



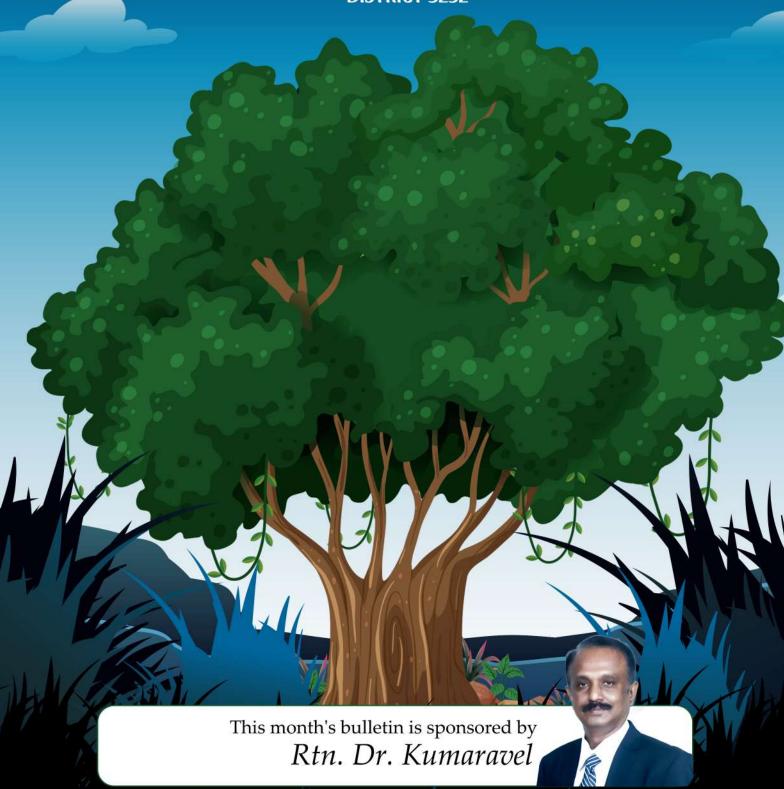




# The Banyan

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DISTRICT 3232



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#### President's Write up

As we approach the culmination of another year, I trust that each of you has experienced a fulfilling and rewarding 2023.

Reflecting on the past months, I am deeply grateful for the kindness that Rotary Club of Adyar has bestowed upon me. Serving as the president has been a privilege, filled with countless cherished memories.

I am delighted to acknowledge the invaluable contributions of our new members, whose unwavering commitment has truly enriched our club. Their active participation in fellowships and speaker meetings has added vibrancy and diversity to our gatherings, fostering a stronger sense of community within RCA.

On a personal note, this role has been a tremendous learning experience for me. Assuming the responsibilities of the president has not only been an honor but has also shaped me into a more socially responsible individual. The lessons learned and the growth experienced during this tenure are invaluable, and I am truly thankful for the opportunity.

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, I extend my heartfelt wishes to all the members of RCA. May the upcoming year be filled with joy, success, and continued camaraderie. Your dedication and enthusiasm have been the driving force behind the success of our club, and I look forward to achieving even greater milestones together in the coming year.

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year in advance!



#### Editor's Write up

As we wrap up another year, it's time to appreciate the memories etched in its chapters.

Personally, 2023 has been kind, and I hope it has treated each of you just as well. From strangers to family, our journey together has been nothing short of remarkable.

Your unwavering support has been my anchor, transforming acquaintances into cherished connections. Thank you all for being there, making each moment memorable.

As we step into the new year, I wish you joy, prosperity, and the continued joy of shared experiences. Here's to the memories we've made and those yet to unfold. A very Happy New Year in advance!



#### Rotary International News

In anticipation of the United Nations COP28 climate change summit in Dubai this December, Rotary President Gordon McInally shares a vital message. Addressing the global convergence of climate change and mental health crises, he highlights their interconnected nature, particularly the impact on vulnerable communities.

Collaborating with Rotary's partner, ShelterBox, Gordon echoes insights from ShelterBox CEO Sanj Srikanthan. Srikanthan challenges the common use of the term "natural" disaster, asserting it perpetuates a dangerous myth. He emphasizes that the language we use matters significantly. ShelterBox opts for more specific descriptors, such as extreme weather, earthquakes, tsunamis, or volcanic eruptions, to emphasize the human impact on these occurrences.

Gordon emphasizes the need for a language shift, advocating for a more accurate depiction of disasters and their root causes. Framing disasters as purely natural, he argues, neglects the intricate interplay between natural processes and human actions, particularly social, economic, and political factors that amplify vulnerability, especially in marginalized communities.

In conclusion, Gordon McInally calls for a collective rejection of the term "natural" disaster. He believes that using accurate language is crucial to addressing the underlying causes of vulnerability and implementing proactive measures to protect communities. This commitment, he asserts, is fundamental to building a fairer, more resilient world for all.

#### Rotary district news

• Rtn. Kannan attended the inauguration event of "Garbage FREE India - Waste is Wealth - promoted by the government of India and RI district 3232.



• The health team from Rotary District 3232 conducted multiple glucose monitoring camps in and around Chennai on November 14, World Diabetes Day.



## RCA News Outstation Fellowship

An outstation fellowship was meticulously organized for a delightful two-night, three-day excursion to Cochin, Athirappilly Waterfall, and Alleppey Boat House.

The fellowship proved to be an extraordinary and enjoyable experience for all participants, fostering strong bonds and camaraderie among the attendees. The carefully planned itinerary allowed everyone to have a great time, creating lasting memories and enhancing the overall sense of togetherness.











#### Day out with Interactors

On request from our Interact School Sishya OMR, had taken about 15 Interactors to Jayam Special School in Padi. The School has a strength of 155 children affected with Autism, ADHD and other issues. It was a mind boggling experience for both the Interactors and self. The dedication of the trainers deserves a huge bow. Most of the children are from the lower middle and a lesser strata. 30 children are in the hostel as the parents could not afford to keep the children with them. There is so much to say and do. Will reach out to the kind hearts when the time comes.

-Rtn. Pria Srinivas















#### Building Dreams, Shaping Futures: Bhoomi Pooja for Two New Classrooms

The auspicious Bhoomi Pooja ceremony, marking the commencement of construction for two new classrooms at Kandigai School, was joyously conducted on the 24th of November.







### Speaker Meetings

Speaker Meeting 1: 7th November







#### **ROTARY CLUB OF ADYAR**



Dr. Anuradha Uberoi Ph.D

TOPIC:
PUNJABIS IN CHENNAI

7<sup>th</sup> November 2023, Tuesday 6.30 PM Hotel Savera, Mylapore, Chennai.

Rtn. VENKATARAGHAVA ANNAPRAGADA RTN. DR. M. KUMARAVEL

RTN. KANNAN PARAMASIVAM

President

Secretary

Director - Club Services







#### Speaker meeting 2: 31st November







### **ROTARY CLUB OF ADYAR**



Ms.Dipti Bhatia M.A,M.Phil.

TOPIC:

INCLUSION, A WAY OF LIFE.

21st November 2023, Tuesday 6.30 PM Hotel Savera, Mylapore, Chennai.

Rtn. VENKATARAGHAVA ANNAPRAGADA RTN. DR. M. KUMARAVEL

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#### **Board Meeting**







## ROTARY CLUB OF ADYAR



Join the November Board meeting

Date : 16th November 2023 (Thursday)

Time: 6.45 PM

Venue: Madras Gymkhana Club

Upper deck Chennai.

Host: Rtn.Siva

Rin Venkutaraghava Annapragada President Rtn.Dr.Kumaravel Secretary Rtn. Kannan Paramaniyan Club Service

#### **Annette's Corner**

#### Sweat today, shine tomorrow - fit India, fit you!

In line with the ethos of knowledge acquisition, Annette's recent fitness training session on November 18th was skillfully conducted by Mr. BoopathyRaja at His MMA. Heartfelt gratitude is extended to him for his valuable training and time. Special thanks are due to Rtn. Prem, Ann. Banupriya, Ann Janani, Ann Amali, Rtn. Purushothaman, Rtn. Karthikeyan, PP Nishanth, and Ann Sruthi for their collaborative efforts in making the event a success.

A sincere acknowledgment goes to Annette President Revati and Annette Secretary K.M. Sharvalakshana for their incredible cooperation throughout the entire process.











#### Healthy India, Wealthy India

Annette Rupa, d/o Rtn. Purushothaman, along with Annette Sharvalakshana, has generously sponsored pomegranates for approximately 50 children receiving palliative care at Egmore Children's Hospital. Their thoughtful contribution is a heartwarming gesture that brings joy and nutritional support to these young patients in need.











## Birthday celebration

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03-Dec	Annette. Akshara suraj	D/O Rtn.PHF. Archana R
03-Dec	Ann.Anand Ragavan	H/O Rtn.Kavitha Anand
05-Dec	Annette.Sahdev	S/O Rtn. PHF. T. Sathish
05-Dec	Annette: R Shashank Mahadev	S/O Rtn. Ranjith
07-Dec	Rtn. PHF Latha Rajan	
12-Dec	Annette. Aveenash	S/O Rtn. N R Jayaraman
12-Dec	Annette:R Dheeksha	D/O Rtn. Ranjith
13-Dec	Annette.ParvathyRajasegar	D/O Rtn.PHF.R Gopalakrishnan
14-Dec	Annette.SIVANI	D/O Rtn.VIJAY PRABHU
14-Dec	Annette.llaiyaseelan J J	S/O Rtn. PHF Jayaseelan J
15-Dec		
16-Dec	Annette.Vishal Kumar	S/O Rtn. PHF Gomathi R
16-Dec	Annette.Yochana P	D/O Rtn. Veloo Pushparaaj
18-Dec	Annette.S. Nishanth	S/O Rtn.S.Sivakumar
22-Dec	Annette.K.Lokesh Karthick	S/O Rtn.Dr.M.Kumaravel
25-Dec	Ann.Nithiya Bhaskar	W/O Rtn.Ar Ajay Kumar
23-Dec	Rtn. Rajendran. R	
28-Dec	Annette.Sriramkiran Annapragada	S/O Rtn.Venkata Raghava Annapragada

## Wedding anniversary



06-Dec

Rtn.PHF.Vittal Rajan R & Ann.Sripriya Rajan



### Meetings held in the month of November

S. No	Meeting Type	Date	Title
1	Regular	07-11-2023	Speaker meeting
2	Regular	21-11-2023	Speaker meeting
3	BOD	16-11-2023	Board Meeting
4	Fellowship	03-11-2023	Outstation fellowship

## Agenda for the month of December

