



ROTARY CLUB OF CHENNAI TOWERS

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3232

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Celebrating our RCCTians



ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH
BECAUSE WE CARE - MAKE A
CONTRIBUTION - BE THE DIFFERENCE

SMART VISION PROJECT

We were glad to kick start our Smart Vision Project on November 17th, 2023 by handing over Smart Vision glasses to three beneficiaries at MSC technologies. It was a great beginning to a wonderful project aimed at bettering the quality of life for the visually impaired.





COMMUNITY SERVICE DEVELOPMENT

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AKSHAYAM

Taibah Amin said, “Feed the hungry, the happiness that flows is priceless”. On the morning of November 25, 2023, even though it was drizzling, our Akshayam project was done near Mylapore temple tank area by Anns Biju and Anuradha. They distributed food packets, consisting of hot idly, sambar and bottles of water to 51 hungry people. A few of them, in their state of hunger, asked for more, which they gladly obliged. They not only fed street dwellers but also had civic helpers, vegetable vendors and even some shop employees, for whom this seemed to be a God sent (or so they said). As always, the fulfilment one gets after doing such a simple yet heartening service, is worth the effort and the blessing received is always a bonus.





DIWALI CELEBRATIONS AT SEVA SADAN

Rtn Samuel Mathew

As we do every year, the Rotary Club of Chennai Towers organized a heartwarming Diwali celebration on November 7, 2023 at Seva Sadan, Chennai. Children, bubbling with excitement, lit up the sky with crackers, infusing the atmosphere with joy.

Later, Ann Monika conducted team games in the hall, where the echoes of joy and peals of laughter surpassed even the sounds of crackers. After the games session, everyone gathered in the dining hall and indulged in a Diwali special sumptuous dinner. RCCT members witnessed the pure delight on the children's faces, making the evening truly memorable.

These shared moments, filled with laughter and happiness, give life profound meaning. In the warmth of fellowship and the glow of festivities, the event became a beautiful reminder of the joy found in the simple act of sharing and caring. A festive celebration done right, we headed back with hearts filled with immense gratitude and appreciation.

It's Diwali!
FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS
RCCTians! Let's share Diwali with the children of Seva Sadan as we do every year!
We'll be bursting crackers (little less to ensure less pollution) giving gifts and will have dinner with them.
Mark the date and time and definitely join this lovely evening with your little ones and spread the joy!

8th November 2023
6.30 pm onwards
Seva Sadan,
Lady Andal School Road, Chetpet, Chennai 600031

Rtn Binoy President
Rtn Venkatesh Community Service Non-Medical
Rtn Jayashree KP Secretary

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DIWALI CELEBRATIONS AT POONDI

This Deepavali, as is our RCCT tradition, we provided crackers, sweets, snacks and lunch to 35 children in Poondi. A small but much appreciated gesture to add to their happiness during the festivities and celebrations.





COMMUNITY SERVICE DEVELOPMENT

Medical

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PROJECT RADAR SEASON 11

Spouse Prithviraj

Radhatri Nethralaya Diabetic Retinopathy Project in association with Rotary. Loss of vision can affect physical health, increasing risk of falls and quality of life. It also has a big impact on mental health. Loss of vision has been linked to loneliness, social isolation, and feelings of worry, anxiety, depression and fear.

Radhatri Nethralaya under the able guidance of Rtn Dr. Vasumathy and Dr. Praveen have been working to change lives through the prevention and treatment of avoidable blindness. RADAR is Radhatri Nethralaya's diabetic retinopathy project in association with Rotary. A month-long screening of Diabetic Rotarians & their family members at Radhatri Nethralaya.

In tandem is a month-long free screening of the public for diabetic retinopathy using a non-invasive AI based retinal camera in public places, parks and camps. Leaflets are also widely distributed to build an awareness of this condition. The aim, as Rtn Dr Vasumathy explained, is to help patients diagnosed with diabetes, detect early retinal changes so as to reduce the risk of deterioration and prevent blindness.

Season 11 of Project RADAR was flagged off at Radhatri Nethralaya on November 9, 2023 by District Governor Rtn. Raviraman who graced the occasion as chief guest. Also present was Rtn. Sai Krishna, District Director, Community Service - Health, as guest of honour. President Rtn. Binoy, Secretary Rtn. Jayashree, along with Rtn Prasad, spouse Dr. Praveen and spouse Prithviraj represented RC Chennai Towers for this project.

ROTARY CLUB OF CHENNAI TOWERS
RI DISTRICT 3232

INVITE YOU TO
PROJECT
RADAR
SEASON 11
RADHATRI NETHRALAYA DIABETIC RETINOPATHY
PROJECT IN ASSOCIATION WITH ROTARY
WORKING TO ELIMINATE
NON COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

THURSDAY
NOV 9 2023
9.30-10.30 AM

RADHATRI NETHRALAYA
HINDI PRACHAR SABHA ROAD, T. NAGAR, CHENNAI 60009

CHIEF GUEST
RTN AKS RAVIRAMAN
DISTRICT GOVERNOR 23-24, RI DISTRICT 3232

GUEST OF HONOR
RTN DR SAI KRISHNA
DISTRICT DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICE HEALTH

RTN BINOY
PRESIDENT

RTN VIGNESH
COMMUNITY SERVICE
MEDICAL

RTN JAYASHREE N
SECRETARY

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BLOOD DONATION CAMP

Rotary Club of Chennai Towers in association with Tamil Nadu Consumer Product Distributors Association Federation, conducted a mega blood donation camp in Guruchandra Maligai, Chennai, on 26th November 2023.

Mayor Mrs. R. Priyaranjan was the Chief Guest for the mega camp, Perambur MLA, Mr. R. D. Sekar was also present. 90 people were screened, wherein 80 units blood were collected during this half a day camp. Our Community Service Director Rtn. Dr. Vignesh was present to oversee the entire program along with President Binoy and Rtn Umapathy.

Rotary
District 3232

Donate Blood
Save lives.



Rotary Club of Chennai Towers
in association with
Tamil Nadu Consumer Product Distributors Association Federation.
Will be conducting Mega Blood Camp in the presence of

Chennai Mayor
Thiru R. Priyaranjan

On 26th November 2023 - At 9.00 am to 1pm

Venue Guruchandra Maligai No. 576 West Avenue,
Mahakavi Bharathi nagar. Chennai 600039.
Near Ambedkar college signal.

Rtn. Binoy Rtn. Dr. Vignesh Pushparaj Rtn. K.P. Jayashree
President Director, Community Service Medical Secretary







YOUTH SERVICE

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AWARENESS PROGRAMME - KRMM SCHOOL

Rtn Sapna Sriram

Empowering our 9th and 11th standard female students of KRMM school with information on violence, the dos and don'ts and the preventive measures that one can take to deal with challenging situations. This informative session was conducted on November 24, 2023. Learning from the experts through experienced cases and short narratives of recent case studies - Mrs Josephine, coordinator, child helpline and Mrs GV Shoba, advocate high court, indeed made a difference in each of those young minds.

This was a joint project of RCCT Youth Service and Rotaract Club of Colombo West. Rtr. Ms Janaki spearheaded the project and the club secretary Rtr. Urmila and Sharan supporting her in every action was admirable.





VOCATIONAL SERVICE

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TEACHERS TRAINING PROGRAM AT KATTANKULATHUR

Rtn Aarthi Varanasi

As part of the Vocational Service Avenue, RC Chennai Towers organized a teachers training workshop at Vidya Mandir School, Estancia, on November 4, 2023. John Meehan rightly said “It shouldn't matter how slowly some children learn as long as we are encouraging them not to stop”. One of my priorities this year as vocational service director, is to organize training sessions for teachers in various schools helping them to identify children with learning disabilities and to eventually become better learners.

With the support from NGO MIRRA a training session was held between 8.30 AM to 2 PM at the said venue. The session began with the vice principal addressing the gathering of thirty two eager and enthusiastic teachers.

They were then divided into five groups and through various activities and multimedia presentations, given ideas and lesson plans to help children read better. They also learnt how to understand number patterns, especially for those who have learning issues. During the sessions, the teachers were interacting and clarifying doubts with the facilitator Ms.Lakshmi Satish.

Vote of thanks was proposed by one of the teachers who also mentioned that the session was an eye opener and informative for all those who participated.

Chennai based charitable trust MIRRA with the main motto “Educate, Empower, Embrace” is founded by a team of three special educators Ms. Mallika Ganapathy, Mr.C.A Satish and Ms.Lakshmi Satish. RCCT had given them vocational award in the year 2019- 2020 for the services done in the field of Education.



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TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM

IDENTIFYING CHILDREN WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

A special training program for teachers of KG to Class V on how to identify children with learning disabilities.

9 AM TO 1 PM
4TH NOV '23
SATURDAY

VIDYA MANDIR
ESTANCIA
KATTANKULATHUR

TRAINING
CONDUCTED
BY MIRRA

Binoy Pillai
PRESIDENT

Aarthi V.
DIRECTOR,
VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Jayashree K.P.
SECRETARY





LITERACY

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BOOK DONATION - OLCOTT MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Rtn Rukmani

Our Children's Day celebration this year, was a joyous occasion, made even more special by the generosity of retired teacher Ms Soundara, from Vidya Mandir School. Her kind donation included flash cards for English teaching, coloring books for numbers, storybooks and grammar books, for the primary school children of Olcott School, Besant Nagar. A heartfelt thanks to Ann Anuradha Prasad, whose unwavering efforts made this event possible. We also extend our gratitude to Ann Archana, for adding to the collection of books. The principal was thrilled to receive the diverse range of reading material, from comics, quiz books to activity books, flash cards, phonics resources, and enchanting storybooks.

With this rich assortment of books and educational aids, the children of Olcott School, Besant Nagar, are sure to embark on a delightful learning journey. The rain may have played havoc but it couldn't dampen the enthusiasm and joy that these contributions brought to our Children's Day event. A big thank you to everyone involved for creating such a positive impact.



DID YOU KNOW?

The Rotary Foundation was established in 1917 by Arch Klumph with an initial donation of \$26.50. Today the fund has grown to \$2 Billion!

The
Rotary
Foundation





WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

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MUSICAL EVENING AT VISHRANTHI

Ann Hamsa Satish

This was my first visit to Vishranti old-age home. On November 18, 2023, Women's Empowerment chairperson, Rtn Rukmani arranged a musical treat for the residents there. The idea was to give them some kind of entertainment. Since we have quite a few good singers in our club, we decided to put up a musical show for them. Our team leader Rtn Rukmini, who had immense faith in our singing, decided to form a group and called it 'songs of silverlines'. An enthusiastic bunch of us sang and made the residents also participate in the singing and dancing! While we thought we were entertaining them, there were a bunch of 'patties' who were super talented and entertained us instead!! It was such a funfilled evening. We were delighted to be able to bring a little laughter to the aged ladies who in turn showered us with blessings.

The evening was made even more eventful as RCCT's Women's Empowerment Committee distributed ice boxes to the women of the fishing community who were also invited to the venue. They expressed their sincere gratitude and thanks for the thoughtful gesture that would help them improve their quality of work.





DID YOU KNOW?

The first grant of the Rotary Foundation of \$ 500 was given to the International Society for Crippled Children.



CLUB SERVICE

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FUNDRAISER THANKS GIVING EVENT

Ann Mrinalini Vidhyadharan

Saluting Kindness with Music – a fundraising event held at the Taj Connemara hotel, Chennai, was a celebration of RCCT coming together for the ‘Smart Vision’ glasses project. On November 17, 2023, the fundraising team lead by Rtn Anand, supported by Rtns Umapathy and Sanjey Ahuja, who helped raise over Rs. 1 crore, organised a befitting event to celebrate it with a night of thanks giving, gratitude, fellowship, music and food. A daunting task made possible within a short period of time, thanks to the generous support and relentless efforts of the fundraising team, RCCTians and other donors.

The event was graced by some of the significant donors like Mr. Raghu, director, Clarion cosmetics Pvt Ltd, Mr. Rohit Kumar Agarwal, Director (finance) CPCL, Mr. Prasanna Kumar Acharya, Director finance- CMRL, Mr. Muralidharan, Director, Mark Metro. They presented the smart vision glasses to five young beneficiaries who were thankful for the life changing gift they received that evening.

The highlight of the evening was the incredible musical performance by ‘Manoj and the Band’. Manoj, the violinist, accompanied by his band, enthralled us with foot tapping music from yesteryears to the present hits. It had everyone join in singing and swaying to the beats. The night was a reflection of the enormous efforts of not just the fund-raising team but also every RCCTian who contributed to make a ‘visionary’ difference to the lives of many visually challenged people.

Saluting kindness with music

Little drops of kindness gather together to shower the world with hope for all.



RCCT cordially invites you to a melodious evening with violinist Manoj Kumar and his band to honour and celebrate your vision to support the visually challenged.

Taj Connemara | 17th November 2023 | 7pm onwards
Cocktails & Dinner
Dress code: Smart casuals
Invite exclusively for Rotarians and Anns

Rtn. Binoy
President

Rtn. Jayshree K.P.
Secretary

Rtn. Anand
Fundraiser Chair



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ROTARY CLUB OF CHENNAI CENTRE



Rotary



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DID YOU KNOW?

The Rotary club of Cajamarca Layzon (only 11 members strong) as its first global grant project, along with District 2201 (as its international sponsor), did a project to provide clean drinking water to more than 10,000 people. With a budget of \$258,195, they repaired 32 reservoirs and installed gravity fed drip chlorination systems for drinking water and trained locals to maintain the systems.



WORLD CUP FINALS AT MADRAS GYMKHANA CLUB

Rtn Sanjey Ahuja

The World Cup is a national event in India, especially if we are in the finals! Everyone of us was looking forward to India lifting the cup, as we were unbeaten in the tournament. Our club service team led by Rtn. Vinay Asrani had arranged for the screening on November 19, 2023, at The Madras Gymkhana Club. The celebrations and beer started early, right from the time the match started. We were cheering boisterously initially but in the 2nd innings, the mood was a bit subdued because of our low score. But most of us were optimistic. With the starters and liquor flowing, the mood improved especially after a few quick wickets. But the match meandered on to its inevitable conclusion. Our focus quickly moved to the delicious dinner. The evening ended on a subdued note, but not without the mandatory round of photos. Hats off to Rtn Vinay Asrani and team club service for the lovely arrangements and an evening well spent.....albeit with the celebrations in the Australians favour!! Cheers to the spirit of the game, guess the best team did indeed win!

RCCT CLUB EVENT

WORLD CUP LIVE SCREENING

@ THE MADRAS GYMKHANA CLUB, UPPER DECK HALL
SUNDAY 19TH, 3 PM ONWARDS

DRESS CODE FOR MEN:
 Collared shirt/ Tee Shirt,
 Jeans/ Pants & Shoes

President Rtn. Binoy Pillai	Secretary Rtn. K.P. Jayashree	Club Service Rtn. Vinay Asrani
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VOICE OF DISTRICT - FINALS

Ann Deepa Krishnachander

Voice of District Season 15 Finals was held on 5th Nov 2023 at MMA auditorium, Chennai. The VOD 15 committee, led by Chairman Rtn Ramakrishnan Mani, choose a new, fantastic location for the finals this year. The MMA auditorium was ideally suited for our signature event, with great acoustics, ambience, dining area and other facilities. The hall was always full with a head count of about 60 from RCCT family and other Rotary clubs. The 37 finalists brought their own cheer leaders and there was a pleasant chaos and dances, with a “SILENCE” announcement made frequently!

The Chief Guest for the event was Mr. Baiju Gopalan, MD of Gokulam group of companies and Guest of Honor was DGE Rtn Mahaveerchand Bothra. They enjoyed the high quality music of the contestants and stayed till the end to distribute the prizes. The judges for the evening were Usha Rajagopalan, Shrinidhi, Akila, Anita, Aishwarya and Gopalakrishnan.

The celebrity walkins for the evening were singers DK Sanjana, Reshma Shyam and Narayana. The judges and the celebrities enthralled the audience with their mesmerizing performances. RC Chennai Octave chose to celebrate this as their family outing with 7 finalists from their club and attended by 23 of their members.

Our in-house rock star Rtn Arthi Varanasi did a fabulous job as the MC for the evening. Secretary Rtn Jayashree played the anchor role in coordination. Rtn Amudha coordinated well with judges for logistics while Rtn Gopal made them comfortable at the desk. Ann Nirmala ensured beautiful trophies were distributed and hosted the team with lip smacking food. Ann Shobha handled the sponsorship and dinner coupons. Ann Deepa and Rtn Krishnachander pushed the registration and lent overall support.

We had extremely good judges for both prelims and finals, which was made possible by the marathon efforts of Ann Monika, Ann Geetha Karthikeyan did a great job of packing the gifts for the judges in black and gold theme as well as handled the coordination and meticulously documented the painstaking back end jobs.

President Rtn Binoy provided rock solid support and gave a free hand to the VOD 15 committee and also brought in the guests of honour for the event. Zee hampers, sponsored by Argus, were distributed to the participants and Arcadio sponsored a segment of the gifts.

The highlight of this year VOD was introduction of Kuthupattu/ Folk / Western segment which enlivened the hall. 3 children with special abilities qualified for finals and did a great job. 'Orchestra Suresh' and team were at their exceptional best with great support from Mr Sekhar at the audio. The MMA management and staff provided us extraordinary support, in spite of their strict rules.

The VOD committee led by Chairman Rtn Ramakrishnan Mani, pres Rtn Binoy, Secy Rtn Jayshree, Treasurer Rtn Shyam, Rtns Amudha, Aarthi Varanasi, Krishnachander, Vinod, Venkatesh and Anns Deepa, Monika, Nirmala, Geetha, Radha, Sangita and Shoba did a wonderful job to dish out a professional event, full of entertainment and no glitches. We had tremendous support from all our Anns and RCCT Members at the venue and we are thankful to everyone who contributed to a successful event.

The list of winners for the VOD season 15 were:

Junior

Winner - Utkarsh Snehal (RC Madras North West)

Runner up - Sahana Shree (RC Chennai Octave)

Young Adult

Winner - Nandita Kannan (RC Madras East)

Runner up - Meghna V (RC Chennai Utsav)

Duet

Winner - Srimathi & Rangarajan (RC Chennai Era)

Runner up - Lakshmi & Kannan (RC Madras East)

Senior Female

Winner - Aishwarya (RC Chennai Octave)

Runner up - Jayanthi R (RC Spotlight)

Senior Male

Winner - AS Rangarajan (RC Chennai Serenity)

Runner up -Baarath Gopalakrishnan (RC Chennai Nanganallur)



Western

Winner - Baarath Gopalakrishnan (RC Chennai Nanganallur)

Runner up - Aishwarya (RC Chennai Octave)

Special Awards

Early Bird 1st to register - Kandavel (Rotary club of Guindy)

Cool Voice Male - Siddarth Bhaiyya (RC Chennai Magnum)

Cool Voice Female - Sarjana (RC Chennai Legends)

Cool Voice Junior - Deeyana Pradeep (RC Chennai Radiance)

- Julinka Joseph (RC Chennai Radiance)

Special Recognition

Manasi Jayaprakash (Rotary Club of Chennai Octave)

Vignesh Venkatraman (Rotary club of Chennai Octave)

Rangothaman (Rotary Club of Chennai Octave)





DID YOU KNOW?

In the year 1985 the POLIO PLUS program was launched to eradicate polio worldwide.



END POLIO NOW

Rotary's \$100 Million Challenge

RCCT IN THE DISTRICT

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WORLD DIABETES DAY CAMP AT MARINA D6 POLICE STATION

On the occasion of 'world diabetes day', RC Chennai Towers along with other participating clubs organized a screening programme on November 14, 2023. We participate in a mass screening programme organized by the district. We were one among the few platinum sponsors. We were allotted Marina D6 police station as the venue to conduct the camp. It was conducted between 9-11 AM with a good turnout of people attending.

With the help of volunteers, we screened all the police people of the station and the people who stayed nearby. It was a well received and appreciated project.

A Multidisciplinary Panel discussion by doctors was organized by RI District 3232, on November 15, 2023 at MMA hall, Chennai. Rtn Dr Vasumathy received the certificate on behalf of Rotary Club of Chennai Towers as platinum sponsor and also shared her thoughts and insights on Diabetic Retinopathy.



PASUMAIYUDAN SEERATTUVOM - A MEGA TREE PLANTATION PROJECT AT GUMMUDIPOONDI

RCCT joined hands with Rotary Club of Chennai Bharathi and 21 other participating clubs of district 3232, in association with SEERAKKU, for “PASUMAIYUDAN SEERATTUVOM”, a mega tree plantation at the farmer's land in Thanipoondi village, near Gummidipoondi on November 25, 2023. The team planted a total of 1000 trees that included teak, mahogany, and sandalwood trees on farmers' lands.



RAFTS SEASON 7 - PRELIMS

Rtn Aarthi Varanasi represented RC Chennai Towers in RAFTS season 7, held on November 26, 2023 at the Alumni Club, Chennai. She sang a melodious song in the prelims of this talent show organized by RC Chennai spotlight.



MULTIDISCIPLINARY PANEL DISCUSSION BY DOCTORS

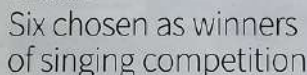
As part of Multidisciplinary Panel discussion by doctors organised by RI District 3232. Dr. Vasumathy received the certificate on behalf of RC Chennai Towers who were one of the platinum sponsors. She also shared her thoughts on Diabetic Retinopathy on 15/11/23 at MMA hall, Anna Salai



Diabetic Retinopathy Project launched



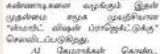
Dr. Vasumathy Vedantham (Medical Director, Radhathi Nethralaya) said that the theme for this year's World Diabetes Day was 'Access to diabetic care and empowering global health'. Every year the number of patients with diabetes and its complications, especially diabetic retinopathy (diabetes affecting retina of the eye), was exponentially increasing. The key to stop blindness due to this condition was energetic screening and improving awareness, she added.



From the 37 participants who took part in the season is of Rotary Club of Chesham Town's choice of District, it was chosen as winners.

eyeglasses with AI catheters can read texts in 72 languages, capture images and identify objects and people with names, understand visuals and memorize it for the user, says a release. These are connected via Bluetooth to an App installed in the user's mobile phone.

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Chennai, Nov 8:
Rotary Club of Chennai
Tower's Voice of District
(VOD) Season 15 was
held recently at Madras
Management Centre Hall.
The Grand Finale
with 37 Participants in
total, of which 6 were
chosen as Winners, one
in each category viz.
Junior, Young Adult,
Duet, Senior Male, Senior
Female and Western. This
is the 15th year of Voice
of District – a Singing
competition to find talents
from amateur people.

The fund raised from Voice of District is spent on RCCT's flagship social initiative "Smart Vision Project", providing AI powered eye-glasses to visually challenged school & college students.



mobile phone which provides audio output & voice commands to the students. It can read currency notes just by looking at it and read text books with a high level of accuracy.

Baiju Gopalan, MD
of Gokulam Group

of Companies and Mahaveer Bothra, Rotary District Governor Elect presided over the event. The Club President Rtn. Binoy, Chairman VOD Rtn.S.R.Mani and Secretary Rtn. K.P.Jayashree present at the event.

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Chennai, Nov 7:
Rotary Club of Chennai Tower's
Voice of District (VOD) Season 15
was held at Madras Management
Centre Hall.

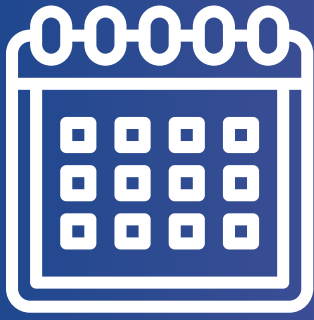
A press release said that the Grand Finale with 37 Participants in total, of which 6 were chosen as Winners, one in each category viz. Junior, Young Adult, Duet, Senior Male, Senior Female and Western

"This is the 15th year of Voice of District – a Singing competition to find talents from amateur people. The fund raised from Voice of District is spent on RCT's flagship social initiative "Smart Vision Project", providing AI powered eye-glasses to visually challenged school & college students. The

eye-glasses with AI cameras can read texts in 72 languages, capture images & identify objects and people with names, understand visuals & memorize it for the user,* the release added.

The Club President Binoy, chairman VOD Ktn S.R.Mani and Secretary K P Jayashree says this effort will help not just creating talent-pool of Singers but larger impact is to support visually challenged students in our community to get the best possible device to improve their studies and make their life better. Chief Guest Baiju Gopalan, MD of Gokulam Group of Companies and Guest of Honour Mahaveer Bothra, Rotary District Governor Elect presided over the event.





ONGOING PROJECTS

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ANBAGAM

RCCT continues to contribute monthly provisions to Anbagam, a home for the mentally challenged destitute. The donors for the month of November 2023 are PP Rtns Eashwar Prasad, S.Ramakrishnan Mani and Rtn Dr Vignesh.



RETTERI DIALYSIS CENTER

No. of patients treated : 50 Patients

No. of procedures done : 504

EGMORE DIALYSIS CENTER

No of dialysis done - 237 procedures



ANNIVERSARY WISHES

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RCCT extends warm wedding anniversary wishes to the lovely couples celebrating their special day



Rtn. Dr. Vignesh
and
Ann Dr. Runitha



Rtn. Dr. Vasumathy
and
Spouse Dr. Praveen



Rtn. Venkatesh
and
Ann Anitta

JOURNEY OF TOWERS TIMES

As a Children's Day special we pay tribute to our young Annett who has been a part of our bulletin. We often hear the saying, 'History repeats itself', in our Towers Times we have Annett Neha Jayadevan, daughter of PP Captain Jayadevan and Ann Biju as part of bulletin team in the initial years when our club was formed and then 25 years later, in the Silver Jubilee year 2022-'23! Please read as she shares her experiences being part of the Towers Times as a young school going girl to a classical Mohiniyattam Dancer and a Free-lance Designer.



Ann Anuradha Prasad

Annett Neha Jayadevan

If I were to describe my connection with RCCT's bulletin, I would say it is a journey that has come a full circle. As a wide-eye child, the opportunity to contribute to the bulletin felt like an honor beyond my years. Whether it was my drawings or tiny articles, just the chance to be a part of something larger than myself and the simple joy of seeing my name in print was something I took great pride in. A very similar feeling of pride I felt again, 25 years later, seeing my name as part of the 'Silver Jubilee Bulletin's Editorial Team, commemorating 25 glorious years of RCCT ! Safe to say, that feeling only grew in multitudes when the same team went on to win a Gold Award for the Club.

As I reflect on this journey, it is clear to me what a large impact Chennai Towers has played in my life until now. As an impressionable 6 year old, it instilled in me very lasting values of selfless service and community. But most importantly, it showed me that you don't necessarily need to be related by blood to be family! In the last year, working on the bulletin, the passage of time since I was that little kid, was evident - but it humbled me how in those pages filled with stories of compassion, resilience and unwavering commitment, RCCT still stands tall as a testament to the power of collective efforts and the positive impact a dedicated group can have in the world.



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