

SUBMISSION FOR DISTRICT AWARDS: BEST ROTARACT CLUB AWARD

Introduction:

Rotaract Club of Subang (RAC Subang) would like to submit its nomination to contest for the District's Best Rotaract Club award for FY 2011/2012.

RAC Subang, a community based Rotaract Club was chartered on February 7th, 1986 under the sponsorship of the Rotary Club of Subang. For the Rotary financial year 2011/2012, RAC Subang's achievement and its contribution towards its club members and the community has notably achieved greater and more prominent results. The achievements and the role that RAC Subang has successfully played during this financial year, as elaborated further below deserves commendation and rendering itself the worthy recipient of the Best Rotaract Club award.

The Club and Members:

Although RAC Subang's number of members may be small as compared to other institution based Rotaract Clubs, there is absolutely no privation with regards to the level of commitment and enthusiasm shown. RAC Subang's 14 members come from all walks of life comprising of college/university students, fresh graduates entering the work force as well as middle management working class. Each and every member plays a prominent role in the Club and participates in all the activities organized by the Club, other Rotaract clubs and the District.

The diversity of its member base, as explained above, drives the Club to excel in all its 4 Avenue of Service endeavors. Equal attention is given for Club Service, Professional Development, International Service and Community Service avenues for the benefit and the development needs of its members.

Significant Achievements in the 4 Avenue of Service:

The Club has organized numerous projects and activities under the Rotaract's 4 Avenues of Service for the benefit of its members, members of the Rotary family and the community in need. The projects/activities undertaken varies in term of its size, magnitude and its reach to achieve its specific objectives, but collectively, the outcomes of the projects/activities have contributed much in changing the lives of many and strengthening the bonds among the members.

Among the key projects/activities initiated and successfully carried out by the Club are as detailed below:

Professional Development

Project/Activity	Objective and Outcome
Members Vocational Talks	<p>This activity was undertaken to enrich the knowledge of the Club members by having a presentation by each member on a topic that the members have extended knowledge and specializes on. It also seeks to improve the members' public speaking and presentation capabilities, a vital skill that is required in the workforce today.</p> <p>To-date, 6 vocation talks have been held spanning across diverse range of topic comprising of psychological behavior, history of Rotary/Rotaract, good presentation skills, banking operations, self-help and oil & gas industry.</p>
Visit to SMART Tunnel	<p>This visit was undertaken to gain an understanding on the operations of the nation's SMART Tunnel, and how it serves to relief traffic congestion as well as assisting in the prevention of flood.</p> <p>The participation of this professional development activity also gained the support and attendance of Interact members.</p>

Community Service

Project/Activity	Objective and Outcome
Community Service with Myanmar Refugee Kids (Bringing Smiles)	<p>RAC Subang's long term community service project to help make a difference in the lives of the Myanmar refugee kids in Shelter Homes.</p> <p>This is the second year running that RAC Subang have been hosting various activities and trips to bring some joy and laughter for these kids. The Club was initially providing its community service to the kids housed in Puchong school and for this Rotary year, the Club has adopted a second school located in Batu 14, Puchong.</p> <p>Among the activities the Club has undertaken during this Rotary Year comprise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transformers 3 Movie Screening for the Tesco Puchong kids jointly organized with RAC Ampang + RAC Pudu at GSC IOI Mall• Shopping Trip for Christmas Wish List Project for Shelter Home Tesco Puchong and Shelter Home Batu 14 Puchong• Christmas Wish List Project & KL Bird Park Visit together with RAC Kowloon Golden Mile, Hong Kong for Shelter Home Tesco Puchong and Shelter Home Batu 14 Puchong• Medical Camp for Shelter Home Tesco Puchong

International Service

Project/Activity	Objective and Outcome
<p>Hosting of Rotaractors from other District and Countries</p>	<p>RAC Subang has always played a prominent role in hosting Rotaractors that makes a visit to our country. RAC Subang have hosted the following Rotaractors during their visit this year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosting of Rtr. Alice Ho of RAC Hong Kong North, D3450 • Hosting of PDRR Jeremy Charles of Australia • Hosting of RAC Kowloon Golden Mile (RAC KGM), D3450 <p>In addition, RAC Subang also has attended both the APRRC held during the year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8th Asia Pacific Regional Rotaract Conference in Subic Bay, Philippines • 9th APPRC & RI Rotaract Pre-convention @ Bangkok, Thailand <p>RAC Subang has also established relationship with 2 other Sister Clubs being the Rotaract Club of Manila and Rotaract Club of Nusa Dua, Bali in RY2010/2011. The Clubs has held its meeting in Subic Bay and have renewed its Tripartite Agreement.</p> <p>RAC Subang member, Ms. Sylvia Chew has also participated in the international trips organized by other Rotaract Club to Solvenia and Portugal.</p>

Club Service

Project/Activity	Objective and Outcome
<p>Fellowship Activities</p>	<p>The following fellowship activities have been organized during the year for the fun fellowship and to strengthen the bonds between the Club members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Movie Fellowship - Transformers 3 @ GSC Mid Valley • Sunday Evening Sports - Badminton, Swimming & Basketball • Post-Meeting Fellowships • Bowling • Birthdays Celebration & Fellowship Dinners • Xtramile Pool Party @ StART Society • Cleaning-Up Meeting Venue • Go-Kart Session 1 @ Raycer Powerhouse, Serdang Circuit (11 person) and Session 2 (17 person) • Farewell Dinner • Langkawi Fellowship Trip • Christmas Fellowship & Gathering • Chinese New Year Open House Pot Luck • Karaoke Fellowship@ Red Box, The Curve • Movie Marathon @ Aaron's Condo - Dataran Prima

Not only the list of activities and project undertaken as explained above appear to be voluminous, it is important to note that the projects/activities undertaken are also of large scale and impactful in nature. In addition to contesting for the award of Best Rotaract Club, RAC Subang is also making its submission to bag the following awards for the corresponding embarked upon projects:

- Best Professional Development – Members Vocational Talks
- Best Community Service – Bring Smiles (Shelter Homes Myanmar Refugee Kids)
- Best Rotaract Awareness – Xtramile Run
- Best International Service – Hosting of RAC Kowloon Golden Mile, Hong Kong
- Best Fellowship – Fellowship & Sport Activities Held for RY2011/2012
- Best Rotaractor – IPDRR Sanjeev Kumar

Committed Participation in District Activities:

Notwithstanding RAC Subang's commitment of excellence in its 4 Avenue of Service, RAC Subang has also prominently participated at the various activities and projects undertaken at the District level. This was clearly evidenced on the following District events:

District Rotaract Assembly (DRA)

Full attendance by the whole upcoming RAC Subang's Board of Directors Rotary Year 2012/2013

District Rotaract Conference (DRC)

Participation by majority of RAC Subang's members

Hosting of International Rotaractors

RAC Subang was the primary club hosting the Rotaractors from RAC Kowloon Golden Mile during their visit to Malaysia. In addition to bringing them visiting places of interest within the vicinity, RAC Subang have also organized a joint-community service project with RAC Kowloon Golden Mile.

It is also important to note that RAC Subang has always been and remained the main host of our sister District 3500, Rotaractors from Taiwan. Not confining to the above, RAC Subang has also hosted Rotaractors from other Districts and Countries from Thailand, Indonesia, Australia, Macau and India.

District Executive Committee (EXCO)

RAC Subang also contributes significantly towards the effective and efficient administration of our District via its members being part of the District Executive Committee (EXCO). The following member(s) of RAC Subang have assumed and/or will be assuming EXCO position roles for the coming term:

District EXCO RY2011/2012:

- Sanjeev Kumar (Chairman for District Rotaract Representative Nominee Selection)

District EXCO RY2012/2013:

- Sanjeev Kumar (Chairman for Resolutions Committee)
- Belvinder Kaur (District Secretary)
- Sylvia Chew (International Service Director)

RAC Subang also have its track record of having full attendance for all the District Board Meeting (DBM) held for the Rotary year.

APRRC Subic Bay, Philippines and Bangkok, Thailand

RAC Subang has always participated in each and every APRRC held since its first inception. The number of members from RAC Subang who had participated in the APRRC held in both Subic Bay Philippines in September/October 2011 and Bangkok, Thailand in April 2012 for the current rotary year makes up the largest number of participants as compared to members from other Rotaract Clubs within our District. This shows the level of enthusiasm of its members and the commitment in ensuring our District stands out strong among the Rotaract Clubs from all around the Asia Pacific region.

Other Rotaract Clubs' Activities

RAC Subang's participation is not just confined to its own activities and projects (although it is voluminous and some of great magnitude) and the District's, but rather also spans across activities and projects organized by other Rotaract Clubs. To name a few, RAC Subang has joined in the following activities/projects to ensure the activities/projects achieve greater success:

- Sign for Life organized by RAC ATC
- Guest Day organised by RAC Kuala Lumpur
- Pledge for the Orang Utan Awareness organized by Port Klang Centennial
- Attending the Love Alive Charity Concert 2 organised by RAC Penang
- Installations

Notwithstanding the above, RAC Subang's participation also extends to the activities organized by its sponsoring Rotary club, RC Subang. Other than attending RC Subang's meeting on a periodic basis, RAC Subang have also organized joint activity with RC Subang during the World Rotaract Week in March via its mega community service project – Bring Smiles: Medical Camp for the Myanmar Refugee Kids of Shelter Home Tesco Puchong and has also participated in the RC Subang's CSI Treasure Hunt.

Others

It is also worthy to mention that RAC Subang had also supported the District in some of the greater initiative planned for the rotary year 2011/2012, as evidenced in RAC Subang's having its joint-installation with 2 other RAC clubs – RAC Damansara and RAC Port Klang Centennial. RAC Subang has supported the District to embark its initiative to organize a Mass Installation for all the Rotaract Clubs in District 3300. While other clubs had shied away from this initiative, RAC Subang had supported this initiative together with RAC Damansara and RAC Port Klang Centennial. Although only 3 Rotaract Clubs

had participated, the success it attained will pave the way for more clubs to embark upon such initiative in the future.

Rotaract Changemaker Awards and DRR Citation

RAC Subang has always been among the cream of the crop of the Rotaract Clubs in District 3300. RAC Subang has always scored in its Presidential Citation, which has now been replaced with the Rotaract Changemaker Awards. In addition, RAC Subang has always scored above the minimum score set for the DRR Citation and for the current term, RAC Subang has already met the minimum score set for the DRR Citation although several District Projects for which scores have been allocated have yet to commence. Participation in these district projects would further elevate RAC Subang's score for the DRR Citation and its position among other clubs in the District.

Raising Awareness of Rotaract

Raising awareness of Rotaract and of Rotary is without doubt a challenging task faced by many Clubs as it involves organizing activity of large magnitude and reaching out towards the right target audience. In this regard, RAC Subang has efficaciously raised awareness of Rotaract to the public at large as well as to specific group of people in building the Rotaract Community via its Xtramile Run Project and RAC Subang's Guest Day.

RAC Subang have organized a Guest Day in August 2011 at Mont Kiara to raise Rotaract awareness, spread the word of the wonderful organization that we belong to and extend the invitation to guests to become members of Rotaract. Although the number of guests that have subsequently joined Rotaract are minimal possibility due to the present level of work commitment and unsuitability of meeting logistics, the awareness that it had raised among the guests enlightening them on the benefits that Rotaract has to offer is priceless. Some of the participants from this event are now friends with Rotaractors and some of them have become guests in the club.

Prior to the Guest Day, RAC Subang's mega Rotaract Awareness Project cum Community Service Project, the Xtramile Run was undeniably the greatest Rotaract awareness project that has taken place during the year. The donation drive embarked upon via the project has contributed to a total collection of approximately RM110,000 which have significantly benefited the children of the Start Society. It has also raised awareness of Rotaract among the public significantly whereby flyers with Rotaract information was distributed to vast amount of people, public joining in the dance and games organized by RAC Subang, banners and buntings of Rotaract displayed at prominent location throughout Klang Valley, T-Shirt bearing logo of Rotaract purchased by the donors and the vibrant energetic Rotaractors that continued to liven the event throughout the duration of the run. As an ultimate windfall, awareness of RAC Subang, being the main organizer of the event was explicitly mentioned in press coverage and article in all major nationwide newspapers. The organizing chairperson for the Project,

Rtr. IPDRR Sanjeev Kumar was also featured on NTV7 providing key details with regards to the event to the nation. The magnitude of the success of this Project in raising Rotaract awareness among our community and nation is absolutely indisputable. We have inducted 3 guests who became active with Rotaract Club of Subang in Xtramile, namely Aaron Tang, Jasmine Ng and Goh Yen Peng.

Conclusion: Best Club Award – Rotaract Club of Subang

Famous idiom goes, 'Jack of All Trade, Master of None'. However, if an idiom exist 'Master of All', RAC Subang is definitely the 'Master of All'. It takes dedication, commitment, passion and relentless effort for a Rotaract Club to play a prominent role in all the Rotaract's 4 Avenues of Service. The magnitude of the project/activities undertaken, enthusiasm shown in all activities and the unity of RAC Subang's members, which makes up the Club, is simply ecstatic. Through observation, one can obviously see that RAC Subang acts as a role model among most of the Rotaract Clubs in D3300 and drives them to further excel and succeed in their endeavors, as has RAC Subang through-out the year. To conclude, RAC Subang is the BEST ROTARACT CLUB, and nothing would seem more appropriate than being awarded the Best Rotaract Club Award.