



# Banyan Tree

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## President

Rtn. Seshiah .M.N

## Dear Rotarians



The month of May is generally a dull month with peak heat and long holidays. We did have our meetings - one on how to make philanthropy impact full and the other a vocational talk on being a cinematographer. Philanthropy being an integral part of Rotary did lend a new dimension. Despite all developments career for a woman is still a challenge more so one like cinematography.

What appeared an ominous task at the beginning turned out to be a pleasure over the year. I had the unique opportunity of visiting each and every Rotarian in person and the interaction did widen my horizons. It was the unstinted support of all of you that helped me realise my dreams for RCA. I had the additional support of all the Anns which made my task easier. I really did realise how important a role the women in Rotary perform .

I enjoyed every moment of the year both at the club level and district level. I earned new friends, some of them for life. Rotary is a great organisation and produces world class leaders.

This will be my last official communication through the Bulletin. I take this opportunity to say a Big Thank You to all of you for the trust reposed and for support extended. You made what could have been a pain into a great experience. I have imbibed new qualities and strengths in the process of running this club in the last one year.

I wish the incoming Presidents and their team all the best and pledge my support to them

Au revoir

Rtn.Seshiah

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## A rendezvous in Girvan, Scotland



We did a trip to UK to visit our daughter Soundarya, who was completing her MBA at Liverpool. Rtn. Alistair & Ruth, who are our good friends, invited us to stay with them and we spent a couple of enjoyable days at their house, in Girvan, Scotland. The sunset, as seen from their hall, against the backdrop of Ailsa Craig, a granite island formed from an extinct volcano, was gorgeous. The Scottish meals, served with care and affection, were very nice and different. Alistair drove us to all the tourist places in Girvan, two of which were the Turnberry Hotel and Golf course owned by President Trump of USA. We were invited to lunch at the beautiful house of Mrs & Mr. Henderson, the President of RC Girvan. We had a long and lively conversation about our Club and

their Club over a grand lunch, served by Ann. Linda. This picture, taken in their garden, was soon published in their local newspapers!

- Rtn. Thiagu



## Hamburg RI Convention 2019



Pres Elect Karunakaran and his family attended the RI Convention at Hamburg and exchanged our club flag. Kudos! Karuna keep our flag flying.

## RCA's Charter Night



Charter Night was celebrated in style, on 8th of June'19 at Raddison Blu. The RCA Anthem was played. PP Boopathiraj was master of ceremonies and Pres Sesh spoke at length and thanked all his team members. Rtns. Gopal, Iyengar and other members felicitated Pres Seshiah. Sec Senthilnathan gave the vote of thanks after which we adjourned for fellowship and dinner.

## Regular meetings



Mr. Ravichandren Natarajan, Head Venture Philanthropy & Social Capital at Social Alpha, shared his thoughts and experiences on the topic - How to make Philanthropy in India more impactful at our regular meeting at Savera on 14th May'19.



Ms. Sharanya Chander spoke to us on 28th May'19, on the topic: My Journey as Cinematographer, describing her career path from starting out as a professional photographer and moving on to cinematography.



## Annettes Club Project



Annette Soundarya volunteered at the project of Rotary Liverpool South, which carried out 339 Blood Pressure Tests for the customers at Belle Vale Shopping Centre in Liverpool.

Sowing the seeds of charity in the young minds will work wonders. And the proof, are the Projects done by our annettes from 2014, when RCA started the Annettes' club. Every President did put in a lot of effort, to make the club flag fly high. President Maansa 2018 – 2019 has done all the projects with dedication and care. I took over the responsibility of Annettes club of Adyar, when my daughter Soundarya was President in 2014 – 2015, and I continued the responsibility for five continuous years. I feel very satisfied that our annettes were able to find time to give back to the society, inspite of hectic schedules at their schools and colleges. Kudos to all the annettes for contributing to the society in a beautiful way.

- Rtn. Chitra Thiagarajan



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*From a Well Wisher*

## PROGRAMME

Date	Meeting Details	Venue
08.06.19	Charter Nite	Radisson Blu
18.06.19	Speaker Meeting	Hotel Savera
25.06.19	Feedback Meeting	Hotel Savera

## BIRTHDAYS

- 9th Jun Ann Valarmathy Subash.
- 10th Jun Ann Ramani Boopalan.
- 10th Jun Rtn.Vidyadharan.
- 13th Jun Annette Keerthana D/o Rtn.Siva.
- 15th Jun Ann Vanmathy Rajesh.
- 17th Jun Rtn.Senthilnathan.
- 17th Jun Ann Ramesh Kumar- Rtn. Gomathi.
- 19th Jun Annet Ramanathan S/o Rtn.Rajasekar.
- 19th Jun Ann Vaijyanthi Sridhar.
- 21st Jun Annette Kaushik S/o Rtn.Sridhar.
- 22nd Jun Ann Meera Ragavan.
- 22nd Jun Ann Sundaravalli Chandrasekar
- 23rd Jun Ann Swarna Easwaramurthi.
- 23rd Jun Rtn. Sai kumaran
- 27th Jun Annette Sudharshan S/o Rtn.Boopalan.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

- 9th Jun Rtn Sai kumaran & Ann Geethalakshmi
- 16th Jun Rtn.Easwaramurthi & Ann Swarna.
- 21st Jun Rtn.Boopalan & Ann Ramani.
- 24th Jun Rtn.Dr.Nishanth & Ann Dr.Shruti





## Dear Readers and Contributors,

A beautiful life is a collection of unforgettable moments, when moments become memories, they last forever. So, playing the moments, pausing the memories and rewinding the happiness was the basic thought in my mind, when I took over as Editor. As an editor, I brought back the happenings of our club and district events in our monthly bulletin, with the tremendous support of our members, who had contributed in the form of beautiful articles. I acknowledge the contributions made by these dedicated members of our club, members of other clubs and District officials.

'Doc talk and Explore the World are the two new general topics that I introduced in our monthly bulletin.

In Doc talk column, the doctors from our club and few other doctors spoke on their specialisation. They found time to pen a few words for our club bulletin, in spite of their busy schedule. The success of the journal is a testimony to their commitment.

In Explore the World column, I came across a lot of new places inside and outside India. Travelling to a new place is always an excitement for many of our members. Hope this column has inspired you to explore places not only outside India, but also within our own country. Being an Indian, I felt so much pride in showcasing our nation, where the tourist places found in many countries can be matched within our incredible India. Thanks to Google for educating us on various new places around the World.

It was wonderful being the editor for our club bulletin 'Banyan Tree'. Heartfelt thanks to all the sponsors, without them, it would not have been possible to print hard copies. Last, but not the least, thanks to all the readers for your support. I end here by saying 'Memories live forever'.

- Ann. Chitra Thiagarajan.

*Thank  
you*



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