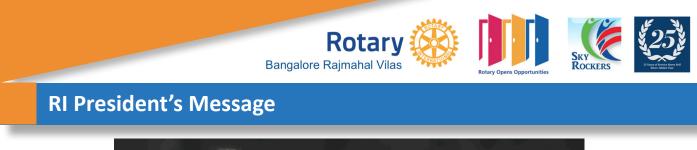
# HARMONY

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Dear Rotarians, Rotaractors, and friends,

This does not seem like a time for great optimism, but it has to be. Long before Rotary was founded, the world dealt with great crises that tested humankind's ability to progress and endure. In the age of Rotary, the world has faced many more catastrophes; however, we have survived, and every step of the way, Rotary has helped the world heal.

Every great challenge is an opportunity for renewal and growth. I revealed the theme of Rotary Opens Opportunities at the International Assembly in San Diego just as the COVID-19 crisis was beginning, but these are words that I have believed for many years.

Rotary is not just a club that you join; it is an invitation to endless opportunities. We believe in creating opportunities for others and for ourselves. We believe that our acts of service, large and small, generate opportunities for people who need our help, and that Rotary opens opportunities for us to live a richer, more meaningful life, with friends around the world, based on our core values.

Governments and institutions are gaining a greater appreciation for the types of public health partnerships that are critical to our work. People stuck at home, eager for greater connections and hungry to help their communities, are now embracing the values we have promoted since our beginning.

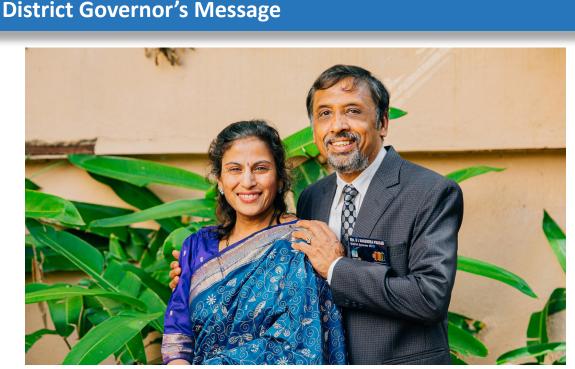
All of this is positive news, but just because there are greater opportunities than ever for Rotary to thrive does not guarantee that we will succeed. The world is changing rapidly — and was doing so even before this crisis. People were starting to move away from regular lunch meetings and toward online gatherings. Friendships were being cultivated and revived in social media relationships even before most of our meetings moved to Zoom and Skype. Younger generations have a strong desire to serve — but have questioned whether they could play a meaningful role in organizations like Rotary or whether they might make a bigger impact forming different types of connections. Now is the time to put everything on the table, test new approaches, and prepare Rotary for the future.

The COVID-19 crisis has forced all of us to adapt. This is good, and our new Action Plan specifically calls on us to improve our ability to adapt. But adaptation is not enough. We need to change, and change dramatically, if we are to face the challenges of this new age and provide the Rotary that the world so desperately needs.

This is our great challenge, not just in the next year but into the future. It is up to us to remake Rotary for these new times — to wholeheartedly embrace the ideas, energy, and commitment of young people eager to find an outlet for idealism. We must become an organization fully enmeshed in the digital age, not one that simply looks for online ways to keep doing what we have always done.

The world needs Rotary now more than ever. It is up to us to make sure that Rotary Opens Opportunities for generations to come.

#### HOLGER KNAACK President, Rotary International



Dear Sky Rockers,

I would like to congratulate TEAM DAZZLERS for their Dazzling Rotary Year. Despite these challenging times, the team has put together a wonderful year.

A true Rotarian is one who contributes to the community, especially during the times of need to make the world a better place. While the nation was under lockdown, our COVID warriors of 3190 were out on streets providing - meals, dry ration, clothes, toiletries, masks, sanitisers and other essentials to the stranded and the needy. Your club's committed participation in the recovery and reconstruction for our society is undoubtedly appreciated.

While COVID-19 imposed many challenges, we ensured to transform these challenges into new opportunities . For instance, the training programs for the year 2020-21. While in-person training was not possible, we organised video conferencing calls for majority of our training programs. I appreciate and applaud the Sky Rockers Team for adapting to these online training programs. Furthermore, I am proud to mention that RID 3190 was the first District in the entire world of Rotary to conduct full-fledged training programs online.

Congratulations to District Trainer PDG K P Nagesh for successfully completing all the mandatory training programs and many more. I thank each one of you for your active participation in it.

Rotary Opens Opportunities. The current situation has brought to light unique events that can be conducted to serve the community. Therefore let's join together to focus on environment and agriculture to create a positive impact and make a difference in the society. We have lined up various projects for the Rotary year 2020-21.Some of them being - Kamadhenu, Kalpavruksha, tree planting, blood bank, school benches, solar lamps, lake rejuvenation, vocational training programs, RYLAs, women empowerment. As RI President Holger Knaack says, "Everything we do opens another opportunity for someone, somewhere". I would like to invite you for your active participation in these projects to create a significant outlook for the rest of the community.

RI President Knaack wants "clubs to focus on keeping current members engaged and adding new members who are the right fit for your club". I appeal to all of you to work towards 100% retention while looking for organic growth of your Club membership. Let us also encourage Youth in Rotary, Women in Rotary and support our Rotaractors and Interactors in their activities. I request your whole-hearted support for the District Conference "Darbar" and Bandhana, ICGF registrations, fellowship & learning opportunity that would get the show on road as soon as the pandemic comes to a halt.

Rtn. Meera Prasad and I wish you success in all your endeavours and assure you the best of our support. Stay Safe,

Yours in Rotary, Rtn Nagendra Prasad District Governor, RI Dist 3190.

## Assistant Governor's Message

Warm Greetings,

Twenty-five years of existence, twenty five years of service to the society is truly remarkable achievement. RMV has has reached this milestone with poise and grace. Your club, over the years has carved a niche in the minds of the local community. Your projects speak volumes about Rajmahal Vilas' committment to the improve the quality of life of the people of your community.

Every Past President of RMV has done his duty with dedication and devotion. Each and every Rotarian of RMV, over years has contributed to the success of RMV.

I take pride in being the Assistant Governor of this esteemed club during its Silver Jubilee year and congratulate the Silver Jubilee President and all the Rotarians and their families for this great achievement. I also wish you a very bright future.



Regards, Rtn.Shankar B AG 2020-21

#### **President's Message**

Dear fellow Rotarians of Rotary Bangalore Rajmahal Vilas,

I am greatly honoured and humbled to be the Silver Jubilee President of this Club. It has been a most challenging year with the unexpected difficulties posed by Co-Vid19. Yet, Rotary in general and our Club in particular has risen to the challenge with their "never say die" approach and converted this crisis to an opportunity to prove ourselves in tough times.

As the old adage goes, "When the going gets tough, the tough gets going!"

After 6 months of online gatherings and covid protocols, we are seeing light at the end of the tunnel and we need to resolve to double our efforts to make this year a grand success.

As you may be aware, after 3 difficult rounds of short listing, we succeeded in bagging the 50 lakhs SuMA (Sustainable Mobility Accord) Project of the DULT (Department of Urban Land Transport) Govt. of Karnataka, being the first Rotary Club inBangalore to do so, as well as being one of only 9 NGO s in 198 wards of Bangalore to be selected.

Preparations are on and soon implementation will begin. This first of a kind project will promote environmentally friendly and sustainable practices in Transport in our Wards 18/19.

This will be the largest project ever taken up by our club in its 25 year history, and we need to make it a resounding success.

I thank all our members for their support in this regard.

I wish our club all success and pray that we go from strength to strength.

Yours truly, Rtn. Bharath Asuri President 2020-21



Rtn. Bharath Asuri President 2020-21



Rtn. Rajagopal Hegde Secretary 2020-21

## Meetings in January 2021



## **New Years Family Get-together**

2nd Jan, 20201

Members and their family members were hosted by member Rtn. Unnikrishnan for a New Year family get together. This marked the first physical meeting of the Rotary year 2020-21. This was a welcome break and the fellowship was much enjoyed.

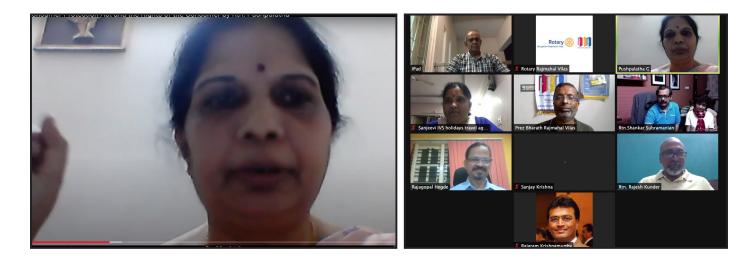


## **Talk on Consumer Protection Act**

8th Jan, 20201

Our member Rtn. Pushpalatha gave us a talk on the Consumer Protection Act and the Rights of the Consumer.

The new Consumer Protection Act, 2019 came into force in India on 20th July, 2020. The speaker enlightened the major changes and how it empowers the consumer engaged in both offline as well as online multi-level transactions, with special reference to hospital and Mediclaim.



## Sankranti Suggi Habba at Koira Lake

Sankranti Suggi Habba, was celebrated amidst the nature along with the farmers and their families, at Koira Lake in a traditional style. The paddy is grown here after a gap of 12 years and was made possible by the rejuvenated Lake undertaken by Rotary Bangalore Rajmahal Vilas.

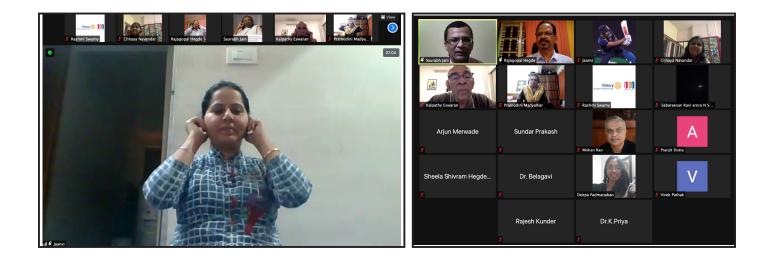
The event was a big success, more than 40 people attended the Sankranthi celebrations at Koira village. Members from other clubs also attended, including Rotary Club of Bangalore, Rotary Bangalore Kuvempunagar, Rotary Bengaluru Basavanagudi, Rotary Bangalore RT Nagar, Rotary Bangalore Kalyan and Rotary Bengaluru Lake World.



## **Breath & Beyond**

## 22nd January, 2020

A special meeting was conducted by members of The Art of Living. One of Rotary's area of focus is Promoting Peace and in view of that this session was organised on Mindful living.



## **RIMS Installation**

The installation of our Rotaract Club - Ramaiah Institue of Management Studies took place on January 25th with Rtr. Ashish taking over as President of the club.



## Rotary Fellowship of Wildlifers for Conservation outing to Nagarahole

#### 23rd-26th Jan, 2020

IPP Rtn Sanjay Krishna who founded the Rotary Fellowship group of Wildlifers for Conservation, organized a trip to Nagarhole National Park between 23rd and 26th Jan. Nineteen members from various Rotary clubs participated in the fellowship, with many from our club, and they observed and recorded over 80 wildlife species.



## **Distict Event - ICGF**

## 30th January, 2020

A mega ICGF – 'SHRESTATHA' – Vocational service ICGF and 'SADHBAVANA'- Public Image service ICGF was held on 30th Jan at Palace grounds. Several of our club members attended the event.



## **Breath & Beyond**

## 22nd January, 2020

As every year, our club members volunteered in - Rotary International's longstanding & largest signature community activity - the Polio National Immunisation Day (NID) program. The club conducted it at the Sanjaynagar Primary Health Centre (PHC) and Munireddypalya PHC where 3766 (100.4%) and 8593 (98%) children were immunised respectively.

Our club provided 300 masks, 300 gloves, 300 sanitisers, and 300 breakfast and 380 lunch packages were served at the PHCs. Our Rotarians & Rotaractors actively participated in the program in good numbers.



## The 4-WAY TEST

The 4-Way Test lists the **Guiding Principles that set the ethical standards for a Rotarian.** These principles have been developed over the years to provide Rotarians with a strong, common purpose and direction. They serve as a foundation for our relationships with each other and the action we take in the world.

## 1. Is it the TRUTH?

- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it Build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

#### **Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries in January**

We wish and hope all the Rotarians who had Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries in the month of January had a special day.

13th - Rtn. Raghuveer's birthday
18th - Rtn. Arjun Merwade's Birthday
22nd - Rtn. Ganapathy Ravi & Kanya Priya's Wedding Anniversary
26th- Rtn. Shanmugam & Sharmila's Wedding Anniversary
27th- Rtn. Mohan Gopalakrishna's Anniversary
30th- Rtn. Sanjay Krishna's Birthday
30th- Rtn. Bharath Asuri's Wedding Anniversary

#### From the Editors Desk

The new year marked the beginning of several in-person events since the onset of Covid. These events were well attended and enjoyed by members. The second half of the Rotary promises to bring more such opportunities to connect personally in Rotary events, with safety precautions in place.

Hope to see more members actively participating here on.

- Bulletin Editor Deepa Padmanaban

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