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Presidents note

Greetings my dear Rotarians,

No one expected that an unprecedented challenge would dawn upon humanity when the Year 2020 began. While we were all celebrating Rotary's 100 years of presence in India, the pandemic slowly marched into our country resulting in a complete lock down effective from 25th March 2020. The lock down, though curtailed our physical meetings, it did not deter our members from connecting for we had already embraced "change" by holding e-meetings on Zoom platform on the 13th of March and on the 21st of March including a club assembly. Infact the meetings gave us the confidence to even hold a fun event in the form of Anthakshari immediately after the announcement of lock down.

In addition I also feel proud to announce that 3 PHFs and 1 EPF was contributed to The Rotary Foundation in addition to contribution of 26.5 USD on behalf of 21 members under Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) programme.

I am grateful for your continued support. Stay home, Stay Safe and Take care.

- Rtn. Sanjay Krishna

World Wildlife Day

1st March, 2020

On the occasion of the World wildlife day the club supported an awareness programme with the Rotaractors of district 3190 and encouraged participants to interact with forest officials at the Bannerghatta National Park. The participants guided by an expert informed about the flora and fauna surrounding the National Park during the nature walk. Water bottles were distributed to forest guards by Rotary and Rotaract as a token of appreciation in recognition of their service towards conservation.



As a part of the Lake rejuvenation project, we appointed HOSHO Consulting Private Limited, Bengaluru as consultants for the services as consultancy services for the preparation of Detailed Project Report(DPR) for the comprehensive development of Koira lake in Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. The objective is to achieve the goal of transforming this lake into a vibrant water asset with sparkling clean water, increased water intake & holding capacity, development & enhancement of public amenities to make it more usable & attractive to the habitants. With the background this study has been conducted to analyze the various conservation and rejuvenation scenarios. The consultants have proposed the following a road map in two phases.

PHASE-I

- Improve the holding capacity of lake by carrying out maintenance & capital dredging using modern & scientific technology.
- Improve water quality of lake by natural re-aeration.
- Improve the overall aquatic & surrounding environment by carrying out environment management plan in its true spirit.

PHASE-II

- Afforestation
- Protection of tank bund and ring bund by stone revetment.

On the 14th of March, desilting of the lake was also under commencement.



On the occasion International Women's day, the club supported Rotary Dharithri Divas, a new health and women empowerment initiative, initiated by Rotary clubs of Bangalore Basavangudi and Shankara Park. A week-long health checkup & screening for rural and underprivileged women in association with Sri. Dharmasthala Manjunatha Ayurveda Hospital, Mysuru Road, was held, where 121 women were conducted over 4 days with breast cancer screening done for 35+ patients.



Rotary International Cultural Exchange Night

On the 7th of March, the club co-sponsored the Rotary International Cultural Exchange 2020 program, which was a fund-raiser to sponsor paediatric heart surgeries in underprivileged children. The program's highlight was a dance performance by IGIHOZO Dance troupe from Rwanda.



Rota Olympics 2020

7th March, 2020

Our partner Rotaract Club of Presidency College and Rotaract of Bangalore Rajmahal Vilas in association with Amara Soundarya Foundation, with support from the club, conducted Rota Olympics 2020, for the public and differently abled children.



In unprecedented times, the first step in adapting to the changes, we held our first e-meet, to discuss the steps we could take as Rotarians - as people of action. The legal aspects, as well as how we could protect ourselves and help the community were discussed.

FIRST E-MEETING


 Bangalore Rajmahal Vilas


 CONNECT


 BAZZERS



This Friday, i.e., tomorrow, we plan to hold our first ever e-meeting!
 As **People of Action** what can we do to help our community to combat Covid-19. Please participate and co-operate.

Venue: Wherever you are in the world
Date: Friday 13th, March, 2020
Login time: 7:25pm
Meeting: 7:30 -8:00pm

We aim to keep it short and simple.
 As this is an experimental meet, please expect technical difficulties.

STEPS TO CONNECT:

1. Download the Zoom Conference call app on your phone or computers: www.zoom.us
2. Register for a free account
3. Click on the link shared on the Whatsapp group/email
4. Join the meeting and mute your microphone, until required to speak



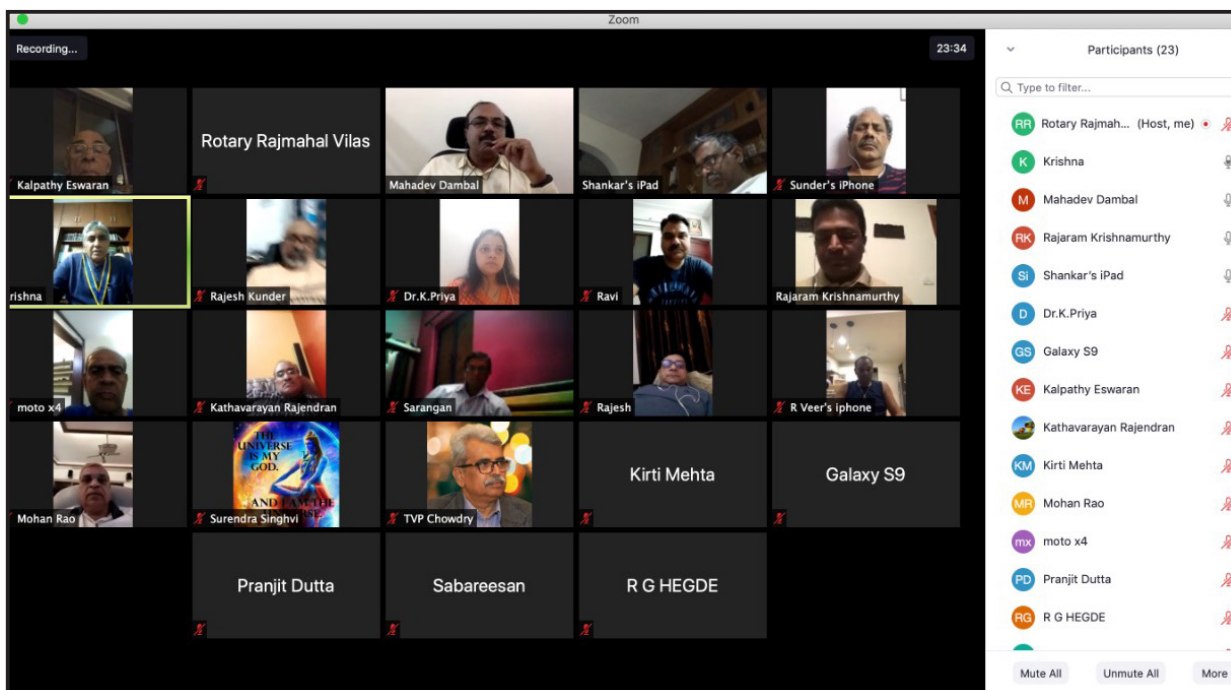
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With the continuation of the lockdown announced by the government, a virtual Club Assembly was held to discuss and agree on election of the District Governor Nominee Designate for the Rotary year 2022-23. other club matters and suggestions for future meetings were also deliberated during the meeting.



There's always a first time for everything, and among the firsts, was the clubs first virtual Antakshari family meet! The president, Rtn. Sanjay Krishna, came up with a twist for the virtual Antakshari with different innovative rounds that was much appreciated. It served as a great meeting, to bring in some lightness and musical soul in these testing times, bringing families together.

Rotarian Arjun Merwade and family were declared as winners. Rotarian Ravi Ganapathi and family were declared as first runners up and Rotarian Ravi Arora and family were declared as second runners-up. The prizes will be distributed after the the end of the lock down period.

E-ANTAKSHARI

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The lockdown might be in place, yet it will not take our spirits away.
Time to gather around, with your family, this Friday,
for E-ANKTAKSHARI!

Venue: From the safety of your home
Date: Friday 27th, March, 2020
Login time: 7:25pm
Meeting: 7:30 -8:30pm

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From the Editors Desk

The world is undergoing a phenomenal change with the Covid-19 pandemic. We must adapt to these new changes be it conducting our club meetings or delivery of our services. We will see challenges post lock down period and Rotary will have a very large role to play in the days to come and we must be prepared. Request everyone to stay safe and take care of yourselves and your surroundings.

March has been a great month with the Rota Olympics for differently abled.

- Rtn. Rajesh Kunder