

Rotary Deonar



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Dear RoDeos,

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success!" says Henry Ford. And March 2017 resonated with this saying!

We had excellent fellowship programs igniting the bond of "togetherness" and we undertook some really worthy projects which were executed flawlessly together! The month started by appreciating and recognising 80 girls of Tulsi Technical Institute who went through a self-defence program conducted by Oriental Martial arts Association.. It was heartening to see the rise in their confidence levels while displaying their newly learned skills for self-defence.

We also formally inaugurated the school bench project at Subhash School, Mankhurd as part of the "Happy School" Project. It was a pleasure to see the glee and happiness in the bright eyes of the students. Apart from that, a short training program on "Oral Hygiene" was also conducted by Meera Chandramouli to explain the students the importance of oral hygiene and the benefits of inculcating good hygiene practices.

We also conducted our very special project "Blue Ribbon Awards" and had the honour of having Justice B. N. Srikrishna as the chief guest. As you know, this project is a platform for "Recognition and Reward" for people from various vocations like Police, MCGM teacher, Doctor, CA, Autorickshaw driver, Business man, and MCGM employee, who are serving us every day – our silent heroes! This year, we had 7 awardees which were selected through a rigorous selection process conducted by the panel of their own association. Receiving the award in presence of Justice B. N. Srikrishna elated the confidence of all the awardees and they were thrilled to share the space with him on this platform!

Apart from the projects, March also had some great celebrations to recognize the efforts of our club, our veterans and our senior members. It began with celebration of our "Charter Day" which recognized the efforts put in by all our senior Rodeos who laid the foundation of our club brick by brick. And we rekindled this recognition by making Rtn. Kulbhushan Jetly as the President and Rtn. Chander Girotra as the Secretary for this meeting and also had the honour of having PRID Ashok Mahajan with us. They handled the meeting with style and grace. We also had some veteran Rodeos speak to us about their journey and how Rotary changed

their lives! On this occasion, we also presented a citation to recognize the efforts put in by Rtn. Suresh Goklaney who won the most prestigious "Rotary Responsible Business Award" - the first Indian to get this award amongst 6 other winners across the globe! We also had the pleasure of inducting our new Rodeo, Ms. Ankita Ray, referred by Rtn. Ashok Mahajan. It was indeed a memorable "Charter Day" with lots of fun and fellowship which ended with an exciting quiz program by Tushar Ganguly.

We also celebrated our first anniversary of the Deonar Traffic Island, a beautiful garden which has become a pride point for RoDeos. This traffic island has further enhanced our Rotary PR and is contributing in building a stronger Rotary Image. The task of maintaining this green space has been very challenging but, we have been able to hold forth with grit and determination.

With IPL round the corner, we also had an excellent presentation by Nandu who shared his experiences about his visit to Australia for cricket and sightseeing. On that day, IPP Ajit Pappu also displayed all the PEAK awards won the PEAK team 2015-16, details of which were mentioned in our earlier bulletin.

Lastly, the incoming team for STAR YEAR 2017-2018 comprising of 25 participants attended the District Training Assembly and our club had one of the highest participation! PDG Raju Subramanian, Dr. Sunil Keshwani and Jhankar Gadkari conducted training sessions for the participants and I along with Rajul Parekh presented a session on holistic approach to water management. It was a great start to the incoming STAR year with a lot of enthusiasm and vibrancy.

With this, we now step into another exciting April 2017, starting with the melodious mystifying music therapy by our honorary Rotarian Sunita Bhuyan and many more activities and projects!

Thank you Rodeos for your active participation and together we can make things happen.

Best wishes,

AV Suresh
President

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Project Nirbhaya (2nd March 2017) : 80 girls from Tulsi Technical Institute, Chembur, were trained by Oriental Martial Arts Association India for a period of 3 months on self-defence, martial arts, yoga and fitness. On 2 March 2017, they displayed their skills in self-defence during the certification and recognition ceremony. This project was initiated and driven by Puja Puri. Thanks Puja for your efforts and we are actively considering going to the next level for the same batch next year!



Presentation by Nandu (2nd March 2017) : Nandu Shenoy took us on a whirlwind picture tour of New Zealand. He had been to New Zealand for an International cricket tournament and was one of the star performers of the team and one of the most sought after players by the spectators! He showed the beautiful country with lots of natural beauty and adventure sports through his visual presentation and made us experience New Zealand sitting in Mumbai!



Charter Day Celebrations (19th March 2017) : Charter day with a difference.. a lunch meeting on 19 march 2017 at India Bistro, Chembur. Veteran Rotarians Kulbhushan Jetly and Chander Girotra conducted the meeting with lots of enthusiasm and excitement. The past Presidents spoke of their Rotary Deonar experience and unforgettable moments and Tushar conducted an unique quiz event which kept all 100 people involved and jumping around. Rotary Responsible Business Award winner Rtn. Suresh Goklaney, first Indian to get this award and among the top 6 in the world, was felicitated and also given a citation by the Rodeos. On this occasion, we also inducted our new member Ms. Ankita Ray!

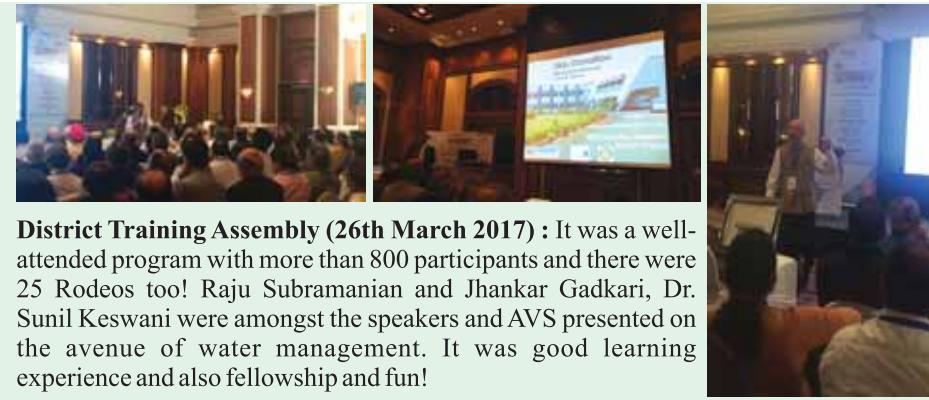


School Bench Project at Subhash School (25th March 2017): We donated school benches to Subhash Chandra Bose Vidya Mandir as part of our Happy School project. The children were very happy and expressed their gratitude for this kind gesture. This was coordinated by Vishnu kamat and Prabodh Sharma. Meera Chandramouli conducted an interesting class on oral hygiene in a simple and effective communication. It was a happy experience to be of service to society especially the future of our country.



Blue Ribbon Awards (25th March 2017) : This was a solemn function to recognise and award super performers from various vocations and walks of life. The award winners are selected by their own panel / association on certain set criteria. This year we had Justice B. N. Srikrishna, former renowned Judge of Supreme Court and also the famous Srikrishna Commission during Bombay Riots in 1992-93. He is respected and loved by all for his simplicity, honesty and humility. All the award winners were extremely happy to be recognised by Rotary Deonar and get the award from Justice Srikrishna.

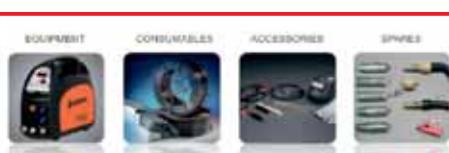
AWARD	NAME	DETAILS
DOCTOR	Dr. Ms. RAJNI GWALANI	General Practitioner at Tilak Nagar, Chembur
CA	Mr. KUMAR KUKREJA	Chartered Accountant practising at Chembur
POLICE	PSI SANTOSH KAMBLE	Police Sub Inspector at Chembur Police Station
MCGM TEACHER	Ms. RAJASHRI L. KENJALE	Teacher at MCGM Tilak Nagar Marathi School
MCGM EMPLOYEE	Mr. PRAKASH Y. KADAM	Complaint Officer at MCGM M West Ward
BUSINESS PERSON	Mr. GERARD A. LOBO	CEO, Gerard Opticians Chembur
AUTO DRIVER	Mr. ISHAQUE KHAN	Auto Rickshaw Driver, Chembur



District Training Assembly (26th March 2017) : It was a well-attended program with more than 800 participants and there were 25 Rodeos too! Raju Subramanian and Jhankar Gadkari, Dr. Sunil Keswani were amongst the speakers and AVS presented on the avenue of water management. It was good learning experience and also fellowship and fun!



Anniversary Celebration of Deonar Traffic Island (28th March 2017) : The first anniversary of our Rotary Deonar traffic island was celebrated at the garden. In a short notice, many Rotarians met at the garden and made it a memorable function to applaud, thank and recognise the hard work by Alka Murli, Cdr. Jana, Vishnu Kamat and Jayadeep to keep this garden glowing and colourful in spite of repeated challenges. Thanks a lot Rodeos for your grit & perseverance!



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Inner Wheel Club of Deonar
District 314, Charter no. 3821
2016-2017

Happy School Project Inauguration by Association President *Prabha Raghuandan Ji*
On 13th Jan 2017.

Library & Playing Computer Main Building Wash Basin Toilets

Association President & Dist. Chairman Falguni Mehta Ji Club Dignitaries in Inaugural Function Association President & Dist. Chairman Inaugurating the School.



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PROGRAM IN APRIL 2017

- April 20 No formal meeting
- April 27 Club Assembly and log in training for Rotary.org
- April 28 RCC Karjat Toliet blocks and bore well, water purification system inauguration at 12 noon by DG Gopal Mandhania. Assemble at Telecom factory at 8am
- April 29 onwards Operation Restore Camp 16 at NBC
- April 29 Wedding reception of Dr. Shankar Chawla at Chembur Gymkhana
- April 30 Inauguration of Operation Restore Camp 16 at 12 noon by DGE Prafull Sharma

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