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Meets on Friday, 06.30.P.M at Hotel Akbari Continental

MINUTES OF THE MEETING NO-2238(CLUB ASSEMBLY) DT-21.02.2025

1. The meeting was called to order by the President Rtn Dr Ashutosh Debata.
2. National Anthem was recited by all present.
3. The President welcomed all the members to the meeting.
4. The minutes of last meeting no –2237, was presented by the Secretary Rtn Bibhuti Bhusan Rout and was confirmed by the members present.
5. Fellowship announcement was made by PP Rtn Kanhu Charan Das.
6. The president informed all about the Dist. Conference which will be held on 29,30 and 31st March 2025 and requested all to attend in large numbers.
7. It was the most important to discuss and prepare for OCV of DG on 21st March-2025. In this regard the President briefly announced the programmes of the day of OCV. The DG will arrive at Urban Slum near Blue lagoon Hotel to distribute Swabalambi Cart to a needy person, then to JSS, Cuttack sector-9 (slum area) to distribute sewing machine and wheel chair. Then the DG will inaugurate dining shed at Nehrupalli Nodal School. In the evening will be public meeting. For the verification of records the President distributed the work charges individually and informed them to submit within three days. It was also decided that there will be token system in the dinner.

8. Vote of thanks was proposed by PP Rtn Sasanka Mahapatra.

9. Attendance statistics was presented by PP Rtn Maj N K.

10. The meeting was adjourned by the president.

Attendance Statistics: -

Members present was 24.

Birthday This Week

22.02- PP Dr. Niranjana Tripathy

22.02- Rtn. Sambit Parija

26.02- Mrs. Dr. Sarala Das (IW) (Rtn. PP Dr. Bhabani Shankar Das)

Anniversary this Week

02.03- Rtn. Bighnaraj Purohit / Ina

Anniversary Next Week

09.03- Rtn. Sambit Parija / Rashmita

10.03- Rtn. Dr. Samrat Kar / Dr. Subhasri

13.03- Rtn. Rabindranath Swain / Parbati

Birthday Next Week

10.03- Rtn. Chinmaya Swain

CLUB NEWS

Due to unavoidable examination emergency the project on Water Sanitation & Hygiene Awareness Rally scheduled to be held at Nehrupalli Nayabazar is postponed to 10th of March at 11AM. Please do attend this occasion.



Rotary International District - 3262

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ROTARY NEWS



Stephanie A. Urchick
 President 2024-25

March 2025

March is here, and for Rotary International, that means celebrating Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month — a time to shine a spotlight on one of the most transformative areas of our work.

This month is an opportunity to reflect on The Magic of Rotary and the profound impact we create when we come together with determination and purpose.

Years ago, I experienced this magic firsthand in the Dominican Republic. When a group of members helped people install water filters, three children watched with amazement as dirty water entered one end of a filter and clean water emerged from the other. When we paused the demonstration, one child tugged at my sleeve and pleaded, “Show me the magic again.”

To them, it felt magical. It was also the result of countless hours of effort — planning, transporting, and installing the filters — alongside local partners who were dedicated to making clean water accessible. In that moment, I realized that what seemed like a small act could change residents' lives. That is The Magic of Rotary.

This story is a testament to the incredible potential of our global family to create change. Water projects exemplify our reach, our partnerships, and our unwavering commitment to improving lives. Consider Rotary's work with USAID. That partnership has enabled us to work with communities and governments to improve access to sustainable water and sanitation services for thousands of people in the Dominican Republic, Ghana, the Philippines, and Uganda.

Partnerships remind us that Rotary's impact is amplified when we work together. Through our strategic alliance with the United Nations Environment Programme, we're advancing the Community Action for

Fresh Water initiative. This program equips Rotary members with the tools and resources to protect, restore, and sustain freshwater ecosystems.

When we make use of Rotary grants and advocate for clean water in our communities, we create a ripple effect that extends far beyond individual projects.

As we embrace the spirit of the month, I encourage every Rotary member to seek out new partnerships. Collaboration multiplies our efforts and helps us reach more people in need.

Whether it's joining forces with local organizations, forming alliances with international agencies, or mobilizing your community, every step we take together brings us closer to a world where everyone has access to clean water and safe sanitation.

The Magic of Rotary shines brightest when we work in harmony with others to create lasting good. Together, we can turn dreams into realities that transform lives and communities. The result may feel like magic at times, but we know it's from the power of our collective commitment and compassion. Let's harness this magic to make a difference this month and beyond.

Rotary projects around the globe

March 2025

By Brad Webber



UNITED STATES

The Rotary Club of Wellington, Florida, went the distance by staging a military-style race in which competitors wore heavy backpacks filled with donated food items. More than 100 participants, including U.S. Army and Marine Corps representatives, stepped off on 10 November during the

Veterans Day weekend food drive, says club member George Kinoshita. The club modeled the event on the military endurance training known as ruck marches that involve carrying weighted backpacks. The club requested a minimum of 8 pounds of food donations, but many runners hoisted nearly double that, filling their bags with canned beans and cranberries, boxes of stuffing, and other foodstuffs. The club later handed over the Thanksgiving meal staples to the town's seasonally operated pantry. The Wellington High School Interact club conducted a 50-50 raffle, and members hoofed it or served as course guides.



Canada

Fourteen clubs in Ontario are participating in a District 7070 initiative to sew reusable menstrual pads for girls in the Dominican Republic led by Janet Thorsteinson, a member of the Rotary Club of Whitby Sunrise. Among the most prolific is the Rotary Club of Campbellford. Since it introduced "Sewing with Janet nights" in September 2023, club members and friends have sewn more than 1,000 pads using sewing machines and fabric that Thorsteinson provided. Nearly two dozen people participate in each session. "The idea of allowing more members to be involved in an international project was very appealing," says Rob Pope of the Campbellford club. Thorsteinson agrees. "Sewing events create opportunities for fellowship, creating a Rotary buzz and a draw for new members to get involved," she says.



South Africa

You never know what kind of proposals will land in a club's inbox, says Bev Frieslich, a past president of the Rotary Club of Cape of Good Hope. She and her club took to heart an email from a Ugandan Rotarian with an admittedly audacious ask: to help him spring a surprise marriage proposal on his significant other, Barbara Nyakato, while she was touring Cape Town. "When I thought of a romantic proposal to my dear girlfriend, Rotary was an obvious and automatic choice," says Richard Kalungi. He and Nyakato are members of the Rotary Club of Kampala South. On 3 December, Frieslich brought Nyakato to Fish Hoek Beach under the guise of a club function. "Once she overcame her shock that Richard was there, she wept tears of joy and love," says Frieslich, who helped Kalungi with the shopping, organized a dinner reception, arranged a professional photographer, and provided Kalungi with lodging for the escapade. "Whoever said Rotary is boring?" says Frieslich.



New Zealand

Members of the Rotary Club of Waikato Sunrise are flying high thanks to an annual hot-air balloon festival where they raise money and community awareness of Rotary. The 2025 Balloons Over Waikato event, slated for 18-22 March in the club's hometown of Hamilton, will feature about two dozen balloons along with fireworks, music, amusement rides, and food tents, says WillemienWennekers, a club member and past manager of the festivities. Rotarians serve as crowd ambassadors and help staff the information tent and VIP area. They also sell merchandise and run a "walk-through balloon" that's inflated but moored flat along the grass, allowing visitors to walk inside, Wennekers says. The \$5,800 raised by the club during the 2024 event was donated to True Colours Children's Health Trust, another of the event's charity partners.

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