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57th CHARTER NIGHT & 2572nd RCM

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COVER STORY



Happy Birthday

A day celebrated since 336 AD became the most important day in our lives. As we celebrate our Charter Day, lets revisit the historical past of "Birthday".

August : Membership & New Club Development Month

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

1. IS IT THE TRUTH ?
2. IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERN ?
3. WILL IT BUILD GOOD WILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERN ?

GLORIOUS 52TH CHARTER DAY

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Fellowship & Interaction

Condolence for Late Mr Bibek Mitra, father of
PDRR Rtn Shivrataav Mitra & Club Secretary, Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra

2572nd Regular Club Meeting

Celebration starts with Cake Cutting by PP Rtn Debidas Ganguly

Hymns by Dr Madhumita, spouse of Rtn Dr Atanu Saha

Song by Bijoyinee, spouse of PP Rtn Deepnath Roy Chowdhury

Recitation by Ruma, spouse of Rtn Angshuman Bhattacharya

Voice of our Charter Member Rtn Vinay Nevatia

Shutri Natak by PP Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty
with spouse Dr Sudipta

Live Band by Mr Bikramjit Mukherjee & team

Historical Importance of 24th August

Jokes by PP Rtn Amarjit Singh Thethi

Live Band continues

Program Ends

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1st September

Ronita daughter of PP Rtn Anindya Bose

2nd September

Urmi wife of PP Rtn Anirudha Gupta

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

26th August

Jasmeeta & Rtn Shamshir Singh Kapany

India, World no 2

in TRF Contribution.

ROTARY YEAR	RANK	TOTAL GIVING
2019 -20	2	\$ 20.5 million
2018-19	2	\$ 21.4 million
2017-18	2	\$ 19.2 million
2016-17	2	\$ 20.0 million
2015-16	2	\$ 15.4 million

UPCOMING DAYS

Joint Club Meeting

with Rotary Club of Bikrampur, RID 3281, Bangladesh. The meeting will be inaugurated by Rtn Rubayet Hosain, District Governor, RID 3281, followed by President Rtn (Dr) Muzaherul Huq of RC Bikrampur speaking on Covid-19 and our PP Rtn (Dr) Siddhartha Chakraborty on Cardiac Patients and Covid. Members with spouses are requested to attend in numbers.

Amphan Relief Phase III

We will continue our Amphan relief work at Chandanpiri, Namkhana, West Bengal. In our endeavors we are fortunate to have benevolent Exposure - The School of Photography who have come forward for rebuilding livelihood in that area. We will distribute saplings, mosquito nets and plastic buckets with covers. The time & date of the visit will be notified shortly. Need cooperation from members as we will follow all protocols imposed by the local authorities due to covid.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kindly pay your Semi-Annual Dues.



AN EARNEST REQUEST

All members & their family are requested to contribute to Maitree. Send your articles, paintings or other material to < sid.ctvs@gmail.com > for publishing in this platform.

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ROTARY CLUB OF CALCUTTA SPURS

PRESENTS

IN THE MINDS OF ALIENATED CHILDREN DURING COVID-19



Dr. Rituparna Ghosh
Consultant Psychologist (Apollo Hospital, Fortis Hospital and other hospitals & Mental Health Clinics in Mumbai).

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On 30th August, 2020
6P.M.



Swati Bajpai
Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Illinois

Resource Partner: Ayushman Initiative


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COVER STORY

**WHAT
ROME THINKS TODAY
THE WORLD THINKS TOMORROW**

Editorial

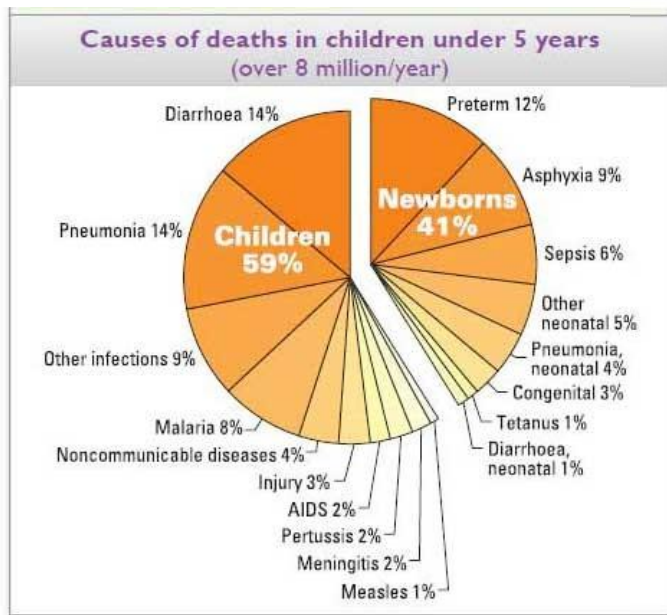


PP Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty
Editor 20-21



It was in 336 AD that Romans first observed Christ Mass, celebrating birthday of the great prophet. This celebration then spread across Europe, and together with Christianity, gradually became a global phenomenon.

In 15th to 18th century, the celebration got an inner meaning too. With the prevalent child mortality of 43%, it signified that the kid has survived another year. (Unfortunately, even today 1 in 11 children pass away before the 5th birthday.) With passage of time, celebration of birthdays became widespread with no age bar. And for the soldiers involved in two great wars it was indeed a true celebration – who knows about the next year?



In the oriental culture, understandably, it was the day to pay obeisance to the Supreme Power for keeping the kid alive and to pray for his blessing for the year to come. There would be a Puja, and the happy child would be the first to be offered the Prasad which included a helping of rather heavenly payes or kheer. Even today, with the Puja vanishing from many households, this payes continues to sit atop its lofty perch.



There remains a basic difference, though. While the western world blows away a candle representing a year taken good care of, we light a lamp to show us the path to future. Yes, we celebrate this special day. This is the day to spend with close friends and relatives, energise from the warmth of their wishes. And we resolve. We resolve to have a healthy lifestyle; we resolve to be a better human being.



So does our club. We resolve to be a club with better health, full of enthusiasm for lending our hands to uplift the mankind. Rotary has opened that opportunity for us. **Happy Birthday, Rotary Club of Behala.**

DOWN MEMORY LANE

Once upon a time, believe me, we could enjoy company of each other... could celebrate together.

Here is our Charter Day Celebration on 24th August 2017 at DKS, immortalized & preserved in the album of the then Secretary & today's President Elect Rtn Soumjojit Mukherjee.





THE FORTNIGHT THAT WAS...

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

PRID Rtn Sushil Gupta conferred "Rotary Award of Honor"

PRID Sushil Gupta has been conferred the Rotary Award of Honor by Rotary International by the RI Board of Directors, 2019-20, headed by President Mark Maloney.

In a letter sent to Gupta, Maloney said: "I am very pleased to inform you that you have been selected to receive the Rotary Award of Honor in recognition of your long and successful service to Rotary. It is my honor and privilege to have recommended you for this recognition, and the Rotary International Board of Directors has approved my recommendation"

Congratulating him on behalf of the RI Board, Maloney said, "Through your dedication and tireless efforts, Rotary is a force for doing good in the world. You have dedicated your life to Rotary since 1977. In those 43 years, you have served Rotary in many important positions including as a member of the Rotary International Board of Directors and as a Trustee of The Rotary Foundation. I find particularly noteworthy your work to meet the target challenge of Water and Sanitation in Schools. The entire Rotary world recognized your service to and through Rotary with your nomination to serve as President of Rotary International."

The Rotary Award of Honor is Rotary's highest and most respected recognition.

The award was established by RI in 1990 to be given to heads of state and other dignitaries who have made a significant contribution to international understanding and goodwill. Recent recipients of the award include His Holiness Pope Francis, Pranab Mukherjee, then President of India, Queen Elizabeth II, and Bill Gates, Jr.



From RL : PRIP Mark Maloney, PRID Sushil Gupta and PRIP Rajendra Saboo

[Source : rotarynewsonline.org]

RI DISTRICT 3291

Online :

- 05-08-20 : Online training for uploading data in Rotary India website
- 07-08-20 : "Ek Chammach Kum, Char Kadam Aage" – awareness programme on harmful effect of sugar.
- 09-08-20 : "We Will Overcome. . With Lessons Learnt" – Live webinar on perspective and current thinking about Covid 19.
- 14-08-20 : "An evening with Shoojit Sircar" – an webinar
- 15.08.20 : "Samaswar" – a musical retrospective on the occasion of our Independence Day.
- 16.08.20 : "Reach out to grow" – webinar on Leadership
- 22.08.20 : District Membership Seminar

Our club members attended all the programmes.



The 2nd Phase of 'Green Expedition' project pertaining to AOF 'Supporting the Environment' & also important vertical 'Public Image' got underway opposite ITC, Royal Bengal.



THE FORTNIGHT THAT WAS...

CLUB

Club President Elect Rtn Soumjojit Mukherjee was a speaker in a webinar on "Men Leadership" organized by Rotary Club of Kasba on 16-08-20. Our congratulations.

Independence Day


74th Independence Day was observed by our club at FREE TO BE KIDS CHARITABLE TRUST, at Thakurpukur. It is a rescue and shelter home cum orphanage. National Flag was hoisted by Club President Rtn Sugata Mazumdar followed by tree plantation, distribution of sweets & cakes and cultural program by the children.

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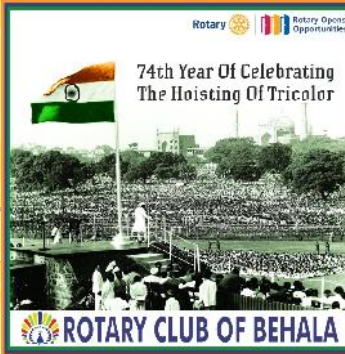
ROTARY CLUB OF KASBA
 Club No. 08507, Rotary International District 3291
 Club Venue: 117A/B Sarat Chandra Garden Road, Kolkata - 700111

ARRANGES & WELCOMES ALL ENGLISH MEET WHERE
20 ROTARY CLUB LEADERS SPEAK ON
MEN LEADERSHIP
 ON SUNDAY, 16 AUG 2020 FROM 4 TO 7 PM

SPEAKERS



District 3291 (Kolkata)
 District 3291 (Kolkata)
 Dist 3281 (Bangladesh) Dist 3190 (Bangalore)





FROM THE WORLD OF ROTARY

How do we innovate at Rotary?

John Hewko

Rotary International General Secretary

[Source : Rotary Voices]

Innovation and flexibility. Those are two words you hear a lot today when we think about any organization adapting to a rapidly changing environment. But what do those two words mean for Rotary?

In short, they will define Rotary's future, because they are fundamental pillars of our strategic plan for enhanced impact, reach, engagement and adaptability. If we are really serious about growing Rotary and attracting new members from all demographics, we must innovate.

That innovation will need to take various forms. It begins, **first**, with making the idea of innovation in Rotary a mindset. It begins with developing a culture of positive change and adapting to the needs of our new realities and challenges.

Second, innovation is also about transformative technologies. We can call this sustaining innovation – that is, constantly developing our suite of products to serve our existing members.

We have implemented this concept of sustaining innovation through three channels of new technology: Rotary's Learning Center, Rotary Club Central, and an enhanced online membership leads program. Now, all these tools are at your disposal, and many new ones are in the process of being developed. Their consistent use should be a key foundation of our future growth strategy.

The **third** kind of innovation that we must aspire to generate at Rotary is called disruptive innovation.

In the world of business, it refers to a product or service, often very simple in its first design. This product or service takes root at the bottom of a market, and then relentlessly grows in popularity, until it displaces established competitors.

Think of how the traditional taxi cab business has been changed forever by ride sharing platforms such as Uber, which connects consumers who need rides with drivers willing to provide them.

With a growing group of individuals looking for connection, friendship, and an opportunity to get involved in the world around them, Rotary is well positioned to be a disruptive innovator.

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Imagine for a moment what Rotary clubs could look like in the future. Clubs that could change their meeting schedule and format, can relax attendance requirements, and offer multiple membership types.

Think of a club where you can invite Rotaractors to be members of your club while they are still in Rotaract.

A club of the future, where measuring adherence to the rules is replaced with measuring progress against goals to improve the community and to grow the club.

Well, you don't have to imagine very far, because these clubs already exist.

Next Rotary Generation Invercargill is a family-friendly club in New Zealand with fluid meeting times and venues. While attendance is encouraged, it is not compulsory.

The Rotary Club of Aruba systematically engages with its local Rotaract and Interact Clubs to ensure a smooth and natural transition into the Rotary club. As a result, half of the club members are former Rotaractors.

Then there are the so-called Passport clubs. Three years ago District 5180 in California began thinking about a club model that would be attractive to younger members who were not interested in attending weekly meetings or paying dues they could not afford.

The district chartered what they called a Passport club with 20 members in Sacramento, California. The club meets only six times a year with an optional social event in the month between meetings. In addition to attending the six required meetings, every year passport members must either contribute \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation OR do at least 40 hours of community service with Rotary clubs or other non-profits in the district. This club has more than tripled its membership in three years. A long-term sustainable growth strategy just doesn't appear out of thin air. It requires a commitment to club innovation and flexibility; a commitment to best serving the specific needs of our communities as they evolve, and to incorporate Rotaractors into Rotary.

I challenge all of us to think out of the box, and to grow Rotary through new innovative club models and to try new approaches.

I'm confident that we will embrace the opportunities ahead of us through innovation, flexibility and thoughtful change.

FAMILY NEWS

The First Lady of our club Oindrila is back home from a city hospital after an attack of Covid 19, and is recuperating. We wish her speedy recovery.

Sudden untimely demise of Mr Bibek Mitra father of PDRR Rtn Shuvratav & Club Secretary Rtn Shuvranshu has left us shocked. Our prayers are with them and their family.



FAMILY CORNER

Drawing by Master Sankalan Karmakar, 4years 5months, nephew of PP Rtn Manika Karmakar.

HOW FACE MASKS WORK AND WHICH TYPES OFFER THE BEST COVID-19 PROTECTION



Compiled by IPP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharyya

ARTICLE SOURCE: THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

Breaking down different types of coverings, the proper way to take them on and off and how to tell if a mask is professional grade

Face masks are a simple way [to help prevent the spread](#) of the new corona virus through talking, coughing or sneezing, scientists and public-health specialists say. But they need to be worn properly.

While some types of masks are more effective than others, public-health officials say any face covering—even a bandanna—[is better than nothing](#).

Here's how different types of masks stack up, and how they are meant to be used.

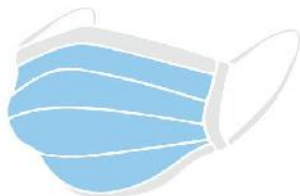
Cut From Different Cloth

Common masks fall into three categories: [cloth masks or coverings like gaiters](#), intended to prevent an infected person from spreading the virus by catching large droplets; surgical masks, with a more sophisticated design also meant to prevent the wearer from spreading diseases; and [N95 masks, which protect the wearer](#) as well, and fit tightly to the face.



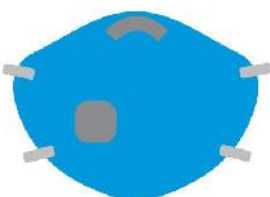
Cloth

- Typically homemade
- Style and materials vary widely
- Prevents wearer from spreading disease
- Work in herd-immunity: the more wear masks, the more effective they are
- Wash after use



Surgical

- Loose fit
- Prevents wearer from spreading disease
- Dispose after use
- Made from a material called polypropylene



N95

- Tight fit, must be fit tested
- Protects wearer if fitted properly
- Limited quantity

SOURCE: CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION





Fit vs. Function

A good cloth mask filters well and is comfortable to breathe through.

A cloth mask should consist of three layers: an inner layer near the mouth that can get moist, a middle filtration layer and an outer layer exposed to the outside environment. Here are the materials for homemade masks that do this best, according to the World Health Organization, using a scale that combines filter quality and breathability. A higher rating is better.

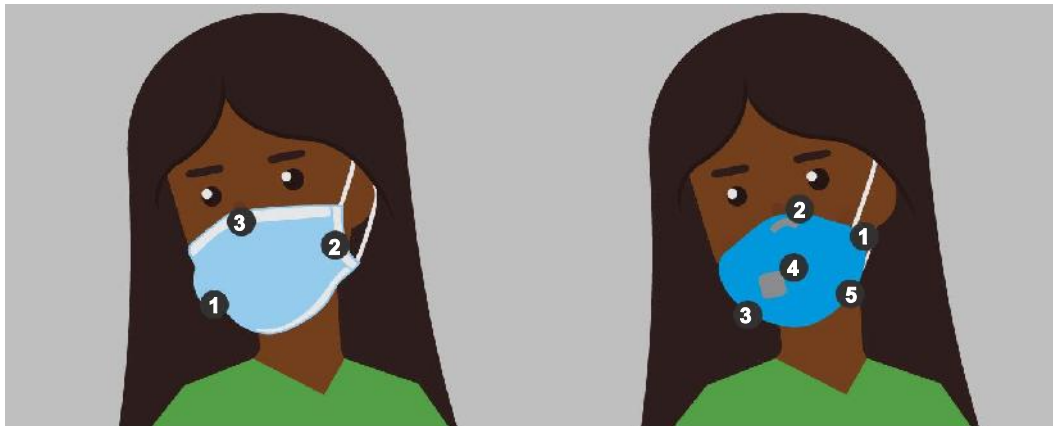
How a mask fits is as important as what it is made of.

Breathability And Filtration Rating

			
16.9	7.4	6.8	4.3
Polypropylene	Cotton (Knit)	Polyester (Knit)	Cellulose

SOURCE: WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION

How To Put On A Mask



Surgical Mask

Check for defects in the face mask, such as tears or broken loops

Place one loop over each ear. Mask will contour to face but not as tightly as an N95.

Mask should sit on bridge of nose

N95 Mask

Straps rest at the back of your head. An N95 will contour tightly to face.

Mold metal strip to the shape of your nose

Re-adjust straps or nosepiece until a proper seal is achieved

Place both hands over the respirator and breathe. If there's leakage, there is not a proper seal.

If you can't get a proper seal, try a different N95 size or model.

SOURCE: CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

Removing A Mask Properly Is Also Important To Prevent The Spread Of The Virus.

Three Steps to Removing an N95 Mask

First - Do not touch the front of the N95 to remove your mask. This can cause contamination.

Second - Pull the straps from the back of your head. Discard while making sure to avoid touching the respirator.

Third - Discard Your Mask and Wash Hands

If you need to re-use an N95 mask, store it in a paper bag for five days. Then you can re-use it.

Professional Grade

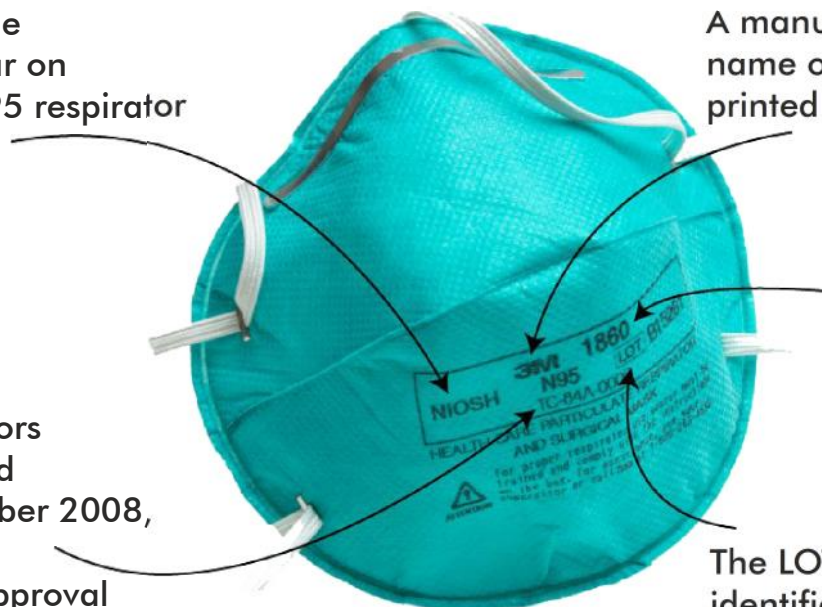
N95 masks filter out at least 95% of very small particles when worn properly, including droplets carrying viruses. Versions with a plastic valve at the center, which makes the mask easier to exhale through, are intended for industrial workers and offer protection only to the wearer.

True N95s aren't easy to wear properly. They must have a tight seal to the face to ensure that all air goes through the filter instead of around the edges. But they offer the best protection against the coronavirus, which is why the WHO recommends these masks be reserved for health-care workers.

"NIOSH" name should appear on an official N95 respirator

A manufacturer business name or logo should be printed on the mask

N95 respirators manufactured after September 2008, must have a TC-Approval number



Model number

The LOT number is an identification number that may also include the date the mask was made. It's recommended but not required.

FROM A BLEEDING HEART

Dr Madhumita Saha



A life gone too soon! A young resident doctor, a budding cardiac surgeon Dr. Nitish Kumar, 33 from NH RTIICS Kolkata was nipped at its bud. A huge potential remained unharnessed as he passed away in his vehement battle against Covid. Being a doctor's wife, my heart goes out to the wife of Dr. Nitish and his 3 year old son at this moment of bereavement. Prayers for his family to find strength to endure this crisis. May his soul rest in peace.

Coming from a completely non-medical background and married to a medical professional whose domain of work involves a highly intensive superspeciality, I would like to share my experience over to express the monumental effort put forward by doctors at NH RTIICS Kolkata to save this young life.

In these years, I have travelled with my husband, who did his fellowship from Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston and thereafter was practicing as Junior attending surgeon in Lennox Hill Hospital, New York City, and have been a distant observer of critical care cases, administered for patients across continents from Kolkata, Boston and New York. It meant hours and sometimes even days of suspension of contact with the family for him. For me...it meant silently managing my pregnancy in an alien country without any other form of family support...attending social functions all by myself. It's been a journey in maturity with these passing years....I realised that I was associated not with just a professional but with a human....whose utmost priority was the life of his patients not his family.



Over the past fortnight I have been a silent witness to the monumental effort...almost a war time critical contingency situation of monitoring and facility that was put together by the team of critical care specialists, anesthetists and perfusionists to save Dr. Nitish. There has not been a precedent in my memory of the sheer magnitude of the herculean effort and involvement by a team...of sleepless nights, skipped meals and endless messaging...this will remain etched in memory for years. From what I gathered through reflected knowledge, no stone seems to have been left unturned to save him by either the doctors or the management of the organisation. All like me, who were indirect acquaintances, sincerely hoped and waited to see him return to his toddler son. We are feeling shattered at the play of divine injustice to nip this life at the bud, who had the potential to save many in future.

However, life must go on.....Would like to quote from The Bhagvad Gita, which perhaps sounds most existentially meaningful at this hour of crisis..

'karmanye vadhikaraste ma phaleshu kada chana',

to work without expectations. Salute all doctors, nurses, supporting staff and all healthcare professionals in their battle to save humanity.

THE MAGIC ON THE VLTAVA

PP Rtn Prasunjit Mukherjee



Vltava!!! Is that a word?? Is it an animal, a bird?? Give up? It is a river. A biggish small river starting somewhere in the mountains and emptying into the Elbe in Germany, the river's name means wild/rough. Nothing magical so far, but hold your breath, I will come to it. On the bank of the river during the course of its travel from somewhere in the mountains to the Elbe, it cradles a lovely lovely town, not much bigger than Salt Lake, which

the people in Europe call a city. And that's the magic. The town that I speak of, its places, its people, and its food – everything shouts M-A-G-I-C. And the town is called Praha or as we know it by its popular name of Prague. Since I have been told many times that people who visit Prague always call it by its ethnic name Praha, I will do exactly thus and no less.

The city is a small one really and I wonder why Hitler made such a huge amount of fuss about it and have no idea why he wanted the city to be woven into his Germanic dreams. Must be because it is so much prettier than Berlin. But on a serious note, I am sure he thought of settling here perhaps. And why not.

There was a sizeable German origin Jews staying there in those days who he could experiment with and the nightlife was extra wow. In fact, in the decades before, it was the capital of Bohemia, which has now become a verb from a noun meaning the good life, meaning a city that always parties. It lived up to its name, till the country of Czechoslovakia was brought under the communist garb. From then on, it had lost its soul only to discover it back after the breakup of the Soviet empire and thereafter when the country broke up into The Czech Republic (TCR) and Slovakia. And Praha sits in the centre of TCR. In soul, spirit and sinew. And the lead icon of the city is a philosopher, thinker Franz Kafka. The Jewish quarter, the part he belonged to is still a



Wenceslas Square

high point for tourists. Interestingly, the statues in Praha have a little gold in them – every one of them. I don't know why, but I am told it is pure gold and they stay shiny and bright.

Praha's first claim to fame is its position as the core of the bohemian lifestyle. Parties, nightlife, hedonism and excesses are its calling cards. This has marked the city for all the services the headlines demand, most famously the bars and restaurants. Parked along the riverside opposite to ground zero of tourism – The Prague castle, are hundreds of the restaurants that cater to the good life. All around these places are the very swish cafes and watering holes that cater to the party people. And depending on the music coming out from it one can make out what kind of tourist trap it is. But the most



Kafka Statue

exclusive ones are the boats that are so brightly decked up and moving lazily on the river with fancy seating arrangements, live music and I guess caviar and mussels being served.



Wenceslas Square

The next hotspot is the Wenceslas Square. A hot bed of stores selling fancy designer stuff along with tourist priced garbage which one has to buy, the number of hotels and restaurants out here is astounding. With the vibrant night scene, the restaurants take over the footpaths and some portion of the roads when the customers throng in and the overall feel is of a grand big circus. And why not? All the props of the circus is all around. Flower sellers selling roses for the lovers, musicians going from table to table singing love songs, fake watch sellers....I am

sure there would be some performing clowns too. Don't be surprised if the waiters try to pull you in physically, but it's all in good spirit.

The crown of the tourist part is the Praha castle and the Charles Bridge. The bridge many of us has seen in countless movies but nothing prepares the mind for the actual spectacle. One has to navigate through countless meandering cobbled stone lanes and in the evenings, it's just mayhem. It's better to let the crowd do its job and rest assured that it is doing a good one. It stops just before the gate of the bridge which is quite dirty and grimy but who cares.



Street Art

The tramline is the last caution and then as you walk up and the bridge reveals itself with the lit up Praha Castle in the background, the sigh escaping the mouth is that of reality surpassing expectation. The castle has it all. Churches, museums, clock tower, viewing podiums, eateries, ice cream centres, massage kiosks, banks, hotels and what not. It is pretty much an amalgam of all that a tourist needs to see. And the packaging is super-duper.



Praha Old Town

Out in the main hall in the Old Town of Praha the merry ride continues. The old town square is quite big and most times there are live performances of many kinds happening. Some painters here, hip hop artistes there and maybe some violin player regaling the audience for a pittance. Suddenly you will come across something that is pure Praha – an entourage of old cars, restored to their old glory and carrying a bunch of very loud tourists blowing sight and sound. But the amazing thing I saw was a beer barrel atop a cycle van and all the riders pedaling away and drinking as they do so.



Praha Apartment

This 3-4 square kilometers is what the tourist part of Praha is all about. Some “oldish”, some made to look oldish and the rest spanking new. But all of it is made so that they draw in more tourists than what the entire India does. We were staying a little distance away in our own apartment and it was the apartment that also made it to our favourite list. And again proves my theory that the key to a great vacation is in the staying arrangements.

Especially for us who do our own things and have never employed the services of tourist guides. And talking of tourist guides, I think it is going to be seriously challenging to earn money from the profession. It is only a question of time before Google Lens takes away their livelihood.

There is nothing in Praha that is not there in many European cities. But the sum of the parts is what makes it so special and alluring. Writing about the Old Town part will only take volumes.

But will do that another day.



Prague Castle by Night



QUIZ
time

There would be 5 questions on Rotary in every issue of Maitree. The answers, along with reference and names of successful friends will be published in next issue.

Please send your answers to the Editor over WhatsApp (9830 030 020) within 2 days. Next issue is on 6th Aug. Happy head-scratching.

QUIZ #4

- #1 What are the Rotarians' role in RCC?
- #2 Can a Rotaractor join Rotary and enjoy dual membership?
- #3 How many major projects an Interact club should complete every year?
- #4 What is the age group for participating in RYLA?
- #5 How often does a Council On Legislation take place?

Answers to Quiz #3

#1 What is Rotary Club Health Check ?

Ans: Tool to Identify club's problem areas and make changes to help it stay relevant for members and the community.

#2 What is the tool to enhance club experience of members?

Ans: Member Satisfaction Survey.

#3 What is the tool to plan engaging members in the club activities?

Ans: Best practices for engaging members.

#4 Welcoming younger professionals into Rotary is essential for us. Which tool will help us in this objective ?

Ans: Engaging Younger Professionals.

#5 In the changing world Rotary aims to change. Which tool may guide us ?

Ans: Practicing Flexibility and Innovation.

(Link to all answers: <https://my.rotary.org/en/learning-reference/learn-topic/membership>)

**Cheers to the friends who have submitted correct answers:
PP Rtn Debabrata Joardar & PP Rtn Manika Karmakar**



MINUTES OF THE 2571st RCM OF ROTARY CLUB OF BEHALA HELD AT ZOOM DIGITAL PLATFORM ON 5th AUGUST, 2020.

- # Club President Rtn Sugata Mazumdar called the meeting to order and welcomed all.
- # National anthem was not played as few members were traveling.
- # Club President initiated discussion with reporting the ongoing discussion about joint meetings :
 - a) An online joint meeting will be held with RC Bikrampur, RID 3281, Bangladesh towards furthering international peace and Covid awareness. Prof Haq, President of RC Bikrampur and PP Rtn Dr Siddhartha Chakraborty would be the speakers. The date has not been finalized yet.
 - b) Club President is in dialogue with US Consulate and a joint meeting may be organized in September.
- # IPP Rtn Kaushik Bhattacharyya described in brief the Green Expedition project at Dhyana Ashram held on 2nd August in which our club was a host.
- # Rtn Angshuman Bhattacharya updated about the vocational training program with an organization. He will share the details and take it up with the club.
- # Rotary India website training was attended by President, Secretary & Editor. Members were informed about the rotary India website.
- # As regards upcoming projects :
 - a) Proposed Plantation at Calcutta Blind School, Behala. IPP Rtn Kaushik will talk with the school authorities. The plantation can be done at the school in association with District 3291. President Rtn Sugata Mazumdar will discuss with DG.
 - b) About RCC Chandanpiri :
 - i. We plan to visit RCC Chandanpiri at the month-end. Rtn Sujay Krishna Bhadra will be contacted to ascertain delivery date of the saplings.
 - ii. The scholarship cheque for our ongoing project of financing education of 15 (fifteen) girl students are ready.
 - iii. PP Rtn Anirudha Gupta will talk with PDG Rajani Mukerji about feasibility of projects involving the school.
 - c) PP Rtn Dr Siddhartha informed about the upcoming district events.
- # There are membership proposals from Club President and PP Rtn Prasunjit Mukherjee. Membership Chair PP Rtn Debabrata Joardar will take necessary actions.
- # Bank signatory change will be done within the upcoming week.
- # Rotaract Behala internship proposal will be discussed post they submit the plan and procedure.

MINUTES OF THE 2571st RCM OF ROTARY CLUB OF BEHALA HELD AT ZOOM DIGITAL PLATFORM ON 5th AUGUST, 2020.

- # Ex-Rtn Dr Bikramjit Mukherjee has confirmed his performance with his team at our 57th Charter Night Celebration on 24th August.
- # Club President requested all the members to be presented with their spouses to be a part of the grand virtual night. PP Rtn Krishnendu Bhattacharjee will be responsible for the program performances and schedule.
- # The allowance to Apu has been enhanced to Rs 15,000/- per annum, subject to approval of the Board.
- # Next Board meeting of the club will be held on 31st August at 7pm over Zoom platform.
- # Club Secretary Rtn Shuvranshu Mitra conducted club business.
- # Club Secretary informed next regular club meeting will not be held on 20th August (3rd Thursday) instead it will be held on our Charter Night, 24th August, Monday.
- # The minutes of the 2570th RCM held on 1st August as published in Maitree was confirmed.
- # Meeting terminated with vote of thanks from and to the Chair.

Meeting attendance :

Total members : 32.

Members present : 18.

A Rotarian is someone who, through their efforts:

DIGS WELLS FROM WHICH THEY WILL NEVER DRINK

RESTORES EYESIGHT FOR THOSE THEY WILL NEVER SEE

BUILDS HOUSES THEY WILL NEVER LIVE IN

VACCINATES CHILDREN THEY WILL NEVER MEET

PLANTS TREES THEY WILL NEVER SIT UNDER

EDUCATES CHILDREN THEY WILL NEVER KNOW

FEEDS HUNGRY PEOPLE, REGARDLESS OF COLOR, RACE OR POLITICS

KNOWS REAL HAPPINESS



Charles, Prince of Wales wears his Rotary lapel. Do you??