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"Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep." – Scott Adams



CLUB DIARY - 11 SEPTEMBER, 2025

"LIGHTS, CAMERA... LIFE!" – AN EVENING WITH MS. MANASI SUDHIR

The weekly meeting on 11th September began with the President's address and an invocation by Rtn. Pramod Kumar. The President welcomed all members and distinguished guests of the evening. Rtn. Naveen Narayan introduced the chief guests, Ms. Manasi Sudhir, celebrated Kannada actress, and her husband Mr. Sudhir Rao Kodavoor—who were felicitated on the occasion of Teachers' Day.

They were honoured for their invaluable contributions as true gurus, nurturing Kannada literature, dance, and music while pioneering a unique genre they fondly call "Edu-tainment."

Ms. Manasi Sudhir, a luminous presence in cinema and theatre, admired for her unforgettable role in Kantara, the web series Ekam, and many more, captivated the audience with her reflections on life and art in her inspiring talk, titled: "Lights, Camera... Life!". With a short yet impactful live performance about 'Twinkle and Uncle', she captivated the audience while delivering a strong social message.

The evening was a celebration of culture, inspiration, and fellowship, leaving hearts enriched and spirits uplifted. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Rtn. Narendra Kamath and the National Anthem.

PROGRAM TODAY
18 SEPTEMBER, 2025

Taking tulu to the global stage - Mr. Praveen Alva

VENUE - OCEAN PEARL
Tea Meeting

PROGRAM NEXT WEEK
25 SEPTEMBER, 2025
TO BE ANNOUNCED

VENUE - OCEAN PEARL
Tea Meeting



KNOW OUR CHIEF GUEST

Born and brought-up in the coastal City of Mangalore, Praveen Alva grew up surrounded and fascinated by the rich culture of the land. Being creatively inclined, he was always involved in the theatre groups during his academic years, writing and performing plays and street plays in Kannada, Hindi and Tulu. Praveen is a Co-Founded & principal architect at the Design-Build firm 'IN-Habitat Projects' which is based out of Bangalore. The firm since its inception is working to bring local materials, labour and crafts into its projects and strives to bridge the gap between the design and built quality. He is also the founder of the first & the only Indie band ALVA KUUTO (literally means 'Alva's collective/group'), which writes and performs in the 2500-year-old Dravidian language Tulu. Praveen Alva's efforts in songwriting are towards informing the audience about the coastal life, its culture, and the language which binds the region - TULU.



PRESENTATION TOPIC: TAKING TULU TO THE GLOBAL STAGE Tulu a 2500-year Dravidian language has been classified by UNESCO as 'Vulnerable' language as the number of native speakers has been reducing decade on decade. How do we keep the language relevant to the next generation? What can we do now with the language that can inspire the future generation? The speaker will attempt to answer these questions by presenting the work of world's first and only Indie band Alva Kuuto, who write and perform original Tulu songs and present it in the sound of now. The presentation will talk about the exciting challenges of writing songs in a hyper-local language like Tulu and about the speaker's ambition to take Tulu to the global stage through his music.

CLUB IN NEWS

THE MANGALORE ROUND OF THE 66TH RAMNARAYAN CHELLARAM ROTOQUIZ

The 66th edition of the Ramnarayan Chellaram Rotoquiz, the world's oldest running quiz, was held on 14th September 2025 at SDM PG Centre for Management and Research, Mangalore. Organized by the Rotary Club of Mangalore and Rotaract Club of SDM MBA, and sponsored by Ideal Ice Cream in its 50th year, the event saw a record 120 teams (240 students) from DK and Udupi districts.

After a written prelims, four teams advanced to the stage rounds conducted by quiz master Rtn. SVL Narayan. Ira Jain and Rishabh Naik (CFAL, Mangalore) secured 1st place, followed by Roshan V Billava & Venu H.R (SDM College, Ujire), Nabeel Mohammed & Mohammed Saquib (Yenepoya Medical College), and Mohammed Ausaf Ihsaan & John Anthony Fernandes (IGNOU). Winners received cash prizes of ₹15,000, ₹10,000, ₹6,000, and ₹4,000 along with trophies, certificates, and additional course subscriptions.

Chief Guest and sponsor Mr. Mukund Kamath, MD of Ideal Ice Cream, presented the prizes and was felicitated with a unique cake replica of the iconic "Gadbad" ice cream. Rtn. Vinod Aranha, President of RC Mangalore, appreciated the overwhelming participation and support from RC Bangalore, with whose president, Rtn. Sukhen Padmanabha, he highlighted the decade-long collaboration. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Convenor Rtn. Balachandra Rao.

The top two teams now advance to the finals in Bangalore on 22nd September 2025.



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RTN. PROF. ARUN M. ISLOOR, DELIVERED TWO IMPACTFUL TALKS

Rtn. Prof. Arun M. Isloor, Department of Chemistry, NITK Surathkal, delivered two talks.

At **Christ University, Bangalore**, on **12th September 2025**, he gave a keynote address at a Kannada technical conference supported by AICTE, New Delhi, on "Advanced Sustainable Materials for Water Purification." He highlighted global water scarcity challenges and the role of nanomaterials, membranes, and eco-friendly purification methods, stressing the need for interdisciplinary research and industry-academia collaboration. At **Yenepoya University's** orientation program for new postgraduate students, Prof. Isloor spoke on "Beyond Classrooms: Cultivating Innovation & Research Excellence." Addressing over 250 participants, he encouraged students to embrace creativity, critical thinking, and research beyond traditional learning. The talk was highly motivating and well appreciated by both students and faculty.

EXPERT SESSION: RTN. DR. SIDDARTH SHETTY

Rtn. Dr. Siddarth Shetty was the resource person at the Indian Orthodontic Society's online MDS exam review program on 17th September 2025. He conducted a Role play session on 'Long case discussion and Grand Viva'.

RTN. VENKATESH PAI SPEAKS AT WORLD GREEN BUILDING WEEK 2025

Rtn. Ar. Venkatesh Pai, Principal Architect of Pailands Associates and IGBC Mangalore Chapter representative, was a featured speaker at the World Green Building Week 2025 on 12th September. In the session titled "Bold Together: Community, Policy & the Path Forward", he shared insights on the role of policy and urban planning, community-driven green initiatives, and how businesses can collaborate to build greener cities.

MEMBERS IN NEWS

RTN. ER. RAJENDRA KALBAVI HONOURED ON ENGINEERS' DAY



Rtn. Er. Rajendra Kalbavi, National President-Elect of the Association of Consulting Civil Engineers (India), graced multiple Engineers' Day celebrations this year. On 15th September, he was present at the ACCE (I) Mangalore Centre's Engineers' Day programme at KPT Junction, alongside MP Captain Brijesh Chowta, and later served as Chief Guest at the Builders' Association of India, Shimoga Centre Engineers' Day celebration. On 16th September, he was the Chief Guest at the Engineers' Day & Award Ceremony jointly organized by the Association of Civil Engineers Mulki and Rotary Club Mulki, where young achievers in civil engineering were felicitated. His presence across these events highlighted his leadership and dedication to the engineering fraternity.

ROTARIANS FELICITATED AT RAMAKRISHNA MISSION 75TH AMRIT YEAR EVENT



During the event at the Mangaluru Ramakrishna Mission, held as part of the 75th Amrit Year celebrations, **Rtn. Rajendra Kalbavi, Rtn. Prakash Prabhu, and Rtn. Venkatesh Pai** were honoured for their outstanding service to the community.

OBITUARY

Smt. Shalini S Kamath

We deeply regret to inform the passing of Ann Smt. Shalini S. Kamath, beloved wife of Late Rtn. PP S. S. Kamath and mother of Rtn. PP Srinivas Kamath, who left for her heavenly abode on the night of 14th September 2025. We extend our heartfelt condolences to the family. May her soul rest in peace.



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Dear Rotarians, the Rotalore needs your spark!

Be it a story, a photo, a memory or a witty line, send it in. We're accepting rolling submissions, so share whenever inspiration strikes and watch your voice come alive in our pages.

Kindly send your entries to me at +91 98450 84266.

Regards,

Rtn. Dr. Akhter Husain, Editor, Rotalore

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS



**Rtn. PHF
 Dr. Siddarth Shetty**
 24th September



**Rtn. Dr Arvind
 Rao**
 24th September

ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS

**Rtn. Major Donor Fakhruddin Kunil and
 Ann Zubeida**
 20th September

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

FIRST > Is it the **TRUTH**?

SECOND > Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

THIRD > Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?

FOURTH > Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

CLUB PULSE 11.09.2025

Total members : 90
 Members present : 51
 Exempt : 3
 Makeup : 1
 Percentage : 61%

**WEEKLY MEETING
 Thursday, 7.00 P.M.
 Ocean Pearl
 Navabharath Circle,
 Kodialbail, Mangalore**

<https://www.rotarymangalore.com>

ROTARY RIDDLES CORNER

Brain Teaser for the Week
 (courtesy Reader's Digest):

Fourteen of the kids in the class are girls. Eight of the kids wear blue shirts. Two of the kids are neither girls or wear a blue shirt. If five of the kids are girls who wear blue shirts, how many kids are in the class?

Send us your answers and be featured in the next Rotalore (9845084266 – Rtn. Dr. Akhter Husain, Editor)

Answer to last weeks riddle:
 His son.

Unfortunately, no takers for the riddle.

HOBBY CORNER



Amrutha Kalasa
 -by Akhter Husain

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- At the 11 September meeting, **Rtn. CA Prasanna Shenoy** generously contributed a gift of \$100 to TRF in celebration of his birthday. The club extends heartfelt thanks for his thoughtful gesture.
- The NSS Unit of NIA, in association with the Rotary Club of Mangalore and Rotaract Nitte DU, has organized a Beach Clean-Up Drive at **Someshwara Beach**.
 Date – **21st September 2025**
 Time – **8 am – 10:30 am**