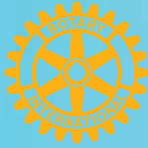


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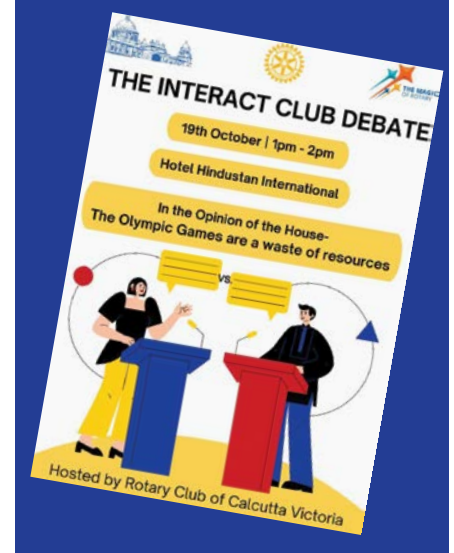
Preparations were on in full swing ! Dance rehearsals were being done, a beer drinking competition was on the cards, choreographed welcome dance, songs were being rehearsed, ramp walks with appropriate costumes, musical skits, a piano recital and a group dance were some of the other activities on the anvil. What's happening here ?? family wedding

preparations? or is it a carnival ! No, the right answer was the Victoria Family, Come September Fellowship !! and were they enjoying themselves. Members of the Rotary Club of Calcutta Victoria were having fun and loads of it ! It was a joyous day. We welcomed back member Ashok Kothari and it was Chhandadi birthday !

Hidden Talents and any shortcomings were made up by strong enthusiasm. The by the members, for the members program was spun into action by Sohini and Varsha with a scintillating welcome dance. There were fascinating ramp walks by Sudiptadi, Sanghamitradi, Drs Gurtu, Dr O.P. and Neemaji, Juliedi in absolutely appropriate costumes/dresses. Melodious songs were sung by Seemadi, Sushmaji, Latadi-Ishita and Rajnish. Fascinating dances by Sutapadi, Latadi, Seemadi, Vibha, Rachna, Sohini and Varsha enthralled the members. Vinitadi, Alkadi, Chandrakalaji battled their wits in a jigsaw game and Nitish ran Anurag close in a beer drinking competition ! KK Nangalia, Sachiv, Siddharth Hemlata, Vibha , Rajnish had the members laughing with musical skits. Gayatradi had the members engrossed with her cooking demonstration and Kashmiridi, Sandeepda



TODAY'S PROGRAMME



Stephanie A Urchick
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President



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Secretary



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Treasurer



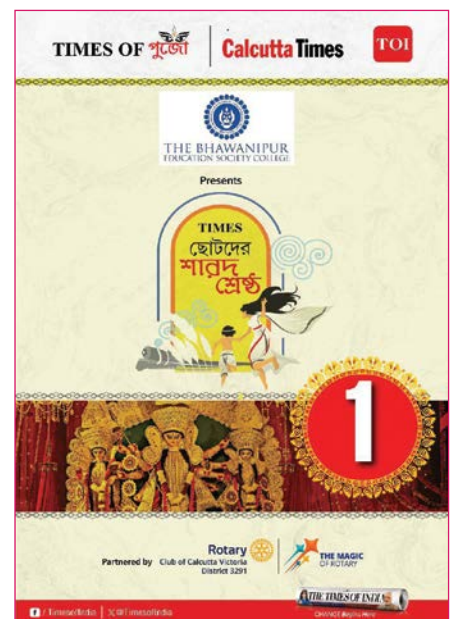
Chhanda Banerji
Editor



by their recitation/poetry. Dr. Krish enthralled the members by his piano performance
All in all, each of the members participating with enthusiastic energy . Like they say, you are as young as you feel you are ! Major credit is given to Vibha for conceptualization , getting each member to participate , holding rehearsals at their home with warm hospitality and great support by Rajnish. The members had fun and 1's who missed out had FOMO !

Reported by – **Sachiv Nijhawan**

Chhotoder Sharad Shreshtho



RCCV's annual event - pandal hopping with disadvantaged children took place on 7th October 2024. 112 excited children along with 6 teachers from St. Lawrence Night School, St. James Night School & Arunima

Hospice sponsored by the club, assembled at 9 am at St. Paul's Cathedral. Two 60 seater bus had been arranged for the trip. Chief Guest well known Tollywood actor Saheb Bhattacharya flagged them off. Victorians





Lata Bhatia, Sohini Banerjee, Sunita Agarwala, Ashok Kothari and Arvind Agrawal were present. Sohini and Lata accompanied the children to some of the Puja pandals. Their shining eyes and happy smiles were a delight to watch.

Main sponsors were Bhawanipur Education Society and Times of India. Food packets were given to all and each child received Rs. 1000/-. Club contributed Rs. 25000/-, Arvind Agrawal Rs. 25000/- and Rs. 16000/- given by a few Victorians. Thank you Arvind.

VIRANGANA



RCCV conducted 'Virangana' Project which is a self defence awareness workshop to empower girls, at St. James School on 30th september

2024 for the children of their evening school EKA. Talks were given by Nutritionist, Psychologist and the Martial Arts instructor.

SUCHIKALA



Vocational training camp Suchikala held on 21st September 2024 at RCC Kanthalberia. 25 young women of the village took the training and have produced appreciable items, which were displayed. USHA would be taking their exams on 27th September 2024. All the apparel worn by the students were self made. These women will now start taking orders or will work with master tailors. Sutapa Das and Gayatri Dhar attended the camp.

Another project at the same place was inaugurated. That of Mushroom farming. The initial training was given to the same girls. These girls can start growing mushrooms at home and sell them for some extra money over and above the tailoring.



INTERACTORS IN ACTION

1. On 30th September Interact club of Calcutta International School organised a BAKE SALE to support flood relief fund. An array of baked delicious items like cupcakes, pizzas, cinnamon rolls etc. as well as phuchkas and nimbu pani were served. A sum of Rs.20000/- was contributed to

the District Flood Relief Fund.

2. The Interactors of C.I.S partnered Soroptimist International for "FIST FULL of GRAIN" project. The project started on 12th September. They collected handful of grain (Rice or Dal) everyday for a month. These daily contributions were collected in

bags at the end of the month. all the grain was donated to Calcutta Emmanuel School to support their mid-day meal programme. 3. The Interactors of CIS had put up a games stall at the school's annual event 'Confluence'. The proceeds went towards tiffin boxes for the children of Lotus Rescue.



On 28th September 2024, the Interact Club of P.B Accademy School visited Daria Village in Diamond Harbour to distribute 100 sarees to underprivileged women for Saradiya Utsav, Durga Pujo including 10 interactors and 4 teachers. We were warmly welcomed by the local club of Dariya village, and the joy on the women's faces, both young and old, was truly heartwarming.

Some of the recipients were physically challenged, making the occasion even more touching as their happiness lit up the event. We also met teachers from the local government school who shared their experiences and insights about the village's challenges. We left feeling deeply grateful for the opportunity to contribute and were inspired by the community's resilience.

Happy 
Birthday!

Sanghamitra Chowdhury
20th October

Seema Danda
25th October

Dr. Jai Nath Gurtu
31st October

Subhojit Sinha Roy
1st November

Happy Wedding
Anniversary 

Arvind Agrawal
& *Rumana* • 14th October

Col. M.M.Burman
& *Sushma* • 20th October