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MESSAGE FROM ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT



Dear fellow Rotary leaders,

If we are to truly change the world with The Magic of Rotary, it's up to all of us to foster a sense of belonging in our clubs. But every club should take its own path to get there, and the Action Plan can help you find your way. What does that look like?

Take for instance the Rotary Club of Beveren-Waas in Belgium. It was chartered in 1974 but has evolved with the times, developing both a strategic plan and a membership plan. To find new members, the club analyzes the city's professions to help focus its search, and all new members are quickly assigned tasks and roles.

The club also mixes up meeting times, alternating between evening and afternoon sessions, making them accessible for all members.

Sometimes, circumstances force clubs to make changes. But as people of action, we know that behind every obstacle is an opportunity.

The Rotary Club of Holyoke in Massachusetts was forced from its meeting place because of rising costs after the COVID-19 pandemic, but members took this setback and turned it into a strength. The club started meeting in a library community room that was available for no charge and catering lunch from a nearby deli. Lunch costs \$10 per person but it's optional, so no one has to spend money to attend a meeting. What a great way to work toward being "fair to all concerned."

Since making this change, the Holyoke club has gained 13 members. I suspect part of its membership growth is due to the club's sense of inclusivity — the first step toward belonging.

If you ask members what they expect from the club experience, you might find that your club doesn't meet expectations. Think of this as an opportunity to reshape your club in exciting ways, as alternative club models are making a positive impact.

For example, a Rotary Fellowship called Beers Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide, or BREW, has worked closely with the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Rotary Action Group for the past eight years to assist with clean water projects. In that time, BREW has funnelled 25 percent of its dues to those initiatives. BREW is one of many examples of members pursuing belonging to improve the world.

I can't stress enough the importance of belonging. Clubs become simply irresistible when all members feel that they are exactly where they need to be. To me, belonging is the spark that ignites The Magic of Rotary.

As you receive feedback from club members and the community you serve, I urge you to pursue that spark. The Action Plan can help you find the path to success, and if you light your way with the spirit of belonging, that path will lead to a bright future for your club, your community, and the world.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephanie A. Urchick". The script is fluid and cursive.

Stephanie A. Urchick

Rotary International President, 2024-2025

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VOICE



Dear Leaders,

Warm Rotary Greetings to all.

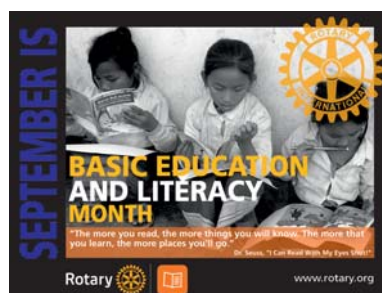
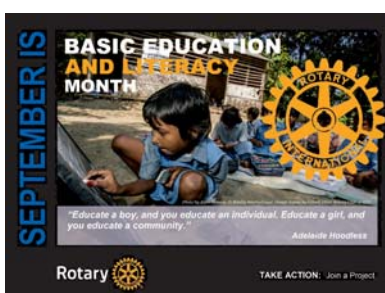
As September dawns upon us, Rotary proudly heralds the beginning of the Basic Education and Literacy Month. This dedicated time is a celebration of our commitment to nurturing minds, fostering growth and drive change through education.

At the core of our mission is to strengthen the community's capacity to support literacy. I firmly believe that education is not just a privilege, but a fundamental right that empowers individuals to shape their destinies. Through collaborative efforts, let us aim to break down barriers, open doors and create a world where every person has access to quality education. In Kerala we say that we are 100% literate, but we have seen a lot of students drop out from higher secondary levels and colleges. We need to help them through up-skilling. Our District Project is Skill Development UYARE. Being a helping hand to one person will definitely help their family so let us up-skill them to fly high. Empowering adults with the ability to read and write not only enhances their personal growth but also strengthens the fabric of our communities. Our initiative ENTE KAUMUDI DAILY to all the schools, colleges and care homes will enable them to have a reading habit. A literate society is a society poised for progress.

By Investing in education, we invest in the future of our societies and world at large. Let us stand united where every child and every adult has the chance to grow. Together we can create magic of rotary through uplifting lives and let us celebrate the basic education and literacy month .

Yours in Rotary Service

Rtn AKSM Sudhi Jabbar
District Governor





Very Nicely Compiled by you..
Not easy to collect so many messages timely..
Your Editing Skill is Wonderful, Sheela Ji..

Rtn PHF Rajeev Garg
(Dist. Chair Rural Extension, AG 22-23,
Director Youth of RC Rishikesh,
Advisor Rotary Divas Dist. 3080

Love the layout and comprehensive content. Keep it up.

Rtn Ravindrakumar
Past District Secretary General

EDITOR'S THOUGHTS



"The future of Rotary is predicated upon our perseverance in searching for, finding out persons who are already Rotarians at heart, before they become Rotarians in fact."

These words of PDG Dr Rekha Shetty, one of the earliest Lady District Governors of South Asia, were often quoted by Rtn Adv K S Narayanan Nair, Past President and Charter Member of RC Kazhakuttom. It is coincidental that both of them expired during the month of March: Rtn Dr Rekha Shetty, during March 2023 and Rtn Adv Narayanan Nair, during March 2024.

Rtn Adv Narayanan Nair had proved his feat in membership development by doubling the membership of the club during his term as President, through a project named Kambavala (Big Chinese Fishing Net). Last year, the Rotary Club of Trivandrum South had more than doubled its membership, by implementing innovative ideas in camaraderie and service.

We had the District Membership Seminar on 25th August 2024 aptly named 'Souhrutham', symbolising Fellowship, one of the core values of Rotary, and the first and foremost Object of Rotary: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service. The Seminar was well organised and showcased the power of combined efforts for success. We can be sure that under the able leadership of the District Membership Chairman Rtn Dr Johny Gabriel, we can reach great heights in membership development, surpassing the moderate targets set by our District Governor.

On 8th September 2024, we are getting the ball rolling for another activity that enhances the power of friendship and fellowship, the Rotary Initiative for Sporting Excellence (RISE). Matches for Chess, Carrom, Badminton and Tug of War will be held at Green Field International Stadium, Kazhakuttom, Trivandrum.

In an increasingly complex world, Rotary provides one of the most basic human needs: that of friendship and fellowship. Let us enjoy the *Magic of Rotary* through friendship and global networking.

Rtn Sheela Devi B
Chief Editor, GML

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"MEMBERSHIP: THE MAGIC BEHIND ROTARY'S IMPACT"



We often introduce Rotary as a service organization, but is that its true essence? While service is vital, Rotary is fundamentally a member organization. It unites individuals from diverse backgrounds into a cohesive global network, nurturing friendship and fellowship among its members.

So, what role does service play in Rotary? Simple camaraderie and fellowship cannot sustain a global community of over 1.2 million Rotarians. Just as language unites a nation, service brings us together worldwide. Whether through friendship exchanges, Vocational Training Teams, Global Grant projects, or various Rotary action groups, service enables us to collaborate for a higher purpose—serving above self.

Working together on such initiatives creates a synergy that results in outcomes far greater than individual efforts.

Consider my experience with a Rotarian friend in Brazil, whom I was introduced to by another Rotarian three years ago. Despite never having met in person, we have collaborated on Global Grant projects totalling 2.5 crores, undertaken by various clubs in both our districts over the past three years, and we are set to support an additional 4 crores this year. We manage these multi-crore projects through Rotary, despite our communications being in different languages—my English and his Portuguese—thanks to translation tools like Google. We have never seen the places where these projects are implemented, yet our friendship and collective vision keep us united in service through Rotary. It all started with our friendship across two continents. Last year, we supported a dialysis center at Parabrahma Hospital in Oachira, a vaccination drive against cervical cancer by the Rotary Club of Karunagapally, and a pearl culture project in the Amazon by a Brazilian Rotary Club. We would laugh over the phone as we struggled to pronounce each other's project locations. While it's challenging for him to say Oachira or Karunagapally, I find it equally difficult to pronounce Caruaru-Sul, their project location in Brazil. But as Shakespeare puts it in his famous play Romeo and Juliet, "What's in a name?" For the name has little significance; it is the impact created in both communities through Rotary that truly matters.

As membership is a thrust area, it is crucial to focus not just on service but on welcoming more friends into our Rotary family. By fostering more relationships, we lay the groundwork for meaningful collaboration. When such friendships are nurtured, service follows naturally as an organic extension of our bonds.

Ultimately, membership is the true magic of Rotary—where global connections blossom into transformative actions.

PDG Suresh Mathew

District Learning Facilitator



Congratulations

Immediate Past District Governor Dr G Sumithran has taken charge as Senior Consultant, Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery, in KIMS Hospital, Trivandrum.

EMBRACE GENERATIVE AI TOOLS



In today's rapidly evolving technological landscape, it is imperative for everyone to stay abreast of the latest advancements and develop proficiency in utilizing GenAI tools. Tools like ChatGPT, Cohere, Anthropic's Claude, Microsoft's Bing AI, and DeepMind's Gopher are transforming the way we work and conduct business. According to a recent report by DeskTime, a remarkable 92% of Indian offices have integrated ChatGPT into their daily operations, underscoring the widespread adoption and impact of this technology.

Generative AI (GenAI) is an AI model that generates content in response to a prompt. Unlike traditional AI, which is designed to perform specific tasks based on existing data, generative artificial intelligence describes algorithms such as ChatGPT that can be used to create new content, including audio, images, text, videos, simulations, computer programs, or other forms of content that have never been seen before. GenAI technology and large language models (LLMs) have gained significant interest from businesses and

researchers because of its unique capabilities and its potential to solve real-world problems.

Launched by OpenAI in November 2022, ChatGPT has gained prominence for its human-like responses and versatile capabilities. While some may express concerns about potential job displacement due to AI, it is important to recognize that AI is intended to augment human productivity rather than replace it. By automating routine tasks, AI tools enable professionals to focus more on creative problem-solving and critical thinking. A plethora of online resources, including YouTube tutorials and specialized courses, are available to help individuals navigate this technological transition and maximize the benefits that AI has to offer.



*Do
Employees
Fear
Automation
in the
Workplace?*

ChatGPT, in particular, has evolved into a versatile assistant capable of handling a wide range of tasks, from drafting emails to conducting in-depth research. Despite its growing popularity, many users are still unaware of the full scope of ChatGPT's capabilities. To truly harness the power of this remarkable tool, it is essential for users to educate themselves on its full potential and learn how to leverage it effectively in their respective fields.

Getting Started with ChatGPT

Accessing ChatGPT is straightforward. Simply visit the website at chat.openai.com and sign up or log in. New users will need to verify their email address to complete the registration process. Once logged in, you'll find yourself on the ChatGPT dashboard, ready to start exploring its features.

The current version of ChatGPT, powered by GPT-4, offers both free and paid tiers. The free version provides basic access, while ChatGPT Plus, available for a \$20 monthly subscription, includes enhanced features such as priority access during peak times, faster response times, and access to the DALL-E image generator. The ChatGPT app is also available for both Android and iOS devices.

What is a Prompt and How to Craft Effective Prompts

To use ChatGPT, you need to enter a prompt in the chat window. A prompt is essentially a question, command, or any text input that you type to communicate with the chatbot. For example, you might

type “Write a thank you email for a job interview” or “Explain the benefits of AI in healthcare.” The clearer and more specific your prompt, the better the response you’ll get from ChatGPT. Using ChatGPT effectively involves crafting clear and specific prompts. A well-designed prompt provides context, details, and a defined goal, enabling ChatGPT to generate relevant and precise responses. Here are some example prompts for different use cases:

- ◆ **For Sales:** “Generate 10 ways to generate leads for [product].” “Write sales landing page descriptions for [product].” “Generate a script to use when cold-calling [persona].”
- ◆ **For Designers:** “What are some interactions to consider when designing a [app or website]?” “Create a user persona for [product].” “Generate 10 questions for a user interview about [topic].”
- ◆ **For Researchers:** “Identify the top 20 companies in [industry] by revenue.” “Summarize the annual financial statement of [company].” “What are the top trends in [industry] for 2024?”

Presenting Information Effectively

ChatGPT is adept at managing different content formats. It can organize data into tables, condense lengthy texts into summaries or bullet points, highlight key points from meeting notes, and visualize data as graphs. Its proficiency in data management and analysis using spreadsheets makes it a valuable asset for any organization.

Tailoring Tone and Style

One of ChatGPT’s standout features is its ability to adjust the tone and style of content. Whether you need a professional, humorous, persuasive, narrative, formal, informal, or poetic tone, ChatGPT can deliver. By choosing the right tone, you can ensure your content resonates with your target audience.

Enhancing Productivity with ChatGPT

ChatGPT can significantly boost productivity by adopting various roles to suit your needs. According to a recent report by Goldman Sachs, Generative AI could raise global GDP by 7%. Whether you require a copywriter, resume writer, marketer, or HR manager, ChatGPT can deliver. For instance, as a marketer, it can help develop strategies, analyze market trends, write compelling copy, and brainstorm ideas. As an HR manager, it can assist with managing employee queries, drafting job descriptions, and even handling recruitment processes.

ChatGPT excels in content creation, capable of composing articles, reports, and essays, analyzing sales data, and summarizing information. It can also perform SEO keyword research, design webpages, and craft blog posts, making it a versatile tool for businesses focused on improving their online visibility.

One of ChatGPT’s most dynamic features is its ability to function in different roles. It can organize research as an intern, generate ideas, refine texts as an editor, and provide constructive criticism as a critic. This flexibility ensures that ChatGPT can adapt to various tasks and requirements.

Conclusion

This is where we are with generative AI today. Tomorrow will be better as the technology improves, the AI gets smarter and we get used to using it. A list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and answers are given below for your reference. For more detailed information and updates, you can visit the official OpenAI website or consult the documentation provided by OpenAI.

Rtn PDG P G Muraleedharan



FAQ on ChatGPT

1. What is ChatGPT?

Answer: ChatGPT is a large language model (LLM) developed by OpenAI. It uses deep learning techniques to generate human-like text responses based on the prompts or questions it receives. It's designed to assist with a variety of tasks, from answering questions to creating content.

2. How does ChatGPT work?

Answer: ChatGPT works by using a machine learning architecture known as GPT (Generative Pre-trained Transformer). It processes input text (prompts) and generates relevant responses based on patterns it learned during training on vast amounts of text data. The model predicts the next word in a sequence, creating coherent and contextually appropriate responses.

3. What is the training data used for ChatGPT?

Answer: ChatGPT is trained on a diverse range of internet text, including articles, books, websites, and other textual data. However, it does not know specific documents or have access to real-time data. Its knowledge is based on the information available up to its training cut-off in September 2021.

4. How can I generate responses with ChatGPT?

Answer: To generate responses with ChatGPT, you need to input a prompt in the chat window. A prompt can be any text, such as a question or command. For example, you can type "Explain the benefits of AI in healthcare" or "Write a short story about a brave knight." ChatGPT will process the prompt and provide a relevant response.

5. Is ChatGPT available in multiple languages?

Answer: Yes, ChatGPT can understand and generate text in multiple languages. While it primarily operates in English, it can respond in other languages to varying degrees of proficiency, depending on its training data. However, its performance may be better in some languages compared to others.

6. Are there any alternatives to ChatGPT for conversational AI?

Answer: Yes, there are several alternatives to ChatGPT for conversational AI. Some popular options include Google's BERT, Microsoft's DialoGPT, and Facebook's BlenderBot. Each of these models has its own strengths and is designed for specific types of conversational tasks.

7. How can I access ChatGPT?

Answer: You can access ChatGPT by visiting the website at chat.openai.com. You'll need to sign up or log in to start using the service. Additionally, ChatGPT offers a mobile app for both Android and iOS devices, providing convenient access on the go.

8. Can ChatGPT be used for professional tasks?

Answer: Yes, ChatGPT can assist with a wide range of professional tasks. It can help draft emails, generate reports, create marketing content, conduct research, analyze data, and more. Its versatility makes it a valuable tool for enhancing productivity in various professional settings.

9. What are the benefits of using AI in healthcare?

Answer: AI in healthcare can improve diagnosis accuracy, personalize treatment plans, and enhance patient care through predictive analytics.

10. How can AI help in education?

Answer: AI can provide personalized learning experiences, automate administrative tasks, and support teachers with data-driven insights.

11. How do I ensure that I get the best responses from ChatGPT?

Answer: To get the best responses from ChatGPT, it's important to craft clear and specific prompts. Providing context and details helps the model understand your request better. For example, instead of asking "Tell me about AI," you could ask "Explain the impact of AI on the healthcare industry."

12. What should I do if I receive an incorrect or inappropriate response?

Answer: You can try rephrasing your prompt or providing additional context. While ChatGPT aims to generate helpful and accurate responses, it may occasionally produce errors. Providing feedback to OpenAI can help improve the model's performance over time.

13. Is there a cost to use ChatGPT?

Answer: ChatGPT offers both free and paid tiers. The free version provides basic access to the model, while ChatGPT Plus, available for a monthly subscription fee, includes enhanced features such as faster response times, priority access during peak times, and additional capabilities like the DALL-E image generator.

14. What are some potential future improvements for ChatGPT?

Answer: Future improvements could include enhanced accuracy and coherence in responses, better handling of complex queries, more languages, improved context retention over longer conversations, and integration with real-time data for up-to-date information.

15. How secure is my data with ChatGPT?

Answer: OpenAI takes data security and privacy seriously. User interactions with ChatGPT are governed by OpenAI's privacy policy, and measures are in place to protect user data. However, it's always advisable to avoid sharing sensitive personal information during interactions with AI models.

The four emerging AI trends that will completely change the landscape of AI in the next few years:

1. Multimodal Models: These are models that can understand and generate multiple forms of data like text, audio, video, and images. Models like OpenAI Sora and Runway Gen are already doing an amazing work in generating realistic video.

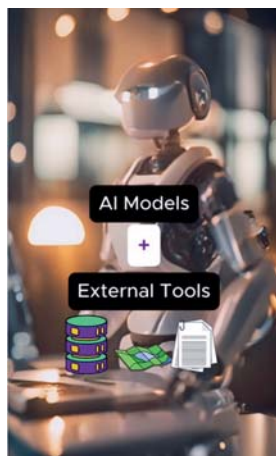
2. AI Agents: These are systems that combine the knowledge of AI models with other external tools to complete tasks from start to finish. They take automation to a whole new level

3. Small Language Models: Unlike LLMs these are designed to run efficiently on local devices. Think of them as task Specialists whereas LLMs are task generalists. (Ex: Models like Gemma, Phi etc)

4. Embodied AI: Embodied AI is basically AI with a body. These are robots with human like physical capabilities that interact with the world just the way we do. The difference is that they are powered with much smarter AI.



Embodied AI



AI Agents



Image to Image Online AI Generator

RAY OF HOPE FOR HOMELESS - PROJECT UDAYKIRAN 2



During the Rotary year 2024-2025 we are planning to provide 250 affordable homes for the homeless. For this purpose we had entered into a contract between K Chittilappilly Foundation (KCF) and RID 3211 on 1st July 2024. Duration of the project is one year from 1st July 2024 to 30th June 2025. This project will be known as UdayKiran 2.

Our District will identify the most eligible persons from BPL category, in need of house from homeless having own land minimum 3 Cents & maximum 5 cents in their name within the geographical territory of our Dist 3211, that is, from Parassala to Aroor, covering all the five Revenue Districts.

The day to day management of the project and the project activity shall be done jointly by KCF and RID 3211 and for this purpose, on behalf of RID 3211, single point of contact will be the District Chairman Rtn COL K G Pillai.

KCF will provide financial support up to 3 lakhs to construct a house up to an area of 450sq ft. This amount will be paid in four installments. The sanctioned amount will be paid to the beneficiary's new bank account which has been specifically opened to receive money from KCF based on evaluation of work-progress report by KCF. Project cost including contribution from beneficiary and Rotary Club should not exceed 7 lakhs. Installment will be released after uploading of clear photos of work progress. Installment will not be clubbed together.

The criteria for selection of beneficiaries

1. Selection by Rotary club should be fair and transparent manner without any discrimination to caste, creed, religion, gender and politics.
2. The beneficiary/family members should not own/ eligible for any house/other ancestral property currently or in future. Preference will be given to persons with terminal illness, widows, disabled and person below 65 years of age.
3. Beneficiary who are eligible to get government housing scheme like Life Mission/ Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY)/any other housing schemes of Organizations or received any financial assistance from KCF earlier will not be considered.
4. Already constructed house in the area of maximum 5 cents will not be considered, which means the fund will not be used for maintenance.
5. The beneficiary should sign on a stamped paper an undertaking to certify above points.
6. Recently purchased land/recent transfer of ancestral property above 4 cents will not be considered.
7. Construction should be started only after getting KCF approval and receipt of first installment of Rupees 5000.

8. Project should be completed within 6 months from the starting date and no application above 250 numbers/after 30th June 2025 will be accepted.

9. Rotary clubs to collect required documents and upload along with application, before this, ensure details and documents provided are genuine and correct and beneficiary falls in the criteria/category specified by KCF.

10. Rotary club to get the signature of the beneficiary in the undertaking documents sent by KCF and sign as witness. Application without proper/complete documents including non submission of recommendation from Rotary in the prescribed format will not be considered.

11. Club has to monitor the construction and ensure that the fund is utilized properly in a time bound manner.

12. Maintain a personal file of the beneficiary of the project details and stage wise progress report. We must periodically monitor the progress of construction of houses, which has to be as per the approved plan and agreed timelines. No deviations from the plan will be accepted. In such cases the KCF will stop the payments and no further explanation will be accepted. Once the payment is deferred it will not be revived.

Scanned copy of various original documents like Aadhaar Card, Ration Card, Land Documents etc., photographs and recommendation letters from various agencies are to be attached along with the application from the beneficiary to KCF. Detailed list of documents to be produced is available.

Rtn COL K G Pillai

District Chairman Udaykiran 2



HERE ARE OUR ASSISTANT GOVERNORS

AG Zone 05



Clubs :

*Trivandrum Suburban
Trivandrum North
Kazhakuttom
Travancore Trivandrum*

Home Club :

Trivandrum Suburban

Rtn Dr N R U K Kartha

Rtn Dr N R U K Kartha joined Rotary in 1978 in RC Trivandrum and had a stint of 3 years there. Later joined RC Trivandrum Suburban in 1990. Served the club in various positions like Secretary in 1991, Chairman New Generation Services several times and President in 2012. He was resource person and co-ordinator for many training programs including inter district RYLA programs, and for formation of Interact clubs and Rotaract clubs for his home club and sister clubs.

With a post graduate degree in Engineering, MBA in Human Resource Management, PhD in Total Quality Management and several courses in Management and Training, Rtn Dr N R U K Kartha is still professionally engaged as faculty, trainer and consultant for Skill Development, Productivity Increase, HR, Quality and Management subjects in various organisations and Educational Institutions after his successful careers in ISRO and in several organisations and civil service academies.

His plans for Zone 05 in 2024-25 include following the guidelines given by DG & District Office meticulously, making the best use of the resources of all the clubs to achieve the goals & plans of RI District 3211, observing the Good Management Practises (GMP) of other clubs and Zones and suggesting to Presidents of the Zone for their consideration.

He is married to Radha Kartha a home maker. They have a daughter & Son, both working in U.S. and are blessed with 5 grandchildren.

AG Zone 06



Clubs :

*Trivandrum Central
Trivandrum East
Trivandrum South
Varkala
Poovar*

Home Club :

Trivandrum Central

Rtn Dr Ranjit Suseelan

Rtn MPHF Dr Ranjit Suseelan, became a member of Rotary club of Trivandrum Central during the year 2018-2019. Within a span of three years he held many positions in the club viz., Chairman – Projects, IT officer, Secretary & President. He was honoured as the Best Secretary of the Zone and Best President of the Zone and Outstanding President of the District for the year 2021-22.

DR Ranjit Suseelan had his Masters in Industrial Fisheries & Doctorate in Mariculture. He is a Seafood professional with 35 years of extensive experience in the field of Fisheries & Aquaculture, who worked in Cochin University of Science and Technology for 7 years and later moved to National Aquaculture Group in Saudi Arabia as the General Manager for Quality, Food Safety & Sustainability. He currently heads & leads the Marine Stewardship Council, London, operations for India. He is also the Director of M/s AADHYAA and the Managing Trustee of Sustainable Seafood Network of India (SSNI)

His plans for Zone 06 during 2024-25 include increase in membership by 10%, TRF 1 major donor and other club wise TRF contributions, District Project implementations (Uyare 50 candidates for skill development, Ente Kanmani 100 Kits to new born and Udyakiran 2 with 4 houses)

He was born in Thiruvananthapuram. His wife Soumya J N is a home maker and Daughter, Sruthi S studies for BA in Mar Ivanios College.

HERE ARE OUR ASSISTANT GOVERNORS

Rtn Gopakumar C B

Rtn. Gopakumar C B is a member of the Rotary Club of Trivandrum Kowdiar, since 2017. He was the Club Treasurer during 2020-21, the Club Secretary during 2021-22 and the Club President during 2022-23.

An Engineer, by profession, he graduated from the College of Engineering, Trivandrum and started his career with the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant. Subsequently he has worked with many organizations abroad in countries like Singapore, Indonesia and the Gulf before returning to Kerala. Presently he is self-employed and runs a surgical consumables distribution business.

As Assistant Governor of Zone 08, his main focus is in getting all the four clubs in his Zone to do their best to ensure the success of the District Project Uyare and also to instill in club members the need to consistently donate to the Rotary Foundation even if it is small amounts per member. He is also a firm believer that clubs need to keep adding new members on a regular basis to ensure that new ideas and enthusiasm gets injected into the club and its activities. In addition to the above, he also wants to encourage and assist the clubs to do at least one Global Grant Project by involving all the clubs in Zone 08.

His family consists of this wife, Lekha Gopakumar, who is a Past President of the Inner Wheel Club of Trivandrum and son Rohit who works with UST Global in Trivandrum.

AG Zone 08



Clubs :

*Trivandrum Kowdiar
Trivandrum Fort
Trivandrum Mid City
Technopark Trivandrum*

Home Club :

Trivandrum Kowdiar

Rtn Dr Shibu Rajagopal

Rtn Dr Shibu Rajagopal, a member of the Rotary Club of Quilon West End, has been actively involved in Rotary since 2003. He served as the club president for two terms, 2004-2005 and 2020-2021.

Dr. Shibu hails from Kollam, where he has established himself as a prominent dental surgeon with over 25 years of experience in the field. He operates two clinics under the name S.R. Super Speciality Dental Clinic, located in Pallimukku and Mundakkal. He is also a member of the Indian Dental Association, where he has served as the past Kerala State President and Secretary.

In his role within Rotary, Dr. Shibu actively contributes to enhancing the public image of the organization. As part of the Zonal Cabinet, he provides guidance to all presidents and secretaries, fostering teamwork and collaboration among members. His efforts are instrumental in driving Rotary's mission and vision forward, ensuring impactful community service and development.

Dr. Shibu is supported by his wife, Vandana Shibu, a bank employee. They are blessed with two children: their eldest daughter, Sneha, is pursuing a BDS degree, and their younger son is a BBA student. The family's dedication to education and professional excellence mirrors Dr. Shibu's own commitment to service and leadership in both his professional and Rotary endeavors.

AG Zone 20



Clubs :

*Quilon Westend
Anchalummod
Desinganad Kollam
Quilon North*

Home Club :

Quilon Westend

ROTARY CLUB OF ALLEPPEY TURNS 75 (1949-2024)



'DOWN THE MEMORY LANE' by Tomi Eapen, Historian of the Club

The town of Alleppey has always excelled in socio, cultural and political arena of the State. In its social scenario, Rotary International plays a vital role since seven and a half decades with the arrival of Rotary.

It was in 1948 that a host of prominent Rotarians from Kochi under the leadership of charismatic Jewish Industrialist, late S Koder, came to Alleppey to explore the possibilities of starting a Rotary Club in Alleppey. They met some of the veteran citizens who were the cardinal stones of the town like A R Suliman Sait, then Municipal Chairman, K C Karunakaran, founder of Alleppey Co, N J Mathew, Director, N C John & Sons, Dr M S Ramachandran, Dr T K Kuruvilla, V Kesavan, P C Mukherje, Parthasarathy Iyengar (Pappa Swami), J Murugandi, M L Janardhana Pillai, K Srinivasan, Kassim Suliman Sait, V Z Job, so on.

With their untiring efforts, the dream came true and Rotary Club of Alleppey was born in 1949. The Charter Presentation was held on 25th July 1949 in an august assembly of noble and eloquent intelligentsia and renowned stalwarts from the different cross-sections of the town. RI admitted RC Alleppey as Club # 7339, in the then R I District 56, comprising the State of Kerala, part of Tamil Nadu and the whole of Ceylon (now Srilanka). The then District Governor, Col. Wignaraj from Colombo was the Guest of Honour and presented the Charter to A R Sulaiman Sait, the Charter President. V Kesavan, affectionately called 'Jupitar Kesavan' was the Charter Secretary. There were 21 Charter members and none of them is alive today. The Banquet was held in Hotel Wayside Inn, north of Tripple Bridge, the only class hotel in those days, owned by the Parcy Rotarian C N Nariyalwala and family. The weekly Club meetings were regularly continued there until the Club owned its own building in 1974.

The dazzling activities of the club spread over seven and a half decades: *Functioning of a Community Centre on the beach side with a reading room and Adult Education programme, *Adoption of a fishermen's colony, *Donation of an Electro Cardiogram, and Ambulance, *Padmasri Dr. Modi's Free Eye Camp and a record total of 512 operations performed in 1967, *Traffic blinking lights at key points, *Low cost buildings, *Champ pipes, *Overhead tanks in schools at the outskirts of the town, *Mortuary at Sahrudaya Hospital, *Ambulance Service, *Bus Passengers Waiting Sheds at different junctions, *Distribution of thousands of soil less Growbags with vegetable saplings, *LN 4 Prosthetic Hand Fitment Camp. *Rotary Alfa Learning Development Centre launched on 29th July 2019 in the Club premises, carried out yeomen service to 500 plus differently abled children until they stopped its operation in Alleppey recently. The continuing projects like Rotary - Neelima Merit Evening to honour the laureled students, Youth Activities, Vocational Awards and Jewel of Alleppey Award Presentations are also to be mentioned.

Yeomen service projects worthy to the affected community were successfully carried out during the 2018 Super flood havoc. The relief work at the adopted Kayalpuram village in Kuttanad consisting of 1500 families, with an outlay of over Rs. 80 lakhs was a major project of the Club. The relief work undertaken throughout the Rotary year in 14 phases including construction of a house and maintenance of a number of damaged houses.

Rotary Blood Bank at The W & C hospital, Alappuzha is a boon to the people of Alleppey, as there were no blood banks in those days in Alleppey district. This Blood Bank was built in commemoration with the Platinum Jubilee of Rotary International. It was inaugurated and dedicated to the public of Alleppey by the then Governor of Kerala Smt. Jyothy Venkitachalam. The Blood Bank is still functional and remains the only one in the district

under the Health Department of Government of Kerala.

The Rotary Community Centre, located in a prime location at Alappuzha was purchased in 1974 to commemorate the Silver Jubilee of the Club. The Inner Wheel Club of Alleppey also joined the project for fund raising by organizing an entertainment programme with the celebrity singer Usha Uthup. The building underwent face lifts from time to time, like air conditioning and modernizing the hall including an A/C Board Room, the tiled path from the gate to the hall, the canopy in front of the hall, the Recreation room fitted with Billiards table etc. The hall was renamed 'Revi Karunakaran Hall' after the death of PDG Revi Karunakaran as a tribute to the legend who took RC Alleppey to the World Rotary Map.

The Club played hosts to a number of key District events like District Conference, District Assembly (3 times) and a host of major District events over the years.

The charisma of PDG Revi Karunakaran.

Perhaps the most charismatic member ever produced by our Club is the late PDG Revi Karunakaran, the doyen of Coir Industry, who shone like a luminous star in Rotary world over. He was a 'Benefactor', who contributed enormously to the Rotary Foundation and held high positions in RI. He was the District Governor during 1976-77. He authored the book 'Rotary for Layman'. The saga continues with his beloved wife Rtn Betty Karan, who is the first Arch Klump Society (AKS) member of our RI District and its Goodwill Ambassador.

Luminaries who addressed the Club

Many a luminary from different walks of life addressed our Club. They include: S/s. C Rajagopalachary, Sanjeeva Reddi, V V Giri, Pattom Thanu Pillai, R Sankar, T M A Pai, P T Chacko, B Ramakrishna Rao, P K V, Dr M S Swaminathan, RI President Rajendra K Saboo, O N V Kurup, Dr S Gupthan Nair, His Excellency Marthoma Valiya Methrapolitha, DGP Jacob Punnose, Justice Cyriac Joseph, Dr Michael Tharakan, Justice J Benjamin Koshy etc. etc. and a number of Film stars, ministers and renowned bureaucrats.

Incredible Journey of a Club Bulletin

Perhaps the most illuminating embellishment of the Club is that it publishes a weekly Bulletin since the very next week of the Charter Presentation. The bulletin dated 1-8-1949 was titled "Members' Bulletin" and numbered Vol. 1" Issue 1". It was typed on sky-blue coloured many fold paper and carbon copied. Believe it or not, it never stopped its publication and the last week bulletin was numbered "Vol. 75, issue 3900 since 1 August 1949" The bulletin underwent many a refulgent transformation in its outlook, printing, content and quality. It was renamed as "ROYALWEEKS" which stands for 'Rotary Club of Alleppey Weekly Bulletins'. A Club bulletin is an integral part of a Club and the Clubs in the modern era do have bulletins since its beginning. But as old as 75 years old bulletin may be the first and the oldest in the Rotary world. ROYALWEEKS had won a number of awards and recognitions incessantly over the years. In 1980 RW was adjudged the Best Bulletin in India, by RC Muradabad in UP. Its editor Tomi Eapen was adjudged Best Editor in India.

Today, Rotary Club of Alleppey reaches a milestone as it completes seven and a half decades of fruitful existence in this ancient town. It's a "100% PHF & a 5 Star" Club. Many a stalwart member was chosen to lead the District as DG, 3 DSGs, 3 District Assembly Chairmen, 2 GML Editors and a number of Assistant / Associate / Lieutenant and Deputy Governors.

Rtn Tomi Eapen traced the history of RC Alleppey for the first time and published 'Four Decades of Service' in 1989. He revised it in 2019 and released 'The Marveling Saga of Seven Decades'. The next book 'The Platinum Saga' is getting ready for publication in 2024. The details given above are Excerpts from the prelude to the book.

Thus goes the history of Rotary Club of Alleppey. Born in yesteryears and flowing through the present to the unknown tomorrows, to meet the posterity who will be proud of those who built it with their sweat and toil, money and might, mission and vision. The saga continues..

Rtn Tomy Eapen
RC Alleppey

RC ALLEPPEY CELEBRATED THE 75TH CHARTER ANNIVERSARY IN STYLE



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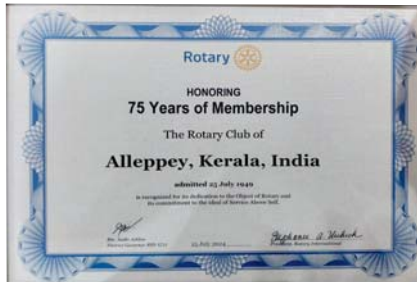
Lighting the Ceremonial Lamp



Address by DG Sudhi Jabbar



Chief Guest PRID Dr Mahesh Kotbagi



Recognition from RI on 75 years of membership



Handing over of keys of 3 houses, newly constructed to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Club



Release of Souvenir by Chief Guest



Planetree Reloaded - 75 trees



Ente Kanmanikku First Gift



75th Anniversary Cake Cutting



Club Leaders with Chief Guest and Council of Governors

THE HUMBLE BEGINNINGS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF KANJIRAPALLY



In 1969, a casual Coffee Meeting between Dr K E Eapen, Dominic Abraham Karipaparambil and a few like-minded individuals sowed the seeds of a remarkable journey. Little did they know that their informal gathering would eventually lead to the formation of the Rotary Club of Kanjirapally in 1970.

On November 7th, 1970, the Rotary Club of Kanjirapally marked a significant milestone with its Charter Night celebration, a momentous occasion that was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kottayam. The event was a grand affair, attended by esteemed Rotarians from the region.

The highlight of the evening was the installation ceremony, where Rtn Jacob Thomas, the then President of the Rotary Club of Kottayam, officiated the induction of the charter president, Rtn Dr K E Eapen. Alongside, Dr Dominic Abraham was installed as the charter secretary, accompanied by the team of

office bearers.

The ceremony was graced by the presence of distinguished Rotarians, including GSR Rtn K I Abraham and Secretary B G Baliga, who played a pivotal role in shaping the club's foundation. The Charter Night celebration was a testament to the camaraderie and shared vision of the Rotary community, setting the stage for the Rotary Club of Kanjirapally's future endeavors.

The Rotary Club of Kanjirapally's inception was a testament to the power of friendship and the shared vision of a few dedicated individuals. From its humble beginnings to its current stature, the club has remained true to the Rotary ideals of service above self, high ethical standards, world understanding, goodwill and peace.

Today, the Rotary Club of Kanjirapally continues to thrive, thanks to the unwavering commitment to its members. As we look back on our history, we honour the pioneers who dared to dream big and strive to build a better world for generations to come.

Transforming a Legacy: The revitalization of the Rotary Club of Kanjirapally

In 2022, when Rtn Josch Joseph assumed the presidency of the Rotary Club of Kanjirapally, he embarked upon a mission to revitalize the club's aging infrastructure. The 50 year old building and premises were in dire need of a facelift, and President Josch took it upon himself to spearhead the transformation.

With his personal funds, Josch oversaw a comprehensive renovation of the entire building, breathing new life into the club's facilities. The meeting hall, president's office and fellowship room were meticulously renovated and equipped with state-of the-art air conditioning, creating a comfortable and conducive environment for members and guests. The parking grounds were also expanded to accommodate over 100 cars, ensuring seamless accessibility for all.

The club's transformation did not go unnoticed. During a visit by PDG Bhag Singh, he was thoroughly impressed by the club's facilities and remarked on several occasions that it is one of the finest clubs in the country. Josch's vision and generosity have not only revitalized the physical space but also reinvigorated the club's spirit, setting a new standard for excellence in Rotary clubs nationwide.

The Rotary Club of Kanjirapally marked a significant milestone in its journey, celebrating its 55th Anniversary in grand style. The event was inaugurated by DG AKSM Rtn Sudhi Jabbar, who was joined by a distinguished gathering of PDGs, DG Elect, DG Nominee and other esteemed Rotarians from all revenue districts of RI District 3211.

Rtn Prof. Dr K S Kurian,
RC Kanjirapally

55TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF KANJIRAPALLY



The grand Rotary Hall, Kanjirapally



Lighting the Ceremonial Lamp



Address by DG Sudhi Jabbar



Souvenir release by PDG Dr. John Daniel



Inauguration of three projects of 'Uyare' by District Project Chair Dr Meera John



Planetree Inauguration DGE Dr Tina



DG honours Rtn AG Josch Joseph, organizer 55th year celebration



Flag exchange RC Kazhakuttom



The distinguished gathering



DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S OFFICIAL VISITS



RC CHANGANACHERRY TOWN



RC PUNALUR RIVER SIDE



RC TRIVANDRUM



Schedule of GOV for September 2024

Date	Day	Club	Zone	Assistant Governor
03-09-2024	Tuesday	RC TRIVANDRUM EAST	6	Rtn Dr Ranjit Suseelan
09-09-2024	Monday	RC KUNDARA	13	Rtn Adv. Najeebudeen A
10-09-2024	Tuesday	RC TRIVANDRUM KOWDIAR	8	Rtn Gopakumar C B
27-09-2024	Friday	RC KOLLAM ROYAL CITY	16	Rtn Ajith Kumar A
28-09-2024	Saturday	RC TRIVANDRUM PHOENIX	2	Rtn Joju Samule
28-09-2024	Saturday	RC ANCHAL	11	Rtn Raju D
29-09-2024	Sunday	RC OACHIRA HERITAGE TOWN	16	Rtn Ajith Kumar A
30-09-2024	Monday	RC QUILON CENTRAL	18	Rtn Jyothi V

ROTARY INITIATIVE FOR SPORTING EXCELLENCE (RISE)

BADMINTON COMPETITION

Greenfield International Stadium
Kashikuttam, Trivandrum

SEPTEMBER 8 2024

CHESS COMPETITION

Greenfield International Stadium
Kashikuttam, Trivandrum

SEPTEMBER 8 2024

CARROM COMPETITION

Greenfield International Stadium
Kashikuttam, Trivandrum

SEPTEMBER 8 2024

TUG OF WAR COMPETITION

Greenfield International Stadium
Kashikuttam, Trivandrum

SEPTEMBER 8 2024

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RISE Competitions - Badminton, Chess, Carrom & Tug of War - September 8th 2024

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR SOUHRDAM



Lighting the Ceremonial Lamp



Welcome Dance



Welcome : Rtn Dr Johny Gabriel
District Membership Chair



Inaugural Address
Shri T P Sreenivasan IFS, Former Ambassador



"Let Us Strengthen Rotary"
Rtn Sudhi Jabbar, District Governor



Insights from District Leaders : Addresses by DLF PDG Suresh Mathew, Vice Gov. PDG K Srinivasan, and Membership Advisor PDG K Sasikumar

"Attract Members, Amplify Impact":
PDG Sheikh Salim, Asst Rty Coordinator, RI Zone 5



"Aasharika – A Ray of Hope" : PDG Asha Venugopal



Panel Discussion : DG, COG, and Membership Chair



Rotary Experience: Why Is It Important and How Do We Improve It?": DGN RI District 3170
Rtn Dr Lenny Da Costa



Recognitions



Vote of Thanks:
Rtn. Murukan Palayathil,
Chief Coordinator, Souhrdam

ENTE KAUMUDI PROJECT INAUGURATION



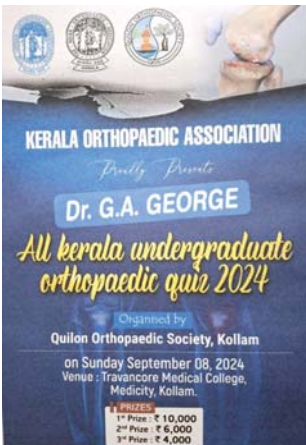
District Level Inauguration of 'Ente Kaumudi', a Joint Project of Rotary District 3211 and Kerala Kaumudi Bodhapournami Club, aimed at encouraging reading habit of school students, was done by DG Rtn Sudhi Jabbar at Kerala Kaumudi Office, Trivandrum

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF CRICKET LOVING ROTARIANS (IFCR)



19 new members have been inducted into IFCR 3211

Dr G A George All Kerala Undergraduate Orthopaedic Quiz



Kerala Orthopaedic Association has decided to conduct All Kerala Quiz Programme, every year for undergraduates, first of its kind in India, in the name of one of its senior most members, Dr G A George, in order to honour his services. **PDG Rtn AKSM Dr G A George** was the Charter President of Quilon Orthopaedic Society and has completed 50 years of service in Kollam.

The first programme in the series is being conducted on September 8, 2024 at Travancore Medical College, Medicity, Kollam.

PRIZES : 1st Prize Rs 10,000 2nd Prize Rs 6,000 3rd Prize Rs 4,000



Congratulations

Rtn. Sasidharan Nair, RC Venjaramoodu, Assistant Governor Zone 9, won 3 Gold Medals in the 3rd All Kerala Invitation Masters Aquatic Competition 2024, held at the Vandamattom Aquatic Centre, Thodupuzha. representing Rotary district 3211, boosting Public Image of Rotary through sports.

Rtn Sasidharan Nair, the national swimming champion of the 1970s, continued his winning streak of the past few years at the competition this time, too. The event was well-attended by renowned swimmers who have proved their mettle at National and International Competitions over the years.

DISTRICT PROJECT UYARE REVENUE DISTRICT LEVEL SEMINARS

As a prelude to the Rotary District Seminar on District Project Uyare, scheduled on 22nd September 2024, Revenue District Level Seminars were conducted. These followed more or less the same pattern for each. After the formal inauguration by District Governor Sudhi Jabbar, Dr. Meera John, District Chair of UYARE, provided a comprehensive overview of the UYARE initiative. This was followed by presentations on up-skilling programs by the representatives from the various Skill Development Agencies like **Additional Skill Acquisition Programme (ASAP)**, **Indian Institute of Infrastructure and Construction (IIISC)** and **Indian Plumbers Association (IPA)**, along with an Interactive Session. The Seminars concluded with summing up and formal vote of thanks.



District Project "Uyare" Revenue District Seminar Alleppey



Presentations by ASAP, IIISC and IPA



District Project "Uyare" Revenue District Seminar Kottayam



District Project "Uyare" Revenue District Seminar Pathanamthitta



District Project "Uyare" Revenue District Seminar Trivandrum



District Project "Uyare" Revenue District Seminar Kollam

DISTRICT PROJECT UYARE - ACTIVITIES



ADDITIONAL
SKILL ACQUISITION
PROGRAMME



District Governor Sudhi Jabbar, District Learning facilitator PDG Suresh Mathew and District Project Chair Dr Meera John had a meeting with Chief of **Additional Skill Assessment Programme (ASAP)**, Ms Usha Titus IAS and other ASAP team, regarding partnership with ASAP for District Project “Uyare”,



Indian Institute of
Infrastructure & Construction

A collaborative venture of KASE and ULCCS Ltd

A GOVERNMENT OF KERALA INITIATIVE BY DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR AND SKILLS

District Project Chair Dr Meera John, along with Uyare Kollam Revenue District Executor Rtn P Jayakumar, had a meeting on skill training for District Project “Uyare” with **Indian Institute of Infrastructure & Construction (IIISC)**, Chavara, Director Mr Sunil Kumar, Deputy Director Mr Raghavan and Faculty Mrs Anupa.



Representatives from Indian Plumbing Association (IPA) gave presentations on their programs and opportunities in skill development, aligning with Uyare’s goals of enhancing skills and fostering employment opportunities.



Trivandrum Revenue District Core Team for UYARE met at Windsor Rajadhani to finalize the preparations for UYARE Trivandrum Revenue District Seminar.



Alleppey Revenue District Core Team for UYARE met at RC Alleppey Club Hall to finalize the preparations for UYARE Alleppey Revenue District Seminar.

DISTRICT PROJECT UYARE - ACTIVITIES



RC Vaikom Lake City

Admission taken for 9 students for Diploma course in Hotel Management



RC Tiruvalla

Funds to YMCA Vikas School to support Skill Development for Physically Challenged Students



RC Ettumanoor

MOU Signing at Jameskutty & Associates, Chartered Accountants - Training of Accountants



RC Ettumanoor

Academic Excellence Awards & Higher Education Assistance- 3 Students of Govt. Girls HS, Ettumanoor



RC Ettumanoor

Soft Skill Training at Govt. Girls High School, Ettumanoor



RC Trivandrum Suburban

Associated with KICMA, Neyyattam and handled a session on the topic Effective Communication as part of induction training for fresh MBA students



RC Quilon Heritage

Three days training for unemployed women on Cake making and decoration

DISTRICT PROJECT UYARE - ACTIVITIES



RC Anchalummod

Mulizonal Seminar on District Project Uyare – Zones 08, 15 and 20



RC Ezhukone

Uyare at VHSS Ezhukone



RC Erumely

Uyare inauguration by Dr. Meera John



RC Vaikom Town

Skill Development – Tailoring Training



RC Kilimanoor

Assistance for Hotel Management Course



RC Kottayam East

Rtn Silvia Thomas conducted a class on how to make beautiful flowers from calyxes of coconut, coconut leaf vein or midrib, & mustard. It was attended by 25 house wives.



RC Parassala

District Project Uyare was inaugurated by Dr Meera John. The club gave job orientated training and 100% employment for 25 ladies

DISTRICT PROJECT UYARE - ACTIVITIES



RC Palai

Organised a Training Program for plus two students on various fields of film making, at K R Narayanan National Institute of Visual Science and Arts. Shri Bhadrar Mattel, famous Film Director interacted with the Trainees. Shri Mani C Kappen MLA, noted Actor cum Film Producer inaugurated and gave away Certificates.



RC Karode

Arranged Training on Agriculture



RC Manarcad

One year training program to PSC & UPSC

District Project Uyare @ Asha Bhavan, School for Differently Abled Children, Changanacherry



Rotary e-Club of Kerala Global Dubai

As a part of District Project Initiative by Rotary e-Club of Kerala Global Dubai, Dr Meera John inaugurated a Paper Bag Manufacturing and Screen Printing Unit and Two Days Training Workshop for Children of Asha Bhavan, School for Differently Abled Children, Changanacherry. Handed over working capital fund and exchanged MOU under Uyare Project between Director Asha Bhavan Fr. Sony Mudunadakkal & President Rotary E club of Dubai Rtn Roy Kurian in the presence of Uyare Project Chair Rtn Dr. Meera John, AG Rtn Antony Malayil, Principal Sr. Mary Juliet, Zonal Secretary Rtn Jijo and differently blessed children. The club also launched Greencub initiative among the children, distributed 25 Jack fruit tree saplings and also donated seed fund for farming and green club initiative.

CLUBS – INSTALLATION OF OFFICE BEARERS



RC ALLEPPEY GREATER
President Rtn Jincy Rojes



RC TIRUVALLA
President Rtn Janarthanan



RC ALLEPPEY NORTH
President Rtn Sooraj R



ROTARY E-CLUB OF KERALA GLOBAL DUBAI
President Rtn Roy Kurian Zachariah



RC QUILON CASHEW CITY
President Rtn Anoop Kumar G



RC OACHIRA
President Rtn Dr Vivek G S



RC ETTUMANOOR
President Rtn Anwar Mohammed



RC PANDALAM
President Rtn Raghu Perumbalal



RC QUILON EAST
President Rtn Kishore Kumar



RC TRIVANDRUM EMPIRE
President Rtn Manju C Nair

CLUBS – INSTALLATION OF OFFICE BEARERS



RC TRIVANDRUM CAPITAL
President Rtn Rajesh M K



RC KAYAMKULAM PALACE
President Rtn Sabu Vasudevan



RC TRIVANDRUM FORT
President Rtn Babusenar



RC MAVELIKARA
President Rtn Regi M Varghese



RC PARIPPALLY TOWN
President Rtn Francis S



RC MANARCAD
President Rtn V S Kuruville



RC KUREEPUZHA
President Rtn Rajendran Pillai



RC KOTTAYAM EAST
President Rtn Valsala Venugopal



Congratulations

District Governor Elect Rtn Dr Tina Antony was Faculty at District Membership Seminar 'Sambushtam' of RI District 3204, at Munnas Convention Centre, Koyilandi.



INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS



RC Kattakada
Inducted one new member



RC Travancore Trivandrum
Inducted 4 New Members

100% gender equality is achieved by RC Travancore Trivandrum with 27 male and 27 female Rotarians



RC Trivandrum South
Inducted 4 New Members

Four new members were added to RC Trivandrum South, at an eventful family dinner meeting on Aug 27, 2024. PDG Suresh Mathew was the Chief Guest. The Club Strength now becomes 116. Women are 36, i.e. 31%



RC Chengannur
Inducted 2 New Members



RC Kollam Bypass City
Inducted 10 New Members

RC Kollam Bypass City has achieved a growth of 50% in Membership and is aiming for 100% growth this year.



RC Kayamkulam Palace
Inducted 10 New Members



RC Puthupally
Inducted 2 New Members



RC Kottayam Central
Inducted 2 New Members



RC Anchalummoodu
Inducted 3 New Members including a transgender

RC Anchalummoodu has created history, by inducting one transgender member, for the first time in RI District 3211, during a Multi Zonal Seminar on New Member Orientation & Induction of New Members. PDG Rtn AKSM Dr G A George made Rotary Awareness speech & Inducted 3 new members, including transgender, Emy Abraham, Computer Diploma Holder and Psychologist. Adherence to the Rotary principles of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI)!!!

ENTE KAMANIKKU FIRST GIFT



RC Pandalam
Inauguration by Rtn KJ Rajeev



RC Trivandrum Empire
Inauguration by Dy Mayor Shri P K Raju at Govt Hospital Thycaud



PLANETREE RELOADED



RC Trivandrum Phoenix
Planetree Inauguration by Shri V K Prasanth MLA



RC Karode
Kuttikarshaka Club @ GLPS Nalloorvattom



RC Pathanamthitta Metro
Fruit Plants Distribution-Kodumthara LPS 100



RC Ettumanoor
Planetree Reloaded



RC Tiruvalla
400 saplings distributed in MMAMT LPS, Kaviyoor & CMS HS, Mundiappally



Congratulations



Rtn Dileep Kainikkara,
RC Paippad, has been
appointed as
Sub-collector,
Tirur, Malappuram



**Rtn Major Donor Dr
Rajendran,** RC Kazhakuttom,
has been elected unopposed
as National Executive
Committee Member (South
Zone) of Society of
Paediatric Urology.

SPECIAL DAYS OF OBSERVANCE



RC Alleppey Greater
Celebrated International Friendship Day at Thailand, including a Fun Run with RC of Bangkok



RC Quilon East
Honoured Doctors in the club and surroundings on Doctors' Day



RC Chingavanom
Senior Citizens Day at Kottayam Santhibhavan



RC Vaikom Town
Kargil Vijay Divas



RC Quilon East
Celebrated Independence Day with Local Residents Associations. Saplings distributed.



RC Trivandrum
Independence Day with DG @ Rotary Institute for Children in need of Special Care, Vazhuthacad

SPECIAL DAYS OF OBSERVANCE



RC Tiruvalla
Independence Day @ MMAMT LP School, Pazhampally



RC Ettumanoor
Independence Day Celebration



RC Punalur
@ Kunnikod Snehatheeram



RC Vaikom Lake City
Independence Day - Inter-School Quiz Competition for 14 teams



RC Poovar
Independence Day



RC Alleppey
Independence Day Celebration



RC Changanacherry
Independence Day Celebration



RC Mannar
Independence Day Celebration



RC Anchal
Interschool Quiz Competition on Independence and Freedom Struggle



RC Haripad
Independence Day



RC Sasthamkottah
Independence Day with PDG Dr Sumithran

SPECIAL DAYS OF OBSERVANCE



RC Adoor

Independence Day: Gave Sports Uniforms to GLPS Puthussery Bhagom



RC Karode

Honoured Fire Force Rescue Team of Wayanad & Amayizhanchan Thodu Operations



RC Trivandrum Residency

Independence Day @ ASHA Bhavan, Poojappura – Gave TV & Dresses to inmates and Sponsored Breakfast



RC Trivandrum Residency

Honoured Ex-service men of the Club as part of Independence Day Celebrations



RC Alleppey East

Independence Day Celebrations for High School



RC Kazhakuttom

Independence Day @ GSKV LPS



RC Vaikom Town

Independence Day Celebration and Quiz Competition for High School Students

OTHER PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES



RC Alleppey North
Charter day celebrations



RC Alleppey North
Distributed Wheel Chair



RC Anchal
500 I V Kits to Govt.



RC Vaikom Lake City
Annadanam at Assisi Asha Bhavan Thalayolaparambu



RC Tiruvalla
Donated bags and books to students in two schools



RC Tiruvalla
Distributed newspapers in four different schools



RC Anchal
Newspapers to GUPS Anchal West



RC Vaikom Lake City
Diapers - Palliative Care Maravanthuruth



RC Vaikom Lake City
Continuing project - Renal Care



RC Trivandrum Capital
ഓലിയറുക്കുന്ന നാലേക്കും
Cycle Rally Flag Off by Sri. Suresh, ACP from Kowdiar
and flag received by Sri. Abdul Rasheed, Regional Fire Officer, at Thampanoor

OTHER PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES



Rotary E-Club of Kerala Global Dubai

Flag exchange with RC Dubai Down Town & RC Jumeirah, Presence @75th year RC Alleppey



RC Trivandrum Suburban

Donating pens, pencils etc. for the poor, Specs to visually impaired girl, Clothing to Sree Chitra Poor Home



RC Vaikom Lake City

Aid to Mercy Home Muthedathukavu

RC Vaikom Lake City

Cardiac Care to Mr. Mons

RC Nedumonvavu

Seminar - Maternal & Child Health



RC Kottayam East

Celebrated Independence Day by conducting the Freedom Cycle Rally 'Pedal for Nature', in tie-up with Decathlon. Over 40 cycle enthusiasts participated and covered 77 kms. Flagged off by President Rtn Valsala Venugopal. Medals and certificates were given away by DG Elect Rtn Dr Tina Antony, the Chief Guest at the valedictory function.



RC Vaikom Lake City

Renal Care to Mr. Jose Ayarapallil

RC Kottiyam

Medical aid to mentally challenged person

RC Parippally Town

Karridakakanji to Karunalayam, Chathannur

OTHER PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES



RC Kureepuzha
Mathrubhoomi Newspaper @ Kureepuzha UPS



RC Varkala
Girls' Football Team of Cherunniyur HSS, Sponsored by Club, won third place in Trivandrum Rev. Dist.



RC Varkala
3 ceiling fans to Cherunniyur HSS, Refrigerator to GUPS Ayiroor, School Bags to Govt. Muslim LPS Thazhe Vettoor



RC Quilon East
Family Meet and Cookery Show involving Executive Chef of major hotels



RC Quilon East
Meals on Wheels – Meals to needy persons



RC Quilon East
Family Tour to Kanyakumari



RC Quilon East
Wheel chair to Cerebral palsy patient



RC Trivandrum Empire
Hearing aid to a deaf student



RC Trivandrum Empire
Support to specially challenged girl child

OTHER PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES



E-club of Kerala Global Dubai

PP Varghese Samuel visited RI Headquarters, Chicago USA

RC Paippad

Rs 1 lakh Disaster fund for Wayanad



RC Kazhakuttom

Triscooter to disabled person through MLA

RC Pathanamthitta Metro

Dental Care Program



RC Travancore

Anti-drug Awareness Seminar and Ente Kaumudi Inauguration at Kaniapuram MGHS



RC Vaikom Rown

Donated uniforms to Kabadi Team of GHSS TV Puram and Hospital Benches to Vaikom Gov. Hospital



RC Anchal

Conducted Awareness Session for Parents of Class 10 Students @ Govt. Jawahar HS Edamulackal

OTHER PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES



RC Paippad

Dedicated a new Traffic Island at Paippad Junction

RC Quilon West End

Gave Dialysis Kits to Paliative Care Centre



RC Punalur

Reconstructed a house damaged by storm. Key given by DG.

RC Trivandrum Fort

Gave Dialysis Kits to Sree Ramakrishna Hospital



RC Trivandrum Amity

Flag Exchange and Meeting with RC Calcutta Old City

RC Kazhakuttom

BK College Ktm declared 100% Sanitary Pad Free Campus



RC Kazhakuttom

Gave water bottles with the photos of students printed at Kadinamkulam GSKV LPS and Monvila LPS

Rotary e-Club of Kerala Global Dubai

Installed Clean Water Dispenser @ W&C Hospital Alleppey

Nation Builder Award

"Nation Builder Award" is a Teacher Support program of "Rotary India Literacy Mission" (RILM) for recognising outstanding teachers. This award aims to felicitate teachers after a detailed evaluation process, wherein a Rotary Club visits Government/Government-aided schools and get its teachers evaluated by the school principals and students by filling up NBA Evaluation forms developed by RILM. These forms are eventually evaluated by the Rotary Clubs, and teachers receiving highest marks are felicitated with Nation Builder Award certificates which are auto-generated from RILM.

Details available in RILM Website <https://www.rotaryteach.org>

OBITUARY

Rtn Shinoji G S RC Karode



Rtn Shinoji G S (44), of RC Karode, passed away at 2 am on 25th August 2024.

He is survived by spouse, Smt. Dhanya and Sons Diljith and Dheerjith.

Rtn D Pramod RC Changanacherry



Rtn D Pramod (46), of RC Changanacherry, passed away on 25th August 2024. He is survived by spouse, Smt. Athira Krishnendu and Sons Pranav, Prabhul and Pardhiv.

Rtn M L Sebastian RC Karunagappally



Rtn M L Sebastian (63), Past President of RC Karunagappally, passed away on 29th August 2024. He is survived by spouse, Smt. Sholi and Children Jithu, Jithin and Jewel.

PDG J P Joe Villavarayar, RI District 3212

PDG Major Donor J P Joe Villavarayar, Rotary Club of Pearl City Tuticorin, who was the District Governor of the Combined Rotary International District 3210 during 2005-2006, before bifurcation into RI Districts 3211 and 3212, expired on 9th August 2024. Heartfelt Condolences from the District Governor and Rotarians of RI District 3211.



PDG MAJOR DONOR J P JOE VILLAVARAYAR (1951-2024)

J P Joe Villavarayar was born on 20th May 1951. His father J. Ponnusarny Villavarayar was a renowned freedom fighter, EXMLC and social worker in Tuticorin Region. Joe was the Managing Director of VILSONS GROUP which was established in 1944 by his father. VILSONS GROUP is in the business of Steamer Agency, Cost & Freight Agency, Stevedoring, Transport Contractors, Heavy Equipment Operation, Container Storage Yard and Travel Agency for Domestic & International Air Services. Joe was an able and dynamic leader who has brought the firm to the forefront of shipping industry in Tuticorin.

Joe joined Rotary in 1994-95 as a Charter Member of Rotary Club of Pearl City, Tuticorin. He was President of the Club during 1995-96 and Assistant Governor, Zone-V of erstwhile RI District 3210 in 1997-98. He has served in the District level as District chairman of various Avenues and Seminars during the subsequent years. All the then Rotarians will ever remember his chairmanship of Gurukulam -PETS 2003. He served the District 3210 as District Governor during the year 2005-06. He was the first person who published individual Rotary Magazine in Dist. 3210 by name 'Emperor Street Journal'.

Joe has served in many social and professional Organizations / Associations / Chambers in various capacities in fulfilling his Social / Business responsibilities. Joe was winner of many awards for his outstanding Rotary Services and also other awards for his proficiency in business.

Joe is survived by his wife Smt. Shirani Fernando and three Sons, Rtn. Jesiah, Celestine and Rtn. Pinto, an all PHF family. His son Major Donor Jesiah Villavarayar J is also a Past District Governor of RI District 3212.

We are in the loss of a true Rotarian who was dependable, steadfast, prudent, firm, and unshaken in the face of difficulties and above all a lover of peace.

I was fortunate to have the great opportunity to associate with him as an Assistant Governor during his tenure as Governor and our DG AKSM Sudhi Jabbar was the then Secretary of RC Kazhakkuttom.

Rtn PAG PHF Adv N R Suresh Kumar
RC Kazhakkuttom

Rotary
RID 3211



Stephanie A. Urchick
RI President 2024-25



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