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#### **TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER**



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CA Jay Chhaira studied Advanced Management at Italy, Germany, U.K., U.S., China. He was awarded by the President of India for getting first in India in Research. Also awarded by Chief Minister of Gujarat for Science & Research.

Awarded by the Governor of Gujarat as "Legend of Surat", by Health Minister of Gujarat as "Star of Surat" by Member of Parliament, Surat as "Jewel in the Crown", by Mayor of Surat as "Surat na Sitara", as "Youth Icon" by leading newspaper group Dainik Bhaskar.

CA Chaira has been a state level winner in Painting, Singing, Elocution, Drama, etc. Acted in a few Gujarati dramas and films. Participated in Akshay Kumar International Martial Arts Competition in Mumbai. He is a member of Civil Defence, Government of Gujarat. He was selected for World Youth Peace Summit, Geneva. Represented India at various forums of Higher Education at Los Angeles, Milan, Ghunagzhou, Phuket, Paris, etc. He was the President of his Rotary Club in 2008.

Associated with Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICWI) activities from 1995. Elected as Chairman, Surat Branch, 2005. Elected as Vice Chairman, WIRC, 2012. Currently, a Central Council member, Chairman of Professional Development Committee, Vice Chairman of Peer Review Board. Member of Accounting Standard Board, Editorial Board and 14 other committees of ICAI. Member of various committees of South Asian Federation of Accountants.

### **GREENING THE PLANET: TREE PLANTATION AT RCC DARA**



At Beledurgeshnagar and Mayshaeri areas in Sunderbans under the reach of Dara RCC, our Club has launched the Forest Week on 20 July by distribution of 100 plants and planting of additional 100 plants. Responsibility for protection has been ensured. The plants have been secured by gabions made of chicken wire mesh.

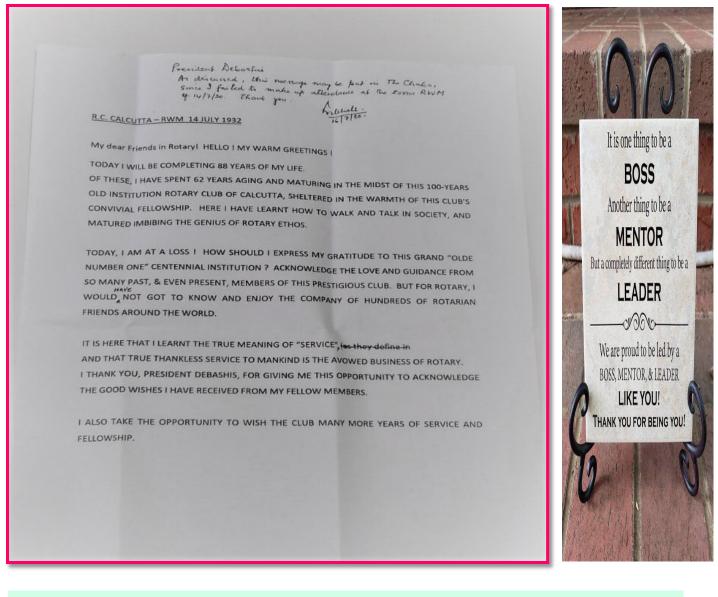


We Meet Every Tuesday At 1 p.m. At ROTARY SADAN www.rotacal.org E-mail: rota2573@dataone.in

# CHEERS TO A 'YOUNG' MAN!! NOT OLD, BUT CLASSIC

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PDG **PRABHAT KRISHNA ROHATGI**, our respected Prabhat Da, celebrated his **88**<sup>th</sup> **b**irthday on 14 July. He is an icon and an inspiration to all our members and to Rotarians of the District 3291. His beloved club wished him a very happy birthday and a long and contended life. The 'Birthday Boy' lamented not being able to spend the happy occasion with the members of the Club, which has been so much a part of his life over 62 years of. He sent a message to us which we are glad to publish in this issue.



### TREE PLANTATION AT RCC DARA

## **PHOTO GALLERY**







ANNOUNCEMENTS				
ATTENDANCE REPORT (14.07.2020)		NEXT WEEKLY MEETING		
Total Members	241	The next RWM (Virtual) will be on <b>4<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 at 12</b>		
Members Present	45	noon.		
Exempted Members	82	Speaker : Dr. Vedula Ramalakshmi, Associate Professor of		
Visiting Rotarians & Guest s	6	Hindi and passionate orator		
		Topic : "The Legend of Lord Jagannath"		

#### **CLASSIFICATION SURVEY**

To facilitate Annual Classification Survey, members are requested to kindly suggest any new Classification to be opened in line with new and emerging professions and disciplines by 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2020.

For any change in their own classification, members may write in with reasons for change for consideration of the Classification Committee and the Board urgently.

Rtn Hirak Ray , Chairman

Attendance, Classification and Family of Rotary Committee

Happy Birthday		Happy Wedding Anniversary	
Dr. Gautam Khastgir 31	July	Subhasis Ghatak & R- Ann Mahua PP Dr. Dipak Rajan Sarbadhikari & Shukla Biswajit Datta & R- Ann Sushmita	28July 28 July 30 July

### **MEMBERS BOX**

## My inspiration for long distance running

#### By Rtn Bodhi Brata Das

People often ask me "Why are you running so much at this stage of life?". All the time my reply has been scrappy and superficial. I wish I could have given them to read the book *"What I Talk About When I Talk About Running*" by Haruki Murakami as the befitting answer. This book is more of a memoir than an autobiography and it deals with a subject which is strikingly different from the genre Haruki Murakami is known for.

The book talks about the transformation of Haruki Murakami as a writer from a small jazz bar owner who took a bold decision to be a full time author leaving a business (his Jazz Bar was doing well at that time) behind. When you are relinquishing your old habits / lifestyles and embracing a new life, then, it will not be a cakewalk for sure - he started running at that juncture of his life. Hence, in a nutshell, this book is a combination of running, writing, and old age. The author takes you through the feelings of a long distance runner and helps you to decode his mind. Most of the chapters highlight the psyche of a person who was reinventing himself; and as a reader your mind and soul will coalesce with that of the author's.

Your mind will have an indelible mark when you read the line "Pain is inevitable. Suffering is optional". He will lure you to indulge yourself to enjoy solitude in the middle of the cacophony of mundane life when you will bump into *"When I'm running I don't have to talk to anybody and don't have to listen to anybody. This is a part of my day I can't do without."* He brings you down to the ground and knock you down with the hard truth when he writes: *"Nobody's going to win all the time. On the highway of life you can't always be in the fast lane."* 

I will end up writing a mini book if I make an attempt to recall even one third of the golden lines or passages which are worth quoting here!

In this book, it will be interesting to find out how running affects your life and clears your mind and you would like to take a plunge and give it a shot to long distance running!

Happy reading and running too :)!

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR THE 4772<sup>ND</sup> REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING HELD ONLINE ON 14 JULY AT 12:00 NOON

- President, Rtn. Debashis Mitra welcomed all members and guests and called the 4772<sup>nd</sup> regular weekly meeting of the Club to order.
- 2. National Anthem was led by President-Elect, Rtn. Sujata Pyne.
- Minutes of the 4771<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Club held on 7th July, 2020 on online were confirmed.
- President Debashis Mitra announced that CA T.N. Mannoharan, Chairman, Canara Bank would be the guest speaker of the day and thereafter all members welcomed Padma Shri Mannoharan in the usual Rotary manner.
- 5. The President welcomed all visiting Rotarians and guests who were present in the meeting and conveyed greetings to their Clubs.
- 6. <u>President Reporting</u> :
  - a. The President announced the sad demise of mother –in-law of Rtn Hirak Ray (mother of R-Ann Rajnana) on that day (14.07.2020) and informed conveying heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family on behalf of the Club.
  - b. He placed a report on the 101st Installation Meeting held on 7th July, 2020.
  - c. He also reported that a special meeting had been organised on 1st July at Rotary Sadan for



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- He announced that on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the Club organized the following four activities also :
- A cheque for Rs. 14.5 lakh was handed over to Chintan Academy, Baramangwa, Darjeeling for the school building.
- Donated 24 pcs. of Water filter imported from Germany to RCC Bishnupur Uchchal Probaho for poor villagers.
- iii. The Club co-hosted a blood donation Camp was organised by R I Dist. 3291 at Rotary Sadan
- iv. The Club observed Doctor's Day and organised a panel discussion on "Life in the time of Covid 19" at 5 p.m. online.
- e. The President conveyed warm greetings to PDG Rtn. Prabhat Krishna Rohatgi on his 88th Birthday on that day (14 Jul).
- 7. At the request of the President, the Hony. Secretary, Rtn. Bodhi Brata Das thereafter conducted the Club business thus :
  - a. He welcomed all members and guests.
  - b. He announced names of Rotarians celebrating their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries during the week ending 27th July, 2020 and conveyed best wishes to them.

- c. Hony. Secretary announced next weekly meeting of the Club on 28th July, 2020 at 12 noon on zoom. CA , Mr Jay Chhaira , Youth Icon from Surat will address on that day on "Innovate or Evaporate "
- d. Hony. Secretary then announced that The First Meeting of the Board of Directors (2020-21) of the Club will be held on Monday, 27th July,2020 at 6.30 p.m and requested all Board Members to kindly make a note of it and attend.
- 8. At the request of the President, CA T.N.Manoharan addressed the audience on "Sustainability of Happiness in Life"
- There were interesting questions from the attendees and Mr. Manoharan shared his thoughts and answered them.
- 10. At the request of the President, the Hony. Secretary, Bodhi Brata Das proposed a formal vote of thanks to the guest speaker on behalf of the Club.
- 11. The Club remembered with Good wishes Rotary Club of Dhaka, Bangladesh, R I Dist. 3280, Sponsored by the Club in 1937
- 12. The meeting was adjourned at 12.55 p.m.

### **Debashis Mitra** President

Bodhi Brata Das Hony. Secretary

## **ONE WORLD**

We remember with good wishes Rotary Club of Jammu Cantonment, R I Dist. 3070

