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Club News

Family Get-Together Report

A Family Get-Together was held at Vorkady on 21st December 2025 at the Kalpane Residence of Rtn. Prabhakar Rai. The programme began with a warm welcome address by President Rtn. Anitha Ravishankar Rao. Secretary Rtn. Latha presented a brief report of the club activities for the month of December 2025.

On this occasion, Annet Prashansa Rai was felicitated for winning First Prize in the District Cultural Event in the category of Dance Solo (Under 14 years). The prestigious Rotary Sevashree Award was presented to Mr. Ganesh, a renowned traditional Dakshina Kannada religious folk dance performer. Rtn Nikilraj read citation certificate of Mr Ganesh. Mr. Ganesh expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the Rotary Club for the honour bestowed upon him.

The Chief Guest and GSR of the Club, PDG Dr. Devdas Rai, spoke on the monthly theme *Disease Prevention* and congratulated Mr. Ganesh for his contribution to preserving traditional art forms. AG Dr. Ravishankar Rao released the club bulletin and highlighted the importance of preserving religious and traditional folk dances.

President Rtn. Anitha Ravishankar Rao conveyed her best wishes to members who celebrated their birthdays and wedding anniversaries during the month. The hosts of the event, Rtn. Prabhakar Rai and Ann Prafulla Rai, were felicitated by the Chief Guest for their gracious hospitality.

Secretary Rtn. Latha proposed the vote of thanks, and the meeting was adjourned for dinner and fellowship.



Polio Hundi Drive Report

The Polio Hundi Drive was carried out at Deralakatte, outside KS Hegde Hospital, on 21st December 2025. The drive was conducted by Rtn. Ravishankar Rao and Rtn. Anitha Ravishankar Rao to create awareness and raise funds in support of the Polio Eradication initiative.



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Rathnostaava Programme Report

Rathnostaava, the annual programme of Vidya Ratna School, was held at Deralakatte on 20th and 21st December 2025. The Chairman, Rtn. K. R. Shetty, and the Correspondent, Rtn. Sowmya Shetty, who are proud members of our club, played a key role in the successful conduct of the programme.

On this occasion, IPDG Rtn. Vikramdatta and Past AG Rtn. P. D. Shetty graced the event as guests. During the programme, Rtn. J. P. Rai was felicitated in recognition of his dedicated service to the nation as a soldier.





Zonal Review Meeting

The Zonal Review Meeting was held on 27th December 2025 at the Officers' Club, Mangalore. The meeting was attended by representatives from various clubs of the zone. From our club, Assistant Governor Rtn. Dr. Ravishankar Rao, President Rtn. Anitha Ravishankar Rao, and Secretary Rtn. Latha were present.

During the meeting, a comprehensive review of the ongoing activities of the clubs in the zone was carried out. Detailed discussions were held on various upcoming district-level programmes, events, and initiatives planned for the remaining period of the Rotary year. The Assistant Governors and club leaders shared updates, progress reports, and best practices, focusing on effective implementation of projects and member participation.

Important matters related to district administration, service projects, membership growth, Rotary Foundation activities, and public image were also discussed. The meeting provided valuable guidance and clarity to the clubs regarding district expectations and timelines, and encouraged active involvement in all district programmes.

The Zonal Review Meeting concluded on a positive note, strengthening coordination among the clubs and reinforcing the commitment to achieving the goals of the Rotary year.



Family Get-Together

Date: 28th December 2025

Venue: Residence of Rtn. PD Shetty, Kanirthota

A Family Get-Together was organized on 28th December 2025 at the residence of Rtn. PD Shetty, Kanirthota, on the auspicious occasion of Sri Satyanarayana Pooja. Club members along with their family members participated in the programme in large numbers.

The Sri Satyanarayana Pooja was conducted in a serene and devotional atmosphere. Lunch was served to all members and their families prior to the meeting, followed by fellowship.

A brief meeting was held thereafter. Dr. Anathan addressed the gathering and shared his experiences from his recent pilgrimage to Ayodhya, Varanasi, Prayagraj, and Kashi.

On this occasion, a joint meeting was also held with the Rotary Club of Mangalore Coastal. From Rotary Mangalore Coastal, President Rtn. Subodh and Rtn. Thanuja attended the joint meeting, promoting inter-club interaction and fellowship.

The Club President welcomed all the members and guests. The Assistant Governor addressed the gathering and shared his guidance. Rtn. PD Shetty expressed his gratitude to everyone for their presence and support. Secretary Rtn. Latha proposed the vote of thanks.

The programme concluded successfully with enhanced fellowship, unity, and goodwill among the members and their families.





Presentation on Gender Audit

Date: 22nd December 2025

Venue: SDM Institutions, Ujire

On 22nd December 2025, Rtn. Dr. Anitha Ravishankar Rao, President, delivered a presentation on **Gender Audit** to the officers of SDM Institutions, Ujire.

The presentation focused on the concept, importance, and implementation of a Gender Audit in educational institutions. Dr. Anitha Ravishankar Rao elaborated on gender sensitivity, equity, inclusiveness, and the role of institutional policies in promoting a gender-balanced work and learning environment. The session highlighted best practices, compliance aspects, and the benefits of adopting gender-responsive frameworks.

The officers of SDM Institutions actively participated in the session and appreciated the informative and insightful presentation. The programme contributed towards creating awareness and understanding of gender equity and inclusive practices within the institution.

The session concluded successfully with interactive discussions and positive feedback from the participants.



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Public Image Activity – Participation in Kambala, Naringana

As part of Rotary's Public Image initiative, our club actively participated in the traditional Kambala event held at Naringana on 10th January 2026. This mega public event provided an excellent platform to enhance Rotary's visibility and connect with the wider community.

A total of seven members from our club were present and represented Rotary during the programme. Rtn PD Shetty, Rtn Prabhakar Rai, and IPDG Vikramdatta graced the occasion as distinguished guests. Rtn Girish Alva, our club member, was part of the Organising Committee, contributing to the successful conduct of the event.

During the programme, our members had a meaningful interaction with the Honourable Speaker of the Karnataka State Government, Mr. U. T. Khader. Discussions were held regarding our upcoming flagship project, the Mangalore Animal Care Centre, and the role Rotary intends to play in animal welfare and community service.

The participation significantly strengthened Rotary's public image and reinforced our club's commitment to community-focused initiatives.





Joint Meeting and Family Get-Together with Rotary Club of Mangalore Coastal

A Joint Meeting and Family Get-Together with the Rotary Club of Mangalore Coastal was held on 10th January 2026 at Devadadiga Sabha Bhavan, Hosabettu. From our club, 12 members attended the programme.

The meeting commenced with a solemn moment as President Dr. Anitha Ravishankar Rao delivered a condolence address in memory of Late Dr. Vinay Hegde, followed by a one-minute silence observed by all present.

Subsequently, the President briefed the gathering on the club's ongoing activities and formally introduced all the members present.

In observance of Vocational Service Month, Rtn Pushpa Tharanth was felicitated with the Youth Vocational Award in recognition of her outstanding achievements in the field of sports.

On this occasion, an International Award was conferred upon IPDG Vikramdatta for his exemplary leadership and achievements as District Governor during the Rotary year 2024–25. The award was presented and the felicitation address was delivered by Rtn Dr. Ravishankar Rao. This was followed by an inspiring address by IPDG Vikramdatta, who spoke about Rotary's mission and highlighted various service projects undertaken across the district.

The proceedings were efficiently conducted by President Rtn Subodh and Secretary Rtn Kiran Prasad Rai of the host club. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks and was adjourned for dinner, followed by fellowship among members and families.





How to Face SSLC Board Examination – Student Guidance Programme

A lecture series on “How to Face the SSLC Board Examination” was successfully conducted at three different locations with the objective of motivating and guiding SSLC students to face their examinations with confidence and clarity.

IPDG Rtn Vikramdatta and Col. N. S. Bhandary served as the resource persons for all three programmes. They addressed students on effective study techniques, time management, stress control, examination strategy, and the importance of self-confidence.

First Programme:

The first session was held on 16th January 2026 at Moornadu, jointly organised with Rotary Club Misty Hill. Around 575 students from various schools participated in the programme. The session was highly interactive and well received by the students.

Second Programme:

On the same day, an afternoon workshop was organised at Napoklu, where around 600 students participated. Hon’ble MLA Dr. Manthara Gowda was present and encouraged the students to face the SSLC examination with determination and discipline.

Third Programme:

The third session was conducted on 22nd January 2026 at Kunil School, Badiadka. Around 600 students attended the programme and benefited from the valuable guidance shared by the resource persons.

All three programmes were impactful and appreciated by students, teachers, and organisers alike, helping SSLC students prepare mentally and academically for their forthcoming board examinations.



2026-27 RI Presidential Message

The annual presidential message offers us a powerful tool to share compelling Rotary stories in a consistent way. By using a message that aligns with our Action Plan, we can also inspire others to take action with us.

Our 2026-27 message, Create Lasting Impact, encourages all of us, as people of action, to work together to make a meaningful difference in our communities and around the world. It builds on the ways in which members have strengthened their connections to each other and to their communities to Unite for Good, the 2025-26 message. Now, Create Lasting Impact will harness those connections and inspire our members, participants, and the public to take collective actions that lead to a sustainable difference — globally, locally, and personally.

To show the world how members are creating lasting change through Rotary, you can collect information and share stories that demonstrate the impact your club makes through service projects and other work in the community. Another great way to do this is by sharing videos from the series "[**Personal Perspectives: The Value of Rotary**](#)." These short testimonials highlight how Rotary creates positive change around the world and in the lives of our members.

CREATE LASTING IMPACT

BIRTHDAY & WEDDING ANNIVERSARY WISHES

1	Rtn Soumya R Shetty	W/O Rtn KR Shetty	03 rd Jan	Birthday
2	Rtn Nikil Raj		10 th Jan	Birthday
3	Rtn Roopa R Shetty	Rtn Ramachandra Shetty	16th Jan	Marriage Anniv
4	PDG Dr Devdas Rai	Dr Supriya Rai	26th Jan	Marriage Anniv
5	Rtn Sangeetha	W/O Rtn Dr Ananthan	30 th Jan	Birthday
6	Ann Jayanthi	W/O Rtn JP Rai	31 st Jan	Birthday

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