



JULY 2025 BULLETIN

Date: July 23, 2025

Time: 7:15 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Venue: Büyükhanlı Park Hotel & Zoom

Attendance rate of the 524th meeting of our Club was 50%, including two members who joined online, and excluding three members represented by powers of attorney.

Opening of the Meeting

The meeting began with the ringing of the bell by President Serpil Kocabıyık, followed by her welcoming remarks and words of appreciation to the members for attending on a hot summer evening. The President then played a video featuring the Moment of Silence and the National Anthem. She subsequently invited the Secretary, Rtn. Aysu Ünal Poyrazoğlu, to present and proceed with the agenda items.

Agenda

1. Presentation of Estimated Budget and Determination of the New Monthly Membership Fee
2. Determination of Entrance Fee for New Members and New Membership Categories
3. Proposal to Increase the Number of Monthly Meetings (2nd and 4th Tuesdays)
4. Appointment of Chairs and Members of Standing and Ad-Hoc Committees

Returning Member Application:

The membership application of H.E. Bozkurt Aran was approved unanimously. He is a former member of the Club (2019-24) and was sponsored by Rtn. Refik Kutluer.

The Club's July Activities

July 5 – District Visit to Anıtkabir: Rtms Serpil Kocabıyık and Aysu Ünal Poyrazoğlu represented the Club during the District's visit to Anıtkabir. They were joined by enthusiastic Rotaracts from the Rotaract Club of Ankara International, with notably high participation. The event, organized by the Beysukent Rotary Club, was a memorable occasion.

July 5 - "Döneme Merhaba Partisi": Club President Prof. Dr. Serpil Kocabıyık attended the joyful "Döneme Merhaba Partisi" held at Pia Sera, beautifully organized by the Bahçelievler Rotary Club.

July 10 and July 22 - The Board of Directors met at the residences of Rtms Nuray Tokuş and Serpil Kocabıyık to work on the Club's budget and plan Rotary projects.

July 15 - The Club's president and secretary meet with H.E. Bozkurt Aran at the Kavaklıdere to Social Club to discuss and facilitate his return to the Club possible.



July 5 - Anıtkabir Visit
Rtn. Serpil Kocabıyık
&
Rtn. Aysu Ünal Poyrazoğlu
together with
the Rotaracts from Rotaract Club of
Ankara International



July 5 - Döneme Merhaba
Partisi at Pia Sera Bilkent Hotel
Rtn. Serpil Kocabıyık
together with
the other Rotarians



July 10 and 12 - The Board
Meetings

(attendance rate was
80% and 60%, respectively)



July 15 - Meeting
at
the Kavaklıdere Social Club

Rtns Serpil Kocabıyık & Aysu Ünal Poyrazoğlu
together with
H.E. Bozkurt Aran, Ayşegül Özdemir & Anıl
Poyrazoğlu

General Assembly Meeting July 23, 2025 - The Club's July Activities (Continued)

July 21 - Visit to Ankara Tandoğan Rotary Club: At the invitation of President Zeynep Kürklü, Serpil Kocabıyık attended their club meeting at the Büyükhanlı Park Hotel. Detailed information was shared regarding their Global Grant Project Application, which aims to support the revival of the textile and culinary sectors in the earthquake-affected province of Hatay, focusing on low-income rural areas.



July 21 - Visit to Tandoğan Rotary Club at the Büyükhanlı Park Hotel.

Rtn. Serpil Kocabıyık & Rtn. Zeynep Kürklü

Conclusion of General Assembly Meeting

The General Assembly Meeting concluded at 9:00 p.m.



July 23 - Group photo taken at the conclusion of the Club's 524th Meeting and the Induction Ceremony of H.E. Bozkurt Aran.

H.E. Bozkurt Aran's Induction Ceremony

The Club meeting was followed by the Induction Celebration of H.E. Bozkurt Aran, which began at 9:20 p.m. upon his arrival with Ayşegül Özdemir. His sponsor, Rtn. Refik Kutluer, presented a brief biography, after which he was officially inducted into the Ankara International Rotary Club through the presentation of his Rotary Pin by Rtn. Refik Kutluer.

The ceremony was followed by dancing to the Russian Waltz (Shostakovich) and a celebration with champagne and cake. The evening concluded around 11:00p.m. after lighthearted moments of conversation, laughter, and shared joy, reflecting the positive and engaging culture of the Club.



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***Great to have you with us again, Bozkurt bey --
Welcome back!***

- The Club's 524th Meeting and the Induction Ceromony welcomed three guests, including Gamze Göktürk, Şefika Kutluer and a former Rotarian of our club Ayşegül Özdemir.
- July 27 - The Club extends heartfelt birthday wishes to our President-Elect, Uzay Göktürk. May this year bring you joy, good health and happiness as you Unite for Good in the spirit of Service Above Self.
- ***The Club will not hold meetings in August as many members enjoy their summer holidays.***
- September 17 - We look forward to seeing everyone again at our next meeting on September 17.

Wishing all our members a joyful and relaxing holiday season.



"As President of the Rotary Club of Ankara International, I am excited to lead a year of service and fellowship. Together, we will unite in our commitment to education, the environment, and charitable projects that bring meaningful change to the lives of those in need."

*Prof Dr Serpil Kocabıyık,
2025-26 President
Rotary Club of Ankara International*

The Board of Directors
President Serpil Kocabıyık
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*Chartered
January 20, 2016*