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### Installation of the 27th President Rtn. Suryabaskar

On 4th July, 2019, the proceedings of the evening started with auspicious lighting of the Kuthuvilakku by our lovely Anns Sasibanu, Anandhi, Geetha, Sharmilee and Usha. After inviting and placing the District Governor Rtn. Chandramohan and our AG Rtn. Prabha Padmanaban on the dais, the MCs for the evening Ann Meyammai and Rtn. Valli requested Rtn. Muthiah to collar the President Rtn. Prabhakar. Annette Kavya D/o. Rtn. Karthikeyan rendered the Invocation song, which she did with great aplomb, her melodious voice set the tone for the evening.



The official part of the evening started with the Welcome Address by the outgoing President Rtn. Prabhakar, who in his speech gave a brief of his year and profusely thanked the Past Presidents for their unstinting support year after year to all the Presidents. He went on to present the Activity Report of the significant happenings in his period in the form of a PPT. The icing on the cake being the 13 Awards



won by the club for the year 2018-19. He also gave a small memento to the board members as a token of his love and affection.

Next in the agenda was the introduction of President Elect Rtn. Suryabaskar by Rtn. Ganesh, who was instrumental in getting him into Rotary. He traced the journey of Rtn. Suryabaskar from his birth (narrated that as a new born child Rtn. Suryabaskar was affected by Polio and how his mother took him from their village which did not have proper medical facilities, the arduous journey of carrying him in a boat for 2 kms

and then a bus journey of 15 kms to nearest hospital, her grit and determination saved Suryabaskar from the dreaded Polio disease) to his present day role as an Importer & Exporter of fruits.

Then came the moment of the evening when Rtn. Suryabaskar was installed as the 27th President of our club. Rtn. Suryabaskar in his acceptance outlined his vision for the club and requested the help and guidance of the Past Presidents and the new crop of enthusiastic and dynamic members. He





introduced his board for 2019-20, which was done as a caricature of each member (thanks to Rtn. Senthan Amuthan) and a few lines about them. After the customary Group Photo the Charter was exchanged by the outgoing Secretary Rtn. Suryabaskar with the incoming Secretary Rtn. Anand. Birthday and Anniversary Greetings by Club Service Director Sathyanarayanan, followed by the release of Club Newsletter 'Chennapathra' and the Club Roster by the DG Rtn. Chandramohan.

A noble project of supporting 26 visually challenged students of the Poonamalle Govt. Hr. Sec. School with 'Mobile Tracking' was kicked off with symbolically handing over the same to 5 students, who were present, by the DG Rtn. Chandramohan.

After the recognition of our members in the District, AG Rtn. Prabha introduced the DG Rtn. Chandramohan. The DG then spoke and applauded the club for the wonderful work it was doing and recognized all the Past Presidents and their support to the club. He also outlined a couple of projects and encouraged our club to do the best in supporting them.

We also had a couple of guests of our members and 4 Rotaractors from our Rotaract Club of Madras Chenna Patna.

The Secretary's Announcements was followed by the Vote of Thanks by Vice President Rtn. Senthan Amuthan which brought down the curtains for an enjoyable and solemn evening. Fellowship and Dinner was enjoyed by everybody and with the thought of looking forward to a great Rotary Year under stewardship of the new president Rtn. Suryabaskar the Pattinathars departed.

Rtn. R. Dileep Kumar







### MOBILE TRAC donated to visually challenged school students

Our club along with National Association for Blind (NAB) took the next step of helping visually impaired students to prepare for board exams. NAB Tamil Nadu Branch, which is executing the project, has identified 60 such students studying in Government Blind Schools.

During the Installation RI District 3232 Governor G Chandramohan distributed the first lot of MOBILE TRAC to 5 students of Government Blind School in Poonamallee, which has pre-recorded lessons, FM radio. Another 20 devices are planned to be given later at the School.



### 1st Board Meeting - 9th July, 2019





The First Board Meeting was held on 9th July at Rtn. Rajiv Reddy's office. The Directors spelt out their plans and various projects were discussed. In particular the forthcoming Interact and Rotaract Installations was discussed.

#### Paradise Home Donation

As it is done every year, Rs. 10,000/- was donated to Paradise Home located on ECR, which is a home for the Mentally Challenged. It has about 50 residents. They have been doing Yeomen Service and this donation is small gesture to support the noble cause.

Our Club President Rtn. Suryabaskar hands over the cheque in the presence of our AG Rtn. Prabha and other club members at Paradise Home.







### iBreast Portable Mammography Project takes baby steps

On July 16, 2019 RC of Madras Chenna Patna along with its Canadian counterpart RC Kingston held a videoconferencing to discuss various aspects with regard to the implementation of iBreast Portable Mammography Project. It is a project to detect early stage of breast cancer among women, particularly in rural areas, with the help of a handy device. Both the clubs decided to test the project on a pilot basis by purchasing





five such devices and then convert it into a Global Grant Project.

Our Rtn. Ram, who was in the U.S. at that time, arranged the meeting between both the Clubs. He'd briefed them about the Project, exchanged our Club flags and brochures.

Rtn. Ani Grace, Project Chair spearheaded the programme from Chennai. It was a fruitful meeting with good attendance on both the sides.

### Tree Saplings at our Swami Dayananda Rotary Matriculation School, Kadalur

Tree sapling planted by President B Suryabaskar and Secretary N. Anand at Swami Dayananda Rotary Matriculation Higher Secondary School has started growing and they were very happy that it is appearing hale and healthy, thanks to the care taken by our Interactors









#### Installation of our Interact Clubs and Rotaract Club

During July 2019, RC Madras Chenna Patna completed inauguration of three interact clubs - Vanavani Matriculation Hr. Sec. School, Hindu Senior Secondary School and Swami Dayananda Rotary Matriculation Higher Secondary School. It also has the world's largest Rotaract Club represented by Ethiraj College for women. District Interact chair Rtn. T. Sathish and our AG Rtn. Praba Padmanabhan took part in these events.















### Athi Varadar, who emerges once in 40 Years - Pilgrimage Fellowship

The first fellowship of Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna took place on Tuesday, 30th July 2019, with a visit to Kancheepuram town to have a once in a life time darshan of Lord Athi Varadaraja Perumal popularly known as Athi Varadar.

About 45 of us -- President Suryabaskar, Secretary Anand, Fellowship Chairman Harikumar, Rotarians Srinivasan, Senthan Amuthan, Paresh, Chakravarthi, Udaya Kumar, Vallekkanu, Anand Jothi and Surendra along with their respective families relatives and friends -- assembled at Koyambedu around 2.45 am to take part in the pilgrimage.

The atmosphere was filled with religious fervour and a glow on their radiant faces. Rtn. Hari and his team had organised an air conditioned coach & a tempo traveller to transport us in comfort to Kancheepuram. We reached the place by 5 am. Then we were transported to temple by share autos.

Athi Varadhar murti is about 9 ft. long and is carved out of the divine Fig wood by the celestial engineer Vishwakarma. Lord Brahma performed the Prana Prathishta to the murti and worshiped the Lord. This deity is kept safely inside the Anantha Sarovar - the temple Pushkarani, for 40 years and only once in 40 years the deity is brought out for the darshan for 48 days. Last time it happened in 1979 and the next darshan is slated for 2059.

We had the great fortune of having a very satisfying darshan of Athi Varadhar at close quarters at Vasantha Mandapam. After the darshan we had breakfast at noon at a friends place, relaxed there for some time and started our journey back home.

It was a great effort and coordination by Rtn. Hari and his team, truly a challenging task to arrange darshan for all, more so when the temple is over crowded and all streets leading to the temple appeared like an ocean of humanity.

A big Thank You to Rtn. Hari and the Fellowship Team for making this family fellowship a memorable one indeed.

Rtn. B. Surendra





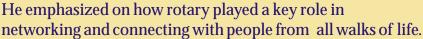


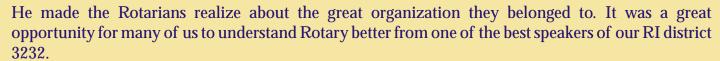
# First Speaker Meeting PDG Rtn. ISAK Nazar on the Rotary Theme 'ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD'

It is customary every year that the First Regular Meeting of our club after the Installation will be on the Rotary theme of the year.

For the same we had the pleasure of our Past District Governor Rtn. ISAK Nazar expounding the Rotary Theme for the Year 2019-20.

He imparted the vast rotary knowledge and shared his rich experience with real-time examples which synced with the theme "Rotary Connects the World".





The meeting also witnessed induction of Guhaprakash by PDG Rtn. Nazar. With these we are now a 50 member club.

We also had the pleasure of having the President and Treasurer of the newly installed Rotary Club of Metrozone with us for the meeting. They were mighty thrilled in hearing the speech and were motivated and we're sure that they will be able to apply what they had heard today and build their club.

We also had a prospective member Mr. Anwar with us for the meeting.

Rtn. Prabhakar









Rtn. Suryabaskar. B President

Rtn. Prabhakar. G Immediate Past President

Rtn. Manikandan. R President Elect

> Rtn. Anand. N Secretary

Rtn. Karthikeyan. S Treasurer - Admin

Rtn. Chakravarthy. B Treasurer - Trust

Rtn. Sathyanarayanan. K Director Club Administration

Rtn. Chandrasekar. P Director Community Ser. (Dev.)

Rtn. Dr. Ani Grace Director Community Ser. (Health)

> Rtn. Udaya Kumar T.R. **Director Youth Service**

Rtn. Senthan Amuthan, G **Director Vocational Service** 

Rtn. Ramanathan K.N. **Director International Service** 

> Rtn. Prabhakar. G Rtn. Muthiah PL Sergeants - At - Arms

> > Chennapathra

Rtn. Dileep Kumar R Rtn. Anand N Rtn. Prabhakar G Rtn. Ramanathan K N Ann Deepa Mogili Rtn. Surendra B

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

02.08.2019 : Visit to Poonamallee Government Blind School to donate

MOBILE TRAC Voice Assisted Devices - 2.00 pm

08.08.2019 : Regular Meeting - Popular Artist Revathy Sankaran -

Hotel Savera - 7.00 p.m.

11.08.2019 : District 3232 All Womens Car Rally - LIBA Campus - 9.00 a.m.

13.08.2019 : Launch of Anaemia Project - Government Hr. Sec. School,

Pandeswaram, Tiruvallur Dt. - Chief Guest : DGN Rtn. J. Sridhar

- 11.00 a.m.

13.08.2019 : Second Board Meeting - Rtn Rajiv Reddy's Office - 7.00 p.m.

23.08.2019 : Madras Day Celebrations, Hotel Savera - 7.00 p.m.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Annette Moksha D/o Rtn. Vidya Alagu Perumal	1
Rtn. Narayanan Swaminathan	4
Annette Prithiviraj S/o Rtn.Karthikeyan	8
Rtn. Vallekkannu	8
Annette Pranav S/o Rtn. Bharathan Prahalad	15
Rtn. Manikandan	17
Annette Abhishek S/o Rtn.Praveen	20
Annette Vyoma D/o Rtn. Mohan Sidhan	20
Ann Pooja W/o Rtn. Praveen K.Mehra	23
Ann Anupama W/o Rtn. Rajiv Reddy	26
Annette Vaishnavi D/o Rtn. Rajiv Reddy	26

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Rtn. Paresh & Ann Khushi	6
Rtn. Praveen Mehra & Ann Pooja	10
Rtn. Dileep Kumar & Ann Anitha	22
Rtn. Rajshekhar & Ann Priya	24
Rtn. Ani Grace & Ann Gnanasekaran	26
Rtn. Raja Sriraam & Ann Sukanya	27
Rtn. Harikumar & Revathi	27
Rtn. Arul & Ann Salaivani	31

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