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*21<sup>st</sup> Regular Weekly Meeting  
Via Zoom*

February 9, 2022 \* 7:00 PM

**Program**

**I. Opening:**

Call to Order.....Pres. Michael Chellathurai

Invocation, National Anthem,  
Rotary Hymn & Recitation of the  
4-Way Test & Object of Rotary.....PP JL Solivio

Introduction of Guests &  
Visiting Rotarians.....Sec. Ester Gahol

**II. Programme Proper**

Rotary Information &  
Secretary's Report.....Sec. Ester Gahol

President's Time ..... Pres. Michael Chellathurai

**III. Other Matters**

**IV. Closing:** Announcements / Adjournment

**Dir. Annie Faye Singson**  
*Master of Ceremonies*

## 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 to 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.

## FOUR WAY TEST

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

- 1<sup>st</sup> Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4<sup>th</sup> Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

## Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions

*As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:*

1. Consider my vocation to be another opportunity of service;
2. Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of community.
3. Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
4. Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
5. Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to the society;
6. Offer my vocational talents to provide opportunities for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
7. Adhere to honesty in advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
8. Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded to others in a business or professional relationship.

## INVOCATION

Dear Father, we know that You are present with us at this very moment in this room. We were thought that prayers is a conversation with You. And Your son told us two thousand years ago.

Allow us, therefore, to converse with You as children do with parents. You must have observed how wonderful it is for Rotarians to meet every week in an atmosphere of friendship and joy, sharing and learning about all things and the welfare of their community and their country. You must have noticed, too, everybody putting his best foot forward, wishing each other well, and extending a helping hand to the needy and the poor. Father, You are most powerful and infinitely persuasive of all – can You not make this spirit and atmosphere prevail amongst our national leaders? That is our fervent prayer.

Amen.

## *Rotary Information...*

### **The Supurunda Water Supply Project in Papua New Guinea has been a successful example of how Rotary is advancing peace and providing clean water and sanitation.**

In 2018, eight villages inhabited by five cultural groups agreed to put aside past conflicts so they could enjoy the benefits of a safe, clean water supply. The resulting water system is now a common and enduring thread that, no matter what else happens, will unite them and will be protected by them for everyone to enjoy into the future.

The project area is 30 km (about 19 miles) northwest of Goroka, in Daulo District, in the Eastern Highlands Province. With a total cost of US\$62,969, the project was supported by a Rotary Foundation global grant of \$24,011, along with funds from a number of Rotary districts and clubs in Australia and Papua New Guinea.

The Rotary Club of Goroka managed the project, and Osivo Ombuano, then the club's secretary, led the effort. Ian Cameron of the Rotary Club of Mitchelton, Queensland, and Wes Nichols of the Rotary Club of Toowong, Queensland, served as project directors and mentored the project delivery team.

The system supplies clean water to 3,000 villagers in eight villages for the first time ever. The water comes from a spring and is delivered through a gravity-feed system that has few parts, which will make maintaining it relatively easy and inexpensive. Construction materials were purchased locally, and the villagers completed construction within six weeks. Over 7 km (4.3 miles) of pipe were trenched as part of the project, tanks were installed to store the water, and 52 communal taps now provide free-flowing water to clusters of houses, schools, churches, and health clinics.

The spring can supply 2.25 liters (.6 gallons) per second — that's up to 65 liters (17 gallons) per person per day. Water from the Asaro and Gota Rivers, although not fit to drink, supplements the water supply to irrigate crops, helping drive the community's economic development.

Before the project began, a memorandum of understanding was developed between the five tribal groups and the owner of the water supply source to share the water among the villages. This agreement was used as the basis for a policy document, which is registered with the local court and is enforceable by law.

A water, sanitation, and hygiene education program was rolled out prior to construction, with sessions for schoolchildren and other villagers. A briefing was held for the Supurunda Water Supply Committee, and this helped ensure that the program was implemented effectively for the entire population. The program will be repeated each year for schoolchildren.

Osivo and his skilled team of plumbers, carpenters, concreters, pipe layers, and other water supply installers trained the local workforce in installing and maintaining the water supply system.

Everyone — men, women, and children — was involved in the construction phase, which gave them all ownership of the project to ensure that the system will be protected and preserved.

Celebrating the success with a feast

Around 2,000 people came to celebrate the completion of the project in a groundbreaking opening ceremony, where all eight villages were represented by people in traditional dress.

Supurunda Water Supply Committee Chair, Pastor Monda Kombai, said the ceremony was the biggest celebration they'd held since independence in 1975.

The villagers supplied 13 pigs — an unusually large number — to be cooked in a mumu, a pit in the ground for roasting pork and vegetables. Along with other food, it was divided and presented to various parties in honor of their contributions to the project. As a comparison, only one pig was shared at the most recent celebration before this.

Pigs play an important role in Papua New Guinean culture, where they represent social values and are a status symbol.

"When we asked why so many pigs were offered up, we found out that, as well as for the celebration, the pigs were being used to settle past grievances," Nichols says. "Peace and conflict resolution was happening right there in front of us and all as a byproduct of supplying safe, clean water. This was an extremely serious and important part of the celebration."

The Supurunda Water Supply Committee will oversee the operation and maintenance of the system, and a monthly levy on households will raise funds for its maintenance.

"They are a very professional team and have everything in place to ensure the sustainability of the project," Nichols says.

Since the initial project was completed, the water supply system has been extended to the nearby village of Osomea. A 5,000-liter tank from an unsuccessful European Union project was relocated to Osomea to be used as a distribution tank for the village.

The Supurunda Water Supply Committee still meets, the education program continues, and the people's health is benefiting.

"This has been a spectacularly successful project," Nichols says. "It is providing water to communities who never imagined they would ever see clean, running water in their villages in their lifetime."

The Supurunda Water Supply Project and its forerunner, the Dudumia Project, are being used as templates for five more projects now in progress. Global grant applications for water supply systems in the villages of Benga, Kranget, Obura, Sausi, and Waripo are currently being assessed.



## Secretary's Report

**Ester Gahol**  
Club Secretary

### *Comparative Weekly Attendance*

	<b>Feb. 2</b>
CLUB MEMBERSHIP	18
HONORARY MEMBER	05
PRESENT	09
ON LEAVE	00
ABSENT	09
MADE UP	00
ATTENDANCE % BASE	18
WEEK AVERAGE	<b>50.00%</b>

**Guest:**  
Sp. Lynda Tabije

### **Happy Birthday!**

Feb. 01 – PP JL Solivio  
09 – Treas. Sally Baneke  
19 – PD Nikki de Torres



### **Reminder:**

Feb. 10 – Peace Forum  
Roadway Inn & Zoom  
1:30 P.M.

Feb. 12 – RCSD 54<sup>th</sup> Charter  
Anniversary



## The President's Corner

**Michael Gerard Chellathurai**  
Club President

Hi Fellow Rotarians,

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## RCSD 20<sup>th</sup> E-Meeting...

"Club Assembly". Feb. 2, 2022



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Feb. 2 Spin the Wheel winners:  
(Prizes sponsored by PP Don Torno)

1. Sec. Ester Gahol
2. Chat Ceniza

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