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Friday
12.15 pm.

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Bandid Nijathaworn **Corruption in Thailand**

No 2490

21 June 2013

Pran Siamwalla **Cause and Affect of Climate Change**

Pran Siamwalla, President of the Association of Natural Disaster Prevention Industry, came to the club today and painted a somewhat bleak picture of mankind's future.

Beginning his talk with a recap of many of the recent natural disasters around the world, his first focus was on Bangkok and our chances of being hit by an earthquake.

According to Mr Pran, Bangkok's soil is naturally soft helping to enlarge the shock waves as much as 14 times. This could cause massive damage to infrastructure and cause high-rise buildings, roads, mass transit and bridges to collapse.

The recent quake that struck Christchurch, New Zealand, offers a good example, as half the buildings collapsed after the city experienced a moderate earthquake of magnitude six .

He went on to talk about how we are now experiencing direct effects of ice melt which is why we will continue to see extreme weather. This will include more frigid temperatures in the northern hemisphere during winter and much higher temperatures around the tropics in summer.

He talked about how over the past 400,000 years, the world has gone through three warm ages where there was no ice and sea levels were seven meters higher than today.

At that time, he warned, CO2 was close to 300 ppm. Today, CO2 is 390 ppm and will rise to 450 ppm by 2050 resulting, he added, that scientists now believe all ice will melt within 15 years.

An interesting and thought provoking talk, his message is one being heard more and more and one we can only hope will lead to changes needed to ensure global climate change is dealt with at all levels.



ANDPI is dedicated in spreading knowledge on natural disaster prevention technologies with the directive to form regulations and a way of life to effectively prevent disasters and provide rescue efforts by adopting best international practice and implementing through local stakeholders' collaboration.



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A picture is worth...



A very pleased PP Don passes the Program Committee Handbook to a somewhat reluctant Rtn Jon



A new reader—yeah!



Khun Apple



Rtn Tim , Darrin from Amnuay Silpa School and P Nick



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Tungmahamek Sign Language Course



On 7 June, President Nick, accompanied by Khun Khob, visited the Thungmahamek School for the Deaf to open the RCBS-sponsored Sign Language Course for non-deaf public. The course has continued for several years with funding assistance from our club and teaches basic sign language to parents and relatives of the deaf, as well as members of the general public such as police officers who often need to communicate with deaf persons. Thungmahamek School is one of the few service projects locations that RCBS undertakes in our immediate vicinity.



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Khun Khob's Club Almanac # 2490 – 21 June 2013

Happy Birthdays

PP Chatri Chiarapurk	June 21
James Fowler	June 23
Juergen Bernhold	June 23
PP Banvech Chantrasmi	June 25

Wedding Anniversary Greetings:

Boonchit Santikarn	June 24
Ravi Sehgal	June 24
PP Chainarong Indharameesup	June 24
Rick Smith	June 30
Michael Ellis	July 3

Attendance for 14 June 2013: 66%

Present 43, Make-up 7, Absent 26, Exemption 28, Total 104

Visiting 14 June 2013

From Local Club

RC Bangkok Jan Van Eyndhoven

From Abroad

Dan Christensen RC Nibe, Denmark

Invited Guests

Alisa Srisuwannanukorn
 Carl Turner
 Chris Simcox
 Darrin Wilkinson
 Kim Eun Ju
 Marcus Nothhelfer
 Pimol Worakul
 Pimyada Urailert
 Rudy van de Hoeven
 Suchai Buranavalahok

Introduced by

Stuart Baker
 Chip Bowness
 Stuart Baker
 Tim Cornwall
 Stuart Baker
 Mark Shaw
 Stuart Baker
 Stuart Baker
 DG Alex Mavro
 P Nick Pisalyaput

Recent Makeups

RC of Eceleshall Mercia, UK, 11/06/13: IPP Mark Butters
 RC of Stafford, UK, 12/06/13: IPP Mark Butters
 E-Club of 3310, 14/06/13: Peter Williams

Make-up Credits

Program, 11/06/13: Alastair Timblich, AG Andrew MacPherson, Colin Hastings, PP Don Lavoie, Jon Plate, PE Mike Schulz, PP Narinder Sachdev, Paul Russell,



Club Calendar

Friday, 28 June
No Meeting

Friday, 5 July
President's Day

Friday, 12 July
TBA

Friday, 19 July
Emma Potchapornku
Southern Conflict

Friday, 26 July
Songkran Grachanetre
Why the Democrat's Fail

Friday, 2 August
PP Graham Brain
Life After Rotary

Friday, 9 August
Club Birthday

For Bangkok South Events
[rotarybangkoksouth.org/
calendar-of-events](http://rotarybangkoksouth.org/calendar-of-events)

Important Date to Remember

Saturday, 29 June 2013
Installation Dinner
Dusit Thani Hotel

Prasobsook Thawilvejjakul, Prasert Mangkornkarn, Renato Porzio, Rakesh Sodhia, Thanakorn Telan, PP Wanit Mekdhanasarn

Com Com, 14/06/13: Dean Outerson, Tim Cornwall



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