

Membership Message 11/2020

Dear Members,

Mandatory Office Closing Update

The province of Quebec continues to gradually allow businesses to reopen under strict conditions and in stages following the easing of restrictions that were imposed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Each stage allows specific types of business to open and it is now the turn for the gradual reopening of offices such as WACA's located in large buildings. I am, therefore, expecting to return to the office for a limited amount of days this month and will continue working from home as required between my restricted office visits.

The 2020 Interline Celebration

As advised in previous Membership Messages, the WACA Council proposes to have an annual gathering in the form of a "mini AGA" this year which would become the 2020 Interline Celebration sometime in October/November. It is intended that the Celebration will be an occasion to review the current affairs of the Association and define our future goals taking into consideration the affects of post COVID-19 as well as organise tours and evening social events.

Currently information about the cost and logistics to host the Celebration in an easily accessible European city is being obtained. The Council will, of course, make its final choice of venue where our members can safely meet in accordance with the host country's government restrictions on travel and public gatherings. Once all relevant information has been obtained, and a decision made on the venue, a programme and detailed itinerary will be issued to the membership.

WACA Relief Fund — Blue Dragon Children's Foundation

WACA President, *Maga Ramasamy*, and WACA Ambassador for Vulnerable Children, *Anneline Hetland*, received the following message from the Blue Dragon Children's Foundation, Donor Relations (Sponsorship), Ms. *Nhung Hong Nguyen*:

Thank you for your continuous support for better education and the future of Tuyen, Van and Kiet. The children have been back at school for a few weeks preparing for their final exams. The sponsored students are studying hard at school after a long time studying from home due to COVID-19. Over the past year the children have grown up, changed and learn a lot. So I am pleased to share with you in the attached an update from your sponsored children Tuyen, Van and Kiet.

Grand Venture Bonanza

First Draw of 2020

Should I be able to access the WACA office this month it will enable me to make the first draw of 2020 for a USD 100.00 cash prizes graciously donated by the Sydney Interline Club. Another cash prize of USD 100.00 has been graciously donated by the Vancouver Interline Club in addition to five cash prizes of USD 100.00 each donated by WACA. In addition, there will be a fabulous prize of a package for one based on double occupancy to attend the 2020 Interline Celebration should it be held later this year that has also been donated by WACA making a total of eight prizes to be drawn throughout the year.

Membership Messages

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"Membership Messages" are sent out on a regular basis to WACA Member Clubs, Members-at-Large and other individuals closely connected to WACA. Recipients in Member Clubs are requested to forward these messages to all members of their respective Club or direct their members to the News and Press Releases section of WACA's website where the messages are posted: www.waca.org/news/Pages/index.aspx.

Contribute

If any WACA member has anything they would like to contribute to the next "Membership Message" please send the information to the attention of the WACA Administration Manager at WACA Headquarters.

KEEP WELL. STAY SAFE.

Yours in interlining,

Keith Miller
WACA Administration Manager