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International Tour
Bangkok - Pattaya

JUNE- FELLOWSHIP MONTH

Introduction:

June is celebrated across the Rotary world as *Fellowship Month*. This special observance emphasizes one of the foundational pillars of Rotary – **fellowship** – which binds members together, strengthens clubs, and enhances the spirit of service.

What is Fellowship Month?

Fellowship Month in Rotary is a time dedicated to nurturing the relationships among Rotarians, their families, and communities. While Rotary is widely recognized for its humanitarian efforts and service projects, *fellowship* is the invisible thread that connects it all. This month shines a light on the social and personal connections that develop through Rotary membership.

Purpose of Fellowship Month:

1. **Celebrate Rotary Bonds:**
To honor and reflect on the friendships formed within the club and beyond. Fellowship Month offers an opportunity to recognize how these relationships motivate and sustain our collective service goals.
2. **Promote Member Engagement:**
It encourages participation in events that are less formal but deeply meaningful, such as family gatherings, club outings, tours, and cultural exchanges—boosting member morale and retention.
3. **Strengthen Club Unity:**
Fellowship Month strengthens the bond among members, creating a sense of belonging and trust that translates into stronger teamwork and greater impact in service.
4. **Support Transition of Leadership:**
Occurring in the final month of the Rotary year, June is also the time when clubs prepare for leadership handover. Fellowship events during this period help outgoing and incoming teams connect and transition smoothly.

Importance of Fellowship in Rotary:

- **Builds Lasting Friendships:**
Rotary was founded on fellowship. The first club meeting in 1905 was simply a gathering of professionals who valued each other's company. This foundation remains relevant even today.
- **Encourages Collaboration:**
Strong personal relationships make it easier to work together on service initiatives. A club with healthy fellowship thrives on unity and shared purpose.
- **Boosts Motivation:**
Members who feel connected to their peers are more likely to stay active, contribute ideas, and assume leadership roles.
- **Promotes Peace and Understanding:**
Rotary Fellowships (global groups of Rotarians with shared interests) and Rotary Friendship Exchanges build cross-cultural bonds that promote peace and global goodwill.

Conclusion:

Fellowship Month is more than a celebration—it's a reminder that the heart of Rotary lies in meaningful relationships. As we observe this month, let us create moments that strengthen bonds, inspire collaboration, and celebrate our shared commitment to service. By nurturing fellowship, we ensure Rotary remains not just an organization, but a family united in purpose.

Let June be a joyful tribute to friendship and an energizing prelude to the new Rotary year ahead.



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*"The foundation upon which
Rotary is built is friendship;
on no less firm foundation
could it have stood"*
- Paul Harris

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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?

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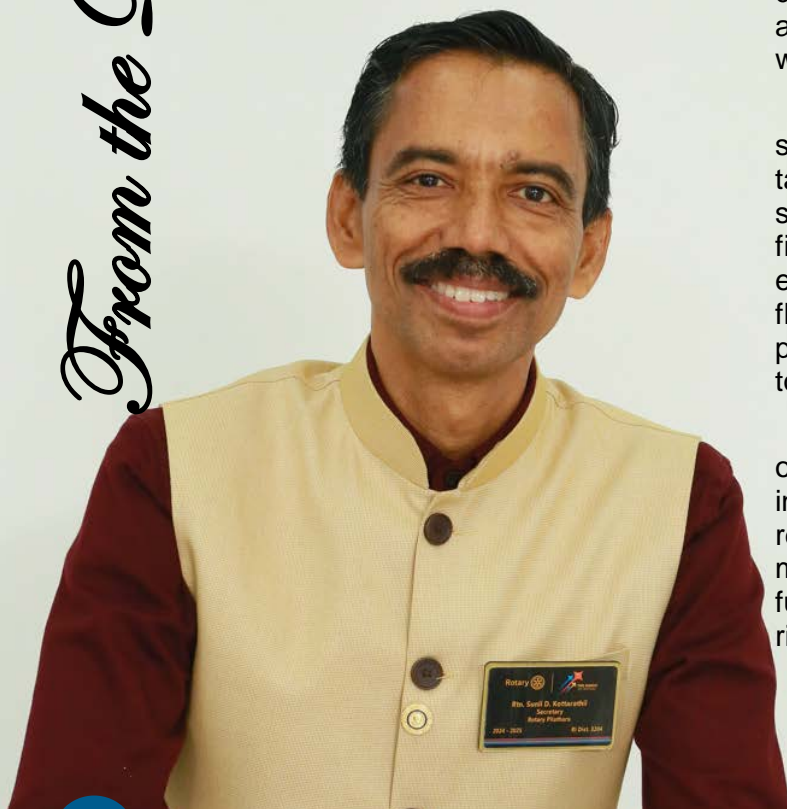
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The Rotary Club of Pilathara released the May edition of its monthly newsletter, *Ripples*, on 28th May 2025. The electronic edition was officially unveiled by Past President Rtn. Satheesan KC, who shared it with members via the club's WhatsApp group, ensuring easy and seamless access for all.

This edition captures a comprehensive summary of all impactful projects undertaken during April, highlighting key initiatives and achievements. It also includes recaps of regular weekly meetings, and offers a preview of forthcoming programs, keeping members well-informed and engaged.

From the Desk of the EDITOR



The only way to achieve the impossible is to believe it is possible.

It is with immense pleasure that I welcome you to the 14th issue of our club newsletter, *Ripples*. This edition marks the final regular issue for the current Rotary year—a milestone in itself. Since last July, *Ripples* has reached you every month without fail, capturing the essence of our club's activities and achievements. In addition to these monthly issues, we also released two special editions: one commemorating the Governor's Official Visit (GOV) and the other celebrating our Charter Day, both of which were warmly received.

In this concluding issue of the year, we present stories that reflect the strength of our unity and the tangible difference we make as Rotarians. Two standout features in this edition include the club's first-ever international tour (Page 6), a memorable experience that brought members closer, and our flagship initiative—the *Swapnabhavanam* housing project (Page 18), which showcases our commitment to transformative service.

As you flip through these pages, may you not only relive the memories but also find renewed inspiration to propel us forward. Let this be a reminder of what we've accomplished and a motivation to continue our mission—united in service, fueled by purpose, and ready to create even greater ripples in the days ahead.

Happy Reading!

Rtn. MPHF Sunil Kottarathil

PRESIDENT

A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work.

With the successful handover of two homes under the Chittilappally-Rotary Swapnabhavanam scheme and the joyous completion of Pilathara Rotary Club's first-ever international tour, May proved to be a month of proud milestones. These accomplishments have added a golden chapter to the club's history as we now step into June—the final month of the Rotary term.

June is celebrated as the Month of Fellowship, a time not only to reflect on and celebrate the successes of the year but also to pass the baton of leadership. Given the remarkable growth and impact Pilathara Rotary has achieved this year, it becomes our collective responsibility to ensure that this momentum continues. To this end, a well-structured and comprehensive handover process is planned throughout June.

Let us wholeheartedly support and empower the incoming team, equipping them with the insights, inspiration, and resources needed to lead with confidence. Together, as one united team, let us make this transition a smooth and uplifting experience, marking the close of this term with pride and paving the way for an even brighter future for our club.



Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman

Club President

INTERNATIONAL TOUR BANGKOK-PATTAYA



Rtn. KP Muraleedharan
Tour Coordinator



Rtn. CK Purushothaman
Club President



Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Club Secretary

The first-ever international tour of the Rotary Club of Pilathara began on a vibrant note on the morning of 29th April 2025, as 31 enthusiastic members gathered at Payangadi Railway Station at 9:30 AM, where several fellow Rotarians had also gathered to cheerfully see off the touring team. The group boarded the B3 compartment of the Ernad Express, marking the beginning of a memorable journey together.

At Kozhikode Railway Station, the group warmly welcomed Sri Sasikumar and Smt. Shyla Sasikumar, who joined the tour there, bringing the total number of participants to 33. The train ride was comfortable and filled with cheer, with the group reaching Aluva Railway Station by 4:00 PM.

From there, the team proceeded to Cochin International Airport by taxi, where dinner was arranged by the organizers, followed by immigration formalities. With time to relax in the airport lounge and explore duty-free shops, the excitement steadily grew.

By 10:45 PM, the group boarded their Air Asia flight bound for Bangkok, marking the first flight experience for many and the first international trip for several others. The sense of excitement and joy was unmistakable, with wide smiles and eager eyes reflecting the thrill of new experiences ahead.

The Rotary Club of Pilathara marked a significant milestone on 29th April 2025, as the members and families embarked on the club's first-ever international tour to Thailand.

Over the past few years, organizing family tours has become a cherished tradition of the club, aimed at strengthening camaraderie and the bond among members and their families. This year, the tradition reached new heights with the selection of an international destination—an exciting first-time experience for many in the group.





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DAY 2

The day began with the group landing at Don Mueang International Airport (DMK), Bangkok at 4:30 AM local time. (Bangkok is 1.5 hours ahead of IST). Immigration formalities took about an hour, after which the team collected their luggage and met the tour organizer Sri. Vinod Nambiar and guide Mr. Moses, who welcomed the group holding a signboard.

Some members availed local SIM cards before boarding a luxury coach to Pattaya, following a short refreshment break.

First stop: Tiger Topia, followed by Tiger Park, where members had the thrilling opportunity to see tigers up close and even click photos with them in a controlled environment.

The next destination was the Floating Market, offering a colorful shopping experience with a wide variety of local products and handicrafts. After spending quality time exploring the market, the group enjoyed lunch and then checked in at the Pattaya Golden Beach Hotel.

By 6:00 PM, the team headed to Terminal 21 Mall, a unique shopping center themed on global cities—a visual and cultural treat for all.

At 8:00 PM, they attended the famous Alcazar Show, a spectacular dance and musical performance that captivated the audience with its grandeur.

To wrap up the eventful day, the team visited the Pattaya Beach to experience its lively night scene, soaking in the vibrant energy and joy of being together abroad.



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DAY 3

INTERNATIONAL TOUR BANGKOK-PATTAYA

The day started with a hearty breakfast at Golden Beach Hotel, Pattaya. By 9:00 AM, the team set off on an exciting adventure to Coral Island via speed boats from Pattaya Beach.

Once at Coral Island, the real thrill began! The beach offered a range of water sports and activities, including banana boat rides, speed boat tours, and the highlight for many—sky diving. Despite some initial hesitation, many members embraced the fun and participated enthusiastically in the beach adventures.

Another standout experience was underwater sea walking, offering a mesmerizing view of vibrant corals and colorful fishes. All activities were conducted under the close supervision of trained guides and divers, ensuring safety and comfort throughout.

After the adrenaline-filled morning, the group headed to H2O Hotel for lunch. While some members chose to rest post-lunch, others relaxed and enjoyed quality time at the swimming pool.

As the sun set, the team explored the lively Walking Street of Pattaya, soaking in the vibrant nightlife, street performances, and the buzzing atmosphere that makes the area world-famous.



DAY 4



The fourth day of the international tour began at a relaxed pace, with the team setting off from Golden Beach Hotel at 10:30 AM (local time). The first destination was the Pattaya Gem Gallery, one of the most renowned gem museums and showrooms in Thailand.

The visit began with a fascinating tram ride through a tunnel-themed gallery, offering an immersive visual experience. The ride showcased the intricate process of gemstone excavation, cleaning, cutting, and polishing, leaving everyone amazed at the craftsmanship and effort involved in gem creation. The group spent time exploring the showroom before exiting around 12:45 PM.

From there, the group proceeded to the Big Buddha Temple (Wat Phra Yai)—a serene and spiritually uplifting location. The towering golden Buddha statue and the panoramic views from the hilltop added to the memorable experience.

After lunch, the day continued with a visit to the Pattaya View Point, offering stunning vistas of the cityscape and beachline—perfect for group photos and quiet moments of admiration.



DAY 5

INTERNATIONAL TOUR BANGKOK-PATTAYA

Day 5 began bright and early, as the team checked out from Pattaya and headed to Bangkok, continuing the excitement of the international tour. The first destination in the capital city was the renowned Safari World—Thailand's largest open zoo and a favorite among visitors.

The Safari Park offered a thrilling ride through landscapes where wildlife such as giraffes, zebras, lions, and tigers roamed freely. The natural settings and close encounters with animals left the team both amazed and delighted.

The adventure didn't stop there—members went on to enjoy the Marine Park, packed with world-class shows and entertainment. The Dolphin Show, Sea Lion Show, and the action-packed Cowboy Stunt Show brought laughter, awe, and cheer to the entire group.

After a fulfilling experience at Safari World, the group returned to their hotel in the afternoon. While some chose to unwind and relax, others took the opportunity to explore Indra Market, a bustling shopping hub nearby, known for souvenirs, local goods, and great bargains.





The final day of the Rotary Club of Pilathara's memorable international tour was kept light and relaxed, as the team was scheduled to depart by noon.

In the morning, members visited the Golden Buddha Temple, a serene and spiritual spot that added a peaceful touch to the trip's conclusion. A bit of local shopping followed, with members picking up last-minute souvenirs and gifts.

After lunch, the group proceeded to the airport. Following immigration and boarding formalities, the Air Asia flight took off at 8:30 PM (local time) from Bangkok. The team touched down safely at Cochin International Airport by 10:30 PM (IST).

The journey continued as everyone travelled to Angamaly Railway Station and boarded the Mangalore Express at 2:00 AM. By 8:30 AM, the group arrived at Payangadi, wrapping up the first-ever international tour of the club.

With hearts full of memories and a spirit of togetherness stronger than ever, the team thanked the organizers for their meticulous planning and coordination. Smiles, hugs, and handshakes marked the end of a beautiful chapter as everyone dispersed to their homes.





Aster- Rotary Health Van

At Mathamangalam



The Aster-Rotary Health Van reached Mathamangalam Bus Stand on the morning of May 1st and was formally inaugurated at 10:00 AM by Panchayat President Shri Ramachandran. This initiative marks the very first community service project of the newly forming Rotary Satellite Club at Mathamangalam, under the guidance of Rotary Club of Pilathara, and sets a promising foundation for its future.

The meeting was presided over by Shri Rameshan, who leads the efforts to establish the Satellite Club. Secretary Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil extended a warm welcome, and Rtn. Shaji delivered the vote of thanks.

A paramedical team from Aster Hospital, Kozhikode, led by Dr. Niyas, provided a detailed briefing about the project and its healthcare objectives. The medical camp began with a renewed commitment to Rotary's spirit of selfless service to the community.

From 12 noon onwards, the Aster Health Van was stationed in front of the Mathamangalam Panchayat Office, offering health check-ups to residents in the vicinity. By the conclusion of the camp at 2:00 PM, over 55 local residents had availed themselves of the healthcare services provided.





Promoting District Priorities Through Collaborative Action

District Priority Projects are given prime importance for their proven effectiveness and enduring value. The *Rotary Club of Pilathara* has consistently led from the front in promoting such initiatives, aligning its service activities with the broader district mission to achieve excellence and long-term community impact.

Following the successful execution of projects like the *Chittilappally-Rotary Swapnabhavanam* housing initiative and the *RSETI-ROTARY Vocational Training Program*, the club is now joining hands with the Rotary Clubs of Sreekandapuram and Pariyaram to support the *ASTER-ROTARY Health Van* project.

This meaningful collaboration will bring free medical camps to three locations—**Pilathara (Mathamangalam), Sreekandapuram, and Pariyaram**—on **May 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, 2025**, respectively. These camps are aimed at extending essential healthcare services to underserved communities, reinforcing Rotary's commitment to disease prevention and treatment.

The initiative is being spearheaded by *Rtn. VKV Manoj* (Zonal Coordinator), *Rtn. KV Haridasan* (President, Sreekandapuram Rotary), and *Rtn. Dr. Suhas Shetty* (President, Pariyaram Rotary), whose joint leadership exemplifies the power of collaborative action. Together, they are setting a strong example of how inter-club cooperation can amplify the impact of Rotary's mission in the community.



SATELLITE CLUB

Mathamangalam



In a proud and historic moment for Rotary District 3204, the first-ever Satellite Club was officially formed on 16th May 2025 by the Rotary Club of Pilathara. The Satellite Club, launched with eight dedicated members, is based in Mathamangalam, providing a convenient platform for local professionals and community leaders to engage in impactful social service initiatives tailored to their locality.

The seeds of this initiative were sown by Rtn. MPHF Shaji, whose commitment to promoting Rotary's ideals became evident during a mega project conducted at Mathamangalam in December 2024. His tireless efforts were soon backed by a supportive team comprising GGR Rtn. MPHF Aravindakshan, Club President Rtn. PHF CK Purushothaman, and Club Secretary Rtn. MPHF Sunil Kottarathil, who worked collaboratively to guide the project from concept to creation.

An exploratory meeting held in the first week of April 2025 brought together nearly 20 interested individuals. From this group, eight committed members came forward to begin their Rotary journey, leading to the formal chartering of the Satellite Club.

Rtn. Ramesan Haritha, a respected businessman and former Rotarian, has been appointed as the Chair of the Satellite Club, while Rtn. Shaji VV will serve as the Secretary during the formative phase.

The club, under the mentorship of its sponsor – Rotary Club of Pilathara – will continue to grow and engage with the community until it reaches the required membership strength to transition into an independent Rotary Club.

This inspiring development is a testament to the collaborative spirit and leadership vision of Rotary Club of Pilathara and its commitment to expanding Rotary's reach and relevance in underserved areas.



Rtn. Ramesan Haritha



Rtn. Shaji VV



Rtn. Vijayan KV



Rtn. NU Saji



Rtn. ET Sudhakaran



Rtn. Krishnakumar Edathil



ROTARY COMMUNITY CORPS

Certificate of Organization

This certificate recognizes that the Rotary Community Corps of

Haritha

(Established Date: 17 May 2025)

has been organized and has agreed, through its members, to be bound by the guidelines and bylaws of the Rotary Community Corps program of Rotary International.

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HARITHA ROTARY COMMUNITY CORPS



Opportunities to serve the community exist all around us—waiting to be recognized and acted upon. While working to spread awareness about Rotary in Mathamangalam and nearby areas, the leaders of Rotary Club of Pilathara came across one such inspiring opportunity in the field of agriculture and organic farming.

As we ventured into the interior regions beyond Mathamangalam, we discovered a growing community of passionate individuals engaged in innovative, small-scale farming practices, many experimenting with organic methods to sustain their livelihoods. A few enterprising locals have even turned their passion for farming into entrepreneurial ventures, showing remarkable resilience and creativity.

Realizing the potential to amplify their efforts and create a larger societal impact, the Rotary Club of Pilathara brought these like-minded individuals together under a common platform, forming a Rotary Community Corps (RCC) named “Haritha” – a tribute to green living and sustainable agriculture.

At the heart of this initiative is **Mr. Kiran Prabhakar**, a committed and knowledgeable individual who now serves as the Coordinator of RCC Haritha. With his guidance and Rotary's support, the group aims to:

- Promote organic and sustainable farming practices
- Encourage knowledge-sharing among farmers and agri-enthusiasts
- Support entrepreneurship in agriculture
- Inspire local youth to consider eco-friendly farming as a viable livelihood

“Haritha” is more than just a community group – it is a movement for green change, nurtured by Rotary's vision of service and empowerment.

Together, let's sow the seeds for a healthier, self-reliant future!

FACILITY ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS

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- **Storage Shelf**
- **Inverter**
- **Audio System**

As we entered the final quarter of the Rotary year, the focus gracefully shifted inward — towards the betterment of our own club infrastructure. Responding to member feedback on enhancing the usability and ambience of our home space, Rotary Pearl, the Rotary Club of Pilathara has identified and executed a series of internal facility improvement projects. These initiatives aim to make our meeting space more welcoming, functional, and member-friendly, thereby supporting both operational efficiency and club camaraderie.

The first completed initiative under the Internal Facility Enhancement Project Series is the construction of a dedicated storage shelf facility in the club office. This new addition ensures organized and secure storage of important documents and club assets. The facility was officially inaugurated on 7th May by GGR Rtn. MPHf Aravindakshan K, marking a symbolic and meaningful investment into the club's long-term continuity.

This enhancement allows for the systematic archiving of past records and materials, offering easy access for reference and learning.

The second initiative was the installation of an inverter at Rotary Pearl. With this facility in place, the club now enjoys uninterrupted power supply during meetings and events. It not only eliminates disruptions due to power outages but also reduces dependency on hired generators, offering a cost-effective and eco-conscious solution for long-term operations.

A third enhancement made in the month of May was the commissioning of an upgraded audio system. This facility is a significant value addition, especially during monthly family gatherings where music and cultural programs form the soul of our celebrations. The new system ensures clearer, richer sound — making performances more enjoyable for both the audience and the artists.

Each of these enhancements reflects our shared commitment to build a stronger Rotary Club from within, one that not only serves the community outside but also nurtures excellence and engagement inside. As we continue this journey, let these improvements be a testament to our dedication and unity as a club.

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**A dream realized
in just 100 days!**

The 28th of May 2025 will forever be etched in golden letters in the history of the Rotary Club of Pilathara. On this momentous day, two newly constructed houses under the District Priority Project - Chittilappally-Rotary Swapnabhavanam Scheme - were officially handed over to their respective beneficiaries. The houses were inaugurated and the keys presented by District Governor Rtn. MD. Dr. Santhosh Sreedhar, marking a milestone in the club's commitment to meaningful community service.

What makes this achievement even more commendable is the remarkable pace at which the homes were completed. Both houses, each comprising 450 square feet, were constructed in just 100 days - a testament to the club's dedication and efficient coordination. Each home includes two bedrooms, a kitchen, a hall, and a sit-out, complete with plastering, flooring, and painting works that give a wholesome and finished look.

Despite the challenges of budget management, the team successfully completed the construction of each house at an estimated cost of six lakhs. This was made possible through meticulous expense control and the unwavering support and contributions from all club members.



This project stands as a shining example of what Rotary can achieve when compassionate hearts and committed hands work together for a shared purpose. As the beneficiaries step into their new homes and begin a fresh chapter of their lives, the joy on their faces serves as the greatest reward for every Rotarian involved in this noble cause.

May this initiative be the beginning of many more impactful and large-scale projects from the Rotary Club of Pilathara - projects that truly transform lives and strengthen our society.

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The Rotary Club of Pilathara proudly handed over the newly constructed house under the Chittilappally-Rotary Swapnabhavanam Scheme to beneficiary **Ms. K.K. Mridula at Kokkad**. The event was held in the presence of Rotary members, local residents, and distinguished community leaders.

The key handover ceremony was graced by District Governor Rtn. MD Dr. Santhosh Sreedhar, who officially handed over the key to the beneficiary. The function was presided over by Club President Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman.

Cheruthazham Grama Panchayat President Sri. M. Sreedharan was present as the chief guest, and several dignitaries addressed the gathering, appreciating the transparent execution and the timely completion of the project within just 100 days.

Secretary Sunil Kottarathil, Project Chair Rtn. Satheesan, GGR Rtn. Aravindakshan, Project coordinator Rtn. Rajivan T, Project Finance Controller Rtn. Raghunath PK, Ward member Sabitha, and other community leaders spoke about the noble initiative where the house was completed in just 100 days.

The event marked a proud moment for the club, reflecting its unwavering commitment to community welfare and service above self.





**The newly constructed home
"Swapnabhavanam" was
handed over to Ms. P. Girija,
Arathil on 28th May, 2025.**

In a heartwarming ceremony held at Arathil, the Rotary Club of Pilathara proudly handed over a newly constructed home to Ms. P. Girija, marking the successful completion of a compassionate initiative under the Chittilappally-Rotary Swapnabhavanam Scheme. The event brought together Rotary members, local residents, and prominent community leaders in a collective celebration of service and humanity.

The key to the new home was officially handed over by District Governor Rtn. Dr. Santhosh Sreedhar, who appreciated the club's dedication to delivering impactful projects with professionalism and urgency. Presiding over the function, Club President Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman expressed gratitude to all who contributed to the project, highlighting the unity and teamwork that made the dream a reality.

The project was completed in just 100 days, a remarkable achievement that reflected the meticulous planning and unwavering commitment of everyone involved. Project Coordinator Rtn. Rajivan T and Club Secretary Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil provided leadership and oversight throughout the process, while Project Chair Rtn. Satheesan, GGR Rtn. Aravindakshan, Rtn. Krishnan MP, and Rtn. Raveendran K offered valuable support and guidance. Ward member Nithya and other local leaders also joined in recognizing the significance of the initiative.

Speakers during the event praised the efficient execution and meaningful impact of the project. The handover marked an important milestone in the club's ongoing mission to uplift lives and build stronger, more inclusive communities. With this home, Rotary Club of Pilathara has once again demonstrated the transformative power of Rotary in action — offering shelter, dignity, and hope to those in need.





Traffic Mirror Installation for Road Safety

As part of its ongoing commitment to public safety, the Rotary Club of Pilathara installed a traffic mirror at a critical accident-prone curve in Kadannappalli on 9th May 2025. The location, known for its sharp bend, has long posed challenges for motorists and pedestrians alike.

The newly installed mirror serves as a valuable safety enhancement, offering better visibility and helping drivers navigate the curve with greater caution. The initiative was formally inaugurated by GGR Rtn. Aravindakshan K.

Local residents who attended the event expressed sincere appreciation to the Rotary Club for addressing this community need. The club continues to uphold its mission of promoting road safety and improving the quality of life for the public.

Handing over Lectern to Kadannappalli Vayanasala

On 7th May, the Rotary Club of Pilathara handed over a lectern to the representatives of Kadannappalli Vayanasala, in support of their newly inaugurated building. This timely contribution significantly enhanced the Vayanasala's infrastructure and addressed a key requirement for their functions and events.

The representatives of the Vayanasala expressed heartfelt gratitude to the Rotary Club of Pilathara for this thoughtful and impactful gesture.

Through such initiatives, the club continues to reaffirm its commitment to supporting local institutions and fostering community development.





Recognizing Academic Excellence

The Rotary Club of Pilathara proudly recognized Annet Lakshmipriya Mohan for her outstanding academic achievement of scoring 98.6% in the Class X CBSE Examination, making her both the school topper and the district topper.

In a brief but proud ceremony, Club President Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman presented a memento to Lakshmipriya in appreciation of her excellence. The event was graced by GGR Rtn. K. Aravindakshan and attended by fellow club members who congratulated her and her family on this remarkable accomplishment.



Enhances Road Safety with Traffic Mirror Installation

On 31st May 2025, the Rotary Club of Pilathara installed a traffic mirror near the Pilathara Pearl premises, addressing a critical visibility issue for vehicles exiting the club onto the main road.

Due to an obstructing building at the junction, drivers previously had no clear view of oncoming traffic from one direction, posing a significant safety concern. The newly installed mirror now enables drivers and road users to clearly view approaching vehicles, greatly enhancing safety and confidence at the intersection.

This thoughtful initiative demonstrates the club's commitment to community welfare and road safety.



District Officers Online Training Session




A three-day District Officers Training Session was successfully conducted by the district leadership team on May 16th, 17th, and 18th, through Zoom. The virtual program aimed at equipping the incoming leaders with essential knowledge and strategies for the upcoming Rotary year.

Seven officers from the Rotary Club of Pilathara took part in the training and represented the club with great enthusiasm.

Club member and Zonal Learning Facilitator Rtn. PHF Surendranath played a key role by introducing the distinguished speaker Rtn. Nisha Jose during one of the sessions.

Additionally, Club Secretary Rtn. MPH Sunil Kottarathil shared valuable insights by presenting the club's strategy for achieving the prestigious EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) status.

The sessions were marked by active participation from the club's officers, contributing to the overall success and collaborative spirit of the training program.

Josh Ascent

DISTRICT OFFICERS' ONLINE TRAINING SEMINAR

Day 03- 18 May 2025 Sunday 5.30PM - 8PM




**GIFT OF SMILE
WOMEN IN SOCIAL SERVICE
DRUG MENANCE & R. O. P. E**

Target Audience :-

- All District Officers
- All ZC / AG / GGR
- Presidents & Secretaries elects
- All Rotarians & Lady Rotarians & Anns

Zoom id : 819 6781 2671
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Today's Speakers


Dr. Krishnakumar
HOD Plastic Surgery, BMH

Mrs. Nisha Jose
Woman Entrepreneur


Sri Vijayan IPS
ADGP




Rtn. DG. Dr.Santhosh Sreedhar




Rtn. MD Bijosh Manuel




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Rtn. PDG. Dr. Rajesh subhash




Chairman
Rtn P.E Shajith



Convenor
Rtn Anilkumar V







Host club President
Rtn K.M Rameshan



Host club Secretary
Rtn Flabian John

HOST CLUB: **Rotary Nileshtar**







KANNUR REGIONAL FORUM MEETING


Snehadarau 2025

May 19th Monday, 7PM
@Mid Town Meadows
Payyannur

Felicitations to
Rtn Deepak kumar Korothe
District Governor Nominee Designate




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Rtn PDG. V. G Nayanar
Service Above Self
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All Rotarians are requested to attend this auspicious event
and make the function grand success

Registration Rs. 500/- 9447004205



Rtn MPH. RAJKUMAR P
Chairman, Kannur regional forum



Rtn P.E SHAJITH
Convenor, Kannur regional forum

Regional Forum Meeting

A Regional Forum Meeting was held on 19th May 2025 at Payyanur, bringing together Rotary leaders from clubs across the region - from Vadakara to Kasaragod.

The event was marked by the felicitation of two distinguished Rotarians:

- Rtn. VG Nayanar, recipient of the prestigious Service Above Self Award, and
- Rtn. Deepak Kumar Korothe, District Governor Nominee Designate.

The Rotary Club of Pilathara was well represented, with ten members attending and actively contributing to the discussions. The event offered a valuable opportunity to exchange ideas, strengthen inter-club bonds, and align on shared goals for the Rotary movement in the region.

CLUB MEETINGS OF THE MONTH

Club Weekly Meeting #43 (7-May-2025)

The first weekly meeting of May was held on Wednesday, 7th May 2025, at 7:00 PM. The evening commenced with a warm welcome by Rtn. MPH F Sukumaran KV, setting a cordial tone for the session. Club President Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman officially called the meeting to order and extended his appreciation to the organizers of the recently concluded international tour, which received enthusiastic feedback from participants.

Secretary Rtn. MPH Sunil Kottarathil presented a detailed report highlighting the club's dynamic activities over the past week, including the Aster Health Van initiative and the international tour.

The meeting was distinguished by energetic member participation and constructive discussions, with members unanimously commending the success of the club's first international tour. The session concluded on a high note and was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Club Weekly Meeting #44 (14-May-2025)

The second weekly meeting of May was held on Wednesday, 14th May 2025, at 7:00 PM. The session began with a warm welcome by Rtn. Ashil Mohandas, setting the tone for an engaging and purposeful evening. Club President Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman then called the meeting to order and shared important updates on upcoming programs, including the Swapnabhavanam project inauguration, District Assembly, and the forthcoming leadership handover.

Club Secretary Rtn. MPH Sunil Kottarathil presented a comprehensive weekly report highlighting key club activities. This included progress on the main roof slab concrete work for the Swapnabhavanam housing project and the successful installation of a traffic safety mirror at Kadannappalli, aimed at enhancing public safety.

The meeting saw active participation and constructive discussion among members. There was a unanimous appreciation for the high standards consistently maintained by the club throughout the year. The session concluded on a positive and motivated note and was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Club Weekly Meeting #45 (21-May-2025)

The third weekly meeting of May for the Rotary Club of Pilathara was held on Wednesday, 21st May 2025, at 7:15 PM. The evening began with a warm welcome extended by Rtn. PHF K.P. Balan, following which President Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman officially called the meeting to order. He shared the heartening news of the successful completion of the two Swapnabhavanam houses at Arathil and Kokkad, a milestone achievement for the club.

Club Secretary Rtn. MPH Sunil Kottarathil delivered a comprehensive report on the club's recent initiatives, highlighting major activities such as the formation of the Satellite Club at Mathamangalam, participation in the District Learning Seminar (online), and attendance at the Kannur Regional Forum meeting.

Members engaged enthusiastically in the discussions and reaffirmed their collective support for the Swapnabhavanam project, recognizing it as a proud accomplishment of the year. The meeting concluded on a positive and encouraging note and was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Club Weekly Meeting #46 (28-May-2025)

The final weekly meeting of May was held on Wednesday, 28th May 2025, at 7:10 PM. The evening commenced with a warm welcome from Rtn. Narayanan TK, following which President Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman officially called the meeting to order.

In his address, the President expressed heartfelt gratitude to all members for their unwavering support that led to the successful completion and handover of two Swapnabhavanam houses - a proud milestone for the club. He also announced the formation of a RCC at Mathamangalam, further expanding the club's community reach.

Club Secretary Rtn. MPH F Sunil Kottarathil presented a detailed report covering recent initiatives, with a special focus on the completion of the Swapnabhavanam homes and the objectives of forthcoming programs.

The members participated with enthusiasm, reflecting on the remarkable achievement of completing two fully functional homes in just 100 days. The sentiment shared was one of collective pride and joy in what has become one of the club's hallmark projects of the Rotary year.

The meeting concluded on a high and encouraging note at 8:30 PM.

Monthly Board Meeting #11 (14-May-2024)

The Director Board Meeting of the Rotary Club of Pilathara was convened on Wednesday, 14th May 2025, at 6:30 PM at Rotary Pearl, Pilathara.

Club President Rtn. PHF C.K. Purushothaman opened the meeting by highlighting its primary objective — to ensure a smooth and effective close-out of the current term's activities and to facilitate a seamless handover to the incoming leadership team.

Club Secretary Rtn. MPH F Sunil Kottarathil presented a brief overview of the handover plan, encouraging feedback and suggestions from the Board members to refine the process. He also shared the minutes of the previous board meeting along with the financial report for the previous month.

Board members actively engaged in the discussions, offering valuable insights and suggestions to strengthen the handover process. The meeting was concluded promptly at 6:50 PM.



Congratulations

Rtn. Prof. K Raveendran
on achieving the title
MAJOR DONOR



The Rotary Club of Pilathara hosted a grand family gathering on 31st May 2025 at their premises, Pilathara Pearl. Despite heavy rains, the event saw an enthusiastic turnout with over fifty family members in attendance, reflecting the strong spirit of togetherness within the Rotary family.

The evening was filled with lively music, soulful songs, and delightful entertainment, creating a vibrant atmosphere that further deepened the bond among members and their families. The gathering concluded with a delicious and hearty dinner, leaving everyone with smiles and cherished memories.

Rtn. Rajmohan and Ann Sreeja graciously sponsored the family meet in celebration of their daughter, Annet Lakshmipriya Mohan's outstanding academic achievement in the Class X CBSE examinations. The joyous occasion was marked by heartfelt congratulations and shared pride among fellow Rotarians and families, reflecting the spirit of togetherness and encouragement that defines the Rotary community.





Rtn. MD Dr. Santhosh Sreedhar
District 3204 Governor



Stephanie A. Urichick
RI President 2024-25

LAYING FOUNDATION FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL ROTARY YEAR



Planning and
preparations
start now to

**CELEBRATE
ACHIEVEMENTS &
HANDOVER TO
NEW TEAM**

IN JUNE,
(FELLOWSHIP MONTH)

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Secretary



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June ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

**CELEBRATE ACHIEVEMENTS &
HANDOVER TO NEW TEAM**

JUNE 4 ACHIEVEMENTS, BEST PRACTICES,
CLUB ACCOUNT SUMMARY
for Members and Anns

11 CLUB PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT,
OFFICERS PERFORMANCE REVIEW,
for Members and Anns

19 RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS FOR
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION
for Members and Anns

25 HANDING OVER DOCUMENTS AND
RECORDS, CLOSE-OUT
Combined Board Meeting



Rtn. CK Purushothaman
President



Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

Structured Handover Process

As we step into June — celebrated in Rotary as Fellowship Month — the Rotary Club of Pilathara is fully prepared to initiate a smooth, effective, and professional handover to the incoming leadership team.

A seamless transition is vital not only for ensuring business continuity but also for preserving the momentum built over the past year through impactful service and club development activities. A well-planned handover facilitates efficient onboarding, protects institutional knowledge, and minimizes disruptions. It helps maintain the rhythm of ongoing projects, while ensuring that the new team is equipped to take charge with clarity and confidence.

With the club reaching new heights of excellence this Rotary year, it is imperative that the incoming leaders are empowered with the necessary information, tools, and guidance to build upon this success. A structured handover reduces the learning curve for new officers, mitigates the risk of errors or delays, and fosters a sense of confidence in their roles. It also strengthens collaboration and accountability by encouraging a transparent flow of information and peer support.

Recognizing the value of continuity and shared knowledge, the club has planned a comprehensive transition process spread over four well-organized weekly meetings in June. These sessions are designed to involve all Members and Anns, thereby fostering a collective sense of ownership, unity, and shared vision. Through this approach, the club ensures that its journey of service and fellowship continues to flourish from the very start of the new term.

DAY-1

WEDNESDAY
4-JUNE

The first day of the handover process is set to be both informative and inspiring, laying a strong foundation for the incoming leadership team. The agenda includes a detailed presentation on the **club's achievements during 2024-25**, a reflection on the impactful initiatives by the **Anns Forum**, a review of **best practices** adopted by the club, and an overview of the **club's financial management** to ensure transparency and continuity.

Alongside these handover-specific components, the day will also feature **power-packed educational and awareness sessions** led by key district officers. These sessions are thoughtfully curated to empower incoming officers and members with deeper insights into Rotary's values, programs, and opportunities. The objective is to ensure that the momentum built during the current year continues seamlessly into the next, strengthening our club's legacy and enhancing member engagement.

DAY-2

WEDNESDAY
11-JUNE

The **second day of the handover process** is dedicated entirely to performance review, offering a platform for reflection, learning, and constructive feedback. The day begins with a **Club Performance Assessment by members**, where each member—from the newest to the most senior—will share their insights. Every member will be invited to mention **three things they liked about the club**, **three observations regarding member satisfaction**, and **three suggestions they would like to see implemented for a positive change**. To ensure a diverse and meaningful discussion, members will be encouraged not to repeat points already shared by others.

Following this, the session will shift focus to **Officers' Self-Assessment**. Each club officer will be allotted **two minutes** to describe their role, highlight their **key achievements specific to that role**, and share their **personal contributions** to the club during the year. They will also reflect on their **most satisfying moment** as an officer and what they would choose to do differently if given another opportunity. Officers are requested to **focus on their individual roles** and avoid discussing general club achievements.

DAY-3

THURSDAY
19-JUNE

The **third day of the handover process** will focus on ensuring operational continuity and celebrating the achievements of the outgoing term. The session will begin with a detailed overview of **Club Administration**, including a review of important documents, reports, and administrative procedures to ensure a seamless transition. This will be followed by the presentation of the **Club Account Summary**, offering a transparent look at the club's financials for the year.

The day will also include a segment for **recognition, awards, and appreciation**, where contributions of members and officers will be acknowledged. Finally, the session will conclude with a brainstorming discussion on **suggestions for the upcoming year**, focusing on identifying impactful projects and activities worth continuing to maintain the club's momentum and community impact.

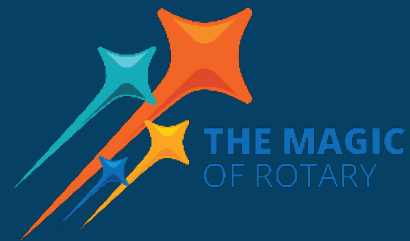
DAY-4

WEDNESDAY
25-JUNE

The **fourth and final day** of the structured handover process will primarily be an **open discussion forum**, providing a platform for members to raise any concerns or seek clarifications related to the club's functioning, responsibilities, or ongoing initiatives. This open dialogue is intended to ensure transparency and build confidence among the incoming team.

The session will conclude with the **formal and physical handover** of essential materials, including **office keys, official documents, financial records, and other relevant assets**, symbolizing the complete transfer of responsibilities to the new leadership. This marks the official beginning of a new Rotary year with renewed commitment and clarity.

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Forthcoming Programs

Rotary Pilathara
Club No. 78753, RI Dist. 3204

June ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH
CELEBRATE ACHIEVEMENTS & HANDOVER TO NEW TEAM

PART-1
JUNE 4
7:00 PM TO 8:50 PM

- CLUB ACHIEVEMENTS 2024-25
- BEST PRACTICES IMPLEMENTED
- CLUB FINANCE MANAGEMENT

A Learning Workshop for Members & Anns

SPECIAL GUESTS

Rtn. Dr. Padmanabhan K
Asst. Governor

Rtn. Er. Rajesh Kamath
District Club - Asst. Govt.

Light Dinner Will be Served

Rtn. CK Purushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

Rotary
RI DIST 3204

UNITE FOR GOOD

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Josh Aspire

08th June 2025
9.30 AM TO 14.30 PM
Venue: MUNIAS CONVENTION CENTRE, QUILANDY
Host Club: Rotary Quilandy

Rotary
District 3204

Sayoojyam
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DISTRICT AWARD CEREMONY

On Sunday, 29th June 2025, 7pm onwards at
Maha Institute of Dental Sciences & Hospital, Chalakkara, Palloor, MAHE.

Guidelines for Awards

These guidelines were announced in the PELS & SELS held on 21st April 2024 at Kochi and were also published in our District Directory.

1. Club activity reported in www.rotaryindia.org and emailed as PDF only, shall be considered for evaluation.
2. Awards will be decided only based on your Monthly Reports received as email before seventh of succeeding month.
3. Reports on activities between 1st July 2024 and 31st May 2025 are considered for the Awards.
4. New Club formation, New Member Induction and TRF contributions will be considered beyond the dates mentioned in 3 above.
5. Grouping of Clubs for Awards are based on their Charter Dates.
6. Best awards will be only one for all GROUPS put together.
7. Outstanding & Exceptional awards will be given one each in all groups.
8. Weightage will be given for Project cost and number of direct beneficiaries.
9. Clubs having arrears of dues with RI, Rotary Magazine and District shall not be considered for Awards.
10. Clubs with zero contribution to TRF shall not be considered for Awards.
11. Clubs without a net growth of One member shall not be considered for Awards.
12. Clubs with reports of Global Grants and District Grants pending or overdue in the RI website shall not be considered for Awards.

Rotary Pilathara
Club No. 78753, RI Dist. 3204

INSTALLATION OF CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2025-26

JUNE 26 THURSDAY, 7:00PM, AT PILATHARA PEARL

CHIEF GUEST

Rtn. MPHF Raveendranathan C
Club President 2025-26

Rtn. RAJESH SUBHASH
Past District Governor

Rtn. CK Purushothaman
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary

Rtn. PHF Balakrishnan M
Club Secretary 2025-26

AND THE ENERGETIC TEAM

Rtn. Purushothaman CK
President

Rtn. Sunil Kottarathil
Secretary