

MINUTES OF MEETING # 77

Meeting # 77 was convened by Sergeant-at-arms **TM Musthafa** at 7:30 PM. The theme of the day was "**Whatsapp**". TM Musthafa introduced Club Vice President (Education) **TM Benov Jacob** and invited him to chair the meeting. TM Musthafa appreciated TM Benov for his Whatsapp messages in Smedley's Whatsapp group. He also appreciated TM Benov for his appropriate planning and successful implementation of Smedley's Platinum Voyage- The Dhow Cruise.

In his presidential address, **TM Benov** welcomed members, the speech crafters who are new to the club meetings and guests. He passed the last meetings minutes after TM Lesiley proposed its approval and Tm Vimalraj seconded it.

TM Benov described the theme of the day "**Whatsapp**" by highlighting its usefulness in modern world. He also cautioned everybody and advised to be careful while using social media for the potential it carries in creating problems and nuisance. He also advised all to download links shared in Whatsapp from genuine sources only. TM Benov Jacob opened Smedley Toastmaster's meeting # 77. He introduced TMOE, **TM Thava Mayooran** as a humourous person. **TM Benov** handed over the control of the meeting to TMOE.

TM Thava Mayooran spoke on how Whatsapp make our life special in modern world. He introduced the role players; Grammarian TM Moidu, Timer TM Noorudeen, AH Counter TM Navaz.

Grammarian TM Moidu chose "**Astonish**" as the word of the day, which is a verb and means surprise or impress (someone) greatly. Timer TM Noorudeen, AH Counter TM Navaz also described their roles.

TMOE introduced the first speaker on prepared speeches **TM Vimalraj**; who delivered his P-10 from CC Manual on "**Dial 300**". TM Vimalraj spoke on the memories of a glorious life he had in the initial years of his childhood. 300 was his home Telephone number. A personal tragedy, in which his father met with an accident, changed the entire scenario. There were lots of financial losses and they started regaining the glory when TM Vimalraj restarted his family business at the age of 15 along with his family members. It was an inspirational speech. TM Vimalraj invited everybody present in the meeting for the house warming ceremony of his new house in India.

TMOE TM Thava Mayooraan introduced the second speaker of the evening **TM Rimzan**; who delivered his ACG P-4 on "**Coaching**". He grabbed attention of the audience when he said, "after few initial days of his first job; he went straight to his boss to tell him that he wants to quit". TM Rimzan said, "Never judge a person but coach him". He also said that it is very important to praise the person you are coaching even if there is 1 % improvement in him. TM Rimzan invited TM Akhila for a demo coaching session in which TM Rimzan acted as a boss who got poor feedback about TM Akhila and wanted her response on it. TM Rimzan described how to handle such situations. He then asked everybody to give their opinion about his coaching in the demo. TM Girija, TM Kiran, TM Moidu, TM Navaz, Mr Rajan Ratheesh, Mr Manoj Perera and TM Abdul Rab gave their opinion.

This was followed by the Table Topics session on the theme of the day, "Whatsapp", which was coordinated by TM Kiran Kumar Reddy, TM Abdul Rabb, TM Moidu, TM Navaz, Mrs Sheena, Mr Rajan Ratheesh participated in the event. TM Kiran handed over control to TMOE TM Mayooraan

After this there was a short break for everybody to Whatsapp☺

After the break TM Mayooraan invited **TM Girija** for **General Evaluation**. TM Girija invited **TM Benov** to deliver his evaluation of TM Vimalraj. Likewise, **TM Lesiley** evaluated TM Rimzan.

TM Girija invited **TM Lesiley** for an Educational Module on "**New Members Presentation**" in which she explained on the communication and leadership activities of the Toastmaster fraternity. She explained the different levels which a member can achieve in the Toastmasters and the requisites for that. TM Lesiley also explained the manner in which the club functions and the ethical and organisational etiquettes the members should follow. There was a short question and answer session on the module. TM Lesiley then handed over the control of the session to TM Girija.

TM Girija asked for Timer, Grammarian and Ah Counter reports. Grammarian TM Moidu informed that all together, the word of the day "**Astonish**" were used **15** times. Timer TM Noorudeen said the meeting was delayed by 20 minutes. TM Girija gave a comprehensive general evaluation in which she pointed out that time slots allotted for the speeches, when taken together, and the total session time were the same. TM Girija handover control to TMOE; who invited the Chair of the Evening TM Benov for closing the session.

TM Benov announced the best Table Topics presenter. Tonight's **Best Table Topics Presenter** was **Mr TM Moidu**. He had delivered a beautiful speech on the subject with personal stories. TM Vimalraj presented the award to TM Moidu. None of the Evaluators qualified for the award for taking more time than the allocation. TM Benov took feedbacks from the guests. Mr Frank, Mrs Sheena and Mr Manoj Perera gave their positive feedback. Later TM Benov closed the session with request to all for active participation in the next Toastmaster meeting. TM benov is going for vacation. Smedley Toastmasters wish him a wonderful holidays!!!

All together, we had an exciting evening with a lot of information and discussion about Whatsapp, after all technology sparks excitement in all of us irrespective of age ☺. Thanks TM Mayooran for selecting such a catching theme of the evening.

Wish all of you attend the next meeting with active participation. The next meeting is on December 16th, 2015 at Sharq Capital.

I am also going for a vacation and shall be back by 28th of this month.

Till then... Good bye

TM Noorudeen