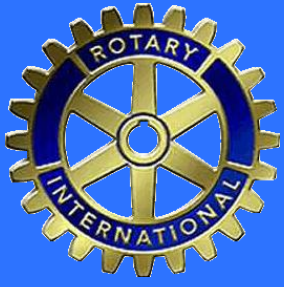


# VIROTOR



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### Editor's Note:

It gives me immense pleasure to place before you the Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Virajpet. Our Bulletin has been the mouthpiece of the Club since its inception in 1971. Proceedings of the Club, Rotary Information in and around the Rotary World, interesting tidbits, along with relevant pictures and illustrations will fill the pages of Virotor. True to the Rotary International Theme for the year 2022-23, IMAGINE ROTARY, let us take the club to newer heights and make the year beyond imagination. Virotor will function as a bridge between the member and Rotary outside.

Announcements form the life breath of any Rotary club and it is true in case of our club. They participate in all the club activities, fill the WhatsApp group with interesting information and provide us with delicious and sumptuous homemade dinner!

I seek all your help in preparing the future issues of Virotor. Happy Reading! Thank you.

- Rtn. PHF Dr. Narasimhan

## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2022-23



Jennifer E. Jones, a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada, nominated to become Rotary International's president for 2022-23, a groundbreaking selection that will make her the first woman to hold that office in the organization's 115-year history.

Jennifer E. Jones (1967- ) is a Canadian communications executive. She is president of Rotary International for 2022-23, the first woman to be selected in the 117-year history of the organization.

Jones, 55, was born in Windsor, Ontario, and — save for a few post-college years working in the Turks and Caicos Islands and Manhattan — has lived there her whole life. The oldest of three children, she'd run lemonade stands to earn money to give to charity, and recalls organizing a carnival in her family's yard to benefit kids with muscular dystrophy. "Growing up, my parents had given us wings to do service in our community," she says. Today, her mom, dad, and one of her brothers and his wife are Rotarians. Her other brother created a painting that inspired Jones' presidential-theme

ties and scarves. Jones started her own television production company when she was in her late 20s, wowing bank officials with her business plan, negotiating a lease, and investing in hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of equipment. "I've always wanted to carve my own path," she says. "Sometimes that's meant taking risks and making yourself open to new experiences".

Jones is a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland.

Jones had previously served as Rotary International vice president, director, training leader, committee chair, moderator and district governor. She said one of her goals as Rotary International president is to have double-digit growth in the number of female Rotarians and Rotarians under the age of 40.

Jones also said she is extremely proud of the work Rotary has done in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, providing \$29.7 million to help local clubs respond.

Jones is the founder and president of Media Street Productions in Windsor, Ontario. She expects to leave daily operations of that company in the hands of Media Street CEO Kelly Blais while she and her husband, Nick Krayacich, live near the Rotary International headquarters in Evanston, Illinois.

### RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Rotary Theme 2022-23: "*Imagine Rotary*"

RI President Jones, a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada, revealed the 2022-23 presidential theme, *Imagine Rotary*, as she urged people to dream big and harness their connections and the power of Rotary to turn those dreams into reality.

Rotary International President-elect Jennifer Jones wants members to imagine the possibilities in the change they can make to transform the world. Imagine, a world that deserves our best where we get up each day "Imagine, a world that deserves our best," Jones told incoming district governors on 20 January, "where we get up each day knowing that we can make a difference", knowing that we can make a difference.

Jones, who will make history on 1 July by becoming Rotary's first female president, gave a live online address to precede Rotary's annual training event for district governors from around the world, the International Assembly.

\_ RI President Jennifer Jones



## OUR INSTALLATION OFFICER

Rtn. PHF Mittur Ishwara Bhat, B.Com. F.C.A. is a Fellow member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India presently practicing in Madikeri as Partner of M/s Bal and Bhimeshwar, Chartered Accountants. Rtn. Ishwara Bhat did his early education in Mittur, Kabaka and Puttur. He did his graduation in St. Philomena College, Puttur during 1972-1975, when he was the recipient of honour for best B. Com student of Puttur Taluk for 1975 from Rotary Club, Puttur.



He passed out as a full-fledged C.A. in 1980 and worked for a year in Chennai. In 1981 he came to Karnataka and selected a mofussil town Madikeri to practice as a Chartered Accountant by forming an audit firm by name M/S Bal and Bhimeshwar.

Rtn. Ishwara Bhat joined the Rotary Madikeri in the year 1981 and has been an active member of that club for the past 41 years. He served the Club by holding various responsible positions. He was Director of all avenues of service. He worked as

treasurer of the Madikeri club on various years. He has served as secretary of the club and was the president of that club in 1886-87. He has also served in various capacities in the then Rotary District 3080 and 3181. He served as District Treasurer in 1996-97, the Registration Committee Chairman. He was the Assistant Governor for the then Zone 6 of RI District 3180 during 1997-98.

He has also served as faculty for training Rotary office bearers in various Rotary District Assemblies and training seminars. In the year 2017-18, during the Governorship of Rtn. Suresh Chengappa, he served as the District Secretary – Administration. Rtn. Bhat and his family members are all Paul Harris Fellows.

Rtn. Ishwara Bhat is married to Ann Laxmi Ishwara Bhat, who was a Past President of Inner wheel club of Madikeri. Rtn & Ann Bhat have two sons. Elder son Aditya Bhat is an engineering graduate in Computer Science, presently working in Singapore. Younger son Rtn. Amar Sharma completed his C.A. at his early age of 22 and presently is a partner of M/s Bal and Bhimeshwar taking care of professional work in Head office - Madikeri and branch at Chennai.

Mr. Ishwara Bhat is interested in reading various kinds of books with special mention of reading Samskritha Subhashitha during free time. Also interested in Yakshagana. He served for few years as honorary Secretary of Brahmashree Mittur Purohitha Thimmayya Bhatta Samprathishtana and continues to be actively associated with its activities. Rtn. Ishwara Bhat, as devotee of Sri Ramachandrapura Mutt, has served as President of Kodagu Havyaka Valaya for over 8 years, also served as Koshadhyaksha of Mulleria Havyaka Mandala for three years.

He is Life Member of various Professional associations Like Karnataka State Chartered Accountants' Association, All India Tax Practitioners Association, and also life member of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Brahmana Vidyabhivridhi Nidhi, Kodagu. Etc. Mr. Ishwara Bhat loves to travel inside and outside India. He has made holy trip to Kailas and Manasa Sarovara in China and to Mukthinath in Nepal about 12years back. He also travelled in various countries outside India such as Nepal, United Arab Emirates, Singapore, Srilanka, Malaysia, Indonesia and Thailand.

His recent yatra was in Himalayas in Uttarakhand. He returned from his Badrinath and Panchkedar yatra only two days back. In this yatra he visited Badrinath, Kalpeshwar, Rudranath, Gopeshwar, Tunganath, Madmaheshwar and Kedarnath. This tour of 14 days involved lot of trekking and horse ridings at heights ranging from 8000 ft to 13000 ft from MSL.

## OUR DISTRICT LEADER

.District Governor Rtn. Major Donor N Prakash Karanth. Rtn. N. Prakash Karanth born in Narikombu Village of Bantwal



Taluk on: 8th March 1962 to Late. Sri Subraya Karanth and Late. Smt. Sharada Karanth. He hails from a well respected agriculture family. After completion of his primary and high school education from Sri Sharadha high School Panemangalore, he did his BSc graduation from St Aloysius College Mangalore. He is a progressive agriculturist by profession and he arecanut, coconut, pepper, rubber and other plantation products in large scale. He invests, develops and deals in land, having a Real Estate business firm called "Deal Well Real Estate" from 1995, having offices at Ground floor Manasa Tower, M.G.Road, Mangalore, and at 11nd floor, Plama Heights, near KSRTC Bus Stand Bejai, Mangalore. He joined Rotary in the year 2010 and has served as Director of Community, Vocational, and Club service in the Club. Regarding membership development, he has introduced many active members to the club. He was instrumental in constructing 3 houses for tribal (adivasi) koraga families in the name Koragara Colony at Narikombu village during 2010-11. He became the club President in the year 2014. During his tenure, he has constructed 11 houses for members of the Tribal Koraga community at

Punjalkatte in association with the local Village Panchayath and Swasthik friends club Punjalkatte. He has

constructed a 1500 sq ft multi utility hall at Govt. Higher Primary School, Narikombu. He has distributed Rs 30000.00 worth Health Insurance cards to 2500 families; it is an ongoing project in continuation with Sevanjali Pratishthana and KSHEMA hospital Deralakatte. During his period, the public image of the club was at its best due to the well-organised public functions in association with Govt. Departments & Local NGOs. and community service projects as well. In his tenure two memorable Rotary District programmes were conducted, Rotary Day celebration and Preserve Planet Earth seminar in the name " Vasundhara" at Sahyadri college Campus Adyar. This programme was well appreciated and hence the club was very much recognised in the Rotary District which added another feather to his cap. ROTARY BANTWAL GOLDEN JUBILEE HALL was constructed during the year 2018/19 under his able leadership as construction committee chair, a two storied building measuring about 4000sqft area was built in a short span of 4 months. He was instrumental in bringing up 3 new large and 2 new medium clubs in Bantwal Taluk. They are RC Bantwal Town, RC Loretto Hills, RC Madanthyar , RC Farangipet & RC Modankap out of which he is GSR for 3 clubs. During his tenure as Assistant Governor of Zone-4 he was responsible to start 44 Interact, 9 Rotaract, and 2 new clubs and induced more than 220 new members in the zone. He has served as Zonal Coordinator for district WINS and RI convention promotion. He has served as District chair for Membership extension, Economic and Community Development in various years. In 2012-13, he has organised State level Krishimela along with Sri Kshethra Dharmasthala Gramabhivridi Yojana. He is involved in many Religious and Community activities and has built many Temples and Daivastana under his leadership. He is the District Vice President of Amateur Kabaddi Association, Scouts, Guides and Bulbul and Janajagruti Vedike Dharmasthala, for more than ten years. He was awarded the Karnataka Rajyotsava Award for Social Service in 2011. He is rewarded as " Fellow of Pulse Polio" and "Major Donor" to The Rotary Foundation. Mr. Karanth is a very jovial person, his hobbies includes making friends, traveling, involving himself in community, cultural, religious, educational and social activities. He is happily married to Smt. Vani P Karanth who manages his agricultural activities. She is also a very active Rotarian and worked as very vibrant secretary of the club. The couple blessed with 2 daughters: Apoorva married to Mr. Vishnu Acharya an entrepreneur and agriculturist from Udupi and Rtn. Amoolya studying LLB at SDM Law college, Mangalore and a Grandson Baby Raghav.

## **KNOW YOUR ASSISTANT GOVERNOR**



PHF Rtn. Rathan Thammaiah Born on the 25th of January, 1965 to late Sri. Kiri Yamada P. Sommaiah and Smt. Thelapanda. Kamini Sommaiah. He has completed his early education from Sri Chennamma Junior college Madapur, B.A. degree from St. Aloysius College, Mangalore and completed his LLB from Sri Jagathguru Renukacharya College, Bangalore in the year 1991. Rtn. K.S. Rathan Thammaiah started his practice in the year 1991 under Sri. A.K. Subbaiah eminent advocate at High Court of Karnataka, Bangalore. Thereafter from 2000 onwards he is practicing in District Court Madikeri. He is also a coffee Planter and owns property in Madapur and Madikeri.

Rtn. K.S. Thammaiah was inducted into Rotary on the 23rd of August, 2014. He has served in various capacities in the club and as the President for the period 2019-20, bagged 7 awards and was awarded the the President's citation for mobilizing maximum TRF contribution. He served as a Zonal Lieutenant for the year 2020-21. He also served as a District Chairmen Career Guidance for the year 2021-22.

Rtn. K.S. Thammaiah is a member of Kodagu Planters Association, Children's Rehabilitation centre (Bala Bhavan), Green city Forum, and many other social organisations. He has served in the Bar Association as its joint secretary and its treasurer, at present he is serving as a Vice President of Bar Association Madikeri. He was also the Vice president of Cosmopolitan club, Madikeri for the period 2014-18. He is a member of the Golf club, Coorg Hockey Association, Madapur sports and recreation Club and the Coorg Badminton Association.

He is married to Smt. Allaranda Nita Poovamma who is working as a Medical Transcriptionist for Aptcon. The couple is blessed with two children. The elder daughter K.T. Jyothika has completed her 3rd year engineering at Nitte Meenakshi Institute of Technology, Bangalore in Electronics and Communication Engineering and now is working in Infosys. The Younger son K.T. Lahar Chengappa is pursuing his 3rd year Mechanical Engineering at Ramaiah Institute of Technology.

His hobbies are listening to music and playing golf.

## KNOW YOUR ZONAL LIEUTENANT



Zonal Lieutenant Kadiyamada Newin Belliappa Rtn. Kadiyamada Newin Belliappa is the son of Late Kadiyamada Belliappa and Seethamma of Gonikoppal. His early schooling was done in St. Annes virajpet. He studied law at Sri. Jagadguru Renukacharya college of law Bangalore. He is an advocate and Planter by profession. Rtn. Kadiyamada Newin Belliappa joined Rotary in the year 2013-14. He was the Sargeant at Arms in the year 2014-15. He was Secretary in the year 2016-17. As the Club president in 2019-20 he has the credit of winning 18 awards and the Rotary club of Gonikoppal stood 1st in zone -6 and third in District 3181. Under his leadership. Married to Nadikerianda Pavithra the couple is blessed with two children. Pujita an advocate in Bangalore and Poovanna pursuing his BBA at M.S.Ramaiah College Bangalore. Newin loves to travel, interact with people and he believes in Team work in Rotary.

## YOUR CLUB PRESIDENT 2022-23



Rtn. PHF P N Hari Shankar Prasad is the son of P V Narayan Sharma and Susheela residing at Palangala village, Virajpet Taluk. He did his early education at St. Annes High School, Virajpet and Pre University at St Aloysius College, Mangalore. Got his BE degree in mechanical engineering from Malnad College of Engineering, Hassan. Worked at Bombay and then came back to Palangala to look after his coffee plantation. He joined Rotary in the year 2005, was the secretary twice and the President during 2010-11 and Zonal Lieutenant in 2017-18. He is happily married to Dr. Vijay Lata and the couple is blessed with two sons Sushil Sharma, pursuing his engineering degree at PES college, Bangalore and Adhrith Sharma, studying at COPS. Rtn. Prasad is also serving as the President of the Kodagu Havyaka Brahmin's Better Living Cooperative Society since 2004.

## YOUR CLUB SECRETARY 2022-23

Rotarian PHF Dr. Narsimhan was born on 24 June 1955 to Dr. Desikachar and Mrs. Janakamma. He had his early education at Virajpet and got medical degree from the prestigious Mysore Medical College and continued his father's profession.



He is well known for his writings, talks and PPTs on various subjects in radio and visual media, schools, colleges and on different platforms. He entered the Limca Book of Records for his book on birds of Coorg and his annual hand-painted wildlife message cards.

Rtn. Narasimhan joined Rotary in 1983, he was the president in 1989-90, A GGR, ZLs and held positions in various District Committees including Zonal Trainer. Was district Seargant-at-arms during PG Appu Rao's year. Adjudged **THE ROTARIAN OF THE CENTENARY YEAR 2005** at Kundapur conference. He is the secretary for the fifth year, now.

Married to Ann Pushpa, the couple is blessed with two daughters. Ashwini, who is an agricultural scientist and Dr. Abhignya, an MD in Ayurveda. Both are settled in Bangalore. Rtn. Narasimhan and Ann Pushpa are grand parents of Aditi and Vedant.

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