

# GREATER

YEAR 2022/2023

TIMES

WEEKLY NEWS LETTER OF ROTARY CLUB OF RAJKOT GREATER

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Programme : Closed Business Meeting Date : 1st December, Thursday Time : 08.00 pm Onwards

Menu · Dinner

Venue : D. P. Doshi Rotary Greater Auditorium

Invitee : Rotarians, Anns and Annets



: અમે લઇ ગયા તમે રહી ગયા Drama 13th Dec

17th Dec : Winter Fellowship Meet

29th Dec : Double Dhamaka - Potluck and Karaoke



2nd Dec : Ann. Darshna Jashmin Dattani 9824013137 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec : Ann. Tasneem Bakir Gandhi 9879162628 3rd Dec : Rtn. Dr. Darshit Mapara 9408678714 3rd Dec : Rtn. Dr.Sanjiv Nandani 9825314831 5th Dec : Ann. Dr. Gopi Jigar Patel 9409181711 5th Dec : Rtn. Nevil Vaishnay 9825179938 5th Dec : Rtn. Prashant Parsana 9824299499 5th Dec : Ann. Dr. Deepa Amit Raja 9879150066 7th Dec 9824352047 : Rtn. Rajesh Parekh 7th Dec 9099931891 : Ann. Dr. Niyati Bhalani



: Rtn. Kalpesh Baqdai and Ann. Riddhi Baqdai Rtn: 7878785078 Ann: 9033633221

2<sup>nd</sup> Dec : Rtn. Pratik Doshi and Ann. Radhika Doshi

Rtn: 9687600007 Ann: 8320071191 3rd Dec

: Rtn. Ashwin Unadkat and Ann. Neeta Unadkat Rtn: 9824212721 Ann: 9979910909

3rd Dec : Rtn. Param Punatar and Ann. Rachna Punatar

Rtn: 7600034078 Ann: 9978634078

4th Dec : Rtn. Bharat Hapani and Ann. Sonal Hapani

Ann: 9909964424 Rtn: 9825078998



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2nd Dec







4th Dec : Rtn. Bhavesh Vegada and Ann. Falguni Vegada Rtn: 9824234233 Ann: 9824234211 : Rtn. Chandresh Trativa and Ann. Mayuri Trativa 4th Dec Rtn: 9227612384 Ann: 6353738273 5th Dec : Rtn. Amit Mehta and Ann. Swati Mehta Rtn: 9825076392 Ann: 9638898692 : Rtn. Hrishit Amlani and Ann. Nivetha Amlani 5th Dec Rtn: 9913342364 Ann: 9998685673 7th Dec : Rtn. Mihir Nagrecha and Ann. Roopa Nagrecha Rtn: 9824490990 Ann: 9924203690 7th Dec : Rtn. Sunil Ambasana and Ann. Shital Ambasana Rtn: 9825216305 Ann: 9687605180 8th Dec : Rtn. Aashish Joshi and Ann. Hetal Joshi Rtn: 9426900500 Ann: 9909400050 : Rtn. Bhavesh Mehta and Ann. Parul Mehta 8th Dec Rtn: 9974040257 Ann: 8320150929 8th Dec : Rtn. Ravi Ganatra and Ann. Ishita Ganatra Rtn: 9825553058 Ann: 9427354643 : Rtn. Vijesh Jadvani and Ann. Pinkal Jadvani 8th Dec Rtn: 9904225859 Ann: 9723890869 : Rtn. Rajesh Somaiya and Ann. Krishna Somaiya 9th Dec Rtn: 9898008095 Ann: 9428349293 : Rtn. Dr. Nidhi Jhala and Dr. Bandish Jhala 10th Dec

### **PROJECT**

Rtn: 9429550396



Ann: 9429826695

#### Racecourse Cleanliness Drive

On the last two Saturdays of November 2022, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, RCRG raised awareness amongst city folks about Clean Rajkot! Green Rajkot! under Swacch Bharat Abhiyan. On the busiest days of the week RCRG conducted a Cleanliness Drive at Racecourse Road, the heart of Rajkot City. As part of the noble objective to make Rajkot a Cleaner and Greener City, members of Rotaract Club of Rajkot Greater, RCC and all the 5 Interact Clubs of Rajkot also joined hands with members of RCRG. The members gathered at

Member Scrutiny/Devt Chair PP Rtn. Dr Ketan Bavishi PP Rtn. Darshan Lakhani

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> Public Image Chair Rtn. Jaydev Shah

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**8:45 pm** at Racecourse, and till **11 pm** they **raised slogans** and **motivated others** by **giving them tips** to keep our **Rangilu Rajkot Clean and Green**. An army of **150 volunteers** dressed in **Blue Jeans and White T-shirt** made sure no one present at Racecourse their missed their efforts. It is a proud moment for everyone involved to have reached **hundreds of people** in the given 2 days.

#### Healthy Mother Healthy Child

This Project has been running successfully from the last 15 years wherein numerous sessions have been conducted under the guidance of our very own Ann. Dr. Amee Yogesh Mehta. This Project took a backstage during Covid-19 but has now resumed with the same momentum.

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> November, Saturday Time: 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Venue: D. P. Doshi Rotary Greater Auditorium

**Beneficiaries:** 150+ including expecting mothers and their families

Speakers: Ann. Dr. Amee Mehta, practicing Gynecologist at Aastha Surgical and Maternity Hospital

Dr. Hetal Moda, practicing Gynecologist at Shivalik Hospital
Dr. Manisha Moteria, practicing Gynecologist at Krishna Hospital

**Dr. Mulrajsingh Zala**, practicing **Physiotherapist** and **Fitness Coach** at **MZ Fitness** 

MOC: Ann. Monika Mehta

Attendees from Club: Ann. Shilpa Bhojani



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The session was very **interesting** and covered various **informative** topics like **dos and don'ts of pregnancy**, **stages of baby development**, **exercise and diet**, **myths revolving around pregnancy**, **labour process** and **post-natal care**. It provided a **Complete Pregnancy Guideline** for expecting mothers and their families.

#### Rotary E-Rickshaw

Under the RCRG E-Rickshaw Project, on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> November keys of an Electric Rickshaw was handed over to a delighted and deserving

Beneficiary: Nishaben Gohil

In the presence of: Club President Rtn. Kunal Ashok Mehta, Hon. Secretary Rtn. Apoorva Modi, Project Chair Ann. Sheetal Patel and Ann. Purvi Lakhani, Rtn. Sarju Patel, Rtn. Binesh Patel, Rtn. Darshan Lakhani, Rtn. Bhavin Bhalodia and Team of Board Members Rtn. Paresh Kalavadia, Rtn. Nilesh Bhojani, Rtn. Jaydeep Vadher, Rtn. Anup Joshi

We wish that the donation of this vehicle will be the beneficiary's path out of poverty.











#### **Project Pankh**

Informative sessions of Project Pankh were conducted on:

1. Date: 21st November, Monday Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Genius English Medium School Venue:

Beneficiaries: 180+ girls

Speaker: Ann. Falguni Vegda & Ann. Monika Mehta

MOC: Ann. Vidhi Nathwani

2. Date: 23rd November, Wednesday

Time: 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Venue: Shree Murlidhar Vidvalava

Beneficiaries: 70+

Speaker: Ann. Nivetha Amlani MOC: Ann Priti Amlani

3. Date: 25th November, Friday Time: 10:45 am to 11:45 am

Venue: Shree Chanakya Madhyamik Shala (Rosary School)

Beneficiaries: 150+

Speaker: Ann. Falguni Vegda, Ann. Monika Mehta &

> Rtn. Ashini Modi Ann. Pankita Shah

MOC:

4. Date: 29th November, Tuesday Time: 12:15 pm to 01:00 pm

Venue: Nachiketa School

Beneficiaries: 100+

Rtn. Ashini Modi & Ann. Monika Mehta Speaker:

MOC: Ann. Monika Mehta

The seminar delivered crisp yet clear information about Menstrual Hygiene Management, Good Touch Bad Touch and Cancer Awareness. To help the girls become physically and mentally fit, tips and tricks regarding Balanced and Healthy Diet and Yoga Asanas were also given. Members from our dedicated MHM team, Rtn. Dipti Kotecha, Ann. Sonal Shah and Ann. Shilpa Bhojani were also present to prove the tagline of Project Pankh, Hum Sab Saath! Taboo ke Khilaaf!



RTN. RAVI CHHOTAI **Joint Secretary** 

ONE MONTH



#### Special Mega Health Camp

RCRG will organize Special Mega Health Camps in the month of December as the Project of the Month. The Rotarians along with a galaxy of Doctors like Dentists, Physicians, Eye Surgeons, Heart Specialist who are already committed to various Permanent Project of RCRG like B.T. Savani Kidney Hospital, Panchnath Hospital, Sanjivani Center will go to under privilege areas and serve the









medical needs of patients. These areas would include places like nearby villages and factories. This will be one of a kind project in the history of RCRG under the leadership of President Rtn. Kunal **Mehta and team.** We raise the call for all the members to participate in any capacity.

#### IN CONVERSATION WITH RTN, RAVI CHHOTAL

- Spouse Name: Rtn. Ishita Chhotai Children's Names: Annet Venika and Daivik Chhotai
- What is your current Profession and what is the name of your Company? 2 I am into Retail - Watches. My company's name is Radhika.
- What are 3 interesting (not widely known) facts about you? (a) I love being in my own space. (b) I like company of all ages. (c) I like peace and harmony.
- What gives your life meaning? Serving people and smile on faces of people around me gives meaning to my life.
- Out of the positive emotions of compassion, positivity, enthusiasm, and initiative, which one is your biggest strength? Compassion I feel is my biggest strength.
- What is the one skill that you wish to master in the coming years? Man-handling skills and leadership skills is what I wish to master.
- What is a piece of advice that you would like to give to the younger generation? Patience is a key to everything. Best results are achieved through it.
- What could you give a 60-minute talk on with zero notice? Talking itself is something I like and then I don't see the time.
- What big or small lifestyle change have you been meaning to make this year? Accepting things with a broad smile coming my way.
- What is the one thing that you always want to be remembered for? 10 Doing something memorable for the society.
- 11 Which previous RCRG project is close to your heart and why? There are many but mainly Skin bank, E-riskshaw, Happy School. Main reasons are it benefitted society at large.
- 12 Who is your biggest influence in RCRG and why? Every individual around me influences me. There is a learning and experiences in every corner.
- 13 If you could make one Rule in Rotary that everyone must follow, what would it be? Stay happy and allow others to be happy.
- What is the one thing that you wish to achieve for RCRG this year? 14 Staying consistent and committed.



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- It is a matter of great pride that 3 members of RCRG participated in the Adani Ahmedabad Marathon 2022 on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022. We heartily congratulate them for completing the Marathon.
  - Rtn. Ravi Ganatra completed the Full Marathon in 05:27:13
  - Rtn. Ashok Surealia completed the Half Marathon in 04:33:37
  - Rtn. Dipen Patel completed the Half Marathon in 01:48:30
- Rtn. Jaydev Shah and Ann. Bindu Shah are happy to announce that their daughter Dr. Niyati Shah has decided to share her life and love with Mr. Raj Mithiya, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mithiya on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022.



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#### World AIDS Day



 On the run up to December you might notice people wearing a red ribbon. This is because World AIDS Day occurs on 1st December and the red ribbon is a symbol of awareness, compassion and solidarity with people living with HIV.

- DR. BANDISH JHALA
  - In 1991, the red ribbon was designed by a group of artists to 'create a visual expression of compassion for people living with HIV as being HIV positive is heavily stigmatised.
  - The red ribbon is important because HIV positive people still face various barriers when trying to access effective treatment. The marginalisation and stigmatisation can result in delays in people being tested and the earlier someone receives a diagnosis, the more effective their treatment will be.
  - The persistent stigmatisation is also because of the myths surrounding HIV. A lot of people think HIV can be spread via kissing. It is also not widely known that people living with HIV can have a long and healthy life and can't pass the virus on when receiving effective treatment.
  - This World AIDS Day let us rock the red ribbon in solidarity with those living with HIV and to challenge the misconceptions, setting the record straight and changing the narrative around HIV.

