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# NRUPATUNGA

Club Bulletin April - 2025

**ROTARY CLUB OF HUBLI-WEST**

R. I. Dist.: 3170 Club No.15648 Chartered: 23-Feb 1972



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**DATE: 06.04.2025, CELEBRATE THE BIRTHDAY OF Rtn. RACHEL PRAKASH**



**DATE: 02.04.2025. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**



## **Kashmir Travel Report (08.04.2025 – 13.04.2025)**

**Starting Point: Hubballi**

**Destination: Kashmir (Pahalgam, Gulmarg, Sonamarg, Srinagar)**

**Organized by: Vista Tours & Travels**

**Participants: Rotary Club Members**

**( Rtn. Gopalkrishna Illur, Ann Gayatri Illur, Sri Srinivas Illur, Smt. Hema Illur, Rtn.Siddaram Bagewadi, Ann Sunita Bagewadi, Rtn. Shankar Byahatti, Sri Chidanand Kolekar, Rtn. Ravindranath P. Shiggaonkar and Ann Veena Shiggaonkar )**

**Chief Coordinator: Rtn. Shankar Byahatti**

**Tour Guide: Mr. Irfan**

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### **Beginning – 08.04.2025 (Tuesday): Our First Step in Pahalgam**

Our journey began with a warm welcome at “Hidden Hill” Lodge in Pahalgam. Nestled amidst the snow-clad peaks, this village instantly captivated us with its serene silence. From the chilly surroundings to the gurgling of nearby streams, everything breathed new life into our bodies and minds. A sense of camaraderie bloomed among the group, and by evening, we were immersed in heartfelt conversations over tea and laughter.

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### **09.04.2025 (Wednesday): Nature’s Embrace in Pahalgam**

The snow-covered mountains, the crisp air, and the thrill of horse rides made this day a delightful experience. Capturing photos near flowing rivers, smiling faces, and shared joy — the entire day felt like a moment suspended in time. The evening saw our group members sharing their personal stories, further deepening the bonds between us.

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### **10.04.2025 (Thursday): Gulmarg – The Capital of Snowy Peaks**

Our destination for the day was Gulmarg, the heart of Kashmir’s snow-clad beauty. The Gondola ride offered breathtaking views from above the snowline, while soft snowflakes gently touched our faces during peaceful strolls. Faces lit with joy, snow games, and rhythmic footsteps on icy trails became cherished memories etched deep in our hearts.

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### **11.04.2025 (Friday): Srinagar – The Serene Melody of Dal Lake**

This day was dedicated to exploring Srinagar. The Shikara ride on Dal Lake, floating homes, and exquisite Kashmiri handicrafts created a feast for both eyes and soul. The sight of surrounding snowy peaks mirrored in the still waters of the lake left a lasting impression. Sipping warm Kahwa in the cool breeze added to the sensory delight.

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## **12.04.2025 (Saturday): Sonamarg – Amidst the Golden Snowy Mountains**

After breakfast at 9 AM, we set out for Sonamarg. Laughter and lively chatter filled the bus as we journeyed through scenic landscapes. Though the sun dimmed the snow's shine slightly, the soothing hum of the Sindh River calmed our spirits. After lunch, we rested by the river, soaking in peaceful moments that felt like a deep meditative retreat.

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## **Conclusion – 13.04.2025 (Sunday): Bittersweet Goodbyes**

Tomorrow at 7:20 AM, we begin our return journey to Hubballi via Delhi. Over these five unforgettable days, the warmth shared among our group members, the soulful gift of nature in Kashmir, and the meticulous planning by Rtn. Shankar Byahatti created a journey to treasure forever.

Our guide Mr. Irfan's knowledge, kindness, and passion brought each place to life. His attentiveness and respect left a lasting impact on all of us.

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### **Our Heartfelt Thanks:**

- **Vista Tours & Travels – For seamlessly managing every detail of the journey.**
  - **Rtn. Shankar Byahatti – For his efficient organization and friendly leadership.**
  - **Mr. Irfan – For being our knowledgeable and compassionate guide.**
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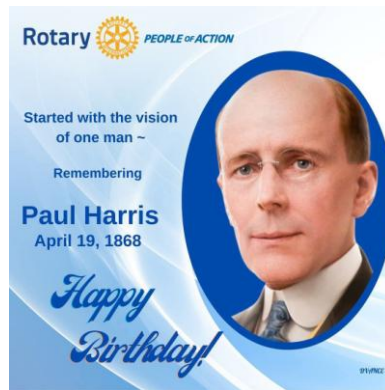
**Warm regards,  
Rtn. Ravindranath P. Shiggonkar  
Club President, Rotary Club of Hubli-West  
(In memory of a journey with Rotary friends)**







## Heartfelt Tributes on the 157th Birth Anniversary of Paul Harris



*Dear Rotarian Friends,*

*Today, we proudly and gratefully celebrate the 157th birth anniversary of Paul Harris — the visionary founder of Rotary, an idealist, and a true humanitarian.*

*What began in 1905 as a small gathering of friends, led by Paul Harris, has today grown into an epic movement of service across the globe. His dream — rooted in friendship, service, truth, and peace — continues to illuminate the lives of millions of Rotarians worldwide.*

*His life path serves as a beacon of inspiration to us all. He left us with the powerful message: “Look up, move forward, grow together.”*

*On this occasion, let every member of our club uphold these ideals with sincerity and dedication.*

*Together, let us walk the path he lit for us and strive to serve our communities with ever greater purpose and compassion.*

*Tributes to Paul Harris, Glory to the Rotary movement, And may we always move forward in the spirit of service.*

**– Rtn. Ravindranath P. Shiggaonkar  
Club President**

## ಮನುಕುಮಾರಗೆ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ರತ್ನ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿ

ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ: ನಗರದ ತಬಲಾ ಪಟು, ಸಂಗೀತ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕ ಮನುಕುಮಾರ ಹಿರೇಮಠ ಅವರು ಯುಎಸ್‌ಎನ ಅಂತಾರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ರತ್ನ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿಗೆ ಭಾಜನರಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಸಂಗೀತ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ತಬಲಾದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿದ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸೇವೆ ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಿ ಎ. 20ರಂದು ಪುಣೆ ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಜವಾಹರಲಾಲ್ ನೆಹರು ಸ್ಮಾರಕ ಸಭಾಭವನದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿ ಪ್ರದಾನ ಮಾಡಲಾಯಿತು. ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಮತ್ತು ಅಂತಾರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ರಾಯಭಾರಿ (ಎಎಸ್‌ಜಿಎಸ್) ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಡಾ. ಮಹೇಶ್‌ಗೌಡ, ಮುಂಬೈನ ಹೈಕೋರ್ಟ್ ವಕೀಲ ಎಂ. ರತ್ನಾಕರ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಜಾನಪದ ಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠ ಗಾಯಕಿ ಡಾ. ಬಿ.ವಿ. ಪದ್ಮಾವತಿ, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕದ ಕನ್ನಡ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದ ಸದಸ್ಯೆ ಡಾ. ಶಶಿಕಲಾ, ಮುಂತಾದ ಗಣ್ಯರು, ಸಾಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಕ ಕಲಾ ಸಾಧಕರು ಹಾಗೂ ಸಂಗೀತ ಪ್ರೇಮಿಗಳು ಉಪಸ್ಥಿತರಿದ್ದರು.



ಪುಣೆ ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಜವಾಹರಲಾಲ್ ನೆಹರು ಸ್ಮಾರಕ ಸಭಾಭವನದಲ್ಲಿ ಮನುಕುಮಾರ ಹಿರೇಮಠ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿ ಪ್ರದಾನ ಮಾಡಲಾಯಿತು.

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### Dear fellow Rotarians,

*It is with immense pride and heartfelt joy that, on behalf of our club, we extend our warmest congratulations to Rtn. Manukumar Hiremath for being honored with the prestigious “National Gem” award by the International Human Resources Authority this year.*

*This recognition, bestowed upon him for his outstanding achievements as a tabla artist, is a moment of great happiness and pride for all of us.*

*We celebrate his dedication, talent, and the honor he has brought to our club and community.*

**- Club President**

## **26-04-2025 – A Festive Day in Nature's Lap: Rotary Family Lunch**

Amidst the mischievous greenery of spring and the gentle caress of the morning breeze, on the serene morning of 26th April 2025, we — bound by the heartwarming spirit of our Rotary family — set out joyfully towards the Gangebavi Resort. The lush fields, the melodious chorus of birds, and the gentle murmur of flowing streams all touched the core of our being.

Upon reaching the resort, the cool touch of the breeze, the cradle of verdant greenery, and the splendid embrace of nature wrapped around us like a tender song. The laughter of children clinging to us during the tonga ride, the joy swinging on the bullock cart, the carefree play in the refreshing waters of the swimming pool, and the vibrant rainbow-like enthusiasm during the rain dance — every moment gleamed with the sparkle of joy.

The innocent happiness of the children, their playful runs, and the sweet smiles blooming like little buds — all reminded us of the true sweetness of life.

By midday, a sumptuous meal filled with the flavors of the countryside delighted our senses, reminiscent of the warmth and fragrance of a mother's lovingly prepared food. The girls, dressed in traditional Lambani attire, danced with rhythmic grace, painting scenes of a village festival onto the pages of our hearts. Their lively steps to film songs sparkled like stars, shimmering like the dewdrops on a parijata flower.

Throughout the day, from 9 AM to 6 PM, we were immersed in laughter, joy, and a flood of unforgettable memories. Even as we returned, cradling droplets of happiness in our hearts, it felt like we were reluctantly parting from the affectionate lap of Mother Nature.

This day, even as the river of time flows on, will forever remain lush and fragrant in the garden of our memories.

**— Rtn. Ravindranath P. Shiggaonkar**  
**Club President**  
**Rotary Club of Hubli-West**







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**MAY-2025**

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MEETING AT F-19, 1<sup>st</sup> FLOOR, LAXMI COLONY, NEAR CHANNAMMA CIRCLE, HUBBALLI

<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>4</b> INTERNATIONAL FIRE FIGHTER'S DAY	<b>11</b> WORLD MOTHER'S DAY, NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY DAY	<b>18</b> WORLD AIDS VACCINE DAY	<b>25</b> DOA OF Rtn. BASAVARAJ BELLAD
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>12</b> INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY	<b>19</b>	<b>26</b> DOA OF Rtn. SATISHRAO P.
<b>TUESDAY</b>		<b>6</b> WORLD ASTHMA DAY	<b>13</b> DOA OF Rtn. BASAVARAJ BELLAD	<b>20</b>	<b>27</b> DOA OF Rtn. RAVINDRANATH P. SHIGGAONKAR
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		<b>7</b> 11TH BoD MEETING WORLD ATHLETICS DAY	<b>14</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>1</b> INTERNATIONAL LABOUR DAY	<b>8</b> WORLD RED CROSS DAY	<b>15</b> INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE FAMILY	<b>22</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b> FORTNIGHT MEETING	<b>23</b> DOA OF Rtn. DEEPAK SHETTI	<b>30</b> FAMILY DINNER
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>3</b> PRESS FREEDOM DAY	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b> WORLD HYPERTENSION DAY, WORLD TELECOMMUNICATION DAY	<b>24</b> DOA OF Rtn. SUDHIR HARWADA	<b>31</b> WORLD ANTI TOBACCO DAY

# OUR PAST PRESIDENTS & SECRETARIES

SI No.	Year	President	Secretary
1	1972-1973	V R Byahatti	K S Dubeer
2	1973-1974	M K Gopalkrishna	M S Bidasaria
3	1974-1975	K S Dubeer	M R Kamat
4	1975-1976	M S Bidasaria	M R Kamat
5	1976-1977	S S Kamat	B U Yavagal
6	1977-1978	M R Kamat	N V Joglekar
7	1978-1979	B V Yavagal	R M Naik
8	1979-1980	N V Joglekar	G G Kammar
9	1980-1981	R M Naik	R Y Prabhoo
10	1981-1982	B S Kanakaraddi	V G Mannur
11	1982-1983	G G Kammar	G N Harlapur
12	1983-1984	I N Hebsur	S M Shettar
13	1984-1985	V G Mannur	D R Jakaraddi
14	1985-1986	G N Harlapur	V D Kulkarni
15	1986-1987	V D Kulkarni	K S Alewoor
16	1987-1988	D R Jakaraddi	R V Limbikai
17	1988-1989	M B Desai	H T N Moorthy
18	1989-1990	A A Ghailot	P N Malavade
19	1990-1991	V S Kakol	D V Nagmule
20	1991-1992	S M Shettar	B R Timmangoudar
21	1992-1993	P N Malavade	R C Goyal
22	1993-1994	D V Nagmule	P N Dhongadi
23	1994-1995	B R Timmangoudar	B K Mulgund
24	1995-1996	D R Jakaraddi	O S Mudaraddi
25	1996-1997	Dr.S B Hiremath	M G Shenoy
26	1997-1998	V S Kakol	K N Purohit
27	1998-1999	O S Mudaraddy	V G Shetti
28	1999-2000	M G Shenoy	P V Savant
29	2000-2001	K N Purohit	Surendra Bhat
30	2001-2002	V G Shetti	Nagaraj H Badiger
31	2002-2003	P V Savant	Mahesh Manage
32	2003-2004	V S Kubasad	B N Ladwa
33	2004-2005	S C Moogi	Nagesh Onam
34	2005-2006	Nagaraj H Badiger	Vijay Patil
35	2006-2007	K Surendra Bhat	Veeranna Sambargi
36	2007-2008	P V Savanth	Vinay Shetti
37	2008-2009	Balakrishna Ladwa	P Satish Rao
38	2009-2010	K N Purohit	Phaniraj H K
39	2010-2011	Mahesh Manage	Mahantesh Kumatgi
40	2011-2012	P Satish Rao	Nagaraj Badiger
41	2012-2013	Mahantesh Kumatgi	Nagaraj I Jalihal
42	2013-2014	Deepak Patil	Sudhir Harwada
43	2014-2015	Nagaraj I Jalihal	Sanjeev Sanikop
44	2015-2016	Gopalkrishna A Illur	Narasimha Murthy
45	2016-2017	Sudhir G. Harwada	Ravindra D. Munavalli
46	2017-2018	Rajendra Shetti	Ashok Patil
47	2018-2019	Paniraj H K	M F Junjannavar
48	2019-2020	Ashok Patil	Ravindranath Shiggaonkar
49	2020-2021	V Narashimamurthy	Venkatesh Pappu
50	2021-2022	M F Junjannavar	Girish Parvatikar
51	2022-2023	Chandrakanth Miskin	Sushilkumar Katkar
52	2023-2024	Channabasappa Batli	Rajesh Wandakar

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