

UN DAY CELEBRATIONS LUNCHEON MEETING

Thursday, 24th October 2024
12.30 PM Onwards
London Grill,
Cinnamon Grand, Colombo 03



Rotary Club of Colombo
Chartered on the 24th of August 1929
Club Meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday

CHIEF GUEST'S PROFILE

Mr. Marc-André Franche brings to the position over 20 years of experience in international development and conflict prevention with the United Nations. He previously headed the UN Secretary-General's Peacebuilding Fund, which supports more than 40 countries around the world to prevent violent conflict, avoid the resumption of conflict or encourage reconciliation.

Before that, Mr. Franche was Country Director of UNDP in Pakistan from 2013 to 2016, where he led a team working on conflict prevention, governance and climate change adaptation. He was also Deputy Director of UNDP in Haiti, a position he held from 2008 to 2012. Between 2004 and 2008, Mr. Franche worked for UNDP in New York as a program advisor for conflict prevention in Latin America and the Caribbean. In this capacity, he led the regional program on conflict prevention and supported consensus building and dialogue in the region. Previously, he worked on applied research and policy dialogue on conflict prevention for UNDP in Colombia and on poverty reduction and local governance for UNDP in Bolivia.

Mr. Marc-André Franche is Canadian, holds a master's degree in development policy from the London School of Economics, European studies from Lund University and a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Montreal. He is married and has a son.

**Rotary & the United Nations
have a shared history of working
toward peace and addressing
humanitarian issues around the world.**



Chief Guest

Hon Marc-André Franche
UN Resident Coordinator

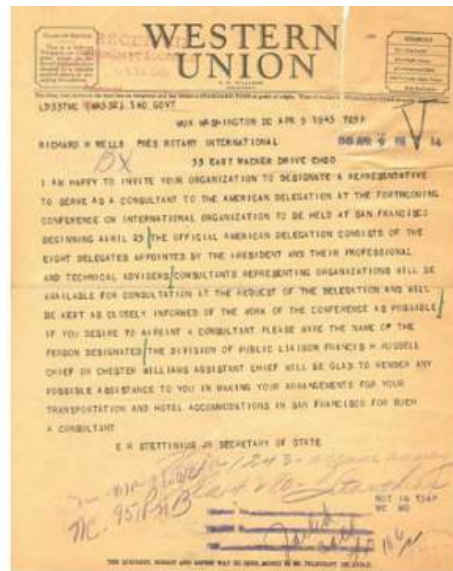
The Significance of the United Nations Day Celebration

Every 24 October, the United Nations Day is celebrated all over the world to commemorate the anniversary of the official creation of the United Nations through the 1945 UN Charter.

Rotary at the start of the United Nations



Rotary's presentation of the United Nations charter, "From Here On!"



Telegram inviting Rotary International to serve as a consultant to the U.S. delegation to the San Francisco Conference.



"Timely Questions on Dumbarton Oaks" helped Rotarians understand the complexities of the proposed charter.



SCAN - VISIT US

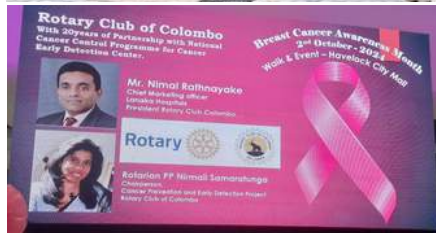
District Governor's Official Club Visit

Took place at The London Grill and Plates Deck, Cinnamon Grand, Colombo 03 on the 03rd October 2024



Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

Took place on the 2nd of October 2024, 8 AM onwards from Police Park to Havelock City Mall



District Rotary Foundation Seminar 2024-25

Held on the 5th October in Kandy attended by President Nimal, PDG Pubudu and PP Rajiv



Installation Ceremony of the Interact Club of St. Paul's Girls' School

Took place at the St. Paul's Girls' School Main Hall on the 04th of October 2024



Rotary Year 2024 - 2025

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District Governor:
Sushena Ranatunge

President:
Rtn Nimal Ratnayake

District Secretary:
PP Gamini Madanayake

Secretary:
PDG Pubudu De Zoysa

Assistant Governor:
PP Dhamitha Pathirana



4th Board Meeting

Took place at Carmart, 424 Union Place, Colombo on the 08th of October 2024



6th October at Hedunuwewa Primary school in Hatton, Kotmale with RC Colombo Mid Town



9th October - Athungoda Isipathana Junior School in Kottukachchiya, Puttlam



8th October at Sangaraja Maha Vidyalaya, Gampaha with PP Bob Alardice of RC Nunawading, Victoria, Australia



Opening of school playground equipment project

AGENDA

- Meeting called to order
- Welcome Address
- National Anthems of Canada & Sri Lanka
- Club Announcements
- Introduction of the Chief Guest
- Address by Hon Marc-André Franche
- Expression of Thanks

Anniversaries October

- Rtn Nihal Wickramanayake & Dushyanthi 13th October
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- Rtn Nadika Opatha & Gihan 20th October
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- Rtn Pubudu Basnayake & Rangika 21th October

Member's Birthdays

October

- Rtn Helen Cheung 13th October
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- Rtn Nihal Wickramanayake 19th October
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- Rtn Upali De Silva 20th October
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- Rtn Shamindra Marcelline 22th October
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- Rtn Sidath Fernando 25th October
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- Rtn Jude Wejesundara 26th October
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- PP Kumudu Warnakulasooriya 27th October
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- Rtn Sirimal Fernando 30th October
-
- Rtn Sriyan Wijeratne 30th October
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- Rtn Naqeeb Hussain 31st October

VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

CALLING FOR APPLICATIONS

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

20th December 2024

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Rtn Akram Cassim Elected as Sri Lanka Gem and Jewellery Association President

Rtn Dr. Vijaya Corea completed 60 years as a Broadcaster and Media Personality



Upcoming Meetings and Events

November-December

- 7th Luncheon Meeting 07th November
- 5th Board Meeting 19th November
- 8th Luncheon Meeting 21st November
- 9th Luncheon Meeting 05th December
- Annual General Meeting 19th December

Service Committee Meetings

- Youth Service 12th November
- Community Service 13th November
- Vocational Service 19th November
- International Service 27th November



End Polio Now Media Briefing