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Dear Rotarians,

In Rotary, leadership is imparted by fellowship, training and by involving in various projects. It provides an opportunity to do things which is not in our domain and sometimes out of our comfort zone. Many Rotarians enjoy their association with this great organization for the opportunity it provides to serve in various avenues. Rotary Leadership Institute training is one of the unique programs that enhances leadership skills in Rotary context. Members have an opportunity to attend Level-1 training in Rotary Balbhavan on 1st June 2025, hosted by RC Mangalore Hill side and RLI. Please make use of this opportunity

Sandeep Rao I. President

We celebrate the Birthday of

Rtn Ramachandra B. Kundar on 18th Ann Bhavya, W/o Rtn. Dr. Basavaraj Manu on 23rd, Annet Sharvani, D/o Rtn Raghavendra P. on 29th

And the Wedding anniversary of

Ann Amitha and Rtn. Bharath Thingalaya on 16th, Ann Saritha and Rtn. Dinesh Shetty on 16th, Ann Ravikala and Rtn. Pruthviraj U on 24th and Ann Poornima and Rtn. Sathish Rao Iddya on 29th of May.





Of the things we think, say or do 1. Is it the truth ? 2. Is it fair to all concerned ? 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships ? 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned ?

We meet every TUESDAY @ Vidyadayinee Complex, near GD P U College, Surathkal @ 07.30 pm

the fortnight that was

01/05/2025 - Joint Board Meeting between the current office bearers and Elected Office Bearers was held in President Elect Rtn. Ramachandra Kundar's residence. Agenda for the meeting are as follows:

- 1. Presentation of club finance by treasurer Rtn Chandrakant Marathe
- 2. Budget for the year 2025-26
- 3. Regarding Installation of new team
- 4. District projects for the year 25-26
- 5. Digital Rotary & TRF
- 6. Authorised signatory for bank account handling w.e.f. 07/07/2025

13/05/2025 - AGM was called for all the Members of Rotary Club of Surathkal at Virat Vidyadayinee Complex



at 7:30pm. The Minutes of Meeting of Joint Board Meeting along with Club's Budget and Annual Dues for the Year 2025- 2026 was presented to the Club Members.

14/05/2025 – Two Scholarships of Rs. 10,000 to Kumari Drithi -9th Standard student of Shri Vani School Pavanje. And Rs. 6,000 To Master Vikhyath - UKG - Student of Anudhanitha Kalavaru Hiriya prarthamika School where given. Funds for these scholarships were made available by Sri Balakrisha Shetty of Adlabs.

Rotarians in the lime light....

- 1. Rtn Yashomathi Ravindranath, DRCC, Rotary District 3181 was the guest speaker at the Roatact Club of
 - Mangalore City on 6th May and Rotary Club of Mangalore Central on 9th May and spoke on The Rotaract Movement on



both occasions.

2. Our President Rtn. Sandeep Rao I. was the guest



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speaker at Rotary Club of Mangalore Downtown on 7th May and

spoke on ' My Environmental footprint', Topics cov-

ered were Water, Solid waste, Indoor air quality and food security issues. With focus on current scenario in Mangalore and How Rotary can take up projects in this regard.



Rotary WELCOMES YOU ALL



Rtn. Nitheshkumar Secretary



MENTORING NEW MEMBERS

In Rotary, senior members play a crucial role in mentoring new members, ensuring a smooth transition into the club and fostering a sense of belonging. They act as guides, providing information, support, and encouragement, helping new members understand Rotary's values and activi-

ties. This mentorship helps new members feel comfortable, engaged, and ready to contribute to the club's service projects.

Here's a more detailed look at the role of senior members in mentoring new Rotary members:

Key Responsibilities of Senior Mentors:

Welcoming and Introduction: Senior members should warmly welcome new members and introduce them to the club's members and activities.



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Providing Guidance: They should answer questions, explain Rotary's policies, and clarify any ambiguities related to the club.

Encouraging Engagement: Senior members can encourage new members to participate in club meetings, service

projects, and social events.



Supporting and Motivating: They should provide encouragement, offer constructive feedback, and help new members overcome challenges.

Sharing Knowledge and Experience: Senior members can share their experiences and insights about Rotary, helping new members understand the organization's values and history.

Fostering a Sense of Belonging: They can help new members build relationships with other members and feel like an integral part of the club.

Benefits of a Mentoring Program:

Increased Retention: A strong mentorship program can significantly increase the retention rate of new members.

Improved Engagement: Mentored members are more likely to be actively engaged in club activities and service projects.

Stronger Club Culture: Mentorship fosters a sense of community and belonging, contributing to a more positive and supportive club culture.

Greater Impact: Mentored members are more likely to contribute meaningfully to the club's work and make a positive impact on the community.



In essence, senior members in Rotary play a vital role in ensuring that new members feel welcome, supported, and empowered to contribute to the club's mission.

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Rotaract Clubs : The changed scenario

The Rotaract movement is evolving with significant changes, particularly with the introduction of membership fees. Here's an overview of the current scenario:

Membership Fees:

Rotaract annual dues are \$5 for university-based clubs and \$8 for community-based clubs, effective from July 1,
2022. These fees cover additional support for Rotaract clubs and participation in global grant projects.

Pros:

- Increased Autonomy: Rotaract clubs now have more flexibility and autonomy, allowing them to sponsor themselves or choose another club.

- Global Opportunities: Membership fees enable Rotaractors to participate in global grant projects and collaborate with Rotary clubs on similar initiatives.

- Leadership Development: Rotaract provides a platform for young people to develop leadership skills, make a positive impact, and engage in community service.

Cons:

- Financial Burden: Membership fees might be a deterrent for some potential members, particularly those from low-income backgrounds.

- Loss of Members: Some Rotaractors might not join Rotary clubs due to expensive dues, resulting in a loss of potential members.

- Age Limit Removal: While the removal of the upper age limit allows Rotaractors to stay involved beyond 31, it also raises concerns about older members dominating Rotaract clubs

Future Prospects:

- Growing Membership: Rotary aims to increase Rotaract membership, with a goal of one million Rotaractors by 2029.

- Diverse Membership: Rotaract has achieved gender parity, with 52% women members, and is working towards greater diversity and inclusion.

- Empowering Young Leaders: By providing opportunities for leadership development and community service, Rotaract can empower young people to make a positive impact .

This been the general outline of what RI proposed to bring the rotaractors at par with rotarians. Still very much in the trial and error mode. Clubs seeing tectonic changes under the current fees scenario losing quite a number of their youth wings.



Rtn. Yashomathi Ravindranath

DRCC RI Dist. 3181

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Friends,	Sudoku								
Here are the answers for the quizzes:	3	8	2	9	4	1	5	6	7
	7	4	6	8	2	5	3	9	1
Rotry quiz 16— D) Silvestor Schiele	1	5	9	6	3	7	8	2	4
	9	6	4	7	5	8	2	1	3
It was Silvestor Schiele, a coal dealer, served as the Chicago club's first president in	5	1	3	2	9	4	7	8	6
1905 and Rotary International's treasurer from July to December 1945.	2	7	8	3	1	6	9	4	5
	4	2	7	5	6	9	1	3	8
Logical Puzzle 16: A Clock.	6	9	5	1	8	3	4	7	2
	8	3	1	4	7	2	6	5	9

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Rotary Quiz 17: What are the five avenues of service in Rotary?

(Sorry no choices this time.)

Logical Puzzle: 17

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Five people were eating apples, A finished before B, but behind C. D finished before E, but behind B.

What was the finishing order?

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1	3							5
					5		9	
5	1							
	4	6	7	8		9		
		9		6			4	
				9	4			
2							7	
					3			6

	Take it lightly							
1	A mature lady gets pulled over for speeding.							
L	Older Woman: Is there a problem, Officer?							
L	Officer: Ma'am, you were speeding.							
L	Older Woman: Oh, I see.							
L	Officer: Can I see your license please?							
L	Older Woman: I'd give it to you but I don't have one.							
L	Officer: You don't have one?							
L	Older Woman: Lost it, 4 years ago for drunk driving.							
L	Officer: I see Can I see your vehicle registration papers please.							
L	Older Woman: I can't do that.							
L	Officer: Why not?							
L	Older Woman: I stole this car.							
L	Officer: Stole it?							
L	Older Woman: Yes, and I killed and hacked up the owner.							
L	Officer: You what?							
	Older Woman: His body parts are in plastic bags in the trunk if you want to see.							
	The Officer looks at the woman and slowly backs away to his car and calls for							
	back up. Within minutes 5 police cars circle the her vehicle. A senior officer							
	slowly approaches her car, clasping his half drawn gun. Officer 2: Ma'am, could you step out of your vehicle please!							
	The woman steps out of her vehicle.							
	Older woman: Is there a problem sir?							
	Officer 2: One of my officers told me this is a stolen vehicle and you murdered							
	the owner.							
	Older Woman: Murdered the owner?							
	Officer 2: Yes, could you please open the trunk of your car, please.							
	The woman opens the trunk, revealing nothing but an empty trunk.							
	Officer 2: Is this your car, ma'am?							
	Older Woman: Yes, here are the registration papers. And here is my license.							
	The officer examines the license. He looks quite puzzled.							
	Officer 2: Thank you ma'am, one of my officers told me you didn't have a li-							
	se, that you stole this car, and that you murdered and hacked up the owner.							
	Older Woman: Bet the liar told you I was speeding, too.							



ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Take your Rotary leadership skills to the next level

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a multi-district, grassroots leadership development program of member districts organized into regional divisions in various parts of the world. RLI is a recommended program of Rotary International.

RLI seeks to provide quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills to Rotarians interested in developing their Rotary participation and to those identified by Rotary Clubs as having a potential in club leadership. These educational opportunities will teach skills that will benefit the members in their lives and in their volunteer service.

Who should attend RLI courses?

Although any Rotarian may attend RLI courses, RLI recommends that Rotary Clubs encourage Rotarians who have the potential for future club leadership, not necessarily as Club Presidents, to attend. The ideal candidate is early in their Rotary career, has a strong interest and is prepared to be exposed to the larger world of Rotary outside of the Club. Clubs are expected to pay the fees for their members attending the courses.

What is the philosophy of RLI?

RLI believes that having leadership skills does not alone assure good Rotary leadership. An effectove Rotar leader mut also have Rotary knowledge, perspective about where Rotary has been, where it is now going and a vision of what Rotary can be.



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What is the "recommended curriculum"?

RLI provides to its divisions recommended curriculum annually for a basic course in three full days. The three days are called Parts I, II and III and are generally not taken consecutively in order for the participants to gain perspective through their Club activities in between the Parts. RLI also since the founding of RLI, the curriculum has been continually reviewed, updated and revised as the result of experience and the evaluation of the attendees.

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