

Next Gen Beat

September 2024



Here’s what has happened in the last quarter and what’s to come!

Welcome to our newsletter! We are thrilled to share with you the latest developments at RCM Next Gen and how we are making a positive impact in our community. Firstly, we would like to express our gratitude to all of our sponsors and volunteer members who have continued to support us through out this quarter.

In terms of our recent activities, we have successfully launched The NextGen Centre. This centre aims to improve access to quality education amongst underprivileged students. Along with this we hosted a successful golf fundraiser to emphasise the importance of organ donation. Apart from these efforts, our club is continuously thriving towards adding more value to our community and the lives of our fellow members.

The Rotary Club of Madras Next Gen is partnering with schools and other organizations in need, to develop libraries, playgrounds, and basketball courts for children. We also aim to improve the environment with a beach cleanup initiative planned for the coming quarter, making a positive impact on the community.

Finally, we want to remind everyone that our charity relies on the kindness and support of our community. If you are able to donate your time or resources, please do not hesitate to reach out to your committee members.

Together, we can make a real difference in the lives of those who need it most. Thank you for your continued support!

Enjoy this quarter’s newsletter!

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RCM Next Gen Installation 2024

On July 13th, RCM Next Gen hosted the installation ceremony for its 12th President, Rtn. Yashverdhan Palsani, at the Taj Club House, Chennai. The event marked the formal transition of leadership from outgoing President, Rtn. Abhishek Murali, to Rtn. Palsani. The night was attended by Chief Guest, Surendran J, Founder and CEO of Success Gyan, and Guest of Honour, Rtn. Vinod Saraogi, District Governor 2024-25 and Founder of Go Fashion.

In addition to honouring the new President, the entire board for the upcoming term was also recognized, celebrating the club's continued growth and dedication to service. Both the chief guest and guest of honour delivered inspiring speeches, emphasizing leadership and community development.

Following the official ceremony, members of RCM Next Gen continued to socialise, celebrating the new president and his board with an evening of camaraderie and optimism for the year ahead.

Meet your board members for 2024-25

President - Yashverdhan Palsani
Secretary - Antara Tulsyan
Treasurer - Sidharth Gupta
Community Services - Avanthika Ravikumar
Youth Services - Vineet Jain
NextGen Centre - Aditya Bhargava
Club Services - Shahin Ansari & Aakriti Jain
Membership - Pramod Balaji
Fundraising - Vijay Balasubramaniyam
Club Mentor - Shreyans Bhandari
Health Services - Dr. Shivi Kumar
Editorial - Drishya Gupta
Sergeant at Arms - Prathulya Vaidyanath
Vocational Services - Apoorva Prasad
Foundation - Dr. Avinash Mahendar
DEI - Pavithra Venkatagopalan
POSH - Anita Srinivasan



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Social Impact

Since its inception in May, the Next Gen Centre in Chetpet has been a beacon of hope for the local community. Partnering with Yein Udaan, the centre provides after-school education for 50 children, offering tuition, counselling, and a nutritious meal from 4-8 pm, Monday to Saturday. It also empowers local women through vocational training in tailoring and computer skills. Additionally, health camps conducted by Dr. Avinash and Dr. Shivi have improved access to medical care for residents. The centre is a vital resource, fostering growth, learning, and well-being for the low-income community of Chennai.



The **Interact Club** was officially installed at Chennai High School, Kotturpuram, on August 1st. The ceremony, attended by students and faculty, featured **Dr. Rajshree Vasudevan** as the Chief Guest. The event emphasized youth leadership and the importance of nurturing essential values for the students' future growth.



On September 13, 2024, the **Cosmo TNGF Golf Course** in Chennai hosted a charity golf tournament organized by **Mohan Foundation** and the Rotary Club of Madras Next Gen. The event aimed to promote organ donation awareness and support education for underprivileged children. Over **100 players** participated, including organ transplant recipients Amit Prasada and Karhun Nanda, whose presence emphasized the life-saving impact of transplants. Dr. S. Venkatesh



and S. Stalin Joseph won the Four-Ball Better-Ball format, while other individual honors were awarded for best gross and net scores, longest drive, and closest to the pin. The event also celebrated young **organ donation** ambassadors and was supported by sponsors like Apollo Hospitals and Lanson Toyota, making it a successful and meaningful initiative. Thank you to our superstars **Akhil & Aditya** & their team of volunteers for running a smooth show.

Events hosted by RCM Next Gen

Arcade sunday at Timezone, EA



Rotary Next Gen members had an unforgettable evening at Vishala's home during the mystery dinner event, Meow Tigress. Guests stepped into intriguing characters, solving clues amidst a hotel opening backdrop. The night was filled with suspense, live music, and a curated meal, creating a memorable experience of connection and enjoyment.



External speaker

Col Vembu Shankar recently delivered an inspiring talk, sharing insights from his life in the Indian forces and real-life encounters. He highlighted the significance of his project, Sambandh, which supports the families of fallen soldiers. A special moment was his engaging magic trick that emphasized the value of teamwork.



A thought-provoking panel, moderated by Rtn. Krishna, featured members Drishya, Avanthika, and Sunita, all experts in architecture and interior design. The discussion covered insightful topics, offering valuable tips and perspectives from these professionals, giving attendees practical advice and a deeper understanding of the field.

Hari's quiz night

On 24th July, Rotary Next Gen hosted an exciting Wine and Quiz Night at Novotel, Chamiers Road, led by Rtn. Hari. Participants were divided into teams, creating a lively atmosphere of friendly competition. The quiz spanned various topics, from general knowledge to politics and the Olympics, truly challenging the members. The night was filled with laughter, learning, and team spirit, as everyone showcased their skills in a fun and engaging environment. It was a memorable event for all involved.





South Indian lunch Fellowship

On August 4th, our dear member, Pavithra Venkatagopalan, hosted a delightful South Indian lunch for her fellow members at The Kari Theory, located in the Radisson Blu Hotel. The event was filled with excitement as members arrived in beautiful traditional South Indian attire, ready to indulge in a mouthwatering feast. The afternoon was a wonderful display of fellowship, and RCM Next Gen extends heartfelt thanks to Pavithra and her husband, Kaushik, for creating such a memorable afternoon for all.



Games night Fellowship

RCM Next Gen is grateful for the enthusiasm of members like Karthik and Varun Gunaseelan, who recently hosted an exciting and competitive games night at their residence in Adyar. Fellow members were divided into four teams and competed in various activities/games to earn points, with the night culminating in a high-energy and intense game of Jeopardy. The evening was filled with friendly competition, laughter, and delicious food. A big thank you to Karthik and Varun, along with their spouses, Pallavi and Jahnvi, for hosting such a fantastic evening.

Treasured moments from events, fellowships and fireside get-togethers!



Thank you for reading!

-Drishya Gupta
Editorial

