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**RI PRESIDENT: RTN. JENNIFER E. JONES :: DISTRICT GOVERNOR: RTN. AJOY KUMAR LAW**

**August is**



**Membership and New Club Development Month**



August is the Rotary's Membership and Extension Month. This tells that it is the time to celebrate our Rotary club, our fellow Rotarian members, and all the good deeds that we do in our community and worldwide. While we are slowly walking towards the middle of this month, we should all think about what the significance of this month is. Membership and Extension is an ongoing part of being a Rotarian, so that we do not limit ourselves to making an effort on membership and its extension during August only, but beyond as well.

**-Souvik**

**MINUTES OF THE 2082<sup>nd</sup> MEETING OF RC CALCUTTA  
JADAVPUR HELD AT CALCUTTA ROWING  
CLUB ON WEDNESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022 AT  
7:00 PM**

President Rtn. Pausali Paul called the 2082nd meeting of RC Calcutta Jadavpur (RCCJ) to order. The meeting was held at Calcutta Rowing Club at Rabindra Sarobar area, Kolkata.

On the request of President Pausali, Rtn. Paromita Das Dutta led the singing of the National Anthem.

President Pausali welcomed all members along with Hony. member Dr. Arup Ratan Dutta. She then briefed about the service projects as executed on 1st, 3rd, 9th and 21st July. She mentioned that the detailed reports were available in AHANA, the club bulletin, the club W/A group, club Facebook page and Rotary India platform.

President Pausali and Secretary Rtn. (Dr.) Mainak made a slide presentation elucidating their vision for the next 6 months of the RY-22-23. In their presentation, major emphasis was given on member involvement, participation and fellowship to garner success in service. The members present were enthusiastic and appreciative of the effort and poured in suggestions. President Pausali assured to incorporate the relevant suggestions in the slides before distributing the ppt to all the members of the club.

President Pausali then requested all the chairs of the committee/sub-committee of the club to discuss about the upcoming projects ie for the month of August. Firstly, Rtn Dr. Aditi Nag Chaudhuri, Chair, Literacy talked about the detailed plan of service in RCC Canning on 21st August and she informed that follow up of ongoing vocational trainings, and distribution of saplings and seeds would also be done on the same day.

Rtn. Paromita Das Dutta, Chair, Service (Medical) then stated that her focus for this year's medical service would be primarily in the Nutrition and Health Management of the beneficiaries. She proposed that a follow up health check up should be done on the 21st of

August on the same beneficiaries of 3rd July. A physical instructor should be engaged there, who would help them learn basic exercise and yoga for physical fitness, for at least couple of months so that they can pursue the exercise later by their own. It was also decided the salinity of local drinking water would be tested to ensure any correlation between saline content and GI related and headache related disturbances. She also stated that a thalassemia awareness camp along with talk on Nutrition would be arranged at Rishi Aurobindo Higher Secondary School for students of Class 9-12 in presence of their guardians. With the consent of the guardians a screening test would be done in the month of September. As per advise of Rtn. Samirendu Dutt, President Pausali assured that she would communicate with Rtn. Dr. Homchowdhury for the awareness talk and screening exercise.

Rtn. Manoj Bhaumik, Chair, Youth Service discussed a project on building a vertical garden from the waste products at ST. Ninian's School on 4th August by the members of Interact club of that school. He also proposed a training session for production of compost for the members of interact club, which would help them being self-sustained by earning revenue.

Rtn. Partha Sarkar, Chair, Public Image stated that on 15th August, club members would join the kids at UDBHAAS like last year, and distribute nutritious food packets amongst them. Rtn. Sakhi Banerjee proposed that Inner-wheel Club of RCCJ would also like to join hands in this project. President Pausali announced that RC Charnock City came forward with the proposal of joint meeting and short cultural program on 10th August along with us. House agreed with the proposal.

Club Business was conducted by Secretary, Dr. Mainak Sengupta. He announced the upcoming birthdays and anniversaries of the club members and members warmly wished them for the occasion:

Anniversary of:

Dr. Dhruvajyoti Chattopadhyay and Dr. Ratna Chattopadhyay (6th August),

Alok Ghosh and Mahua Ghosh (10th August)

Birthday of:

Manoj Bhaumik (31st July),

Bhaskar Chanda (2nd August),  
Madhumita Mitra (4th August).

Minutes of 2081st meeting were confirmed.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to all the members present.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES!!

Rtn. Sikha Mukherji - 12<sup>th</sup> August

Mrs. Rakhi Sarkar  
[W/O Rtn. Partha Sarathi Sarkar] - 17<sup>th</sup> August



### Ideas, Feedback & Suggestions



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### ভালবাসা



Rtn. Sakhi Banerjee  
Member, RCCJ

ভালোবাসা অমলিন  
টেবলে একটা আধ খাওয়া কফি মাগ  
একটা না ধরানো সিগারেট,  
এদিক ওদিক হাওয়ায় উড়ছে অসমাপ্ত  
কম্পোজিশনের পাতা।

একটা সুন্দর কাঠের বাস্রা।  
ঠিক যেন প্যানডোরাস বস্রা,  
সাদা রংয়ের রেলিং দেওয়া দোতলা  
ঠিক যেন কোনো বোটের আপার ডেক।

নিচের একটা ড্রয়ারে  
ভেঙে যাওয়া একটা সম্পর্কের টুকিটাকি।  
সাদা পাথরের একটা অভিমानी কানের দুল,  
মাথার ক্লাচ ক্লিপ, ছোট সুগন্ধি।

কিছু আবছায়া স্মৃতি  
জন্মদিনের কার্ডের সোনালী অক্ষরে তখনো মেন  
লেগে আছে ভালোবাসার একটু স্পর্শ, একটু উষ্ণতা।  
যারা চলে গেছে পুরনো সব ছেড়ে  
তারা অন্য কোথাও নোঙর ফেলেছে।

কিন্তু একজন সময়ে জড়ো করেছে সেই সব  
টুকরো জিনিস, টুকরো মুহূর্ত, ভাঙা সম্পর্কের  
টুকিটাকি তুলে রাখছে পরম আদরে।  
তার কাছে স্মৃতি উদযাপন বড় দামী।

সম্পর্কের মায়া তাকে ছাড়তে চায়না।  
ভালোবাসা থাকে অমলিন, উজ্জ্বল।।



On 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug, 2022

**ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA JADAVPUR**

(Club 16175 RID 3291)

AND

**INTERACT CLUB OF ST. NINIAN'S HIGH SCHOOL**

together initiate an endeavor towards

**GREEN SCHOOL**

*Let's keep our school clean and tidy.  
in the premises of*

*St. Ninian's High School From 11.00am*



**Rtn. Dr. Mainak Sengupta**  
Secretary, RCCJ

**Green School**  
**St. Ninian's High School**  
4<sup>th</sup> August, 2022

Today, as was discussed in the last RCM, Rotary Club of Calcutta Jadavpur, in collaboration with Interact Club of St. Ninians School is organising a youth service program in Sr. Ninian's school premises. The program marks the initiation of our grand endeavour of "Green school". Today we plan to help build vertical garden in the school from scraps.

In the school, we were greeted wonderfully with a cultural program emphasising the need of green in our life. It was so wonderful to hear a recitation of a poem on nature called অবিচার written by our beloved Pratimadi, significant other half of Rtn. Samirendu Da. Then the Interactors were introduced and they took a solemn oath of serving the society for a greener and peaceful world, as respectable citizens. The Interactors did gift the Rotarian and Rotaractor members present with hand painted pots with plants. The members were overwhelmed with the gesture from the Interactors and all other school students. The members sincerely thank Rtn. Madhumitadi for arranging such a program that will have a lasting impression in our mind.

The Interactors and Rotarians (President Pausali Di, myself, Rtn. Sikhadi, Rtn. Koyelidi, Rtn. Madhumitadi and Rtn. Manoj) and Rotaractor Sukrit, all worked together to decorate one wall of the St. Ninians School with a vertical garden. The interactors were extremely enthusiastic in the entire venture.

At first Youth Service Chair Rtn. Manoj took a theoretical session on how to develop vertical garden. Rotaractor Sukrit and Rtn. Manoj then took hands-on session also to teach the Interactors how to cut the waste bottles and jars, wire them up and prepare the pots with plants for the vertical garden. The Interactors themselves instantly prepared around 10 pots that were hung on a designated wall in the school premise. Again, everyone chipped in to the best of their capacity, with nails and hammers, wires and ropes to put up the vertical garden. At the end of it, the Interactors and the test of the students were extremely happy and were found standing in front of the vertical garden wall for long appreciating their own handiwork. That indeed showcases the success of the project.

RCCJ will encourage the Interactors to carry forward this activity and put up vertical gardens in other walls of the school, and to create an awareness on green school in other local schools.



### Some glimpses of the Program




## Some glimpses more of the Program




## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Rotary**  **IMAGINE ROTARY** 

Join us at  
Macklyn Lounge, Calcutta Rowing Club, as  
**Rotary Club of Calcutta Jadavpur  
&  
Rotary Club of Calcutta Charnock City**  
*celebrate*  
**রাখীবন্ধন**  
*with a fellowship and cultural  
exchange endeavor*  
**‘বাড়িয়ে দাও তোমার হাত.....’**






Rtn. Pausali Paul  
President,  
Rotary Club of Calcutta Jadavpur





Rtn. Sudipta Chaudhuri,  
President,  
Rotary Club of Calcutta Charnock City

**Date: 10th Aug 2022; Time: 6.30 pm**  
Joint RCM will start at 7.00 pm

**Rotary**   **IMAGINE ROTARY** 

On 12<sup>th</sup> Aug, 2022  
**ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA JADAVPUR**  
(Club 16175 RID 3291)  
organizes lecture and discussion sessions on  
a) **Thalassemia Awareness**  
and  
b) **Good nutrition for teen-agers**



in Santoshpur Rishi Aurobindo Balika Vidyapith premises  
Time: 12 noon-4.30pm  
**Speakers**  
Rtn. Dr. Ramendu Homchaudhuri, District Chair on Thalassemia Prevention  
Rtn. Paromita Das Dutta, Chair, Service (Medical), RCCJ

## **Updates from Pathanibashe Pathshala** 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2022

### **Some glimpses**



# Updates from RCC Canning 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2022

## Some glimpses





## **RI NEWS CORNER!!**

### **RI President Jennifer Jones crosses Canada from coast to coast to coast**

**Geoff Johnson**

Jennifer Jones began her term as Rotary International's 2022-23 president in the midst of her Imagine Rotary Canada Tour, traveling coast to coast to coast to draw attention to the positive and lasting impact that Rotary clubs have in their communities.

"The Canada tour was awesome because it brought together different demographics," she said. "Every stop was representative of all ages, all cultures. The Rotary family was so excited to be together, to be in person, and showcase what they were doing. There were incredible, incredible things that people planned."

Organized around several hubs, the tour started on 17 June with an excursion through Yukon and the Northwest Territories, brushing up against the Beaufort Sea, an arm of the Arctic Ocean and one of Canada's three coasts. From there, it visited Jones' home city of Windsor, Ontario, and then the nation's capital, Ottawa. It next moved to St. John's on the Atlantic Ocean before heading west through Quebec City, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton, and Vancouver before reaching Victoria on the Pacific Ocean.

A few hiccups prevented Jones and her husband, Nick Krayacich, from linking up with the tour for its first few days. Luckily, past RI Vice President Valarie Wafer and her husband, Mark, as well as past RI Director Bryn Styles, and his wife, Randy, were able to step in.

"The thing you never forget is how people make you feel — and we were treated so well as we traveled across the country," Mark Wafer said.

Mark Wafer said being able to celebrate Canada's National Indigenous Peoples Day in Inuvik, Northwest Territories, was the highlight of the trip. Jones also talked about how meaningful it was, later in the trip, to hear how clubs are involved in the effort to build and revitalize relationships among Indigenous and non-Indigenous Canadians.

"Engaging with First Nations and Indigenous people was an element of every one of the stops," Jones said, recalling an encounter with Bruce Starlight, a Tsuut'ina elder, in Calgary. "To be able to sit and learn from each other, to talk, to ask questions. That was a big part for me personally: the ability to learn how Rotary fits in and what clubs are doing to move forward with truth and reconciliation."

In Windsor, Jones got to see members of her home club, the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, as well as the new Imagine Rotary Trail with its 40 freshly planted magnolia trees. From there, the tour progressed to Ottawa, Canada's capital. It was there that on 1 July — which is also the Canada Day holiday — Jones fittingly began her tenure as RI president. Here and at other stops, Jones met with elected officials.

"Tons of government people came out along the way," Jones recalled. "We met senators and lieutenant governors and [members of Parliament]. It was an opportunity to thank our country for supporting Rotary's polio eradication efforts."

The next stop brought Jones to the Atlantic coast and St. John's, the capital of Newfoundland and Labrador, where she met with members of the newly created District 7815 and the tour members put their feet in the Atlantic.

In Quebec City, Jones greeted Rotary members from seven districts in Canada, the United States, and Africa at an evening reception.

A whirlwind of events in Toronto showcased the combined efforts of four districts. The day began with a watershed cleanup in the middle of a torrential downpour.

"We were not only cleaning up the beach, but cleaning off ourselves in the rain," said hub chair Michele Guy.

Rotary members in Winnipeg featured projects underway in their city and throughout District 5500 via social media and a 67-minute online video.

In Calgary, where the tour participants met with First Nations leaders, there were also comic moments. In the middle of the Calgary Stampede parade, Jones' white convertible broke down and the occupants got out to push the car.

"Twenty seconds later it started up again, but the picture on the TV news that night was us pushing the car," said Jones. "Which kind of looked like maybe it was supposed to happen. We'll go with that."

In Edmonton, events unfolded around Fort Edmonton Park, a legacy project of four Rotary clubs that was launched nearly 50 years ago. Attendees planted trees, participated in an Indigenous Peoples Experience, and later joined hands and took part in a singalong of John Lennon's "Imagine." The unofficial song of Jones' presidential year was this time dedicated to the people of Ukraine. The following day brought a visit to a peace garden in Vancouver, a beach cleanup a few miles north of the U.S.-Canada border, and a reading event at the Aboriginal Mother Centre.

Finally, on 11 July in Victoria, Jones and her group dipped their toes in the Pacific.

For Jones, the moment recalled the journey of Terry Fox, a Canadian athlete who had cancer. He set off from St. John's in 1980 intending to run all the way to Victoria. He couldn't complete the journey, but monuments to his effort stand in both St. John's and Victoria. "It was one of the most poignant moments of the tour," Jones said, "with everyone talking about what his run signified and the hope he gave to people."

**Source: <https://www.rotary.org/en/ri-president-jennifer-jones-crosses-canada-coast-to-coast>**