RED BADGE PROGRAMME

NEW MEMBERS - ENGAGEMENT



WHEN NEW MEMBERS BECOME INVOLVED IN ROTARY ACTIVITIES THEY BECOME MORE INVOLVED WITH THE CLUB AND WITH ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

I HAVE PERSONALLY SEEN HOW THIS PROGRAMME WORKS IN CLUBS IN USA WHEN PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO JOIN A ROTARY CLUB THEY START ON THIS PROGRAMME

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THE NEW MEMBER IS GIVEN A RED NAME BADGE, SO THAT OTHER MEMBERS RECOGNISE THAT THEY ARE A NEW MEMBER AND WELCOME ACCORDINGLY.

THE NEW MEMBER IS ALSO ASSIGNED A MENTOR

THE RED BADGE MEMBER IS GIVEN A LIST OF ACTIVITIES TO COMPLETE AS EACH TASK IS COMPLETED IT IS SIGNED OFF BY THE MENTOR

WHEN AT LEAST 6 OUT OF THE 10 OPTIONS ARE COMPLETED, THE RED BADGE MEMBER CAN THEN BECOME A FULL MEMBER OF THE CLUB AND BE FULLY INDUCTED.

EACH CLUB SET DIFFERENCE TASKS: AN EXAMPLE OF SOME TASKS ARE:

- BE ON MEET & GREET
- BE ON A COMMITTEE
- ATTEND A BOARD MEETING
- ATTEND ANOTHER CLUB VISIT (PREFERABLY WITH THEIR MENTOR)
- WORK ON A PROJECT
- GIVE A PRESENTATION ON THEIR "LIFE AND TIMES"
- ATTEND ROTARY INSTITUTE TRAINING
- BE THE SERGEANT FOR THE DAY
- LOGIN TO ROTARY.ORG
- LOGIN TO CLUB RUNNER CLUB SITE
- LOGIN TO CLUB RUNNER DISTRICT SITE
- DOWNLOAD THE CLUB RUNNER APP TO THEIR MOBILE DEVICE
- BRING A FRIEND TO A MEETING

THOSE WERE JUST SOME EXAMPLES – DIFFERENT CLUBS SET DIFFERENT TASKS.

ONE IMPORTANT ONE THAT SHOULD BE ON THE LIST IS CLUB ORIENTATION WHICH CAN BE DONE BY THE MENTOR OVER A COFFEE (FORMERLY REFERRED TO AS THE FIRESIDE CHAT)

WHEN I WAS IN THE USA ATTENDING DIFFERENT CLUB MEETINGS THERE WERE INDUCTIONS OF RED BADGE MEMBERS — IT WAS A VERY SPECIAL OCCASION

YOU MAY ASK WHAT IS THE ADVANTAGE OF THIS PROGRAMME:

It demonstrates who is keen to join Rotary for the right reasons by the time they take to become engage and complete their task list. If at the end of the Red Badge time limit the task list is incomplete then the prospective member will not make an engaged member and should not be inducted as a full member

Those members who are inducted after completion of this programme are found to be engaged, informed members of Rotary