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Chenna Patna donates 25 Pulse Oximeters



As part of its commitment to help those affected by Covid-19 pandemic, Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna decided to do its bit for the society. The Community Services Avenue procured and handed over 25 Pulse Oximeters to the State Health Minister Dr. C. Vijaya Bhaskr at his office on July 29. President B. Chakravarthy was also able to pool in other Rotary Clubs and handed over totally 170 Pulse Oximeters. President was accompanied by Rtns Vidya and Dr. Ani Grace Kalaimathi.

RC Madras Chenna Patna Bags Five Awards

On July 18, 2020 Rotatry Club of Madras Chenna Patna under the leadership of Rtn B. Suryabaskar bagged as many as five awards for the Rotary Year 2019-20. The first award was given for providing micro loan to transgender couple. Second for training two women drivers under Pink fourth award recognised the contributions of our founder member and RYLA chair Raja Sriraam and most importantly Significant Service Award was given to our Club.







UK's Aireborough & RCMCP are Sister Clubs



The International Avenue signed a Sister club pact with UK's Aireborough Rotary Club (ARC). Chartered in 1953 with the help of RC Otley, ARC has 43 members, of which 13 are female members.



ARC also has a sister club pact with Unley of Australia. The Rotary flags were displayed by ARC president **Raj Mani** and RC Madras Chenna Patna's International Services Director **N. Anand**. In the words of Rtn Mani: ARC wants to grow its members organically and to achieve this it will induct youths. On signing the pact, he said ARC shares common interests with RCMCP in improving the welfare of women and children. It also provides microloan.

The signing off ceremony was attended by ARC's Janet Kerr, Robert Mirfield, Brian Whitham, Roger Ward, Graham Davies, John Moorhouse, Andrew Wilson and Janet Appleton. Office bearers from RCMCP along with President and secretary took part.

Joint Speaker Meeting on Managing Virtual World

Rotary Club of Madras Chenna Patna and Rotary Club of Madras West conducted a joint speaker meeting by Terilee Harrison from Singapore on July 23rd on the Topic Top Strategies to grow your business network in the virtual world. It was well attended and informative one.



Installation of President & Secretary on 04-07-2020









Rotaract Events



Ethiraj College shares its 'Kalacharam'

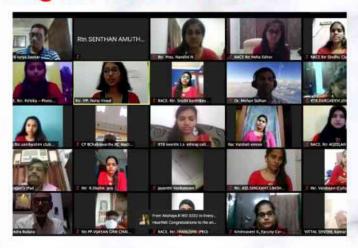


Rotaract Club of Ethiraj College for Women conducted its first project along with other Rotaract clubs titled Kalacharam.

Besides, it also held a 'Micfest' programme. which was attended by international participants. The event was brimming with excitement right from the start due to the timely play of songs by the DJ, and due to wonderful performances of the participants.

Installation of World's largest Rotaract Club

The 26th Installation of Rotaract Club of Ethiraj College for Women took place on July 29, 2020 with its parent club president Chakravarthy as the Guest of Honour and Nagoji Natarajan as Chief Guest. Nandini took over as the President and Ramiyashree as Secretary. Chakravarthy spoke on the growth of Ethiraj club and asked it to use the digital platform as an effective tool.



Rotaract Club serves Food for the Needy



The Rotaract Club of Madras Chenna Patna began the Year with two projects related to Community Service and Health.

The first one pertained to providing food to poor at roadside. It was launched on July 17th and food was served to 25 beneficiaries.

Under the second project, Ananda Yoga was conducted at Hindustan College for a week from July 6 to July 12.

It is a joint project with the parent club being the co-host. It is conducted online with active participation of students.





RI President

Let's Celebrate Rotary during Covid, Knaack



The year 2020 has brought monumental changes that have already included a global pandemic and a renewed call for social justice.

Faced with a pandemic, Rotary has not stopped. We moved meetings online and found new ways to serve. We turned the canceled 2020 Rotary International Convention in Honolulu into our first virtual convention. Each week, we are proving that Rotary is a flexible gathering that happens in traditional meetings, on cellphones, and on computers.

Rotary offers a way to connect for everyone who wants to, at any time, and will continue to do so. Some have even told me that they enjoy Rotary's mix of online and in-person meetings more now than before! How can we build on this momentum and seize the opportunity to embrace change so that Rotary keeps thriving?

For me, **supporting new types of clubs is key**. They are no longer just experiments but a real part of Rotary today. In addition to traditional clubs, we have e-clubs, Rotaract clubs, cause-based clubs, and passport clubs. These help make Rotary more inclusive, more flexible, and more attractive to new members.

Visit these clubs, exchange ideas and partner with them, and promote them to one another and to our communities. We all agree that we need to grow Rotary, but sometimes we can get caught up in the numbers game and lose sight of the bigger picture. After all, an increase in membership is meaningless if next year, those new members leave our clubs. Let's grow Rotary sustainably.

Rotary's flexible options for participation will engage members and show the community how we're different from any other club.

Let's celebrate that Rotary is now less about rules and more about joining together in a variety of ways besides traditional meetings. I recommend that each club hold an annual strategy meeting to ask — and honestly answer — if we are doing all we can for our members and if our club reflects the community we serve. We are taking this approach at the international level, too.

I am proud that six women are serving with me on the RI Board of Directors this year, the most we have ever had. Let's keep Rotary moving in this direction at every level. We need more perspectives, more diversity, for Rotary to thrive.

It's fascinating to imagine how we will find new ways to adapt and stay nimble this year and beyond. But I am also inspired about what hasn't changed and never will in Rotary: the friendships, the networking, the ethics, and the service. Indeed, these are the values that make Rotary attractive to all.

As Rotary's founder, Paul Harris, said, we have to be revolutionary from time to time. Now is such a time. Rotary Opens Opportunities — countless ones — for us to embrace change that will strengthen us even as we remain true to our core values.





Birthday Bashes Get Bigger for Rotarians

Club Services Director Paresh Khatri and Fellowship Chairman Guhaprakash started the Rotary year on a high note by sending eggless cake to Rotarians on their birthdays. The cakes are personally baked by Ann Egnitha. Here are the snaps of July-born babies cutting cakes on the special day. Senior member Surendra was moved by the novel idea. Similar views were echoed by other Rotarians.

Rotarians in the picture top row Left to Right: AVS Rau, Vidya with Alagu Perumal and Moksha, and Usha with Surendra.

Second row: Rujula, Krishnapriya with Rajkumar: **Deepa, Darshan**

with Raja Marthandan: and Priya with Rajashekhar.



Egnitha The Baker

















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Chennapathra

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PHF Rtn. K.N. Ramanathan

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

As the instructions given by the RI Foundation it has been decided to have all programmes through virtual platform till December 31, 2020 or till the guidelines is in force.

02-08-2020: Training session for Board Members

06-08-2020: First Speaker Meeting

10-07-2020: Board Meeting

20-08-2020: Second Speaker Meeting

BIRTHDAYS

Annette Moksha D/o. Rtn Vidya	01
Annette Prithiviraj S/o. Rtn Karthikeyan	80
Rtn Vallekkannu	80
Rtn Manikandan	17
Annette Abhishek S/o. Rtn Praveen Mehra	20
Annette Vyoma D/o. Rtn Mohan Sidhan	20
Ann Pooja W/o. Rtn Praveen Mehra	23
Ann Anupama W/o. Rtn Rajeev Reddy	26
Annette Vaishnavi D/o. Rtn Rajeev Reddy	26

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Rtn Paresh Khatri & Ann Khushi	06
Rtn Praveen Mehra & Ann Pooja	10
Rtn Dileep Kumar & Ann Anitha	22
Rtn Rajshekhar & Ann Priya	24
Rtn Ani Grace & Spouse Gnanasekaran	26
Rtn Raja Sriraam & Ann Sukanya	27
Rtn Harikumar & Ann Revathi	27
Rtn Arul & Ann Salaivani	31

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