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Chennai



# Chennapathra

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## Senthan Amuthan Takes Over As President



Senthan Amuthan, who has been successfully running an event management company for the past 20 years, specialize in corporate events across India for Hyundai Motors, Yamaha, and TCS.

Being a Tourism facilitator recognized by Govt. of India Tourism, he also runs a travel management company specialized in educational tours and adventure-based camping tours at an international level. Over the past 20 years, he has become a successful entrepreneur overseeing both these businesses.

As a bike enthusiast, he also participated in Motorbike rallies (TN and Kerala). He also completed tropical helicopter underwater escape training program conducted by the National Academy for Professional Training, Qatar. Swimming is his favorite sport that led him to win senior state aquatic championships conducted by the Tamil Nadu State Aquatic Association.

Senthan Amuthan joined Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna in 2014 and since then he has been the integral part of this club.

Some of his other activities are past President of Leo Club of City Park, founder Secretary of Young Stars Welfare Association, past President of Madras Marina Junior Chamber International, and past Zone officer Junior Chamber International Zone 16,

He holds a Post Graduate Degree in Mathematics. He is married to Vanitha, who holds a Post Graduate degree in Computer Applications and currently works as a Senior Technical Writer for a reputed e-publishing company. They are blessed with daughter, Shivani, an IT graduate working in Zoho Corporation, and son Haryshwa, who is currently in +1.

Rotarian Senthan Amuthan will assume charge as President on July 8th for the Rotary year 2021-22.



## RCMCP Office bearers for 2021-22



**Senthan Amuthan**  
President



**B. Chakravarthy**  
Imm Past President



**K. Satyanarayanan**  
Secretary



**Paresh Khatri**  
Treasurer Admin



**B. Rajkumar**  
Treasurer Trust



**AVS Rau**  
Managing Trustee



**PL Muthiah**  
Advisor



**J. Ganesh**  
Club Trainer



**N. Anand**  
President Elect

## Board of Directors & Chairmen



**Avenue Directors:** Guha Prakash - Club Administration, R.C. Srinivasan - Community Services (Health), Karthikeyan - Community Services (Dev), Vidya Alagu Perumal - Youth Services, N. Anand - Vocational Services, B. Chakravarthy - International Services, Rajiv Reddy & Raja Sriraam - Sergeants-at-Arms



**Chairmen:** R. Saptagiri- Foundation, G. Prabhakar - Membership, S. Harikumar - Fellowship, PL Muthiah - Microloan, Deepak Pungaliya - Polio Plus, Rajamarthandan - Public Image, Praveen Mehra - Global Grant/iBreast, N. Anand - Newsletter,  
**Second Row:** Anand Jothi - Interact, Vishwanathkrishnan - Operations Daybreak/Literacy, Vallekannu - Fund Raising, Dr. Ani Grace - iBreast, R. Dileep Kumar - Wash, B. Suryabaskar - Environment and K.N. Ramanathan - Disaster Management

## Pattinathars New Role In The District







**SHEKHAR  
MEHTA**

RI PRESIDENT 2021-22

Shekhar Mehta of the Rotary Club of Calcutta-Mahanagar, took over as the President of Rotary International for 2021-22.

Mehta, an accountant, is chair of the Skyline Group, a real estate development company he founded. He is also a director of Operation Eyesight Universal (India), a Canada-based organization.

He has been actively involved in disaster response and is a trustee of ShelterBox, UK. After the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, he helped build nearly 500 homes.

Mehta pioneered a program that has performed more than 1,500 life-changing heart surgeries in South Asia. He is also the architect of the TEACH Program, which promotes literacy throughout India and has reached thousands of schools.

A Rotary member since 1984, Mehta has served Rotary as director, member or chair of several committees, zone coordinator, training leader, member of The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers, and district governor. He is also the chair of Rotary Foundation (India).

Mehta has received Rotary's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Awards. He and his wife, Rashi, are Major Donors and members of the Bequest Society.

Mehta acknowledges that current membership trends are a challenge and says that membership development should be Rotary's highest priority. He believes that focusing on regional plans, successfully transitioning Rotaractors into Rotary clubs, and increasing diversity and female members could yield a 5% net growth in membership each year. As a strong proponent of Rotary's strategic plan, Mehta says he will encourage clubs to use action plans and reinforce the core values of Rotary.



**J. SRIDHAR**

3232 DG FOR 2021-22

Rtn J Sridhar is a member of the Rotary Club of Madras Industrial City, under the classification of 'Automobile Parts Manufacturing'. He holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering and PG in Management.

A qualified Automotive Cooling System Engineering expert, He is now the CEO of Magal Engg Tech Pvt. Ltd, a subsidiary of Magal Engineering Ltd, UK, manufacturing critical powertrain parts and mechanical assemblies for the automobile industry.

A Rotarian since 2000, under his Presidentship in 2006-07, the club was recognised with the Rotary Action Trophy 'GOLD' for the overall performance and was adjudged as No.1 Club in RI Dist 3230 for the highest Per Capita Contribution to The Rotary Foundation.

He has held many positions in the District, as the GSE Selection Committee Member (2009- 13), Secretary-PETS held at Bangkok and Singapore (2009 & 2012), AG (2009- 10), PETS Chairman, AG-Admin and District Membership Chairman (2018-19).

At the Rotary Zonal level, he also served as Assistant Secretary for Rotary Zone Institute, Bangkok (2010-11), and Treasurer for the Multi District PETS, Sri Lanka (2015-16) among others.

Sridhar & Punitha are level-2 Major Donors and Benefactors to the Rotary Foundation, and Paul Harris Society Member with a total contribution in excess of \$30,000.

An avid traveller, Sridhar is married to Punitha, who holds a PG in Business Economics and manages a software firm, Convex Business Solutions in Chennai.

They are blessed with two daughters, Vidya, a Post Graduate in Computer Science Engineering and Nithya who is pursuing her Law Hons Degree.

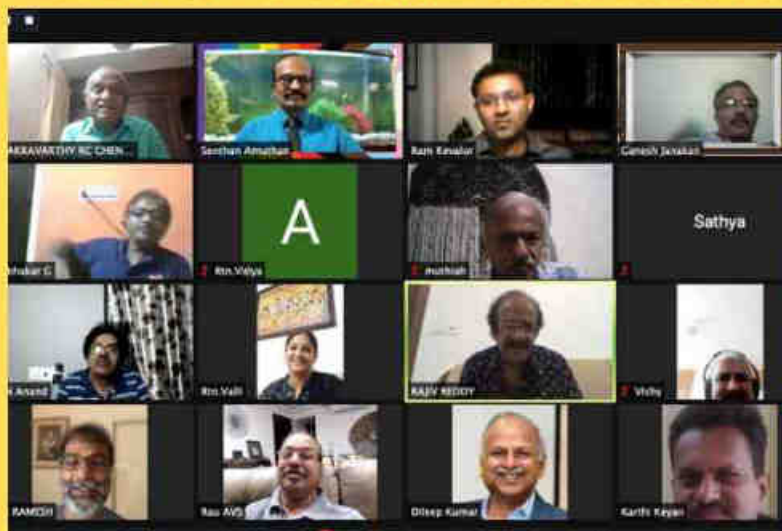


## Leaders Speak At District Training Assembly



Rotary International President Nominee **Jennifer Jones** delivered the Valedictory Address and urged members to focus on the 7th area Environment by making best use of the resources for future generation. PDG **A. S.Venkatesh**, RI Director for 2021–23 addressed the inaugural session on June 6th virtually.

## RCMCP's Joint Board & Closed Door Meetings



The joint board meeting of our club was held on Zoon platform on June 13th and 27th, in which President Elect **Senthana Amuthan** introduced his new team. It included experienced and Green Rotarians as well.

Covid Committee members presented details of funds received from our sister Club Aireborough and how it was executed.

## Club Service Team Springs A Surprise Snack

The Club Service Team headed Paresh Khatri sprang a surprise on June 27th by sending a mini snack to the members, just a few hours before the scheduled final meeting of the Rotary Year -- Closed Door Meeting.

In fact Rotarians came to know about the arrival of the surprise pack when the founder member PL Muthiah thanked president Chakravarthy.

It is the third time that Club Service team has done some innovation. It includes sending birthday cakes to Rotarians, sweet packets during Diwali and provision kits for distribution to the needy. Kudos to the Club Service Team for the novel idea and for executing it despite Covid-led restrictions.





## Covid Provision Kits Distribution



## Aiding Hospitals in Kovai, Erode & Chennai



President Elect **Senthan Amuthan** along with President **B. Chakravarthy**, PP **Ganesh**, Rotarians **K.N. Ramanathan**, **N. Anand** and **Vidya Alagu Perumal** formed a committee to procure equipment and oxygen concentrators at a best rate and to distribute it to the deserving people.

Rotarian **Ani Grace** helped the committee members in identifying the hospitals in tier-II cities such as Villupuram and Nagercoil. Oxygen Concentrators were given to government hospitals in Tiruchi, Coimbatore and Royapettah, Chennai along with drinking water and oximeter to Villupuram Government Hospital.





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## 20 UK CLUBS PROVIDE RELIEF MATERIALS TO COMBAT COVID



**Over 20 Rotary Clubs from the U.K. along with 11 individual donors have contributed about Rs.20 lakh to help India to prevent and treat those affected by the second wave of pandemic Covid-19.**

One may call it a first of its kind collaboration between different Rotary Clubs based in the U.K. with Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna and 1985 batchmates of National Public School.

In the end, it resulted in donating 19 oxygen concentrators, medical equipment and kits to different hospitals in tier-II and cities of Tamil Nadu.

**President Elect Senthana Amuthan** took special interest and personally delivered the medical kits and equipment to the Dean of Stanley Hospital, while it was couriered to other hospitals.

It was a sub-culture of appreciation and fondness for India among the U.K. citizens that resulted in gifting 19 oxygen concentrators, 800 PPE Kits, 500 NRB masks, 450 under pads, N-95 mask, wheel chair, gum boots and hand sanitizers valued over Rs.24 lakh to over dozen hospitals in different parts of Tamil Nadu. Orders were placed and beneficiaries were identified through rigid methodology.

What started as a casual chat with the president of Rotary Club of Aireborough Raj Mani and the Youth Service Director of Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna K.N. Ramanathan, resulted in flow of funds in quick time.

In all four units of five litres oxygen concentrators and 15 units of 10 litres were given to trust and non-profit making hospitals in Chennai and in different parts of Tamil Nadu during the first week of June.

The major beneficiaries are Holy Family Mission Hospital in Kotagiri; St. Thomas German Hospital in Chetpet; Salvation Army Catherine Booth Hospital in Nagercoil; Our Lady of Health Hospital in Thanjavur; St. Joseph Hospital Dindigul; Covid Care Centre Erode and Coimbatore and Villupuram Government Hospitals. Life saving equipment and drinking water provided to Royapettah GH by National Public School 1985 batchmates.

Chennai regions covered Ponneri Government Hospital, Sir Ivan Stedeford Hospital in Ambattur; Anandam Old Age Home; Stanley Hospital; Lakshmi Pain and Palliative Care Trust, Government Hospital Villupuram, St. Thomas Military Hospital, Covid Centres of Greater Chennai Corporation, and Anbagam Home for Mental Health & Rehabilitation.

**Meanwhile, RCMCP has been ranked among the top 25 clubs in District 3232 for the year 2020-21 in total contributions towards various projects.**



## The Journey Of Oxygen Concentrators







## Ethiraj Women Rotaract Club Retains World Largest Club Title



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## RC Aireborough News



### Gives O2 Concentrators to Covid Patients



**Picture one:** The Hidden Homeless Charity has found a new home for storage at Lidl's new premises in Horsforth. Club members put up racking to store provisions. They then transported surplus items to local Foodbanks and the Healthy Eating Scheme, earning the charity's gratitude.

**Picture two:** Aireborough Rotarians enjoyed two recent opportunities to enjoy freedom and socialising outside, beginning by meeting for coffee at Kirkstall Abbey. Two days later, many took part in a fundraising Garden Wander in aid of Rotary Foundation. Hosted by four Rotary households in Rawdon, Guiseley and Ilkley. Members exchanged gardening expertise, bought plants and caught up over refreshments.

**Picture three:** Following the death of a dedicated gardening enthusiast in Yeadon, Club members took on the task of restoring the front garden to its original state and clearing a sadly overgrown vegetable garden for his family.

### Demystifying The Great Indian Dances



The Aireborough/ Madras Chenna Patna Rotary link bore additional fruits when Rotarian **Ramanathan** aided by his wife **Deepa** gave a dramatic powerpoint presentation complete with video clips entitled 'Demystifying the Indian Dance Forms'. His enthusiastic explanation covered the 'Hows and Whats' of Indian classic, folk and two different portrayals of Bollywood dance originating in different parts of India.

### Saving Lives In India, Providing Sandwich In UK

Aireborough Rotary Club members were delighted with the 19 oxygen concentrators and additional PPE raised by 21 District Clubs and 14 individual donors. Our thanks go out to all who contributed so magnificently for Covid patients in India.

As part of the **Healthy Holidays Project** with Guiseley Football Community Foundation **Aireborough Rotarians and partners** made sandwiches for pupils attending an activity week at Westfield School. This year 360 lunches have now been notched up.



**Rtn Senthana Amuthan**  
President

**PHF Rtn. B. Chakravarthy**  
IPP, Director International Services

**Rtn N. Anand**  
President Elect &  
Director Vocational Services

**PHF Rtn K. Sathyanarayanan**  
Secretary

**PHF Rtn Paresh Khatri**  
Treasurer - Admin

**Rtn B. Rajkumar**  
Treasurer - Trust

**Rtn Guha Prakash**  
Director Club Service

**Rtn R.C. Srinivasan**  
Dir. Community Service (Health)

**Rtn S. Karthikeyan**  
Director, Community Service (Dev.)

**Rtn Vidya Alagu Perumal**  
Director Youth Service

**Rtn Raja Marthandan**  
Chairman Public Image

**PHF Rtn PL. Muthiah**  
Chairman Micro Loan

**Rtn Vishwanathkrishnan**  
Chairman - Operation Daybreak

**Rtn Dr. Ani Grace Kalaimathi**  
Chairman iBreast

**Rtn B. Suryabaskar**  
Chairman Environment

**Rtn S. Harikumar**  
Chairman Fellowship

**Chennapathra Team**  
PHF Rtn. Senthana Amuthan  
Rtn N. Anand  
Ann Vanitha  
Ann Egnitha

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

07-07-2021: Installation Function 7 PM

12-07-2021: Board Meeting 7 PM

22-07-2021: Speaker Meeting at 7 PM

29-07-2021: iBreast meeting 7 PM

## BIRTHDAYS

Rtn B. Rajkumar	04
Alagu Perumal Spouse of Rtn Vidya	05
Annette Kapil S/o. Rtn Prabhakar	05
Rtn Rajashekhar	08
Ann Sharmilee W/o. Rtn Ganesh	09
Rtn Vidya Alagu Perumal	18
Rtn Raja Marthandan	18
Annette Lavanya D/o. Rtn Shankar	18
Annette Smyrna D/o. Rtn Ani Grace	20
Rtn Surendra	22
Ann Revathi W/o. Rtn Harikumar	23
Annette Sasikiran S/o. Rtn Chakravarthy	25
Rtn AVS Rau	26
Annette Sandeep S/o. Rtn Prabhakar	29



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



Rtn Senthana Amuthan & Ann Vanitha	06
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