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No. 2631
18th November 2016

Today's Topic:

"ANTI-AGEING, HAIR SCANNING & NUTRITION"

Vicki Weber



RCBS PANEL A NEW PRESIDENT...NOW WHAT?

By RTN Roy Howard

Still reeling from the shock defeat of Hillary Clinton in the USA Presidential election, the RCBS panel consisting of PP Mike, PE Jon and RTN Yod presented their different views on the impact of Donald Trump in relation to the USA, Europe and Thailand. The result of the election which almost no one anticipated (except P Ken!), seems certain to cause acrimonious division across America, and could well impact on the future global economy.

Representing the American point of view, PP Mike hoped that many of Trump's more outrageous policies would be moderated by Republican Senators and Congress. The cancellation of trade agreements and deportation of migrant workers could prove harmful to US-based industries, while withdrawal from NATO could destabilise Europe. It was generally agreed that a major programme of public works to improve the infrastructure of the USA would help unemployment, but the cost of this and building walls will probably cause a significant increase in the Country's deficit

Describing the discontent which has been growing in many parts of the USA, due to the export of manufacturing jobs overseas, PP Mike blamed the failure to recognise this by Hillary Clinton's team as the main reason for her defeat. Through the endless repetition of negative slogans, Trump succeeded in capturing many votes, in spite of the absence of any realistic policy alternatives. Skilful use of social media also promoted the Trump brand, especially amongst the less well-educated and lower income groups. By linking her policies closely to those of President Obama, Hillary Clinton also failed to gain the support of many voters who were disappointed at the low growth rate of the USA economy, apparently unaware that America has performed better than most Western economies over the past eight years.

Representing a European perspective, PE Jon explained that the trend which brought Trump to the Presidency, also exists increasingly throughout Europe, with prime examples being Berlusconi in Italy, Farage in the UK and Le Pen in France. The trigger for the popularity of

these figures is a general discontent with uncontrolled migration, and the public perception that migrants take away jobs and cause cultural changes which many find unacceptable. This was clearly the reason for the Brexit decision, and will likely lead to other upsets in future European political situations. Describing Donald Trump's similarity to Berlusconi, PE Jon summed this up as "no policies, a loud voice and a trophy wife".

Turning to the Thai reaction to the US election result, RTN Yod reported limited coverage of the event given that most Thais were concerned with local issues. Speculation on the effects of future trade barriers to the USA are cause for concern, but it was also pointed out that the unwinding of trade agreements can be a lengthy and uncertain process. Much will depend on whether the USA continues to focus on the Far East.

The generally sombre mood of members and guests was thankfully lifted somewhat by the generous offering of free red wine by PP Narinder, to celebrate his birthday.





RTN Eid makes a personal donation of Baht 10,000 to P. Krin for Coins on Silom



PP Mark, guest AG Salakjit and RTN Ron enjoy fellowship



PP Vichai, PP Andrew and RTN Rod savour pre-lunch drinks



PP Narinder celebrates his birthday



RTN Ola pays P Krin \$100 for betting against the Donald



RTN Adrian appeals for more volunteers for Coins on Silom



New member RTN Marc is welcomed by PDG Alex and P Krin



PP Maarten takes home the Cosmos whisky

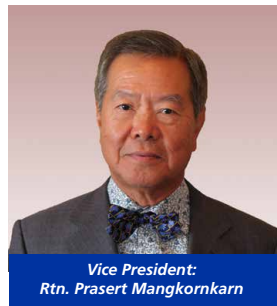
NOMINATIONS FOR RCBS 2018-2019 PRESIDENT & 2017-2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

As Chairman of the RCBS nominating committee 2017-2018, appointed by President Krin Charnmaytesakul (Ken), we are pleased to announce nominations for club president in 2018-2019 and for our board of directors during 2017-2018. PP Don Lavoie.

PRESIDENT 2017-2018



PRESIDENT ELECT 2018-2019



DIRECTORS 2017-2018



Khun Khob's Club Almanac #2631

18 November 2016

Happy Birthdays:

None

Wedding Anniversary Greetings:

Stuart Lucani November 22
PP Ole Madsen November 24

Attendance for 11th November 2016: 65%

Present 37, Make-up 12, Absent 22, Exemption 32, Total 103

Visiting for 1st November 2016

From Local

Eid Jazairi RC Bangkok
AG Salakjit Nopakhun RC Bang Rak

From Abroad:

Eid Jazairi RC Bangkok
AG Salakjit Nopakhun RC Bang Rak

Invited Guests:

John van Lare
Lina Christensen
Marc Honinckx

Introduced by:

Vinai Phutthinin
Carol Kuhn
PDG Alex Mavro

Recent Makeups:

RC Saint John New Brunswick, 31st October 2016:

Chip Bowness

Recent Makeups:

RC Babedow, 3rd November 2016: PP Stanley Mac Donald

RC Bangkok, 8th November 2016: Mikko Lainejoki

Makeups:

2016 BKK Institute Prep., 3rd November 2016: PDG Alex Mavro,

PP Andrew MacPherson

Program, 8th November 2016:

PP Andrew MacPherson, Colin Hastings, Dana Caron, Dean Outerson, PP Don Lavoie, PE Jon Plate, Joop van Delden, P Krin Charnmaytesakyl, PP Mark Butters, PP Michael Schulz, IPP Narain Suradejvibul, PP Narainder Sachdev, PP Nart Liucharoen, PP Nick Pisalyaput, PP Niti Meyer, PP Philip Beachtold, Rakesh Sodhia, PP Renato Porzio, PP Sean Brady, PP Wanit Mekdhanasarn

Golf Committee, 9th November 2016:

John Casella, Dougie Riach, Mark Shaw, Mikko Lainejoki, Mototoshi Kakiuchi, Ravi Sehgal

Golf Meeting at Thana City, 10th November 2016:

Stuart Lucani

COS, 11th November 2016:

Doug Riach, PP Nigel Hardy, Stuart Lucani

CLUB CALENDAR

Friday, 25th November 2016 – Poul Weber: “Chrysanthemum project our club did with His Majesty the King’s royal project”

Thursday, 1st December 2016 – Coins on Silom 2016

Friday, 2nd December 2016 – Adrian Topham: “How to Make Money”

Friday, 9th December 2016 – LADIES’ DAY: Stefan Paul Sanchez – OPERA LIVE and Sister Louise Xmas Articles Sale

Thursday, 15th December 2016 – Club Christmas Dinner at PP Don’s and Danielle’s Home

Friday, 16th December 2016 – No Meeting – due to Xmas Dinner the previous day

Friday, 23rd December 2016 – Fellowship Program: Wine Buffet

Friday, 30th December 2016 – No Meeting – Festive Season Holidays

Friday, 06th January 2016 – New Year Predictions 2017 by Panel of Rotarians

For more information about Bangkok South events contact: rotarybangkoksouth.org/calendar-of-events

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