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The Origins of China's Coffee Culture

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If you wander the streets of downtown Shanghai, you see them everywhere: Star-bucks, Costa Coffee, Pacific Coffee, UBC, Kafelaku and a host of specialty coffee roasters, Sumerian and others. And the patrons are not Western but Chinese. Also, unlike often said, these are not there just in order to be hip – there is nothing hip about standing in a long line at the Star-bucks coffee cart on the ground level of Hongqiao Railway station. No, people genuinely have started to like coffee.

Yet China and coffee were not the most natural match – after all China is the inven-tor of tea. Anyone coming to China in the 1990s will remember Nescafe being a specialty item, available in red and gold wrap-ped gift boxes, and popular mostly be-cause its glass containers made good vessels for drinking tea. When Starbucks opened its first shop in China, in the for-bidden city of all places, it was not only a bold move but also highly controversial.

What did change and how did it happen that at least Shanghai seems to have more Starbucks than Pu'er shops? Frank Hossack has been there from the beginning. As a popular radio host he was instrumental in getting China accustomed to the new brew. At this fellowship event Frank will give us his insights from over 2 decades in China and what shaped China's coffee culture, what makes it unique and in which direction it will develop. We anyway can safely assume that it will develop twice as fast as in the west.



Rotary Club of Shanghai

END POLIO NOW

No more excuses!
Jump in a global cause!

3337 Hongmei Rd, Shanghai
Near Yanan West Rd
上海市闵行区虹梅路3337号
10 Longxi Rd

Bring swimsuits,
cap and goggle!

Event (Swim+Spa): 100¥
Event + Brunch: 200¥

10:45 - Registration & changing
11:30 to 12:30 - Swimming relay
13:00 - Lunch

RSVP link:

Rotary Swimarathon
Sunday Feb 26th 2017

Venue: **Marriott Hotel City Center,**
555 Xi Zang Middle Road,
5th Floor Grand Ballroom

Rotary Club of Shanghai

Austin Powers and the Swinging 60's Party

Join the Rotary Club of Shanghai for an
International Night of Mystery
to Promote the Gift of Life Project

March 25th, 2017 *Saturday*
6pm

DJ / Buffet / Dancing / Raffles / Silent Auction / Game of Chances

Prizes for the grooviest costumes!

Tickets = RMB 680 For inquiries please call: 13916558176

Date	Topic/Speaker	Venue/Time
February 21 st	Frank Hossack on the True Origins of China's Coffee Culture	EZO Japanese Restaurant, Marriott City Center, 19:00
February 28 th	Fellowship	EZO Japanese Restaurant, Marriott City Center, 19:00
March 7 th	Update on the Taicang Inclusion Factory, Nadav Ben Simon	EZO Japanese Restaurant, Marriott City Center, 19:00
March 14 th	Fellowship	EZO Japanese Restaurant, Marriott City Center, 19:00



February 14th, 2017

Klaus W. Dellith	RC Schmalkalden	Germany
Christina Sepmeijer	RC Wassenaar W.	Netherlands
Richard Oakley	RC Geeleug Central	Australia

16 members, 3 visitors and 5 guests to make the total headcount 24.

Highlights from the last meeting

The last meeting was reasonably well visited – despite it being Valentine’s Day. What does this imply – do our members have no happy Valentine? Are they able to organize their calendar differently? Do they have very forgiving significant others? At least it shows the enormous attraction of our fellowships and of this evenings excellent speaker and his topic of ‘Slow Food’.

As always the meeting was presided over by Andrew. The Four-Way-Test was read by Filipino while Christian made the guest introductions. Then a new honorary member was introduced, Candice Fang. Later in the evening Linnet advertised the Austin Powers event and sold tickets, sweetening the deal with Banana Bread.

The meeting was adjourned with a toast to our new honorary member.



Michel, back from Nagasaki



Our newest honorary member, Candice Ding



Banner exchange with the RC Wassenaar Wetering



Klaus Dellith, often seen guest from Schmalkalden



The setting was particularly splendid this time

Club Information

Contacts & Meetings

The club meeting is a dinner meeting (by invitation only) every Tuesday at the: Marriott City Center No. 555 Middle Xizang Rd, Shanghai 上海雅居乐万豪酒店, 中国 上海 黄浦区西藏中路 555 号 18:30 cocktails, 19:00-20:30 dinner For details, contact the club administrator Vivian Huang at RSVP@rotaryshanghai.org, +86 13501672753

Officers & Boardmembers

- Andrew Hill – President
- Moto Yamane – President Elect
- Linnet Kwok – Vice President
- Tracy Hua – Hon. Secretary
- Chee Ming Tsang - Treasurer
- Dean Merritt - IPP
- Filippo Garini
- Alejandro Buriel Rocha
- Dave Smith
- Christian Kober
- Susanne Moskop

Basic Info of our Club

First chartered on 1 October 1919, re-chartered on 8 February 2006
 Number of active members – 68
 Number of honorary members – 5

Committees and Directors

- Club Administration Committee**
Chair: Moto Yamane, yamane@tmish.com
- Membership Committee**
Chair: Terri Lau, Terri.Lau@asiantigers-china.com
- Service Projects**
Chair: Alejandro Buriel-Rocha, alejandro.buriel@smchinaconsult.com
- Youth Service Committee**
Chair: Diane Russel, drussell@diane-russell.com
- Sister Clubs**
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Chair: Chee Ming Tsang, lwcmt@gmail.com
- Gift of Life**
Chair: Linnet Kwok, linnetkwok@hotmail.com
- Annual Party**
Chair: Linnet Kwok, linnetkwok@hotmail.com

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Rotary Club of Shanghai West
 Wednesday, 18:30-20:30
 Location: Shanghai Pullman Hotel
 位置: 上海中星铂爾曼酒店
 Address: No. 1 Pubei Road, Xuhui District, Shanghai
 上海徐汇区浦北路1号
 For more information please contact President Roy Chu
 Email: roy.chu@exlink.com.cn

Rotary Club of Shanghai Pudong Lujiazui
 Thursday, 19:00-20:30
 Location: Kempinski Hotel, Shanghai 上海凯宾斯基大酒店
 1288 Lujiazui Ring Road, Pudong New Area
 浦东新区陆家嘴环路1288号
 Tel.: +86 21 5101 5566
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Fresh Start Rotary Club of Shanghai
 Friday, 7:45-9:00 am
 Location: 2nd floor, Element Fresh, Jing An Kerry Center
 位置: 新元素静安嘉里中心店二楼
 Address : No.1551 Nan Jing Xi Lu ,shanghai
 地址: 南京西路1551号
 For more information about Fresh Start and for anyone interested to attend, please visit <http://freshstartrotaryshanghai.org/>