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*"Where the mind is without fear and the head is
held high
Where knowledge is free
Where the world has not been broken up into
fragments
By narrow domestic walls
Where words come out from the depth of truth
Where tireless striving stretches its arms
towards perfection
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost
its way
Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit
Where the mind is led forward by thee
Into ever-widening thought and action
Into that heaven of freedom, my Father,
let my country awake."*

We meet every Sunday at 9.30am at Western India Wire Industries meeting
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DG's monthly message

Dear Awesome President Murli and Members of the Rotary Club of Thane Skyline,

First, warm greetings from First Lady Jyoti and myself.

September in the Rotary world is designated as "Basic Education and Literacy" Month. Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today. Education is not about filling a pail but lighting a fire that desires to know and experience. As Mahatma Gandhi so eloquently put it, "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."

September is also the month when we welcome Lord Ganesha. It is a festival celebrated with great fervor and devotion within homes and community pandals. Jyoti joins me in invoking the blessings of the Lord for our extended Rotary family. This time of year, is also marked by the visit of the beloved King Mahabali during Onam, celebrated with the traditional Onam Sadya feast. We hope you enjoy this sumptuous meal at the District Onam Celebration.

August proved to be a month of remarkable progress. Two new clubs received their charter, and we were able to grow our membership by nearly 400 members who are committed to putting service above self. Kudos to the Membership Team and DMC Ravi Iyer. The TRF Team also achieved the Mark Maloney Challenge, with 100% of clubs in the district contributing \$100 each.

We have made significant strides in our Mega Projects. The Cervical Cancer Vaccination Project is well underway, with plans to donate over 2,500 vaccines by the end of September. The "Samvidhan Ka Amrit Mahotsav" project has also been enthusiastically embraced by many clubs in the district.

In the first two months of this Rotary year, we have distributed nearly 9,000 Ideal Study Apps. Our endeavor is that community service goes beyond providing kits and apps by involving the children, for as a famous man once said, "Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn." With this in mind, we have set up the Tech Lab Project, establishing computer labs in eight TMC schools with the help of a CSR grant from Goldman Sachs, Bangalore. The focus will be on learning through involvement, avoiding spoon-feeding, because in the long run, all that spoon-feeding teaches you is the shape of the spoon.

September promises to be another month of awesome community service, and I urge each one of you to bring the magic of Rotary into the lives of our community. May Lord Ganpati Bappa and King Mahabali shower us all with their blessings.

With warm regards
Yours in Rotary Service
DG Dinesh Mehta

Light Up Rotary

Club President's monthly message

Dear Skyliners

Rotary Namaste!

We as have just about completed two months' journey in the new Rotary "Awesome Year" 24-25 These two months have been full of high energy and enthusiasm for our club. With members exhibiting high engagement to participate and lead several of our highly impactful and visible projects. These projects go beyond the realm of defined boundaries, it goes on to touch some of the real and highly important issues concerning our lives

Our Club has been able to create a niche for itself by leading and participating in several Projects of District 3142 and some signature projects of our own.

In terms of **Club service**, the most heartening feature has been a consistently high percentage of attendance for our Club meetings, Board Meetings as well as Fellowship meetings. For any Club these are the most critical parameters as we grow on our path to become a Vibrant Club

I am very thankful to our members for exhibiting such high level of participation and enthusiasm

On the front of **Community Service**, our Club has been able to accomplish a highly satisfactory level of participation in District Events – some of the key ones are as follows:

1. Our Club participated in the "Annapurna" project both in July & August months, extending a helping hand to feed the needy
2. Additionally, we also contributed very generously to the Food Distribution program to families of TB patients as part of "Ni Kashaya Mitra" initiative of our District
3. Our skyline members participated in the Blood Donation camp, jointly hosted by several clubs at the Korum Mall and collectively we were able to collect 28 Units of blood
4. Our Club has been at the fore front of helping children being made aware of the health risks of Mobile Addiction and how to manage the same – Currently we have already visited 4 Schools and already **covered 1200 Children**. We are hoping it will help them in their efforts to manage this addictive habit
5. We have also made significant impact in creating awareness about "Mindful Driving" on the road and how to save precious Lives and Limbs. We have been able to cover and train about **300 teachers and 240 students** on how to be careful when driving, walking and riding on the roads
6. We recently conducted a very educative session on "Menstrual Myths" for **90 girl students**, this would help them develop healthy habits at an early stage of their adolescence journey
7. Our Club organized a very helpful Eye checkup camp for students of Anmol Vidya Mandir in which we were able to check eyes health of **400 plus students** and now will guide them on the way forward

While on **Youth Service front**, we have successfully installed the two Interact Clubs associate with Rotary Club of Thane Skyline:

1. We Installed Interact Club of Anmol Vidya Mandir &
2. Interact Club of Shala no. 50 at Koknipada

This will give an opportunity to these young students to develop leadership skills and support efforts of the school and fellow students on their growth path

And last but not the least, we had a very joyous and engaging Family night dinner for the club members and their families. Looking forward to many more such occasions in coming months Overall, it has been a very satisfying journey of the RY 24-25. Full of energy, purpose and contribution to the society in an impactful and sustainable manner I want to thank my Club Board and members for their wholehearted contribution and support

Yours in Rotary

Murli Sundrani
Club President 24-25

Celebrate Rotary

Club Service activities



Monthly BOD in session



Club T shirt distribution



**Guest speaker Mukul Hemant of Paryavaran Dakshita Mandal
On water conservation & environment preservation.**



Interact Club of Koknipada TMC school

Be the inspiration

Light

By: Rtn.PE.Daly John



Somewhere cats play and roll in the grass
Somewhere a baby's first cry cuts through the silent night
Somewhere an ocean washes the tired feet of a grand old lady whose face is
marked with the fine lines of wisdom
Somewhere someone deeply in love falls asleep with their lover's face in their
eyes
Somewhere a tree stands tall that has seen terrible men rise and fall
And they keep digging their roots deeper
They reach out proudly for the sunlight unashamed .
They have seen the world shift and fall away
They teach us that sometimes when it is the most difficult
it is the only way to grow
The flowers will grow again
The storms will pass
Life will begin and end and begin again
It may not be okay for you now
But why don't you try to sing ?
Why don't you feel the soft grass beneath your naked feet ?
Let the quest for life's adventure never slow down
Let the grief and pain in you burn
Let it burn till the embers die slowly but surely
Because again there will be fresh new dew on the grass again
Let the light you have carried within you shine so bright that others be radiated by
that
Let all know that this light exists within you forever
And you will realise that you will never loose that light because you claim a little
piece of the world beneath your feet always .

**“There are two ways of spreading
light:**

**to be the candle or
the mirror that reflects it”**

– Edith Wharton

Sow the seeds of love

Musings of a miffed Mumbaikar

By: Rtn. Reita Singh

The year was 1989 when a Delhiite came to Mumbai for the first time -a city which was and is the Bollywood of India and was known as a place where dreams came true -a city of glamour and progressive ideas.

However, after spending a couple of years observing and becoming a part of this very dynamic city which boasts of having very cultured and refined people one must pause and find some answers to the various queries which face us as we look around and see the grime and squalor underneath this veneer of sophistication.

We have made tremendous progress in every field of technology and science, and this has contributed substantially to make our daily life very comfortable. But, has this progress come to us without any cost and has it benefited all?.

In our haste to urbanize ourselves as other western countries, we have overlooked several issues which are very vital for a healthy life like the greenery or the trees which are responsible for giving us fresh air. They have been chopped away to give way to the indiscriminate construction of high rises and chawls-the water resources of the city have not been given due care that they deserve-the population of the city is increasing by leaps and bounds causing great strain on the limited resources of the city.

It's not that these problems or issues are insurmountable-they can be sorted out if the people of the city make some effort to do so

Rather than putting the onus on the leadership of the state or the bureaucracy, if each one of us take it upon ourselves to understand that rights and duties are interlinked, these problems can be rectified to some extent . A beginning can be made if are more mature and come out of our comfort zone to take some steps in this direction. We have to orient ourselves towards a better tomorrow by finding solutions and then implementing them in a positive way as :

MEN DO NOT LIVE BY FIGHTING ONLY EVIL -THEY LIVE BY POSITIVE GOALS

Members' painting Gallery



R'Ann. Rohini



Rtn.Reita...painted around 2003



AYUDH: The Weapons

By: PP. Satish Watve



As someone fascinated by defense, I'm excited to take you on a journey through the world of weapons. In today's age, they play a vital role in ensuring the security of our country and society.

Let's start with the basics. What is a weapon? Simply put, a weapon is a device used to attack or defend against an enemy. But what constitutes a weapon? Anything capable of killing or harming another living being can be considered a weapon. In martial arts like judo, karate, or savate, the human body becomes a weapon.

But why? The answer lies in human nature - greed, gratification, and the desire for power. Throughout history, individuals and groups have fought over wealth, land, women, ego, religion, and even simple enmity. Both attackers and defenders required weapons to achieve their goals.

In this serialized exploration, we'll delve into the world of weapons, examining their development, types, and impact on society. From ancient civilizations to modern times, we'll discover how weapons have shaped human history.

Join me on this journey as we explore the complex and fascinating world of the WEAPONS further in 2nd episode.

Rotary News

ATTRACT NEW MEMBERS - GROW ROTARY -

RETAIN MEMBERS - ENGAGEMENT -

MAKING THE CLUB EXPERIENCE - IRRESISTIBLE -

ADAPT & INNOVATE FORM NEW CLUBS - EXPAND REACH -

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

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The ROTARY ACTION PLAN

TOGETHER WE SEE A WORLD WHERE PEOPLE CAN CREATE LASTING CHANGE ACROSS THE GLOBE IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES

As we stand on the cusp of eliminating polio, we find ourselves poised for our next challenge. The time is right to move toward realizing a new vision that brings more people together, increases our impact, and creates lasting change around the world. To achieve the vision of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation, we have set four priorities that will direct our work over the coming years.

- INCREASE OUR IMPACT**
 - Evaluate polio and leverage the legacy
 - Focus our programs and offerings
 - Improve our ability to achieve and measure impact
- EXPAND OUR REACH**
 - Grow and diversify our memberships and participation
 - Create new channels into Rotary
 - Increase Rotary's openness and appeal
 - Build awareness of our impact and brand
- ENHANCE PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT**
 - Support clubs to better engage their members
 - Develop a participant-centered approach to deliver value
 - Offer new opportunities for personal and professional connection
 - Provide leadership development and skills training
- INCREASE OUR ABILITY TO ADAPT**
 - Build a culture of research, innovation, and willingness to take risks
 - Strengthen governance, structure, and processes
 - Review governance to foster more diverse perspectives in decision-making

Rotary

In an ever changing WORLD, we need Rotary to be Irresistible

Be a gift to the world

Community service activities



One day free eye check-up camp for 300+ students of Anmol Vidya Mandir with the support of Wavikar Eye Institute Thane



Two sessions on Deaddiction by President at Sri SriRaviShankar Vidya Mandir and at “Yuva Samvad” organised by Thane Municipal Corporation

Create hope in the world

Community service activities



Awareness program on menstrual health, good touch and bad touch for students of Anmol Vidya Mandir



Independence day celebration at Anmol Vidya Mandir



Rotary making a difference

Our proud Achievers. Congratulations.



Rtn. Mahendra ran the 10Km half marathon organized by Bajaj Indef.



PP. Ashok near 3500 high Bhimashankar as part of his trekking



Rtn. Chandrasekhar snag at the Dipi Karaoke singing event



Karishma D/O. PP. Ashok and R'Ann.Kanchan completed a 6 days KGL trek in Kashmir, scaling 13850 feet.

Rotary Club of Thane Skyline		
Septembr '24 Engagement Plans		
Date	Engagement	Particulars
01-09-2024	Club Meeting - External Speaker - Session on Electric Vehicles (EV) & Environment	By Dr C S Joshi
08-09-2024	Club Meeting -Internal Speaker -TBC	
10-09-2024	Session on "Managing Mobile Addiction " as Guest Speaker to Rotary Club of Thane (Main)	Session by Rtn. Murlī Sundrani
12-09-2024	Session on "Mobile Addiction & How to Mange it " as Guest Speaker to rotary club of Thane Ghodbunder	Session by Rtn. Murlī Sundrani
13-09-2024	Joint Meeting on "Enjoying Rotary" Speaker : PDG - Thomas Gump Aide to Rotary International President- Stephanie Urchik	Online session , 8 PM India Time
14th or 15 th Sep	Planned visit for "Vruksharopan" to Savre Village (More Details to follow)	PP Satish Watve to lead the effort
22-09-2024	BOD for the month of September	at WIWI
29-09-2024	Club Family Nite Get together	More details to follow

Birthdays of Sept '24 Congratulations

4/9- Priya, d/o. IPP.Pradeep & R'ann.Sadhana.

14/9- Parul, d/o. PP. Sanjay & R'ann.Madhulika.

17/9- Samridhi, d/o. Pres. Murlī and FL R'ann. Reetu.

18/9- PE.Daly.

25/9- Tanmoy s/o. PP, Satish & R'ann. Rohini.

27/9- Mrinal s/o. Rtn. Ramesh & R'ann. Smriti

29/9- R'ann. Deepthy, spouse of Rtn. Raghavendrara