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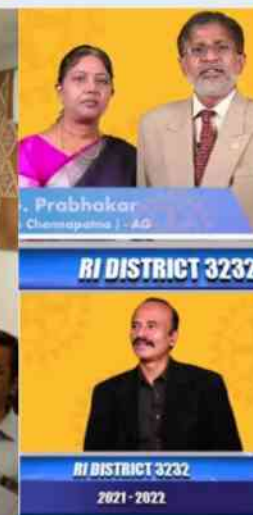
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## Welcome Happy New 2021, **Goodbye 2020**



RC Madras Chennai Patna conducted its first physical meeting after nine months on December 17, to elect office bearers for Rotary Year 2021-22. During this period, we made sure that all of us stayed indoors and adhered to government norms strictly. The response for the first open meeting was overwhelming. President Elect **Senthan Amuthan** introduced his team consisting of past Presidents, experienced and green Rotarians. **K. Sathyanarayanan** is the **Secretary** and **PL. Muthiah (Club Mentor)**.

**B. Rajkumar** is Treasurer-Trust, **Karthikeyan** (Community Dev), **Paresh** (Treasurer-Admin), **Dr. Udaya Kumar** and **Dr. Ani Grace** (ibreast project), **Vidya Alagu Perumal** (Rotaract), **Srinivasan** (Community Health) and **Rajamarthandan** (Public Image).



Avenues like Club Service will be headed by **Guhaprakash**, Youth Service by **Dhanalakshmi** and Fellowship by **Harikumar**. President **Chakravarthy** will takeover International Services from **N. Anand**, who will look after Vocational Services. **Rtn Anand** was nominated as **President for 2022-23**. **Prabhakar** and **Senthan Amuthan** took part in **pre-PETS**.



## Champion Varun Add More Feathers To His Cap



It was double victory for **Annette Varun Ganesh**. He won the Tamilnadu State championship title in the Junior Boys (Under 17) and Youth Boys (Under 21) categories, held at D.A.V. Boys High school, in Chennai from December 11-14.

## Education Aid Given Under Operation Daybreak



Cheques of Rs.25,000 and Rs. 38,080 were given to **G. Kavitha** by Secretary **T.R. Udaya Kumar** and **Harini** by senior active **B. Surendra** during December under the **Operation Daybreak** to continue their studies.



## With DGND Ravi Raman and Newly Wed



From Left to Right: (picture 1) Pattinathars met District Governor Nominee Designate **Ravi Raman**, (picture 2) Chakravarthy and Senthan Amuthan at Dhanalakshmi son **G. Jayanth's** wedding reception in Chennai on December 2.





## Rotaract Events



### Warm Gesture by Ethirajians To Needy



The Rotaract Club of Ethiraj College for Women and other clubs under its project '**Winter Warmth**' donated winter clothes, blankets, and other essentials to people, who chose to leave in the public shelter during November and December. It was a small gesture by us to help poor people to beat the cold weather. It benefitted nearly 108 people, said the club president Nandhini.

### Where Humanity Meets 'Wagging' Tail Needs

With each wag and a touch of tail, our hearts and faces blossomed with happiness and indeed this project not only bring about happy tails, but also proved that happiness prevails. The project '**Happy Tails**' - where humanity meets animals involved raising funds for the needs of animals like three animal cages, 15 absorbent sheets, two packs of cat food and 10 pieces of dog calcium bones as well as volunteering work done at the Blue Cross by the Rotatarctors on Dec 17, benefitting 200 animals.



### Wins Award At District Rotaract Meet



Rotaract Club of Ethiraj College for Women won two awards at the recently held District Rotaract Council 20-21. **Aval**, a project which provides sanitary pads for girls, won the 'College-based' Best Project award and Best Presentation.





## Sister Club News

### Lending A Helping Hand to Destitute



Over the past year the Club has worked closely with a volunteer group, which was helping destitute individuals living on the city's streets by providing clothing and finance for sleeping bags and blankets as well as hot food. Aireborough Past President and Assistant Governor (Leeds) Janet Appleton recently worked on a bid on behalf of the **Hidden Homeless** to the Leeds branch of health insurance and healthcare group Bupa, which has proved successful to the delight of the group. Picture shows members with goods for the Hidden Homeless.

### Three Nominated for Paul Harris Fellow

The nomination of members as **Paul Harris Fellows** was moved to the second Zoom meeting of this month. Three Rotarians Graham Davies, John Moorhouse and Janet Kerr were honoured to received this accolade plus two non-Rotarians Diana Oldam (a sapphire pin) for dedicated work throughout the pandemic and Heather Barton for lengthy service on the Club's Aquabox project.



### A Virtual Balloon Race During Xmas

RC Aireborough hosted a week-long '**Virtual Balloon Race to Lapland**', which began on Christmas Day. It offered an opportunity to buy, create and track a balloon for yourself or as a gift for others with the added enjoyment of watching its progress on the Net.



## What Are The Priorities For Next 2-3 Years?

### RI President Corner



January is finally here. As we look forward to 2021, our thinking doesn't have to stop at the end of these 365 days. Are you thinking ahead about what you will be doing in 2022, 2023, and beyond? We cannot foresee the future, but we can steer ourselves where we want to go. I think it is important that every Rotary club hold a strategic meeting at least once a year. Past RI Director Greg Yank, who has a lot of experience working with clubs on their plans, shares his viewpoint.

A famous aphorism states, "By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail." Planning is essential to achieving success in all areas of life, including Rotary, and we're getting better at it every year. Strategic planning for Rotary clubs works. I have helped many clubs find that pathway by working with them to build what I call a blueprint, a multiyear plan that answers the fundamental question: "What is our vision for our club?" The best plans I have seen are those that are focused, when a club concentrates its resources on the best opportunities it has.

Your Rotary club cannot be all things to its members and to the community it serves; it has limited human, financial, and time resources. A successful plan factors in assets and limitations to chart the desired pathway for your members.

Begin building a multiyear strategic plan by brainstorming with your club, asking, "What are our initiatives and priorities for the next two to three years?" Document your answers using action-oriented language that is specific, concrete, and measurable about the goals you want to achieve.

*Next, narrow down your initiatives to a core set of three to five priorities. Your club will then develop specific objectives for each initiative, outlining who will be involved, key milestones of achievement, how progress will be tracked, and a timeline for completion. Keep your plan short and simple. Then go out and do it.*

Review the progress you make toward accomplishing the initiatives, and revise as needed at least once a year. Rotary has a solid template to assist clubs in their planning through its website.

We want to enrich and enliven our clubs with new discussions and ideas. But how do we attract the diverse professionals, from different backgrounds, ages, and experiences, who are all driven by as strong a sense of integrity as we are? Through strategic planning, we explore this question to define the very nature of our club and the value it offers to its members and to the community.

Each club is different, and each club's value will be unique. During the planning process, clubs may also find that some of the activities they used to do are no longer relevant or attractive. Once your club makes a strategic plan, it's time to take action and carry out the necessary changes. When we do that — as we engage members in vibrant and active clubs that not only have fun but also serve their communities with projects that have real and lasting impact — our clubs grow stronger.

And when we discover what makes our own clubs unique and build upon those core values in all our efforts, Rotary Opens Opportunities to enrich the lives of everyone.



**PHF Rtn. B. Chakravarthy**  
President

**PHF Rtn. B. Suryabaskar**  
Immediate Past President

**Rtn. Senthana Amuthan**  
President Elect

**Rtn. Dr. T.R. Udaya Kumar**  
Secretary

**Rtn. Paresh Khatri**  
Director Club Service

**PHF Rtn. K. Sathyanarayanan**  
Treasurer - Admin

**Rtn. B. Rajkumar**  
Treasurer - Trust

**Rtn. Vidya Alagu Perumal**  
Dir. Community Service (Health) &  
Chairman - Operation Daybreak

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

**Rtn. Dr. Ani Grace Kalaimathi**  
Chairman iBreast, Tebrau Heart  
Surgery and Special Projects

**PHF Rtn. K.N. Ramanathan**  
Director Youth Service

**PHF Rtn. R. Dileep Kumar**  
Director Vocational Service

**Rtn. N. Anand**  
Director International Service

**PHF Rtn. Praveen Mehra**  
Public Image

**PHF Rtn PL. Muthiah**  
Chair Project Orange & Micro Loan

**Chennapathra**  
PHF Rtn. Senthana Amuthan  
Rtn. N. Anand  
PHF Rtn. K.N. Ramanathan

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

06-01-2021: First Speaker Meeting

12-01-2021: Board Meeting

20-01-2021: Second Speaker Meeting

## BIRTHDAYS

Annette Nikita D/o. Rtn Vishwanath	01
Annette Saiskandha S/o. Rtn Guhaprakash	01
Rtn Prabhakar	03
Annette Keiyanaa D/o. Rtn Deepak Pungaliya	05
Annette Haryshwa Ganesh D/o. Rtn Senthana	06
Rtn SPR Ramesh	10
Rtn Rajiv Reddy	11
Rtn Deepak Pungaliya	11
Annette Sandya D/o. Rtn Chakravarthy	14
Ann Darshan S/o. Rtn Raja Marthandan	14
Annette Deepa W/o. Rtn Raja Marthandan	15
Ann Sukanya W/o. Rtn Raja Sriraam	17
Annette Saisha D/o. Rtn Paresh Khatri	17
Annette Sufi D/o. Rtn Paresh Khatri	17
Kana Kulandaivel S/o. Rtn Vallekkannu	19
Rtn Praveen Mehra	20
Annette Abhisek S/o. Rtn Saptagiri	25
Ann Meyyammai W/o. Rtn Muthiah	30
Ann Nethra W/o. Rtn Anand Jothi	30



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



Rtn Vishwanath & Ann Vidya	22
Rtn Srinivasan & Ann Jagathambal	24

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