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New Generation Service

District Projects

Clean Environment for Good
Health
Awareness to Road Safety
Education with Legal Awareness
Go Green and Save Water

THE 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do
- Is it the TRUTH ?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned ?
- Will it build GOODWILL and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all
concerned ?

Club Service

Rotary Club Manipal

Tuesday 19th August 2025 | 6:45 pm

Rotary Bhavan, Manipal

Theme: Looking beyond the lens-World photography day

(Joint Meeting with SKPA)

Speaker: Mr. Astro Mohan, Senior News Photographer, Udayavani.

Meeting Co-ordinator: Rtn. Shripathy, **No. of Participants:** 40

Overview

Rotary Club Manipal, in association with the South Kanara Photographer Association (SKPA), Udupi celebrated **World Photography Day** on 19th August 2025 at Rotary Bhavan, Manipal, under the theme “Looking Beyond the Lens.” The event featured Mr. Astro Mohan, Senior News Photographer at *Udayavani*, as the guest speaker, who shared insights from his three decades of experience, emphasizing the emotional, creative, and inspiring benefits of photography. The program also saw the induction of new members, Rtn. Prema Patil and Rtn. Subodh Shetty, and a photography competition on the theme “Magic of Monsoon” with 21 participants, where Ann Primcy, Rtn. Venugopal, and Ann Avani Amit won prizes.

Rotary Club Manipal celebrated World Photography Day in Association with South Kanara Photographer Association, Udupi (SKPA). President Rtn. Shashikala Rajavarma called the meeting to order. Rtn. Yashwanth presented the Thought for the Day & Rtn. Divyashree presented the Rotary Information.

The Guest Speaker Mr. Astro Mohan is a well-known, talented photographer who has set international standard. He has more than 3 decades of experience.

He has been guiding & grooming new photographers with the latest technology adapted in photography. This visionary photographer has been working in the media and has touched the hearts of the people through thought provoking photos that he has captured. Mr. Astro Mohan presented some of the amazing photos, that he had captured, which was out of world & mesmerising. Astro Mohan spoke on benefits of seeing good pictures like – it reduces stress, triggers positive emotions, builds creativity & can be inspiring.

SKPA President Mr. Sudhir Shetty also spoke about his experience in photography. Mr. Astro Mohan was honored & congratulated for being conferred the prestigious title of Honorary Fellow of Image Colleague Society, International, USA (Hon. FICS) – one of the highest honorary distinctions in the world of Photography.

Mr. Sudhir Shetty also was honored for contribution in the field of Photography.

On the occasion of World Photography Day, Photography Competition (Topic: Magic of Monsoon) was held for the Rotarians. 21 members participated. Ann Primcy, Rtn. Venugopal & Ann Avani Amit bagged in the prizes. Photographs sent by all the participants were projected on the screen. New Members Rtn. Prema Patil & Rtn. Subodh Shetty were introduced by Rtn. Nagaraj Shetty & inducted by PDG Rtn. Dr Gowri. Rtn. Prema Patil is a Craft & Yoga Teacher working at Aasare. Coin collection, Jewellery making, Clay modelling, soft toy making are her hobbies. Rtn. Subodh Shetty is a retired banker.



The meeting was concluded with announcement & vote of thanks by Secretary Rtn. Vanishree Rao and National Anthem & Group Photo.



Rotary Information by Rtn Dr Divyashree M S

Rotary International is advancing under the leadership of President Francesco Arezzo and Directors from India, with key governance changes including a dues increase and making district conferences optional. Program highlights include significant progress in polio eradication, a large-scale sustainable agriculture initiative in India, and strong membership growth. India has become a major force within Rotary, now its second-largest global contributor, and is a key focus for expansion, underscored by plans for the upcoming Rotary India Leadership Conclave (LEAD 25). Numerous on-ground service initiatives across India demonstrate Rotary's local impact, ranging from healthcare infrastructure donations and tree plantations to innovative accessibility projects and award-winning corporate social responsibility (CSR) partnerships.

Thought for the day

by Rtn Dr. Yashwanth

The power of forgiveness:

Forgiveness is ones own emotional healing.

Without forgiveness peace cannot prevail.

Forgiveness is act of self-love. There is no

love without forgiveness.



Time to rejoice... Our club has been awarded CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD for the year 2024-25. Congratulations Team!

Winners of "Magic of Monsoon" Photography Contest



Raindrops dance on the river's surface, creating a mesmerizing rhythm of nature.



With Grandpa , Even Raindrops feel like blessings



Vocational Service



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New Generation Service



23.08.2025: The project of the Medicinal Plants Garden was executed by Rotary club Manipal together with the two of our Rotaract clubs - Muniyal College Ayurveda, SDM College of Ayurveda & Interactors of Vishnu Murthy High School Kudi at Vishnu Murthy High School Kudi. The project was executed under the guidance of the Youth Service Director Rtn. Dr Girija, Club chairman of Interact Club of Kudi & Addl. Director Community Service Rtn Ravi Karanth. Our new member Rtn. Neetha Setty addressed the students and told all the students about the courses offered at MSDC, Manipal and promised to help them with career guidance. President Rtn. Shashikala Rajavarma & Project Chairman Rtn. Rajavarma Ariga participated in the project.

The faculty from SDM were there, along with the Rotaract Co-ordinators. There were around 80 participants.



Rtn Francesco Arezzo
RI President



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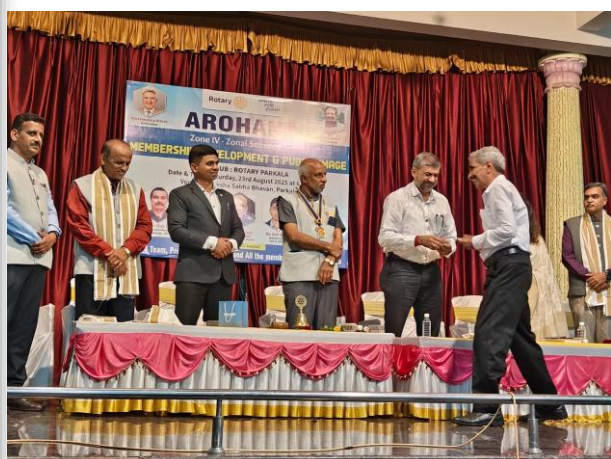
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Zone IV - Zonal Seminar on

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC IMAGE

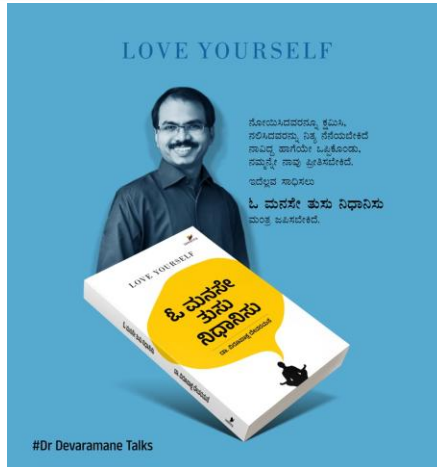
The Zonal Event was hosted by Rotary Parkala on 23.08.2025 at Suraksha Sabha Bhavana, Parkala. The program was preceded by Rtn. Haji K Aboobacker, President RC Parkala. Rtn. Allen Vinay Lewis, District Chairman RCC inaugurated the program. AG Rtn. Amit Aravind was the Chief Guest. Dr. P V Bhandary was the Keynote Speaker. Rtn. Nagaraj Shetty – Zonal Coordinator Membership Development, Rtn. Renu Jayaram – Zonal Coordinator Women Membership Development, AG Rtn. Amit Aravind were part of the Panel Discussion on Membership Development & Public Image. It was a well executed Zonal Seminar with meticulous planning and team involvement. 19 newly joined Members out of nearly 30 new members of Zone 4 attended the Seminar & were recognized. A good number of Rotarians from all the Clubs , Zonal/District Leaders Participated actively. 20 members from Rotary Club Manipal participated.



Rotarians in Action



23.08.2025: Saanika was privileged to participate in the torch run for the State Athletics Championship held in Udupi.

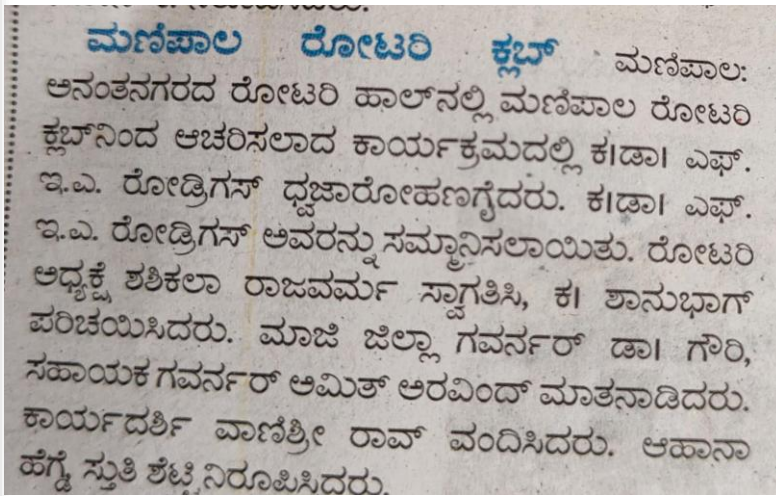


24.08.2025: 10th Book Release of Rtn. Dr Virupaksha Devaramane. Congratulations!



24.08.2025: All India Beautician Association organised "Singara Siri" an exhibition /stall on bridal make-up at Udupi. Rtn. Veda Suvarna, member of the association, participated in the event.

Public Image



Udayavani Dt 22.08.2025 regarding Independence Day Celebration



Astro Mohan on Facebook regarding honouring



Theme



Celebrations



Birthdays this week

23-Aug John Navaneeth s/o Rtn Nagaraj Shetty K
25-Aug Rtn Shyla Rao
25-Aug Lord Srikrishna Shirali h/o Rtn Sajani Shirali
25-Aug Annette Dr Archana d/o Rtn Rooma Iyengar

Anniversary this week

23-Aug Rtn Dr Divyashree M S and Lord Dr Raghu Chandrasekhar H

I am member of the team & I rely on the team!