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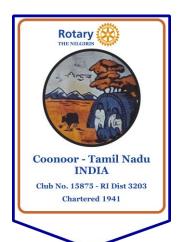
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Charter Day 25th November 1941

President's Message



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

As we near the end of November, I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the camaraderie and commitment displayed by our club. This month has been a vibrant mix of impactful service, meaningful fellowship, and celebration of our club's incredible legacy.

Our Eye Screening & Health Checkup Camps, conducted on eight different dates this month, have once again demonstrated Rotary's resolve to make healthcare accessible to those in need. The relentless

efforts of our medical partners & Rotarians have touched countless lives.

A truly unique and touching initiative was the **distribution of school bags** made from soldiers' uniforms to students of Panchayat Union Middle School Bettatti. This thoughtful contribution, facilitated by Rtn Brig Hemant Paliwal through M/s Sewaj Neesim Foundation, symbolizes the essence of service and sacrifice.

The 1st Fireside fellowship event on 3rd November, hosted at De Rock Resort, was an afternoon filled with warmth, laughter, and cherished bonds. Events like these strengthen our Rotary family and remind us of the joy of togetherness.

On **25th November**, we celebrated our **club's 83rd Charter Day** with great pride and enthusiasm. The meeting, chaired by our senior-most Rotarian, Past President Dr. T.S. Chhabra, was a beautiful homage to our club's rich legacy. Past Presidents shared memorable anecdotes, reminding us of the remarkable journey of this illustrious club.

We also hosted an **orientation program for prospective Interactors** at St. Antony's Higher Secondary School, expertly conducted by District Interact Chair Rtn Dr. Rajalakshmi. The event, kindly supported by Brother Thomas, saw participation from around 100 enthusiastic students, igniting a spirit of leadership and service among the youth.

In addition to these, our club convened a **Board Meeting and three Regular Meetings** to deliberate on ongoing and upcoming projects, ensuring that we remain proactive in our service.

As we move forward, let us channel this momentum into our future initiatives, including scaling up our school projects, health camps, and environmental efforts. With the collective passion and dedication of our members, the possibilities are boundless.

Together, let us continue to inspire, serve, and make a lasting difference in our community.

Yours in Rotary

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From the Editor's desk

Dear Fellow Rotarian,

In a world often marked by division, uncertainty, and rapid change, compassion remains a timeless, unifying force. As Rotarians, we are called upon to embody the values of service above self, not only through action but through the deep, human connection that compassion fosters.



At its heart, compassion is the ability to empathize with the suffering of others and to be moved into action to alleviate it. It transcends borders and ideologies, recognizing our shared humanity. We Rotarians are in the business of building bridges that connect those without access to the facilities they need. We are in the business of building bridges that connect people across communities, nations, and cultures. And it is compassion that allows these connections grow and to endure.

As we continue to engage in projects that address local and global challenges — whether combating hunger, improving healthcare, or promoting peace — compassion drives us to act not out of obligation, but out of a genuine desire to make the world better for all.

However, compassion is not always easy. In our fast-paced, increasingly polarized world, it's easy to become consumed by our own struggles or to become cynical about the scale of the issues we face. Yet, it is precisely in these moments that the magic of the network of compassionate Rotarians comes in to play to resolve problems, surmount obstacles and implement wonderful projects that better the communities that we serve. As we look for ways to contribute and transform lives remember that even the smallest act of kindness — a smile, a listening ear, a moment of solidarity — is an important part of compassion.

When we serve, we not only help others; we enrich our own lives. Acts of kindness and compassion are an active, ongoing part of Rotary. As Rotarians, it is our responsibility to cultivate compassion in every interaction and in every project, Through Rotary and with compassion, we can continue to make the world a better place, one act of kindness at a time, reaching out and building bridges to bring services, health and happiness to every corner of the world.

Yours in Rotary,

November 2024



Ø	•	Fireside One
Ø	•	Eye Camp at Jegathala Peruratchi
Ø	•	Weekly Meeting Board Meeting
Ø	•	Eye Camp at Ketti Peruratchi
Ø	•	Eye Camp at Bathma Tea Factory
Ø	•	Eye Camp at Bandhumai
Ø	•	Eye Camp at EB office Kotagiri Weekly Meeting - Family & Speaker Meeting
Ø	•	Orientation for Interact club at St Anthony's School
Ø	•	Eye camp at Periya Pallivasal Coonoor
Ø	•	Eye Camp at Devarshola Village Distribution of School Bags at PUMS Bettati Charter Day Celebration
Ø	•	Weekly Meeting
Ø	•	Eye Camp at Bathma Tea Factory































09/11 @ Jegathala Peruratchi

Total screening: 88

Defective: 46

Glasses Provided: 22





15/11 @ Ketti Peruratchi

Total screening: 103

Defective: 5

Glasses Provided: 34







18/11 @ Bandhumai

Total screening: 68

Defective: 36 Cataract: 5

Glasses Provided: 20



24/11 @ Periya Pallivasal Coonoor

Total screening: 259

Defective: 146

Cataract: 9

Glasses Provided: 49







25/11 @ Devarshola Village

Total screening: 64

Defective: 22 Cataract: 3

Glasses Provided: 14





27/11 @ Bathma Tea Factory Elada

Total screening:

Defective : Cataract :

Glasses Provided:



Events





Dr Tim Vedanayagam, CEO of ADVANTECH Safe Life spoke about and demonstrated the honking roads and HearSight technology.

19/11

1 IS IT THE TRUTH

- WILL IT BE
 BENEFICIAL
 TO ALL CONCERNED
- IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED
- WILL IT BUILD
 GOODWILL
 & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS

THE FOUR WAY TEST

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, & DO

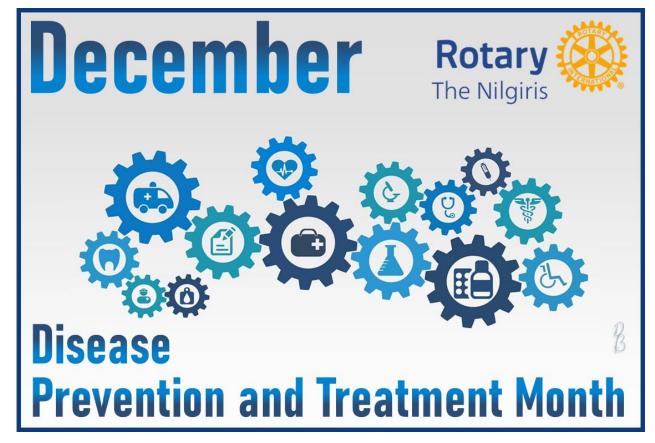




Orientation program for Interact Club at St Anthony's School

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Events



Students of Interact club of Stanes School visited the Anbarivu Trust, a home for the aged and differently abled, spreading love, joy, and warmth to the 90 residents.

24/11





Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life.

– Paul Harris

Charter Day Celebrations

25th November















December

Birthdays

01	Rtn Sangeetha Shinde		
02	Ann Suman Spouse of Rtn Sunil Goyal		
05	Annet John S/o Rtn Jayanthi Prithviraj		
06	Rtn Devaraj K N		
	Ann Jyoti Spouse of Rtn. Lt Gen M G Girish		
08	Ann Sandeep Spouse of Rtn Vaishnavi G		
15	Ann Esther Spouse of Rtn Jeyprakas Colaso		
21	Annet Samir S/o Rtn Lt Gen M G Girish		
23	Ann Reeba Spouse of Rtn Cherian Mathew		
25	Ann Chandra Spouse or Rtn Javrilal Parikh		
26	Annet Sanjay S/o Rtn Stephen		
	Annet Ishita D/o Rtn Brig Hemant Paliwal		
	Annet Safir S/o Rtn Sonalika Gadeock		