

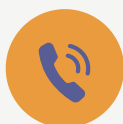
2024

Virtual PA Program Report



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Message from the General Manager



I would like to sincerely express my gratitude for the leadership, dedication, and OMOIYARI spirit of the BCIO Management Team Managers and 2024-2025 BCIO Head Office members, Tshering and Rana in organizing the Virtual PA Camp. I have known Tshering and Rana since they were Special PAs in 2022. Their enthusiasm, passion and love for APCC brings out the best in leading the Virtual PA Camp with engaging and fruitful sessions.

Teamwork makes the dream work and everyone in the team has proved this true. Without your constant support leadership towards the BRIDGE CLUBs, BCIO would not have been able to come this far. I could witness the Peace Ambassadors' admirable qualities, unique leadership and teamwork through a fun and family-oriented atmosphere through social media. I genuinely thank all APCC-BCIO officers, volunteers, BCIO advisory board, Management Team, Head Office members, BRIDGE CLUBs and 2024-2025 PAs for your dedication and extraordinary effort you have exerted for the BCIO. I would like you to know that we value the time and devotion you have offered during these years and for many years to come. Although I will not be able to come to Fukuoka next year due to my country's situation, I am still excited to see how the PA Camp can connect dreams around the world with peace, loving-kindness and mutual understanding.

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Tsu Yamin

BCIO General Manager

Message from the Asst. General Manager



It's my pleasure to congratulate you guys again as Peace Ambassadors. Being a Peace Ambassador is a great responsibility. You'll have Junior Ambassador looking up to you as role models, you'll have the responsibility to carry on the mission of BCIO and APCC for years to come. It's going to open a lot of opportunities for you and I would love to see you guys make use of each and every one of them.

I loved the eagerness you showed in the virtual program, please use this opportunity to make lifelong friends and I look forward to seeing you guys in the PA Program in Fukuoka during July.

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Moiz

BCIO Asst. General Manager

Overview

- The 2-day virtual PA Program took place on August 17 and August 24, 2024
- The program was attended by 22 PAs

BCIO Head Office Members



Rana



Tshering

- The PAs reflected on their BCs, and made commitments to take actions to fill in the grey areas identified
- The COMMON ACTIVITY was also brainstormed and finalized

Special Mention

Former BCIO HOM Chanel stepped in to support the program on both the days!



Chanel
HOM 2023-2024

Attendees

COUNTRY	NAME
Atlanta	Ethan Bennet Kittredge
Australia	Maya Juliette Weston
Bangladesh	Surhid Samyadip
Bhutan	Choyang Namgay Dolma
Cambodia	Kiri Pich Vannak
Fiji	Shruti Parmar
Hawaii	Kala Tristan Sho Soares
Hong Kong	Tsz Ching Ho
India	Akshaya Mannar Rajanbabu
Indonesia	Radja Rafi Aryawira
Ipoh	Dee Dee Cheng Xin Tong
Japan	Misaki Furukawa
Korea	Hawon Kang
Maldives	Aishath Insha Imran
Mongolia	Emujin Emi Amarbayasgalan
Nepal	Laiba Raien
Oakland	Alexandra Ortega
Pakistan	Shifa Khan
Philippines	Aaron Michel Jimeno Hernandez
Papua New Guinea	Lavina Ner Gera
Sri Lanka	Anjana Senadheera
Thailand	Bhumiraaj Rushikesh Temkar

Day 1 Agenda

PROGRAM AGENDA

SESSION 1: 1100-1155 (55 mins)

- Opening Remarks & House Rules: 5 mins
- Introduction & Ice Breaking: 30 mins
- About Bridge Club International Organization: 10 mins
- PA Program: 5 mins
- Criterion for 2025 PA Program: 5 mins

5-Minute Break

SESSION 2: 1200- 1235 (35 mins)

- SWOT Analysis: Team Activity: 25 mins
- Goal Setting: 10 mins

SESSION 3: 1235-1300 (25 mins)

- One-Word Story: 10 mins
- Common Activity: 10 mins
- Conclude: 5 mins

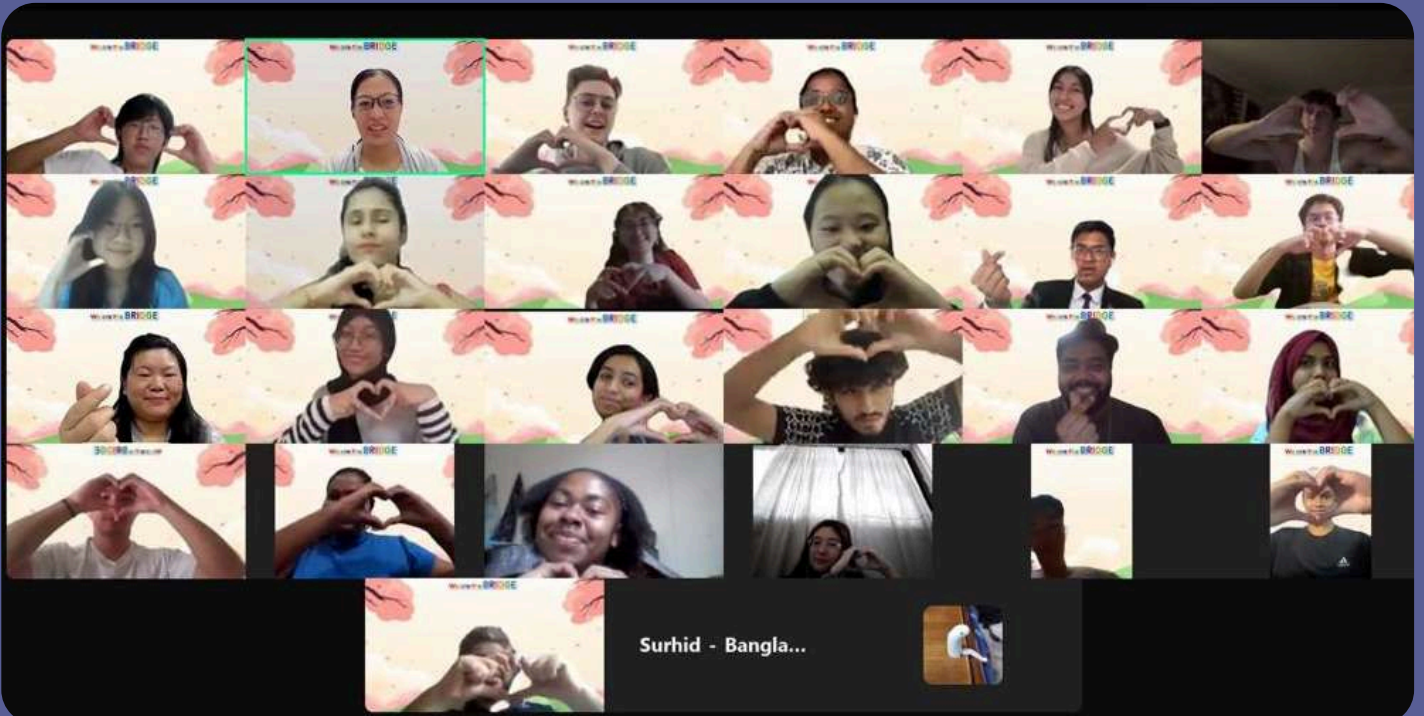
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Day 1 Highlights

Session 1: Familiarization

- Meet and Greet let the PAs know each other, the observers and the facilitators
- PAs learnt about the BCIO and its impact, the PA Program and its adaptation to changing times, and finally how to ensure that they attend the 2025 in-person PA Program



Day 1 Highlights

Session 2: A Look Within

- PAs brainstormed in teams on the SWOT Analysis of their BCs submitted in advance.
- PAs learnt about SMART goal settings

Session 3: The Link to Day 2

- PAs were introduced to Common Activity, the PA Program's flagship outcome.
- PAs showed their creativity creating a fun story - linking the words each one of them sqid!

Carry Forward to Day 2

PAs took back 2 tasks to be presented on the Day 2 of the Program, after discussing with their BC members:

- APPLY THE SMART GOAL SETTING TO SET TARGETS FOR THEIR BC AS PER THE WEAKNESSES / OPPORTUNITIES FROM THEIR SWOT ANALYSIS
- BRING AT LEAST 2 COMMON ACTIVITY IDEA/PROPOSAL

Solutions post SWOT Analysis

Team Alpha (Australia, Cambodia, Fiji, Japan & India)

- Selecting engaging members while JA selection
- Leveraging on social media for fundraising & communicating, specialising within BC
- Parents' consent



Team Beta (Bangladesh, Korea, Maldives, Pakistan & Thailand)

- Conduct frequent online meeting
- Create a monthly activity calendar that will let us know which members are enthusiastically participating, and a way to reward them
- Divide the members of each BCc into smaller groups to boost engagement, choosing group leaders

Solutions post SWOT Analysis

Team Radiant (Hongkong, Philippines & Sri Lanka)

- Set more consistent BC activities and events within the year. (Every few months?)
- Work on incentivizing member participation via workshop events (leadership training)
- More focus on the social media platform of the BCs



Solutions post SWOT Analysis

Team Gamma (Indonesia, Nepal, Mongolia, Ipoh & PNG)

- Expanding social media to spread more awareness
- Collaboration with other local and international organizations
- Engaging our youth spirit in other events
- Organize charity events to spread more awareness

Team Photon (Hawaii, Bhutan, Atlanta and Oakland)

- Conducting interactive online sessions to make it more feasible for local participants, best to meet in person
- Coming together during local Festivals, as meetups and networking sessions
- Bringing members together for the Common Activity
- Promoting new JAs to join the BCPN networking
- Having polls to decide on meetuptimings

Day 2 Agenda

PROGRAM AGENDA

SESSION 1: 1100-1150 (50 mins)

- Opening Remarks & House Rules: 2 mins
- Announcement of new BCIO Website: 10 mins
- Sharing of the Goals Set (Assignment): 33 mins
- Sekai No Owari Dance: 10 mins

5-MINUTE BREAK

SESSION 2: 1155-1240 (45 mins)

- Common Activity Discussion: 35 mins
- Common Activity Finalization: 10 mins

SESSION 3: 1240-1300 (20 mins)

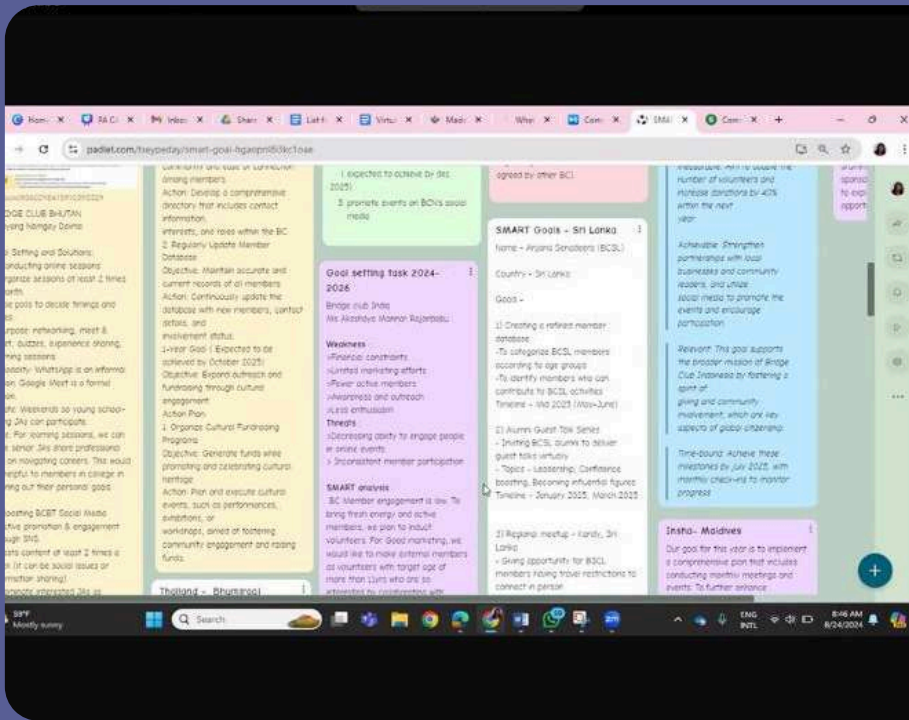
- Reflection & Feedback: 14 mins
- Singing of the Theme Song: 6 mins

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Day 2 Highlights

Session 1: BCIO & fun

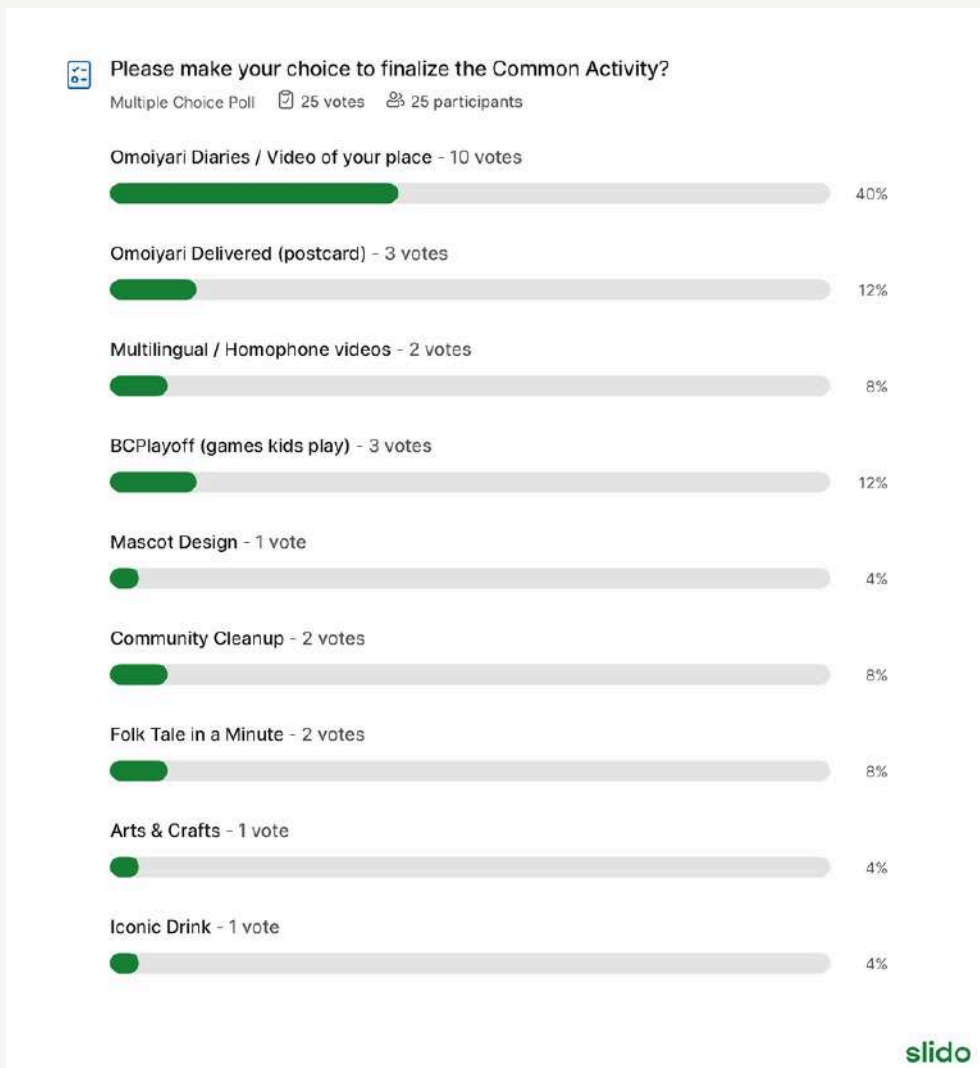
- The new BCIO Website was introduced
- PAs shared the goals they set for their BCs
- Everybody danced to One Piece's 'Sekai No Owari'



Day 2 Highlights

Session 2: The Most Important

- PAs deliberated extensively in teams, on their ideas and proposals about Common Activity
- The Common Activity as finalized by a way of live voting



Omoiyari Diaries received the maximum votes, 10 out of 25

THE VIRTUAL PROGRAM ENDED WITH PAs REFLECTING ON THE PROGRAM, SHARING THEIR FEELINGS AND EXPECTATIONS FROM THE IN-PERSON PROGRAM IN 2025

CA: Omoiyari Diaries

Objectives

- To foster a deeper appreciation, understanding and respect for diverse cultures within the BC Network
- To encourage active engagement and collaboration among club members

Activity

- Each BC will create, and share on their social media page, at least two videos.
- Videos should a maximum of 3 minutes in length
- One of the two videos must be a collaborative effort involving multiple club members.



CA: Day 2 Highlights

Themes

- Local Dances & Performances
- Traditional Festivals
- Traditional Crafts & Arts
- Historical Landmarks
- Folktales

Deadlines

- At least first video should be posted by December 31, 2024
- Posting period for 2nd video (or later for those who already posted more than one) should be January 1 - May 31, 2025.
- The videos should also be submitted as a google drive link to activitycommon@gmail.com



See you next year!



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