

# Next Gen Beat

March 2025



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

Welcome to the Third Issue of Our Newsletter!

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

Over the past three months, RCM Next Gen has been buzzing with activity, hosting a range of insightful and engaging events. From an eye-opening session on animal welfare with seasoned experts to a fascinating talk that made numbers and data fun, our events have sparked meaningful discussions. We also delved into the world of technology, bringing together industry leaders for a compelling panel discussion. Alongside these thought-provoking sessions, members came together for some truly fantastic fellowships, strengthening friendships over great food, music, and laughter.

As we move into the next quarter, we are gearing up for one of our biggest and most impactful initiatives—the Pickleball Fundraiser on April 5th and 6th. This event is more than just a tournament; it's a step toward change. The funds raised will go toward improving sports facilities for underprivileged girls in the city, ensuring they have access to the resources they need to thrive.

None of this would be possible without the unwavering support of our sponsors and dedicated members. Your contributions, whether through time, resources, or donations, are the backbone of our efforts. Together, we are creating lasting change, and we can't wait to see what the next quarter brings!

In this newsletter  
you can expect:

Social impact
RCM Next Gen Events
Member driven events
Photobooth



## Social Impact

Through the Youth Services Committee, the Rotary Club of Madras Next Gen proudly contributed ₹10,000 to support 160 students from Kottur School in participating in CSK – Chennai Students Kondattam. This initiative provided these students with a memorable experience, allowing them to be part of an exciting event that celebrates sports, teamwork, and community spirit.

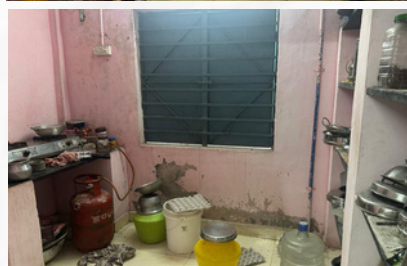


At RCM Next Gen, we believe in creating opportunities that inspire and uplift young minds. By supporting this initiative, we not only encouraged their enthusiasm for sports but also reinforced the values of teamwork, perseverance, and ambition. We are grateful for the opportunity to contribute to their joy and growth, and we remain committed to empowering the next generation through education, sports, and meaningful experiences.



We extend our deepest gratitude to Dr. Avinash for his unwavering commitment to the community. His weekly visits to the NextGen Centre every Wednesday, offering free medical checkups to the underprivileged, have made a profound impact. His generosity and dedication to improving lives embody the true spirit of service. Thank you for making a difference!

## Renovation proposals for welfare spaces



Rotary Nex Gen is taking steps to renovate a crumbling Anganwadi in Tondiarpet (left image) and a neglected children's room at Chennai Central Station (right image). The station's room is meant to provide a safe resting space for lost or abandoned children while efforts are made to reunite them with their families. Led by member Avantika Ravikumar, this initiative will transform these spaces into secure, functional environments, ensuring better care and protection for vulnerable children in need.



## Events hosted by RCM Next Gen

### Family & kids pool party



### Crypto panel

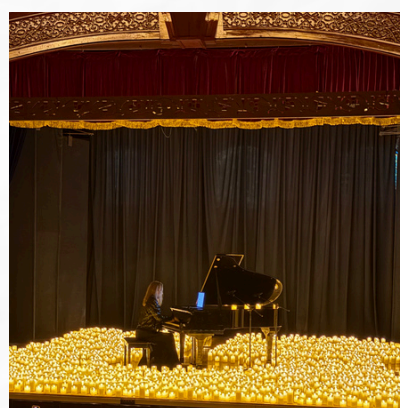
Next Gen's internal crypto panel was a wild ride, featuring Manoj, Akriti, and Anita decoding the mysteries of cryptocurrency—minus the FOMO!

From Bitcoin to “Bit-confused,” they tackled it all with wit and wisdom. Who knew digital coins could spark so much debate... and so many puzzled expressions?

The Rotary Club of Madras Next Gen served up an afternoon of fun, laughter, and fierce pickleball action with members and their families. Under the sunny sky, rackets clashed, friendly rivalries formed, and even the kids got in on the game—some playing, some just chasing the ball! Between matches, everyone enjoyed refreshing drinks and delicious snacks, fueling their energy for more rallies and playful banter. Whether you were a pro or just there for the fun, the spirit of the game brought everyone together. It was an afternoon of smashes, sprints, and smiles, proving that pickleball is for everyone!

### Coldplay candlelight concert

Members and prospective members of the Rotary Club of Madras Next Gen came together for a truly magical evening at the Candlelight Concert – A Tribute to Coldplay, held at the iconic Museum Theatre, Chennai. The enchanting glow of candlelight, combined with beautifully orchestrated renditions of Coldplay's greatest hits, created an unforgettable atmosphere. Everyone in attendance was captivated by the soulful performances, making it a perfect blend of culture and community. It was an evening to remember, strengthening bonds and setting the stage for many more such memorable gatherings.





## Events hosted by RCM Next Gen

### Fun HIIT session at Revoke Gym



RCM Next Gen members traded brunch for burpees at a high-energy HIIT session at Revoke Gym—and let's just say, they felt it. The session was a sweaty mix of jumping, squatting, and questioning life choices, but with music pumping and motivation high, everyone pushed through. Some discovered muscles they never knew existed, while others simply prayed for the cooldown. By the end, there were tired smiles, wobbly legs, and a newfound respect for fitness. Fun, intense, and just the right amount of painful—this HIIT session proved that Next Gen knows how to break a sweat and have a blast!

### External speaker- Data for India

Rukmini from Data for India took the stage and proved that numbers aren't just figures on a spreadsheet—they tell stories, reveal patterns, and challenge perceptions. With humor, insight, and sharp analysis, she made data feel accessible and even, dare we say, fun! From uncovering hidden trends to busting popular myths, her talk was a reminder that statistics aren't just about math; they shape the way we understand the world. Who knew data could be this engaging?



### External Speaker- Animal Welfare

M. Vignesh, founder of Almighty Animal Care Trust, and Antony Rubin from World Wide Veterinary Services shared their invaluable experiences in animal rescue and rehabilitation. With nearly two decades in the field, they've saved countless domestic and wild animals from abuse and neglect. Speaking to the members of the Rotary Club of Madras Next Gen, they highlighted the challenges of rescue operations, the complexities of rehabilitation, and the importance of stronger animal protection laws. Through real-life stories and expert insights, they reminded us that animal welfare isn't just about saving lives—it's about creating a more compassionate world.





## Brunch Fellowship

Sunita, Preeti and Shiv knew exactly what a perfect Sunday needed—great food, flowing drinks, and a room full of Rotarians pretending it was “just one more bite.” Hosting a fabulous brunch fellowship at Khaas, they treated the Rotary Club of Madras Next Gen to mouthwatering Indian cuisine, lively music, and even livelier conversations. Between bites of biryani and sips of something refreshing, the group debated everything from world affairs to which dish deserved a second (or third) helping. Whether it was the food, the fun, or just good old friendship, one thing was clear—this brunch was chef’s kiss perfect!



## An evening of fun and fine spirits

Rotary Next Gen came together for a fantastic evening at ITC Welcome Hotel’s Durrant’s Bar, where hosts Rahul and Pravin set the stage for an unforgettable night. With delicious food, flowing drinks, and plenty of laughter, the evening was a perfect mix of camaraderie and celebration. Members enjoyed catching up, sharing stories, and strengthening friendships in a warm and lively setting. The energy was infectious, with toasts raised and conversations flowing late into the night. It was a true reminder of what fellowship is all about—good company, great memories, and a whole lot of fun. A huge thank you to Rahul and Pravin for organising such a wonderful evening! Here’s to many more nights of Rotary Next Gen fellowship, where bonds grow stronger, and the fun never stops!



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



*Thank you for reading!*

*-Drishya Gupta*  
Editorial

