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CHARTER DAY

5th August, 2022

The Rotary Club of Belur celebrates its Charter Day on August 5, every year. However, there is an interesting story behind why 'August 5' was chosen by our founding members as the official Charter Day.

SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

The story goes like this – Way back in the year 1965 the first seeds were sown towards the formation of Rotary Club of Belur. Let our members be reminded that in those days' formation of a new Rotary club was not at all easy and the then team also faced a fair share of obstacles in this process. Despite many a pitfall the belligerent group kept pursuing their dream and finally on 14th January 1967 was granted a provisional Charter with 30 members in its fold.

We must be again prompted that in those days everything was 'physical' in the sense there was no Email and WhatsApp and thus it took good 5 months before it received the happy news on 16th June 1967 about having been admitted into the membership of Rotary International.

- But there was another catch; The Charter Certificate from Rotary International took another 51 days to reach the shores of Calcutta. It was finally received by the then President and members on August 5,1967.
- Theron it was unanimously decided by the founder members to celebrate August 5 as its Charter Day.

Come celebrate our 56th Anniversary with fun and fellowship. Cheers!!



August
is Rotary
Membership
and
New Club

Development

Month







Minutes of the 2474th Regular Club Meeting of the members of the Rotary Club of Belur held at - M C Kejriwal Vidyapeeth, Liluah Howrah on 23rd of July, Saturday at 11 am.

No of Attendees — 21 members, 5 spouses, Interactors and Rotaractors of MCKV

Special Occasion – Blood Donation Camp organized jointly by Interact Club of MCKV, Rotaract Club of MCKV and Rotary Club of Belur together with Tree Plantation at MCKV campus

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Invocation to God - PP Rtn Subhash Agarwal

The 2474th regular club meeting was held at the MCKV Campus at Liluah, Howrah. This RCM was combined together with the Blood Donation Camp where a large number of donors donated blood. The members of the club together with spouses also participated enthusiastically and donated blood. This camp was organized in association with Saroj Gupta Cancer Society. The minutes of the 2473rd meeting were confirmed and taken on record. President Amitabh Mohan then detailed his vision for the forthcoming project of Integrated village development under the name 'चलो गांव की ओर समृद्ध गांव - समृद्ध देश' where we will be going on a visit on Sunday,7th August 2022 to understand the modalities and take the project forward. The members participated and gave their valuable opinion on the project. The club secretary announced the details of the forthcoming programme of Charter Day Celebrations to be held at Spring Club of Friday the 5th of August, 2022. The meeting was followed by Tree Plantation at the MCKV Campus where our Green man Santosh Mohta ji emphasized the green initiative through his song which was sung in chorus by members. As a precursor to the birthday of PP Kishan Kumar Kejriwal, a cake was cut by him. PP Kishan Kejriwal ji had also organized a post meeting lunch for the members and guests present. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks By PE Amar Malhotra who thanked the MCKV team led by PP Kishan Kejriwal and the Rotaractors and Intereactors for organizing such a wonderful camp.

Rtn Amitabh Mohan, President

Rtn Anand Agarwal, Secretary











FOR THE 1ST TIME EVER A STANDUP COMEDY SHOW AT OUR CHARTER DAY CELEBRATIONS

KALKUTTA KOMEDIANS -TO TICKLE YOU PINK

Raouf Gangjee, Keshav Mundhra, Saurabh Jha and Jayanta Sil shall be presenting a skit of 10 minutes each.

Raouf is the lead and the head of the organisation, he will be anchoring the programme

Kalkutta Komedians are Kolkata's first standup comedy group. They are a part of The Komedians, a worldwide standup comedy network comprising groups in many countries. They have done numerous club and auditorium shows, as well as private and corporate shows; and also shows with India's top comedians as well as leading international comedians.

"The auditorium resounded with laughter" - Times of India

"Kalkutta Komedians had the audience in splits" - The Telegraph

"Rib-tickling standup comedy" - The Pioneer

"Kept the audience glued to their seats" - Hindustan Times

"We put Fevicol on the seats" - Kalkutta Komedians









THE SPONSOR OF A NEW MEMBER

The bylaws of Rotary clearly outline the procedure for a. prospective member to be proposed for Rotary club membership. The "proposer" is the key person in the growth and advancement of Rotary. Without a sponsor, an individual will never have the opportunity to become a Rotarian.

The task of the proposer should not end merely by submitting a name to the club secretary or membership committee. Rotary has not established formal responsibilities for proposers or sponsors, however, by custom and tradition these procedures are recommended in many clubs.

The sponsor should:

1. Invite a prospective member to club meetings prior to proposing the individual for membership.

- 2. Accompany the prospective new member to one or more orientation/informational meetings.
- 3. Introduce the new member to other club members each week for the first month.
- 4. Invite the new member to accompany the sponsor to neighboring clubs for the first make-up meeting to learn the process and observe the spirit of fellowship.
- 5. Ask the new member and spouse to accompany the sponsor to the club's social activities, dinners or other special occasions.
- 6. Urge the new member and spouse to attend the district conference with the sponsor.
- 7. Serve as a special friend to assure that the new member becomes an active Rotarian.
- 8. Make Rotary your passion and spend quality time in learning and spreading Good work.

When the proposer follows these guidelines, Rotary becomes stronger with each new member.

Contributed by: PP Rakesh Bhatia, Director Membership.





Rotary Belur will be joining the initiative of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India on Independence Day by holding our National Flag high in our vehicles. Members with family are requested to assemble at 9:00am on Loudon Street (Opp Fab India). President Amitabh Mohan will provide each vehicle a Flag, 9:30am we will drive down to our RCC Arupota where we will Hoist our National Flag at 10:00am, followed by light refreshment.





The official photograph in Pune of District 3291 officials with RI President & her Indian leaders.

CLUB SNIPPETS



28 July'22, Varanasi: A proud and a priviledge moment when our RC Belur President Amitabh Mohan met Rotary World President Jennifer E Jones on the cruise at Ganges Varanasi during her recent India tour. An Exclusive photo of Exclusive moment.



President Amitabh Mohan with RI Treasurer & RI Director at Varanasi



Flag exchange with Rtn Anita Pauline De President Varanasi South. A Goodwill exchange



PP Shankar Ramalingam, AG 3291 at RC Howrah Gangadharpur Installation.

(EVENTS)

CLUB & RI DISTRICT 3291

DISTRICT EVENT

Saturday 13th August 2022 – District programme "Amreet Dhara" at Satyajit Ray Auditorium, ICCR, Ho Chi Minh Sarani, Kolkata open to all Rotarians and their family members

CLUB EVENTS

7th August, Sunday चलो गांव की ओर समृद्ध गांव

- समृद्ध देश – project picnic

Monday 15th August – 10am – RCM with Independence

day programme to celebrate Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav – details to follow

Sunday 21st August – Board Meeting

Saturday 27th August – Regular Club meeting

Message from CRFC

Those members who have contributed towards foundation but haven't received money receipt are requested to post date and amount of contribution to enable me to follow up for the same. - PP Ajay Kr Agarwal.

RI Exchange rate for August 2022 -\$1 = Rs.79*



Rajesh Agarwal 10th August

Kushal Jasoria 10th August

Aditya Neotia 11th August



Dr. Sanchita and Rajesh Pakrashi 10th August

> Jaya and Ashok Butta 14th August