



Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan

From September 2018 to December 2018

District 2452

Club 88148

Merit Park Hotel

2nd & 4th Saturday

2 pm for 2.30 pm

POLIO FUND RAISING EVENT - This was organised by our club at Blakes Lounge Bar and Restaurant in Alsanck, all the funds raised from this event, will go towards helping with the eradication of Polio.



What is Polio?

Poliomyelitis is a highly infectious disease that most commonly affects children under the age of 5. Most know it as poliovirus. The virus is spread person to person, typically through contaminated water. It can attack the nervous system, and in some instances, lead to paralysis. Although there is no cure, there is a safe and effective vaccine - one which Rotary and our partners use to immunize over 2.5 billion children worldwide.



5 FACTS ABOUT POLIO

1. Polio mainly affects children under age 5.
2. There is no cure, but Polio is preventable with a vaccine.
3. Only three countries remain endemic.
4. Rotary, along with partners, had reduced cases by 99.9% since 1988.
5. Until we end polio forever, every child is at risk.

When the Global Polio Eradication Initiative was started in 1985, polio paralyzed more than 350,000 children annually in more than 125 countries. Now, the number of cases has decreased by 99%. India had its last new case of polio in 2011. Now the disease is considered endemic, or prevalent, in just three countries: Nigeria, Afghanistan and Pakistan. In 2016 there were fewer than 40 new cases diagnosed in those countries. And so far, this year, there have only been five new diagnoses in Afghanistan and Pakistan; none in Nigeria.



GRANT MANAGEMENT SEMINAR AND CYPRUS ASSEMBLY

The Rotary District 2452 Grant Management Seminar was held 20th of October at Semeli Hotel in Nicosia.

Our president Hakkı Müftüzade, past president Gültaç Özsan, Rt. Gloria Tattersall, Rt. Figen Rasmussen, Rt. Behiye Müftüzade and Rt. Olgun Topalcık attended on behalf of our club.



Picture of Grant Seminar

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Our two new members were pinned by AG Emilios Tannousis.

We welcome Ayhan Dolunay & Olgun Topalcık to the family of Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan.



Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan members Past President Gültaç Özsan and Rt. Behiye Müftüzade attended to the lecture on the economy related with late fifties to present time giving by Ex-Minister of Finance Onur Borman.



'Collect the Caps' Projects for Wheelchairs

This project is an ongoing project in aid of Cyprus Turkish Orthopaedic Disabled Association.

We are coming together with Association President on a regular basis and presenting him the blue bottle tops collected by our fellow Rotarians.



Our club secretary Figen Rasmussen with bottle tops



Our guest Mr. Mike J. WALSH



Mr. Walsh gave us a very informative talk on building constructions that he had been involved in across the world; Stockholm, Barcelona, Valencia, Lisbon, Lille, Dubai, Korea and South Africa. He was born in 1948 and has an degree of BSc Civil Engineering, MICE.



In October, we had two important guest speakers PDDG Dinçer Çağın (left of president Hakkı Müftüzade) and Dervish Yashar Baha (right of president Hakkı Müftüzade). It was a great opportunity and occasion for all of our club members to listen to this informative and valuable talk, regarding the values and importance of being a Rotarian.



We had a meeting with our District Governor at the Merit Park Hotel on Saturday 17th November 2018. DG Michel Jazzar quoted that we were an outstanding Club not only in Cyprus but in District 2452 he also praised our ongoing and proposed new projects and our efforts in fund raising events. He thanked our President Hakki for dedicating his time in working with a great deal of endurance into making Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan the successful club it is today.



He made particular reference to our past president Gultac Ozsan for her hard work and continued enthusiasm, he applauded Figen our secretary for her hard work, emphasising how important it was to the success of a club to have a diligent person in this position.

Also, we would like to thank AG's Emilios Tanoussis and Vural Vural for accompanying our DG and participating in our meeting.

Our thanks go to the Merit Group for accommodating us with the facilities of the Merit Park for our initial meeting with the District Governor and Board members and the Merit Royal where we joined our Club members and guests for dinner, where the food and service was to their usual high standard.



Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan organised and held their Pre Christmas and New Year's Eve Dinner Party on Friday 23rd November, which was held at the Merit Royal Premium Hotel.

Over one hundred guests attended the dinner including several from; Nigeria, England and Holland including our Assistant District Governors; Emilios Tannious and Vural Vural as well as Past Presidents and Past Assistant Governors from Southern Cyprus. A true Cosmopolitan evening!



On arrival the guests were served cocktails and canapés this was later followed by a mouthwatering meal of smoked salmon, duck with hoisin sauce and finally crème brûlée. Guests enjoyed a mixture of local and international music, the evening was rounded off with a raffle which helped to raise a considerable amount of money.



All the proceeds from this event will be donated to special needs children within our community and to the World Polio Fund to assist with the eradication of polio.



Picture left club members selling raffle tickets





Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan, organised a Christmas Party on Tuesday 11th December at the 18+ rehabilitation centre in Karakum, providing them with a host of presents and prizes. Esen Karaç who is a special needs educational teacher of music, provided the entertainment and co-ordinated the party games.

This centre facilitates up to 25 individuals ranging from the age of 18 to 40. These men and women suffer from a complex of disabilities, ranging from mental health issues to physical disabilities. The event was sponsored by the Merit International Group who provided all the catering facilities to an extremely high standard. The proposed development which is also going to be sponsored by the Merit International Group, with the help of the Kyrenia Municipality, is to improve their facilities within the present building and to reconstruct, develop and secure their surrounding grounds. This will involve the preparation of pitches where a variety of sports can be played, which will help with their rehabilitation.



Our prospective new member Pelin Kutluba is taking an important role in the organisation of this project, assisted by our club members, Past President Gultac Ozsan, Figen Rasmussen our club secretary, Trudy Mace, Ben and Ayten Benoit, Alan and Lesley Fairley. Hakkı Muftuzade our Club President with his wife Rt Behiye Muftuzade and Vice President Rahmi Ozsan, also attended the event and will be assisting with the sponsorship.