

# Ajinthha

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**ROTARY CLUB JALGAON**

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## Editorial

Namaskar, Rotary Pranam, Jai Hind.....

Dear Fellow Rotarians, I am extremely happy to present you the 2nd issue of our monthly bulletin 'Ajinthha'. This one is a special issue brought out on the occasion of our 'Club Installation' at the hands of our renowned Chief Guest Past Rotary International President (PRIP) Rtn. Kalyan Banerjee on 20th July 2025, at Gandhi Teerth, Jain Hills, Jalgaon.

Also, I am quite happy and thankful to you all for your good feed back on our first issue of 'Ajinthha'. As usual in this issue also we have included the information regarding our weekly meetings and our projects. Our president Rtn. Girish Kulkarni along with his team has started the year with a bang. We all wish him a very good and fruitful year ahead. In this issue you will find our regular articles on Designated Month for Membership and New Club Development, Golden Words- A Book Review and Achievements by our Annets, by our own members, quite interesting. Also a brief but important introduction of our Chief Guest for Installation Ceremony, PRIP Rtn. Kalyan Banerjee, the list of our Committees and their Chairpersons & the list of District Officers have been included along with the regular features. This month on 15th August we will be celebrating our 79th Independence Day to pay our tributes to the freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for our future. So let us all UNITE FOR GOOD and do our best work to our fullest capacity to make India a Great Nation.

**- Rtn. Capt. Mohan Kulkarni**



## Presidential

Dear Rotary Friends,  
Rotary Pranam !

Our club began the new Rotary year with an inspiring start in July. The presence of PRIP Kalyan Banerjee, DG Nana Shewale and Rtn. Ashokbhai Jain at our Installation Ceremony is truly a moment of pride. We also launched the RIPE Project and introduced the Rotary Jalgaon ICON Book as a fundraising initiative.

In August, we have planned several exciting events including a student-focused program on 15th August, Independence Day, a photography competition, a one-day excursion and a public lecture.

We are committed to establishing 2 RCCs, 2 Rota-Kids Clubs, and 2 Rotaract Clubs this month. As August is celebrated as Membership Development Month, let us actively participate in the "Each One Bring One" initiative.

Let us take this opportunity to connect more deeply with our community, nurture leadership among youth and spread the spirit of Rotary far and wide. Every member's contribution matters — whether in small acts of service or big initiatives.

Together, let's make Rotary more visible, vibrant and value-driven.

Let us come together to implement our plans efficiently and strengthen both the service and fellowship aspects of our club.

Joy in Service, Pride in Rotary!

**- Rtn. Girish Kulkarni**



## Weekly Meetings



\* 4<sup>th</sup> July :- This was the first meeting of the month and year. Mrs. Smita Patil Valsangkar, Pune, as a Guest speaker emphasised the bad effect of Electronic Gadgets on the health of children and mothers. It was a family meeting and the attendance was very good.

\* 13<sup>th</sup> July :- This was 2nd meeting in which 'Club Assembly' was organised. All the Committee Chairs presented their yearly planned activities. President Rtn. Girish Kulkarni, Hon. Secretary Rtn. Subhash Amalnerkar, Secretary (Communication) Rtn. Pankaj Vyavahare and Asst. Governor PP Dr. Aparna Bhat were on stage.



## PROJECTS



\* 5<sup>th</sup> July :- Installation Ceremony of 15 Interact Clubs was organised. Chief Guest Mrs. Smita Patil Valsangkar, Pune, President Rtn. Girish Kulkarni, Interact Committee Chair Rtn. Dr. Kajal Firke along with other Rotarians and office bearers and school co-ordinators of 15 Interact Clubs were present.





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\* **5<sup>th</sup> July** :- Let Children Bloom! A very useful workshop for parents was organised. The attendance was very good. 30 parents attended. The resource person was Mrs. Smita Patil Valsangkar, Pune. She explained the importance of parenting through various activities in this workshop. Rtn. Kamlesh Chandwani was the Project Chairman.



\* **8<sup>th</sup> July** :- The first Pink Auto Rickshaw was delivered to Mrs. Yogita Patil, a lady beneficiary, at the hands of Mr. Ayush Prasad, Collector, Jalgaon. IPP Rtn. Adv. Sagar Chitre, Rtn. Parag Agrawal, PP Rtn. Jitendra Dhake, PDG Dr. Sikchi, Mr. Jamil Deshpande of Marathi Pratishthan and other rotarians were present on this day.



\* **7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> July** :- A Training Programme for our Ann's & other ladies, taking part in Project RIPE, (teaching to the school children), was organised in our Rotary Hall. This training was conducted by a renowned councillor Mrs. Pranali Mahashabde, Pune. 11 Ladies participated in this training programme.



## DISITRCT OFFICERS

- 1 PP Prem Kogta
- 2 PP Dr. Tushar Firke
- 3 PP Dr. Jayant Jahagirdar
- 4 PP Capt. Mohan Kulkarni
- 5 PP Jitendra Dhake
- 6 PP Manoj Joshi
- 7 PP Rajesh Ved
- 8 IPP Adv. Sagar Chitre

- 9 Rtn. Pradip Khinvasara
- 10 Rtn. Yogesh Gandhi
- 11 Rtn. Uday Potdar
- 12 Rtn. Vijay Joshi
- 13 Rtn. Subodh Saraf
- 14 Rtn. Asif Memon
- 15 Rtn. Swati Dhake
- 16 Rtn. Dr. Kajal Firke



## PROJECTS

\* **11<sup>th</sup> July** :- A very ambitious project RIPE (Rotary's Ignition Programme in Education) was started by our club. This is for the students of 6th standard who are weak in the education, will be given additional coaching in mathematics, writing and reading skills. Mrs. Vasudha Shigwan is co-ordinator and Mrs. Aditi Kulkarni, Mrs. Harshada Bhangale, Mrs. Sapna Thorat, Mrs. Minakshi Sutar, Mrs. Vinita Bhat, Mrs. Vinaya Joshi, Mrs. Yogita Dube, Mrs. Pallavi Shimpi, Mrs. Swati Mahajan, Mrs. Yogita Patil, Mrs. Kalpana Shimpi are the teachers. They will go to the school once in a week for one hour and cover 300 students. Rtn. Dr. Shubhada Kulkarni is project chair and President Girish Kulkarni is a great support and guide to this project.



\* **11<sup>th</sup> July** :- Our Club's on going project 7x7x7 was inaugurated on 11th July 2025. The first speaker was Rtn. Girish Kulkarni (President) and was attended by Secretary (Communication) Rtn. Pankaj Vyavahare and Rtn. Subodh Saraf (Project Chairman) and Mr. Khambayat (Headmaster of Y.D.Patil School Mehrun). There are 14 schools in which our 14 members will give a Lecture each month.

## List of Faculty Members for 7x7x7 Project

Rtn. Pankaj Vyavahare

Rtn. Dr. Parag Jahagirdar

Rtn. Dr. Shubhada Kulkarni

Rtn. Swati Dhake

IPP Rtn. Adv. Sagar Chitre

PP Rtn. Rajesh Ved

Rtn. Dr. Ravi Hirani

Rtn. Subodh Saraf, Project Chair, Special Coaching on Calligraphy, Abhivachan.

Rtn. Adv. Mahesh Bhokarikar

Rtn. Dr. Pawan Bajaj

Rtn. Dr. Shama Saraf

PP Rtn. Dr. Satish Shindadkar

Rtn. Adv. Anand Mujumdar

Rtn. Kavarlal Sanghavi

Rtn. Girish Kulkarni (President)





## SPECIAL PROJECT

### Launch of Rotary Reading Circle in Jalgaon-



\* **13<sup>th</sup> July :-** The Rotary Club of Jalgaon, in collaboration with the V. V. District Library, inaugurated the Rotary Reading Circle today. Ashni Umale, Anagha Vyavahare, Pradeep Rasse, Rotary Club Jalgaon President Rtn. Girish Kulkarni, Library President Dr. Pradeep Joshi, and Executive Director Anil Shah were present on the dais. At the Reading Circle, Ashni Umale spoke about "Not Without My Daughter", the autobiographical account by Betty Mahmoody, highlighting the struggles of the American woman Betty and her daughter Mahtab. Anagha Vyavahare shared insights on "Time Stops at Shamli", a short story collection by Ruskin Bond, expressing her admiration for the natural beauty, greenery, and the peaceful village of Shamli, as well as the emotions and connections portrayed in the stories. Pradeep Rasse spoke about the influence of senior author Venkatesh Madgulkar, fondly known as Tatya, on his life. He credited Madgulkar with shaping the writer and artist within him and discussed his literary style, especially highlighting the power struggle among monkeys in the novel Sattantar.

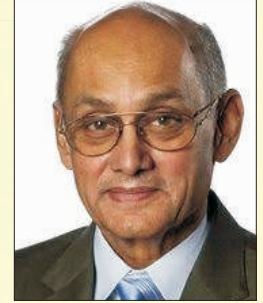
The event began with Rotary Club Jalgaon President Rtn. Girish Kulkarni explaining the vision behind launching the Rotary Reading Circle. Anil Shah, Executive Director of the V. V. District Library, assured full support from the library to promote reading culture. Library President Dr. Pradeep Joshi appealed to people from all walks of life to join this reading movement. The event witnessed the presence of enthusiastic readers and literature lovers from Jalgaon.



## Introduction of Chief Guest

### PRIP Kalyan Banerjee

PRIP Kalyan Banerjee was born in 1942 in Kolkata and is a Chemical Engineering graduate from IIT Kharagpur since, 1964. He was associated with UPL since its formation in 1969 & served on its Board for over 50 years till he retired in 2023. A Rotarian since 1972, he has served as Dist. Governor, Director of Rotary International (1995-97), as a Trustee of Rotary Foundation in 2001-2005, and again 2013-17, including serving as the Rotary Foundation Chair in 2017, in its 100th Year. Binota, Kalyan's wife of over 50 years, passed away in 2020 and he lives now in Vapi & Mumbai. He has 2 children, settled in Australia & Canada respectively & a total of 4 grandchildren. Currently Kalyan serves as Chair of Rotary Charitable Trust Vapi which runs the Haria Rotary Hospital there & as President of the Rotary run Rajju Shroff ROFEL University, based in Vapi, Gujarat.



## Committee Chairpersons RY - 2025 - 2026

No.	Name of Committee	Committee Chairman	Mobile
1	Program Committee	Rtn Swati Dhake	9623557639
2	Medical Committee	Rtn Dr.Jayant Jahagirdar	8275517349
3	Non-Medical Committee	Rtn Sandip Sharma	9595265622
4	Membership Committee	Rtn Raghavendra Kabra	9422357152
5	Foundation Committee	Rtn Jitendra Dhake	9823055821
6	Public Image Committee	Rtn Rajesh Yawalkar	8412879911
7	Global Grant Committee	Rtn Dr Pradip Joshi	9422603390
8	Fund Raising Committee	Rtn Pradip Khinvasara	8055330333
9	CSR Committee	Rtn Manoj Joshi	9420347272
10	Lecture Series Committee	Rtn Nityanand Patil	9860913105
11	Workshop Committee	Rtn Kamlesh Chandwani	8888555633
12	Interact Committee	Rtn Dr.Kajal Firke	9850447661
13	Rotaract Committee	Rtn Parag Agrawal	8605485558
14	Vocational Committee	Rtn Rajesh Ved	9423188788
15	Literacy Committee	Rtn Dr. Shubhada Kulkarni	9423973141
16	Legal AID Committee	Rtn Adv.Mahesh Bhokariker	9326653707
17	Environment Committee	Rtn Rakesh Chavan	9823184495
18	Bulletin Committee	Rtn Capt Mohan Kulkarni	9422786346
19	Attendance Committee	Rtn Dr.Mahesh Patil	9422282549
20	Greetings Committee	Rtn Kedarnath Mundada	9422520943
21	7 x 7 x 7 Committee	Rtn Subodh Saraf	8554935535
22	RCC Committee	Rtn. Adv. Pravinchandra Jangale	9823238070
23	Rota Kids Committee	Rtn. Chaitali Chaudhari	9404424277
24	Wash and Wins Committee	Rtn. Dr.Pawan Bajaj	8552049858
25	Fellowship Committee	Rtn Ritesh Jain	9423491945
26	Sports Committee	Rtn Chandan Mahajan	9423186889
27	Youth Committee	Rtn Adv. Anand Mujumdar	9823017000
28	Conference Committee	Rtn Uday Potdar	9422276393
29	Report Committee	Rtn Pankaj Vyavahare	7057202498
30	Organ Donation Committee	Rtn Dr.Sunil Suryavanshi	9822961026





## DG Installation

## A Purposeful Leadership Begins – The True Dawn of the Knowledge Era

On the auspicious occasion of Ashadhi Ekadashi, Rtn. Nana Shewale humbly assumed the mantle of District Governor for Rotary Year 2025–26. This marked not just a change of leadership but the beginning of a purposeful and impactful era – rightfully termed the "Knowledge Era".

The gracious presence of Rotary International Director Rtn. AKS Er. Murugandanam M (MMM) added immense significance to the ceremony. Taking charge as an RI Director at the young age of 51 is an inspiring milestone in itself. The ceremony beautifully blended Rotary's core values with the essence of Maharashtrian culture, executed with devotion, precision, and meticulous planning.

Behind the success of this grand event lay more than management—vision, long-term planning, strong team building, and unwavering commitment to Rotary ideals played key roles. DG Nana Shewale clearly defined his goals and meticulously built a structure around them, setting a living example for all leaders to emulate.

With over 800 Rotarians and dignitaries in attendance, and more than 450 viewers joining online, the scale of participation stood as a testimony to Nana's leadership, coordination skills, and the love he commands. The announcement of five new clubs and the felicitation of AKS, Major Donors, and PHF members elevated the significance of the occasion even further.

By organizing such a powerful and inclusive event within the very first week of his term, DG Nana Shewale proved that "Strong leadership is reflected through actions, not just declarations." His team spirit, clarity of vision, and unwavering focus made it all possible.

The flawless coordination by Rtn. Umesh Rathod, Rtn. Vishwesh Suvarnakar, Nashik Enclave Team, IFRM, and supporting clubs ensured the event's success.

As a tribute to his leadership:

"Even the mountains tremble at your resolute determination.

With your arrival, the very air sparkles anew.

Your name inspires respect and reverence across all."

Heartfelt wishes to DG Nana Shewale for a glorious Rotary journey ahead!





## Designated Month

## Membership & New Club Development

- PP Rtn. Raghvendra Kabra

Rotary accomplishes its objects through Five Avenues of Service, Club service, Vocational Service, Community Service, International Service, Youth Service. Membership Development and New Club Development are important part of club service.

**MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT** - Great clubs don't happen by chance. They're a result of careful planning, thoughtful actions, and dedicated efforts to ask for feedback, try new ideas, and adapt. Great clubs also have a strong, thriving membership and can demonstrate long-term impact. **ATTRACTING NEW MEMBERS** - Welcoming new and more diverse members to our clubs is critical to expanding our reach as well as increasing our impact. We have to follow strategies to identify how we can make our club more appealing to prospective members. We need to make participants central to what we do, ask them how they want to engage with us, and make sure they know that we value their participation.



Growing membership will always be one of the most important goals for a club. Why is that? A club with more members has more people available to plan and carry out service projects and events. It offers the chance for members to make more interpersonal, community, and professional connections and build more friendships. A club with more members includes more people's perspectives and experiences, which contribute to better decisions and outcomes. And having more members means clubs can give more to The Rotary Foundation, which lets members amplify their impact through grants.

While inviting someone to a social event or a service activity before they come to a meeting might be a better way for prospective members to learn about our club, the club meeting is often their first Rotary experience. Attending a meeting lets someone experience what it's like to be a member and observe the club's culture.

**OFFERING VALUE TO EXISTING MEMBERS** When we provide a fulfilling club experience, members feel valued and stay excited about Rotary's work. In a typical year, we welcome about 10 new members into our club and lose 2 to 3 members each year. Fortunately our losing rate is too low compared to international standards. Intentional efforts are needed to enhance participant engagement to keep our retention rate high.

The most important factor in member satisfaction is the club experience. Efforts are needed to offer an experience that keeps members engaged and excited. Engaged members participate in club activities, meetings, events, projects, and club leadership. They also feel a strong attachment to the club because they enjoy the friendships and connections that are part of being a member. They're motivated to put extra effort into club activities and projects and are proud to tell others about the impressive work our club is doing.

While our meetings have a similar structure from week to week or vary every time, it's good to regularly analyze our practices and the components of the meeting. This helps us to determine what's working and what we might change to ensure that everyone is engaged and the experience is meeting or exceeding their expectations.

**NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT - STARTING AND NURTURING NEW CLUBS** New clubs demonstrate our ability to adapt and allow us to expand our reach. New clubs can accommodate diverse needs and interests and offer more meeting times and formats. New clubs have traditionally driven growth of Rotary and on average, 88% of charter members of new clubs are first-time members. Although many new clubs are started by district leaders, all of us can help them be successful.

**Why start a new club?** - Both club members and nonmembers can start clubs. Here are some reasons to start a new club. · Club members need to start a new club when An area in our district doesn't have its own club. · Our club can no longer accommodate new members. · Some members need an alternate meeting time. · Some members prefer to meet online, less frequently, or using a different format **A Non-Rotary Member can start a club when:** · his area doesn't have a club. · The club in his area doesn't fit your needs. · He may want to get involved with his community in a new way.

**How to start a club** - First contact Rotary leaders in the region, starting with the Rotary district governor and other rotary officers. They'll help with the process and guide you through the requirements. - Before you begin, remember: A new Rotary club must have a minimum of 20 members. A new Rotaract club is recommended to have a minimum of 12 members. A new Rotary satellite club must have a minimum of 8 members, while a new Rotaract satellite club must have a minimum of 4 members. If you have a sponsor club, it must have at least 20 members.

It is very important to understand whether our club has the capacity to start or nurture a new club.





## Rising Stars

## Spread Your Wings & Soar High, Little Bird

- Rtn. Swati Dhake



We often hear that children must grow holistically, and while the idea sounds inspiring. It takes relentless effort from both the children and their parents. My remarkable boys, Toyas and Vrushank, prove that dreams backed by dedication truly take flight.

From a very young age, both brothers have excelled beyond academics. They are black belts in karate, showcasing their physical discipline and focus. Toyas plays the piano, while Vrushank plays the violin, each expressing their creativity through music. Their talent doesn't stop there. Toyas has also bagged awards in district-level skating competitions. School fancy dress competitions were almost synonymous with these two, as winning the first prize became a routine for them.

In competitive exams too, they've shone brightly. Excelling in the 4th standard scholarship, MTS, and NTS. Both share a deep affection for animals. Toyas is a member of an organization in New York City that works for the rehabilitation of wild birds, while Vrushank dreams of a home full of pets, from elephants and horses to cats and dogs!

We brought together 22 parents to form a parenting support group. They exposed their children to a world beyond books. The results were incredible. Each child from the group now shines in a different field. Readers might remember Ashlesha and Pushkar, children of Rtn Rajesh Yawalaker also from this group, featured in an earlier issue.

Toyas, who once dreamt of being a pilot, later discovered his passion for computers after consistently winning gold medals in the Cyber Olympiad. He pursued a B.E. in Computer Engineering and went on to do his M.S. from the University of Maryland, USA. While working full-time at a Fin-Tech company, he realized his childhood dream in his spare time by earning a private pilot's license, and even took us to fly over New York City for three hours. His love for learning is evident in how, while on a trip to London, others visited Buckingham Palace, he made it a point to visit the gravesite of Charles Babbage and the home of Alan Turing - pioneers of modern computing.

Vrushank, the younger son, is brilliant and sensitive. He fell in love with photography during the pandemic and pursued it passionately, winning awards for his work. After completing his M.Tech in Chemical Engineering from ICT Mumbai, he is now doing his M.S. in Material Science at the University of Washington. His interest in yoga also led him to become a certified yoga teacher. Today, he even teaches yoga part-time at his university in the U.S.

The success of my children is not just a story of intelligence but also of tireless hard work, smart choices, and a willingness to explore life. They are living proof that with determination and the right environment, children truly can spread their wings and soar high like a bird in the vast sky.



## Golden Words

## Book Review Book : Start With Why

Rtn. Pankaj Vyavahare



Author: Simon Sinek , Type: Non-fiction , Published in: 2009

Best Quotes in the book: People don't buy what you do; they buy why you do it. And what you do simply proves what you believe.

Review : Long before writing the book, Sinek ventured to find his own why, because he was deeply unhappy, in spite of owning a very successful business.

The book first explains the status quo and how we currently live in a world that just assumes you know why anyone's doing anything and therefore instantly jumps to the carrots and sticks approach. Then Sinek introduces his idea of the golden circle and how we should communicate it from the inside out, in order to appeal to the way we're biologically trimmed to make decisions. Lastly, the book explains how you can start a movement to find those, who believe what you believe, and, through communicating your why clearly, figure out the how and the what of how you'll bring change to the world. Why are some people and organizations more innovative, more influential, and more profitable than others? Any organization can explain what it does; some can explain how they do it; but very few can clearly articulate why. WHY is not money or profit. Those are always results. WHY does your organization exist? WHY does it do the things it does? WHY do customers really buy from one company or another? WHY are people loyal to some leaders, but not others? About the Author SIMON SINEK, the bestselling author of LEADERS EAT LAST and TOGETHER IS BETTER, is an optimist who believes in a brighter future for humanity. He teaches leaders and organizations how to inspire people and has presented his ideas around the world, from small startups to Fortune 500 corporations, from Hollywood to Congress to the Pentagon. His TED Talk based on START WITH WHY is the third most popular TED video of all time.

## Congratulations



- (1) Rtn. Dr. Sagar Jawale received a patent for 'Rigid Ventilating Video Bronchoscope with Forceps'.
- (2) PP Rtn. Jitendra Dhake who is chairman of President Enclave, Jalgaon was felicitated at the hands of R.I. Director Rtn. Muruganandam for becoming a Major Donar in the D.G. Installation Ceremoney.
- (3) Rtn. Adv. Hemant Bhangale was appointed as Co-editor of GML Dnyanavarta'.
- (4) PP Rtn. Dr. Satish Shindadkar received a prestigious D. Litt. degree from Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Hindi University, Vrindavan Dham, Mathura (U.P.)
- (5) PP Rtn. Suresh Keswani was feliciated by Jalgaon District Tax Practioners Association .



## CONDOLENCE



Rtn. Nandkishor Jakhetia's mother Shreemati Charusheeladevi Narayndasji Jakhetiya' passed away on 11th July 2025. Heartleft Condolence. Om Shanti.

