as *Feed the Needy* and *Meals on Wheels*. The Club continues to encourage Rotarians to maintain their contributions towards these worthwhile causes.

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Rotary Club of Barbados West Club Accounts

Summary

- ✚ Income from membership dues increased during the Rotary Year 2016-2017. However, Rotarians are encouraged to ensure that they remain in good financial standing with the Club. An increase in contributions towards fines and the weekly raffle was recorded this year over the last year. The majority of fellowship events returned a profit. A profit was also recorded for the *Kadooment Day Lime* fundraising event.

CLUB VISITORS

Rotary Fellows, friends and Guests joining the meeting were:

- Len Ross – Rotary of Huntsville, Ontario, CA

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Rotary Foundation is celebrating its 100th year!
- International Conference (book soon)
- District Conference (book soon)
- Up coming Rotary International events

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ROTARACT WEST CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Rotaract West's plans and objectives for 2016/2017:

Calendar of Events



Quarter 2 October – December 2016		
October	November	December
1 st : General Club meeting 15 th : Be a Better Communicator with Mr Thomas Fields – Dale Carnegie Training 28 th : After-work Lime	5 th : General Club meeting 19 th : General Club meeting 22 nd : Club visit to Rotary West 25 th -27 th : District Leadership Training in Guadeloupe	3 rd : Exec & Board Nominations 17 th : Elections & Christmas Party
Quarter 3 January - March 2017		
January	February	March
7 th : Club visit to Rotaract UWI 28 th : Mixology competition Basil Jemmott	4 th : International Service event 18 th : Valentines Day Seminar 24 th : After-work Lime	4 th : Visit to RC. Barbados 13 th -19 th : World Rotaract Week 18 th Teamwork and Leadership with Apostle Elector Pearson
Quarter 4 – April – June 2017		
April	May	June
1 st : Club Charter Anniversary Event 15 th : Community Service Event 28 th : After-work Lime	6 th : General Club meeting 20 th : Club Assembly	3 rd : General Club meeting 17 th : General Club meeting 27 th : Installation @ Rotary West 30 th : After-work Lime



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THE NATIONAL ANTHEM OF BARBADOS

In plenty and in time of need
When this fair land was young
Our brave forefathers sowed the seed
From which our pride is sprung.
A pride that makes no wanton boast
Of what it has withstood.
That binds our hearts from coast to coast
The pride of nationhood.

We loyal sons and daughters all
Do hereby make it known
These fields and hills beyond recall
Are now our very own.
We write our names on history's page
With expectations great.
Strict guardians of our heritage
Firm craftsmen of our fate.

ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and giver of all things good,
We thank thee for our daily food.
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
Help us to serve thee all our days.

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Give us your feedback, share your comments, ask questions and provide content, we would love to hear from you.

Let's connect!

The Rotary Club of Barbados West is now on Facebook, join the conversation.

<https://www.facebook.com/RotaryBarbadosWest>



Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

ROTARIAN CHALLENGE

Have you or do you still have displayed the 'Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions' at your place of work?

It is not too late to join your fellow Rotarians in this challenge.

*Request by email to
Get your copy.
Print and display today.*

