New Member Basic Training

*Goal: To help new members gain the best possible experience as a Rotarian.*

*New members are encouraged to complete “BT” (Basic Training) within a two-month period.*

**Orientation**

New members are asked to attend a District Orientation. Make up dates will be available if you cannot attend a session. Orientation will give you an opportunity to gain an understanding of history, structure, goals and how you can help make Rotary a great opportunity to serve in your community.

**Goals and Objectives**

New members will be encouraged to complete the following check list as a way of gaining the best understanding of Crafton-Ingram Rotary Club.

* Pick 3 existing members to be your mentors
* Meet with mentors for a 1 on 1. Meet after a meeting, go out for a meal, have a fireside chat that allows you to get to know each other.
* Sign up to be a greeter for 2 or 3 meetings
* Learn the 4-Way test and Object of Rotary (see blue card)
* Present Speaker Outline to club. Once you feel comfortable with the club, schedule with our speaker coordinators a date to present.
* Attend a District Orientation
* Attend 2 or 3 other Rotary Clubs in our District. A Mentor will accompany you.
* Attend a Club Social event
* Participate in a service project
* Attend a District Event, Mid-Year Meeting, Luncheon, Conference, District Assembly, Etc.
* Become involved and take ownership by choosing an area of service / committee to help with.

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**Speaker Outline**

New members will be asked to share a five-minute or so talk to the club with the following content:

* Vocational Experience: Share about your career(s).
* Hobbies, interests and activities: Share the fun and relaxed side of you.
* Family: Share your family story.
* What brought you to Rotary? Your “Rotary Moment”
* What you learned and enjoyed from your 1 on 1 time with mentors.

**Mentor Responsibility**

New members will select 3 existing members to be their mentor to guide, help and answer question. Basic Training is ultimately for everyone and will not only allow new members a chance to learn and grow in the club but help existing members learn the stories, talents and strengths the new members will bring to Rotary.

Mentors will provide the following:

* Accompany new members to 2 or 3 other Rotary Club meetings
* Encourage 1 on 1 opportunities to get to know each other
* Share their Rotary Story / Moment
* Share what brought you to Rotary
* Share your role or involvement with the club

Rotary is a commitment and one you will enjoy as you grow in your membership. Always reach out to the membership committee to answer questions or provide materials you may need.

We look forward to working, playing and growing with you. Remember to have fun.

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