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# Editor's Letter

ROTARY  
CLUB OF DOMBIVLI SUN CITY  
1st August 2024



## A Monsoon of Possibilities.....

Dear Rotarians,

As the monsoon paints our city with shades of green and the air fills with the refreshing aroma of earth, we at the Rotary Club of Dombivli Suncity are thrilled to present to you another edition of our monthly magazine.

This month, we extend a warm welcome to our new and prospective members, whose enthusiasm and commitment will undoubtedly enrich our club's endeavors. We also express our sincere gratitude to our dedicated Board of Directors for their invaluable guidance and support.

The recent downpour has been a stark reminder of the challenges faced by our community, especially those in need. We applaud the members who have stepped up to assist those affected by the rains, reflecting the true spirit of Rotary.

As we look forward, the vibrant colors and joyous spirit of Onam celebrations are little more than a month away. We invite all members to participate in the upcoming festivities and celebrate the rich cultural heritage with enthusiasm.

The coming months promise to be an exciting chapter for our club. We have a pipeline of innovative projects and engaging events that will not only make a positive impact on our community but also foster camaraderie among our members.

We are confident that this year will be filled with joy and fun filled memories. Together, let us continue to serve humanity with passion and dedication.

Happy reading!

Rtn. Nikhil Yashwant Apte  
Editor  
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# President's Letter

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## Membership: The Cornerstone of Rotary

Membership is the lifeblood of any Rotary Club. It is the foundation upon which our service projects, community initiatives, and global impact are built.

From our charter president Rtn. Vidya to our immediate past president Rtn. Alankar, the significance of a strong membership has been consistently emphasized.

A vibrant and diverse membership is essential for the continued success of our club. It brings together individuals from various backgrounds, professions, and perspectives, fostering a rich tapestry of ideas and experiences. Each member contributes unique skills, knowledge, and enthusiasm, enriching our collective efforts to create positive change.

By joining Rotary, you become part of a global network of leaders dedicated to serving their communities. You have the opportunity to make a tangible difference in the lives of others while building lifelong friendships. Whether it's through hands-on service projects, professional development opportunities, or simply connecting with like-minded individuals, Rotary offers a rewarding experience.

We invite you to explore the benefits of Rotary membership and consider joining our club. Together, we can create a brighter future for our community and the world.

Always-with-you  
Rtn. Rtr. Radhakrishnan K  
President 2024-2025  
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# District Governor's Message

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Dear Fellow Rotarians,  
As we prepare to usher in the second month of this Rotary Year, let us reflect on our recent achievements and look ahead to the opportunities before us. Your enthusiasm and dedication continue to inspire and drive our collective efforts toward creating a positive impact.

"You're off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way." We did it. July was a month of remarkable achievements.

### 1st July: ANNAPURNA Initiative

We kicked off the Rotary Year with our Annapurna Initiative, where we served meals to over 9000 people throughout our Rotary District. This act of service not only addressed immediate hunger issues but also showcased our commitment to alleviating food insecurity in our communities. Ann Veneman, Executive Director of UNICEF, says, "Few things have more impact than nutrition on a child's ability to survive, learn efficiently, and escape a life of poverty."

### 7th July: District Governor Installation

I am honored to have officially assumed the role of District Governor of Rotary District 3142 on the 7th of July. The Installation Ceremony was a testament to our unity and shared vision for the year ahead. I am grateful for the support and the implicit trust you have placed in me. That same evening, at an event organized at Hotel Satkar Residency, we felicitated Rotarians who pledged contributions of US\$ 1000 and more at the hands of P.R.I.D. K.R. Ravidran.

### 21st July: Blood Collection Drive

Our Blood Collection Drive was a tremendous success, with numerous Rotarians and community members braving the heavy rains to come together and donate blood. We collected over 1500 units. As a blood donation slogan so poignantly points out, "A mother's tears cannot save her child's life, but your blood can." This initiative significantly contributes to saving lives and meeting the urgent needs of the healthcare system.

Throughout July, I have had the honor and privilege of being invited as Chief Guest at the installation ceremonies of Rotary Clubs in all parts of the District.

This has provided me with an opportunity to meet Club Members and learn about the community service projects and CSR initiatives taken up by these Clubs. It is where I see the magic of Rotary happening.

### August in Rotary is designated as **Membership and New Club Development Month.**

Membership is the lifeblood of our organization, and this month provides an excellent opportunity to celebrate the values of our members, showcase the global impact of Rotary, and infuse new blood by inviting deserving individuals to serve the community and enjoy the fellowship of kindred souls by joining Rotary. I encourage each Club to actively engage in recruiting new members while retaining current ones. We need to emphasize the benefits of Rotary membership, including the opportunity to make a difference, build lasting friendships, and develop personal and professional skills. Let us work to create an inclusive and welcoming environment for all. In addition, consider innovative ways to establish new clubs in areas that can benefit from Rotary's presence. By expanding our reach, we can grow our outreach and extend and amplify the impact of our service. Together, we can strengthen our organization and continue to serve our communities with dedication and passion. "What really matters from the point of view of social capital and civic engagement is not merely nominal membership but active and informed membership."

Thank you for your unwavering commitment and service.

Yours in Rotary Service,  
Dinesh Mehta,  
District Governor, Year 2024-25





## Action Plan - Membership

When membership numbers in Rotary is discussed, a peak into the history would reveal some interesting facts, which are as follows:

1. Rotary Numbers touched a Million in 1985, when the Global Thrust towards eradication of Polio took Birth.
2. The membership numbers touched 1.2 million in 1993, when the drive of eradication of Polio was at its peak.
3. Since 1993 the membership has begun to stagnate. Currently the membership is hovering around 1.15 to 1.17 million.

Rotary is more than a century old and has survived two world wars, several global conflicts and natural disasters. This can be attributed to diversity in membership, spread of Rotary, federal structure, financial strength and transparency in its operation.

Anything that transcends a century and more, be it a monument or any movement one is reminded of the wonders of the world. In this case let us examine the great pyramids of Egypt, a wonder of the world. This has survived for centuries and intact. A look at the pyramid, and one can notice the unique proportions between the base and height of the pyramid. The height of the pyramid is directly proportional to its base.

Let us for a moment imagine the base of the pyramid to membership in Rotary and the height of the pyramid to Rotary's monumental achievements for humanity.

It only means that unless you widen the base, which is the membership, the height of the pyramid cannot rise, i.e Rotary's achievements cannot rise.

Taking a cue from the above, it is a no brainer that the membership base has to increase so that Rotary continues to remain at the forefront of Service to humanity. In 2019 RI has come up with a new concept,

### **ACTION PLAN**

The four principles of the Action Plan are:

**INCREASE OUR IMPACT.**

**EXPAND OUR REACH.**

**ENHANCE PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT.**

**INCREASE OUR ABILITY TO ADAPT.**

Action plan is a template that can be used for any purpose in Rotary, be it Membership, be it service projects, and be it support to TRF.



Increase our impact.

Expand our reach.

Enhance participant engagement.

Increase our ability to adapt.

**INCREASE OUR IMPACT:**

Promotion of Rotary in hitherto unknown areas and communities by way of RCC, Fellowship Groups, Rotaract and Interact. These areas will offer opportunity for Service. By undertaking these initiatives, Impact of Rotary can be increased. At an opportune moment, extension in the form of a New Club can be initiated.

**EXPAND OUR REACH:**

If more people affiliate with Rotary — not just as members but also as participants and partners — we'll grow our capacity to make an impact. This priority focuses on how we can share our values with new audiences, create new ways to bring people together to experience the power of Rotary, and prove we are an organization that's inclusive, engaging, compassionate, and ambitious on behalf of the world.

**ENHANCE PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT:**

Engagement is the core requirement to ensure that the journey from a Member to a Rotarian is seamless and effective. For this we have to put the needs, expectations, and growth of our Members and the participants at the center of all we do.

Due analysis have found that attrition in membership in the first two years are maximum. (almost 80%) Therefore it is safe to conclude that if the new Members are engaged for two years, they are retained.

**INCREASE OUR ABILITY TO ADAPT:**

We've shown throughout our history that we excel at finding new ways to lead the world to lasting change. Review and recalibrate is the key to success in all initiatives, be it Membership, be it Projects and be it support to TRF. All strategies does not fit the rule of one size fits all. Therefore it is essential to understand shortcomings in all the above three steps and recalibrate.

With reference to the initial three findings regarding Membership Numbers, I will leave you all behind with one thought, does Rotary need another Global Thread to infuse vibrancy and Growth...???

**Ravi Iyer**  
**DMC 24-25,**  
**RID 3142.**



# The ROTARY ACTION PLAN



**TOGETHER** WE SEE A WORLD  
WHERE **PEOPLE** UNITE AND TAKE ACTION  
TO **CREATE** LASTING  
**CHANGE** ACROSS THE GLOBE  
IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES

As we stand on the cusp of eliminating polio, we find ourselves poised for our next challenge. **The time is right to move toward realizing a new vision that brings more people together, increases our impact, and creates lasting change around the world.** To achieve the vision of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation, we have set four priorities that will direct our work over the coming years.



- Eradicate polio and leverage the legacy
- Focus our programs and offerings
- Improve our ability to achieve and measure impact

- Grow and diversify our membership and participation
- Create new channels into Rotary
- Increase Rotary's openness and appeal
- Build awareness of our impact and brand

- Support clubs to better engage their members
- Develop a participant-centered approach to deliver value
- Offer new opportunities for personal and professional connection
- Provide leadership development and skills training

- Build a culture of research, innovation, and willingness to take risks
- Streamline governance, structure, and processes
- Review governance to foster more diverse perspectives in decision-making

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# MAKING A DIFFERENCE WITH ROTARY GRANTS

Rotary members around the world have access to different kinds of grants from The Rotary Foundation to support service projects, offer scholarships, and organize other activities that make a difference in their own communities and far away. Explore four grant options that can help turn your vision into reality.



MORE INFORMATION  
[rotary.org/grants](https://rotary.org/grants)

	DISTRICT GRANTS	GLOBAL GRANTS	DISASTER RESPONSE GRANTS	PROGRAMS OF SCALE GRANTS
<b>How do we use these?</b>	These can address community needs in alignment with the Foundation's mission.	These support larger, international projects that align with an area of focus. They can also support scholarships and vocational training teams.	These support relief and recovery efforts in communities affected by natural disasters. They can be used to provide basic items like water, food, medicine, and clothing.	These competitive grants allow Rotary members to work with experienced partners and expand proven activities that align with an area of focus to make a significant impact.
<b>What's the time frame?</b>	These are for short-term activities that have a limited scope.	Use these for longer-term, sustainable projects that address needs identified in a community assessment.	Your district works with local entities on relief or recovery activities within six months of a disaster.	These evidence-based, sustainable, and measurable programs are implemented over three to five years.
<b>Do we need a partner?</b>	No, but it's often a good idea to work with other local organizations.	You need to work with another club or district, either as the host sponsor or international sponsor.	No, but your district should collaborate with local organizations to meet critical needs.	You need to work with implementing and investment partners outside Rotary and should also collaborate with other Rotary entities.
<b>Who can apply?</b>	A district, which can distribute funds to clubs	Clubs and districts	A district	A club or district
<b>Do we need to be qualified to apply for grants?</b>	Your district needs to be qualified.	Both sponsors need to be qualified.	Your district needs to be qualified.	The club or district leading the program needs to be qualified.
<b>What funding is available?</b>	Your district can seek up to 50% of its District Designated Funds allocated for that year.	Global grants have a minimum project budget of US\$30,000. You can ask for up to US\$400,000 from the World Fund.	Districts can get up to US\$25,000 if the Disaster Response Fund has funds available.	One US\$2 million grant may be awarded each year. Sponsors need to secure US\$500,000 from one or more investment partners outside Rotary.
<b>How and when do we apply?</b>	Your district applies by 15 May of the Rotary year for which you're requesting funds. Your club applies to the district.	Clubs and districts can apply throughout the year.	Your district applies within six months of the disaster.	Your club or district submits a concept note by 1 August. Select programs are invited to develop a full proposal that is due in January of the following year.





## माझी डोंबिवली - गुढी पाडवा शोभा यात्रा

### A Vibrant Celebration of New Beginnings

The 'Gudi Padwa Shobha Yatra' in Dombivli is an annual procession that marks the beginning of the Hindu New Year. It is a joyous and colorful event that is celebrated with great enthusiasm by the people of Dombivli.

#### The Route of the Procession

The procession usually starts from Bhagshala Maidan in Dombivli West and winds its way through the city, passing by prominent landmarks such as Gopi Cinema, Hotel Samrat, Pandit Deen Dayal Road, Kopineshwar Temple, and finally culminating at the Ganesh Temple in Dombivli East.

#### The Significance of the Procession

The Gudi Padwa Shobha Yatra is not just a spectacle; it has a deep religious and cultural significance.

The procession symbolizes the victory of good over evil, and it is a reminder that we should always strive to start new things with a positive attitude.

#### The Festivities

The procession is accompanied by a lively display of music, dance, and fireworks. People dressed in their best traditional attire come out to watch the procession and participate in the festivities. The streets are lined with stalls selling food and drinks, and the air is filled with the aroma of incense and flowers.

#### A Glimpse of the Dombivli Culture

The Gudi Padwa Shobha Yatra is a great opportunity to experience the rich culture and traditions of Dombivli and it brings people together and fosters a sense of community.





## माझी डोंबिवली - Famous personalities

### Ajinkya Rahane: From Dombivli to International Cricket

**Ajinkya Rahane**, a name synonymous with elegance and grit in Indian cricket, hails from the unassuming suburb of **Dombivli**. Born into a middle-class family, Rahane's passion for cricket ignited early. Despite financial constraints, his father introduced him to the sport at a tender age.

Rahane's cricketing journey began on the humble matting wickets of Dombivli. His talent was evident from the start, and he soon came under the tutelage of former Indian batsman **Pravin Amre**. Amre's guidance was instrumental in shaping Rahane's technique and mental fortitude.

#### Ajinkya Rahane Career Stats

Batting & Fielding														
FORMAT	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100s	50s	4s	6s	Ct	St
Tests	85	144	12	5077	188	38.46	10256	49.50	12	26	578	35	102	0
ODIs	90	87	3	2962	111	35.26	3767	78.63	3	24	293	33	48	0
T20Is	20	20	2	375	61	20.83	331	113.29	0	1	32	6	16	0
FC	188	318	29	13225	265*	45.76	24791	53.34	39	57	1590	95	200	0
List A	182	177	14	6475	187	39.72	-	-	10	45	-	-	87	0
T20s	262	247	24	6383	105*	28.62	5246	121.67	2	43	647	141	109	0

Bowling														
FORMAT	Mat	Inns	Balls	Runs	Wkts	BBI	BBM	Ave	Econ	SR	4w	5w	10w	
Tests	85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
ODIs	90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
T20Is	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
FC	188	9	108	75	0	-	-	-	4.16	-	0	0	0	
List A	182	2	42	43	3	2/36	2/36	14.33	6.14	14.0	0	0	0	

A product of **SV Joshi High School** in Dombivli, Rahane's cricketing prowess soon transcended local boundaries. His consistent performances in domestic cricket earned him a call-up to the Indian team. Known for his impeccable technique and ability to anchor the innings, Rahane has been a vital cog in **India's Test lineup**.

While his cricket records speak volumes about his talent, it's Rahane's humble origins and strong connection to Dombivli that make him a true inspiration. His journey from a small town to the pinnacle of world cricket is a testament to his hard work, dedication, and unwavering belief in his abilities.





# GOVINDASHRAM

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## माझी डोंबिवली - 'खाद्य जत्रा'

### Kamath's 'Govindashram': A Dombivli Culinary Landmark

"Kamath's Govindashram" is a well-established restaurant in the heart of Dombivli, Maharashtra.

Shri Govind Venkataraman Kamath was the creator and the visionary of this legacy. The name "Kamath's Govindashram" is a tribute to the creator of this legacy.

Under the stewardship of Shri Vyankatesh G Kamath (s/o Shri Govind V Kamath); Amey V Kamath (grandson) and a team of highly experienced professionals continue this legacy.

Known for its diverse menu, Kamath's Govindashram offers a delightful blend of North Indian, South Indian, and Chinese cuisines. Their specialties include a range of vegetarian dishes, catering to a wide variety of tastes.

Located in the bustling town of Dombivli, the restaurant has been a favorite spot for locals and visitors alike for many years. Its popularity is a testament to the consistent quality of food and service it provides.



DUM HANDI BIRYANI



Cafreal Tikka Paneer



DUM ALOO PUNJABI



Italian Wave Pizza



## Health, Wellness & Mindfulness

### Monsoon Mindfulness:

Mumbai's monsoon, while refreshing, also brings its share of health challenges. It's essential to prioritize self-care and mindfulness during this season. A little extra care during the monsoon can go a long way in keeping you healthy and happy.

This season also offers a unique opportunity for introspection and renewal. The steady patter of rain can be a meditative rhythm. Sit by a window, close your eyes, and focus on the sound. Embrace the monsoon as a time for your rejuvenation and personal growth.

**Find peace in the rains!**



### Physical Health

#### Boost Immunity:

Prioritize a diet rich in vitamins and minerals. Include plenty of fruits, vegetables, and immunity-boosting foods like ginger, turmeric, and garlic.

#### Stay Dry:

Avoid getting drenched in rainwater. Carry an umbrella and wear waterproof footwear.

#### Hygiene First:

Use hand sanitizers when soap and water aren't readily available.

#### Exercise Indoors:

If outdoor workouts are challenging, opt for indoor exercises like yoga, Zumba, or home workouts.



### Mental Health

#### Manage stress:

Practice relaxation techniques like meditation or deep breathing.

#### Connect with nature:

Spend time in green spaces when weather permits.

#### Be present:

Focus on the moment and appreciate the beauty of the monsoon.

#### Gratitude:

Cultivate a sense of gratitude for what you have.

#### Limit screen time:

Reduce exposure to electronic devices for better sleep.



# RTN. NEIL ARMSTRONG

Rotary Club of Wapakoneta, R.I. District 6600

July 20, 1969

First  
man to  
walk on  
moon



FAMOUS ROTARIAN

## माझी Rotary

### Trivia - A Powerful Parallel: Rotary and the Moon Landing

20 July 1969, Rtn. Neil Armstrong's first step on the moon mirrors Rotary's mission: Breaking Boundaries and Making Impactful strides for a better world.

Neil Armstrong's historic first step on the moon indeed mirrors Rotary's mission in a profound way.

- **Breaking Boundaries:** Both achievements represented a leap beyond previously perceived limitations. For NASA, it was conquering the vast expanse of space. For Rotary, it's often about overcoming societal, geographical, or economic barriers to create positive change.
- **Impactful Strides:** The moon landing was a monumental achievement for humanity, expanding our understanding of the universe. Similarly, Rotary's projects and initiatives often have a far-reaching impact, improving countless lives and communities.
- **A Better World:** Both endeavors ultimately aim to create a better future. The moon landing symbolized human ingenuity and cooperation, while Rotary's work is grounded in service and the betterment of society.

This parallel is a powerful reminder of the potential for human achievement when we set ambitious goals and work collaboratively.

# माझी Rotary Suncity Club Felicitations at District Shukriya

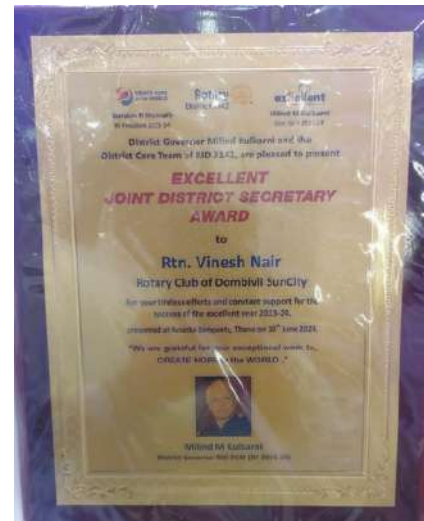
Our Club, 'Rotary Club of Dombivli Suncity' was felicitated on **30th June 2024** at the event **District Shukriya** called 'Sayonara' for the Excellent Year hosted by 'Rotary Club of Hiranandani Estate' at Ananta Banquet, Thane.

The awards were for the individual and club performances throughout the year and were felicitated at the hands of **Rtn. Harsh Makol**.

- **'Gold Legacy Club Award'** - President Rtn, Alankar Taishete.
- **'Excellent Joint District Secretary Award'** - Rtn. Vinesh Nair
- **'Excellent Impactful Secretary Award'** - Rtn. Umesh Basarkar
- **'Excellent Admiration Certificate'** - Rtn. Lalit Tarrte
- **'Excellent Governer's Special Ambassador Award'** - Rtn. Nishant Vyas



We recognize the efforts of all the team members and congratulate them for getting the awards.





# Projects

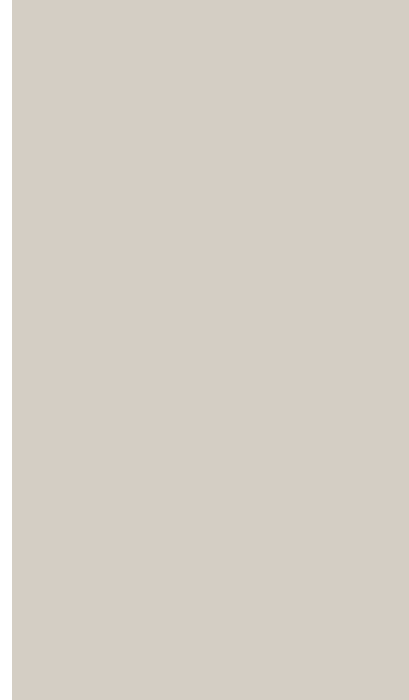


## Annapurna - 'Dilasa Day Care' - Aajinche Ghar

The project 'Annapurna' was organized over two days. The first was on 26th June 2024, where our club members visited and spent some time at '**Dilasa Day-care Aajinche Ghar**' near Potoba Hotel, MIDC, Dombivli (East).

The day care is a home to 9 senior citizens 'Aaji's' as we fondly call them, and our club has supported them with one month's ration as our small contribution to this noble cause

We hope to continue being associated with them through next few years and support them through various means as per their needs.



## Annapurna - 'Balika Bhavan Mukta Prakalapa'

On the second day of this project, i.e. 27th June 2024, our club members visited and spent some time at '**Balika Bhavan Mukta Prakalapa**' (Parivartan Mahila Sanstha), Ganpati Mandir road, Titwala (East).

We also donated a month's ration to Parivartan Balika Bhavan, where 15 Girls from the age of 6 to 18, and from various background including orphans, single mother's children etc. stay in a protected and nurturing environment.

They go to school, are tutored in arts, are taught daily chores as well as traditional values of a family here.



## Bags from Rags 'Best out of Waste'

On 27th June 2024, we also completed the '**Bags from Rags**' project.

This project was initiated and chaired by Ann Shubhangi Daptardar & supported by our Charter President Vidya Jain.

# Projects



## Blood Donation Drive - A Resounding Success

We're thrilled to share the fantastic results of our blood donation drive conducted on 1st July 2024. Together, we collected a total of 124 blood bags of blood out of 190 participants.

A big thank you our amazing Rotary and Rotaract volunteers who made this possible. A huge shoutout to the dedicated medical team from J.J. Mahanagar Blood Bank, Chidanand Blood Bank, NSS Unit of SIA College Dombivli, and most importantly, ALL the blood donors for your life-saving contribution! You're the real heroes!

## Blood Donation: A Lifesaver

**Blood donation** is the process of voluntarily donating blood for transfusion to others who need it. It's a simple act that can save countless lives.

### Why Donate Blood?

#### Saves lives:

Blood is essential for various medical treatments, surgeries, and conditions like anemia and hemophilia.

#### Helps the community:

A stable blood supply ensures that those in need, such as accident victims and cancer patients, receive timely treatment.

#### Regular blood donors are healthier:

Studies suggest that regular blood donors have a lower risk of heart disease.



## Here's a quick breakdown by location:

- Chidanand Blood Bank - 6 bags (out of 14 donors)
- Runwal Mycity - 41 bags (out of 53 donors)
- Shubham Banquet - 10 bags (out of 10 donors)
- Dombivli Railway Station - 67 bags (out of 113 donors)



# Projects



## Raising a Mathematician - Maths Circle

Raising a Mathematician - Maths Circle at Dombivli saw the inauguration of the 3rd year's batch on 27th August 2024.

RAM Maths Circle, Dombivli has been running successfully

since past two years with the support of Swami Vivekanand Vidyalaya and through the generous donations from Rotary Club of Dombivli, Suncity.

This 'Maths Circle' by 'Raising a Mathematician Foundation' is the first Maths Circle in India that is happening in non-English medium of instruction, i.e. in Marathi.



About 70 students were selected this year from 12 schools in Dombivli (suburban Mumbai) and a new batch was formed.

From the past two year's students, a smaller group of 12 students were shortlisted for more advanced Math problems.

Throughout the year, the students will be engaged in creative problem solving on every Saturday 4 to 6 pm.

The goal is to deepen the love for the subject, enhance problem solving skills and create a confident problem solving and Math loving community at a local level.



## माझी Rotaract Suncity family - Rtr. Shreyash Avhad



We as a Rotary family are proud to acknowledge the achievements of **Rotaractor Shreyash Vasant Avhad**, who is currently pursuing **B.Tech. in Instrumentation and Control** at COEP Technological University Pune.

He developed a strong interest in electronics at a young age. His first major project, a '**Gesture Controlled Car**' built in seventh grade, sparked his passion and showcased his abilities. Encouraged by his father, a VJTI graduate himself, Shreyash's interest grew in this field, leading to the creation of a fully autonomous '**RC Drone**' by ninth grade. This impressive project earned him recognition in a national-level science competition organized by Ministry of Education.

His professional journey in electronics gained momentum during his time pursuing the 'Diploma in Instrumentation'. Here, he began building industry-ready projects, notably collaborating on a **Full-stack IoT Ecosystem** with NASA. In his third year, his team achieved a significant milestone by developing a '**Fully Autonomous Search And Rescue Drone (SAR Drone)**', which garnered the top prize in India at the Smart India Hackathon by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Innovation Council.

After his diploma he got admission for a degree course in COEP, Pune. At COEP, he was engaged in diverse projects that honed his skills in 3D modeling, 3D printing, PCB fabrication, and more. He seized an opportunity to prototype two groundbreaking medical devices in collaboration with **Sasoon Hospital, Pune**.

- **VR-based Low Vision Aid** designed for patients with conditions like Glaucoma or ARMD, utilizing a smartphone and VR technology to enhance peripheral vision.
- **Low-cost Portable Slit Lamp**, leveraging smartphone cameras to generate detailed slit images of the eye.

These pioneering projects were showcased at **MOSCON 2023 (Maharashtra Ophthalmology Society Conference)**, garnering acclaim on an international stage.

Further he and his team developed an **AI-enabled Robot** for Flipkart India, utilizing Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning to autonomously orient package barcodes. This project, achieved with the support of COEP Pune's Centre of Excellence and Flipkart, now serves as an educational tool, enlightening school students on the applications of machine learning and AI.

Currently, he is involved in developing an **Endoscopic Device** for brain surgery in collaboration with Dr. Nilesh, a distinguished brain surgeon at Dinanath Mangeshkar Hospital, and Mr. Sundar Rajan, CEO of Saphirex Surgical.

His journey underscores a seamless integration of passion, skill, and innovation in the realm of electronics and technology, shaping impactful solutions with every project undertaken. He can be reached on [shreyashvavhad@gmail.com](mailto:shreyashvavhad@gmail.com) for more information





# Business Spotlight

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## Mr. Aniket Daptardar Dapmans Pest Management Pvt. Ltd.

**Mr. Aniket Daptardar** is a 22 - year veteran in the sphere of Public Health, Pest Control Management & Vector Control. He has an extensive experience in developing & implementing effective pest control strategies to safeguard public health and well-being. He is passionate about utilizing innovative and sustainable practices in his field.

**Dapmans Pest Management** is an ISO 9001: 2015 certified company offering a comprehensive range of pest control products and services. They prioritize customer satisfaction by providing environmentally friendly, and reliable solutions to protect health, food, and property. Their commitment to quality, integrity, and community involvement sets them apart.

**Target Market:** Government Public Health Departments & Private Sectors

**Challenges:** In the Public Health Pest Management & vector control sector, the company management faces

constant challenges due to evolving government regulations, manpower shortages, intense competition, and increasing pest resistance to insecticides. Adaptability, skilled workforce, and innovative solutions are crucial to overcome these obstacles.

Their **success** is driven by their extensive expertise, innovation, quality focus, adherence to regulatory compliances, investment in training, skilled workforce, strong partnerships with vendors, and exceptional customer service.

Over the next 5 years, their **vision** is to establish themselves as a leading global player in the Public Health Pest Management and Vector Control sector by expanding presence in international markets through strategic exports and partnerships, & delivering innovative and sustainable pest management solutions worldwide. Their goal is to make a significant impact on public health globally, contributing to safer and healthier communities.

<p><b>Services Provided:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commercial &amp; Residential Pest Control Services.</li> <li>• Supply of Pest Control Chemicals &amp; allied products.</li> <li>• Exports of Public Health &amp; Hygiene products.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Awards &amp; Recognitions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bharat Udyog Ratan Award –IEDRA, New Delhi</li> <li>• Rashtriya Gaurav Award –WEPS, New Delhi</li> <li>• Business Visionary Award-2006, New Delhi</li> <li>• National Achievement Award for Corporate Leadership, New Delhi</li> <li>• Mother Teresa National Stree Ratna Award – SLIWRD, Dharwad</li> <li>• Dr. Abdul Kalam Life Time Achievement Award – Bharatiya Mahila Abhivrudhi Nigam Bangalore</li> </ul>



# माझी Rotary Suncity Family - Fun Time

## Riddles & Quiz

### Riddles!

A **palindrome** is a word, phrase, verse, or sentence that reads the same backward or forward. Let's try some more palindrome riddles!

- What word becomes a palindrome when viewed upside down and backwards?
- Pronounced as one letter but written with three, only two different letters are used to make me. I'm double, I'm single I'm black, blue, and gray. I'm read from both ends and the same either way.
- What word, when written in capital letters, is the same forwards, backwards and upside down?
- What call for help, when written in capital letters, is the same forwards, backwards and upside down?

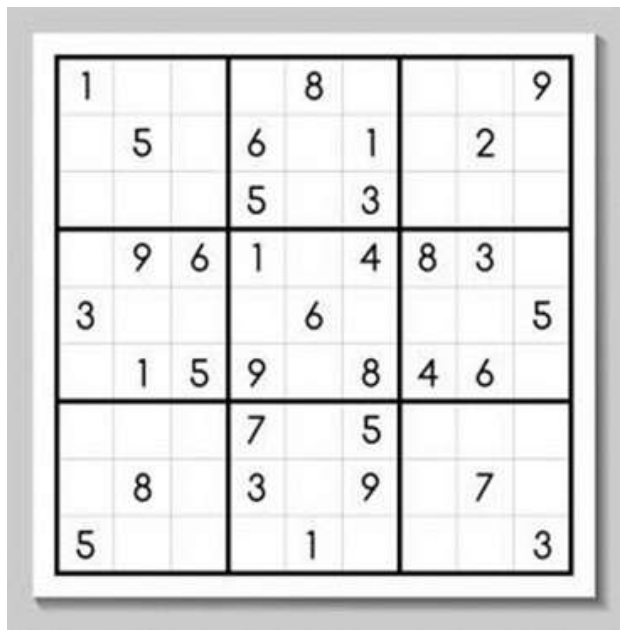
### Word Search

A minimum of 20 words are embedded in this image. Let's see who can get the maximum numbers.



### SUDOKU

Who wants to take a Sudoku challenge?





# Announcements & Updates

## Congratulations !!!!

The **Rotary's 'International Fellowship of Cricket Loving Rotarians'** bestowed a well-deserved honour upon our triumphant cricket team on July 6th 2024.

Under the exceptional leadership of Rtn. Manoj Mhatre, the team showcased true championship spirit. A huge round of applause for the entire team and their inspiring captain. Let's continue to support our champions!



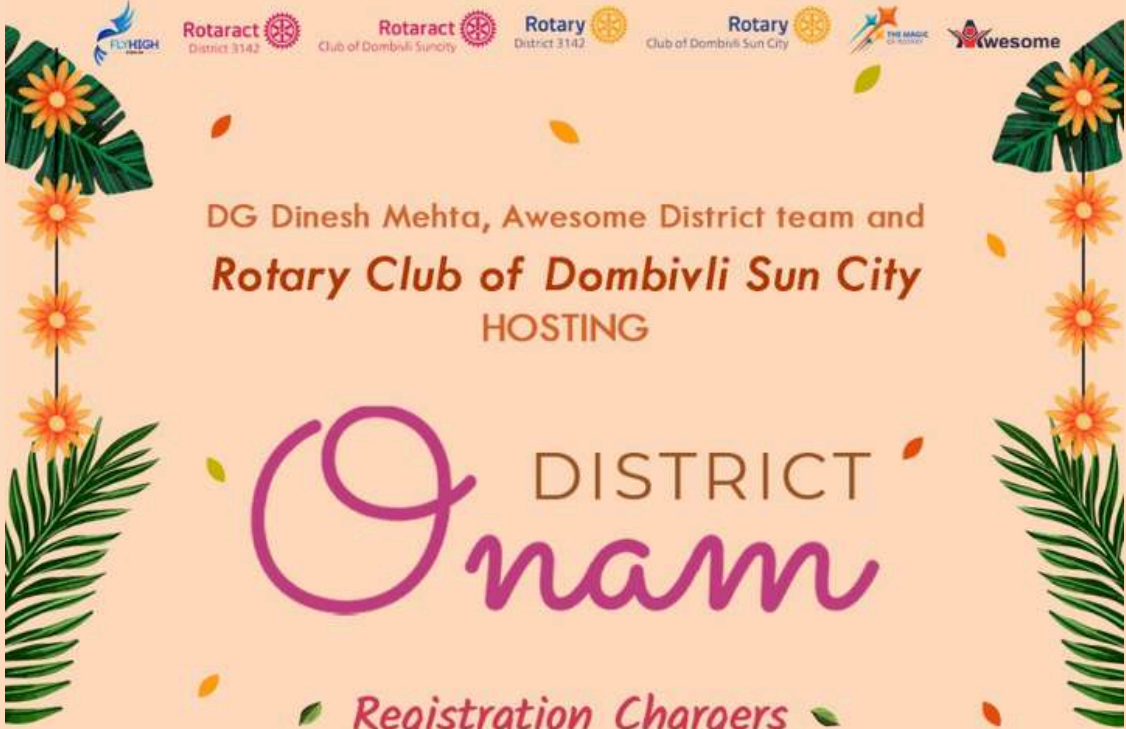
## Onam magic is in the air!

The countdown to Onam has begun! We've set the stage for an unforgettable Onam and our club marked the start of the celebrations with an energetic meeting and video shoot on July 13th 2024. The camaraderie and excitement were infectious.

Expect a spectacular celebration filled with joy, culture, and community spirit on 22nd September 2024. Get ready!







STATUS	DEADLINE	PER PERSON	10 PERSONS (BULK BOOKING)
EARLY BRID	UNTILL 7 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	₹ 800/-	₹7,000/-
PHASE 1	8 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST - 31 <sup>ST</sup> AUGUST	₹1,000/-	₹9,000/-
PHASE 2	1 <sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER & ONWARDS	₹1,200/-	₹11,000/-

at K.C. Gandhi Auditorium,  
Bail Bazar, Kalyan (West).

22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024

followed by  
kerala traditional lunch





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# 20 AUGUST



## Membership & New Club Dev. Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1<sup>st</sup> Aug.- Annet Aryan Shimpi 5<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Vikas Kothari 7<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Ann. Dhvani Priyesh 10<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Annet Kavya Gajra 10<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Ann. Reena Shailash 10<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Annet Jia Deepesh</p>	<p>15<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Ann. Shweta Shimpi 15<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Annet Pahlani Priyesh 16<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Alith Nair 21<sup>st</sup> Aug.- Shailash Patel 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug.- Ann. Pallavi Subhash 24<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Annet Jeet Nitin</p>	<p>26<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Ajit Jadhav 30<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Annet Rasmi Vojhala 31<sup>st</sup> Aug.- Ann. Tejal Deepesh 31<sup>st</sup> Aug.- Annet Svanik Nikhil 20<sup>th</sup> Aug.- Radhakrishnan &amp; Anudiyana</p>	<p>World Breast feeding week begins World Lung Cancer Day Climb Mountain Day</p>	<p>Club Weekly Meeting Theme- Beer Trivia International Beer Day Ex-Girlfriend Day</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> Family Picnic World Lion Day World Biofuel Day</p>	<p>03</p>
<p>PI &amp; PR Seminar Host: RCD East Int. Friendship Day</p>	<p>Hiroshima Day</p>	<p>National Handloom Day Hariyali Teej (Chhoti Teej) World Breast feeding</p>	<p>Quit India Day</p>	<p>Nag Panchami Nagasaki Day</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> Family Picnic World Lion Day World Biofuel Day</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>1<sup>st</sup> Family Picnic XXXIII Olympiad 2024, PARIS Ends</p>	<p>International Youth Day World Elephant Day</p>	<p>Partition Horrors Remembrance Day Youm-e-Azadi Pak Independence Day</p>	<p>Independence Day Parsi New Year Annapurna Day Feast day of Assumption</p>	<p>Tell a Joke Day Rum Day</p>	<p>District Picnic Host: RC Ul'sngr Sapna Garden Gayatri Jayanti</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>District Picnic Host: RC Ul'sngr Sapna Garden</p>	<p>Raksha Bandhan Narali Purnima World Photography Day World Humanitarian Day</p>	<p>Sadbhavana Diwas National Akshay-Urja Day World Mosquito Day</p>	<p>Kajjar Teej (Badi Teej)</p>	<p>Club Weekly Meeting Theme - Rotary on a Vada Pav National Space World Vada Pav Day</p>	<p>District RYLA Day 1</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>District RYLA Day 2 Seminar :A to Z of Rotary.</p>	<p>Janmashtami Women Equality Day International Dog Day Mother Teresa Day</p>	<p>Dahi handi / Gopalkata</p>	<p>National Sports Day / Rashtriya Khel Divas</p>	<p>BOD Meeting National Small Industry Day Beach Day</p>	<p>Vishva Sanskrit Diwas Paryushan Parv begins</p>	<p>31</p>



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