







Rtn. Jennifer Jones
IMAGINE ROTARY

ROTARY CLUB OF LONAVALA

Dist 3131- Zone 1 , Region 3, Club no.15522, Chartered on 26th June 1971



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Rtn. Ravindra Kulkarni (EDITOR),

Dear Members of Rotary Club of Lonavala, welcome to the new Rotary year 2022-23. It is my immense pleasure to publish our first monthly bulletin of our Club. As per our Rotary International President, Jennifer Jones, the theme 'Imagine Rotary', we will make a difference in the world. I am sure all our members will try our level best to make a difference under the capable leadership of our young and dynamic president Ashish Mehta. Wishing you all the success.

INSTALLATION CEREMONY






Board of Directors 2022-23

- ❖ President : Rtn. Ashish Mehta
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- ❖ Membership : Rtn. Uday Patil
- ❖ New Generation : Rtn. Mustafa Contractor
- ❖ Public Image : Rtn. Nitin Kalyan
- ❖ Service Project : Rtn. Nandini Banerjee
- ❖ Service Project 1 : Rtn. Biplab Banerjee
- ❖ Club Trainer : Rtn. Shrikrishna Vartak
- ❖ Club Trainer 1 : Rtn. Ajay Argade
- ❖ Fellowship Director : Rtn. Dhananjay Sakharekar
- ❖ Sergeant at Arms : Rtn. Narayan Sharwale



Jennifer E. Jones, a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Knoxland, Ontario, Canada, has been nominated to become Rotary International's president for 2022-23, a groundbreaking selection that will make her the first woman to hold that office in the organization's 115-year history. Jones says she sees Rotary's Action Plan as a catalyst for increasing Rotary's impact. "As we reflect upon our new strategic priorities, we couldn't have never envisioned that our ability to adapt would become our North Star during what is undoubtedly the most profound time in Rotary's history," Jones said in her vision statement. "Silver brings the ball of the most challenging circumstances. Living into our goals, I will harness this historic landscape to innovate, educate, and communicate opportunities that reflect today's reality."

Message from RI President

Dear fellow Rotary leaders:
As we embark on a new year of service, let us take the opportunity to reflect upon the gift of our membership in Rotary. As club and district leaders, you have such an important role to play. You can do so much to help create club experiences that are welcoming, inclusive and enjoyable for each and every member – and you can extend that same warmth and belonging to every participant who wishes to engage with our clubs. Over and over our surveys find that member comfort and care is the single greatest driver of member satisfaction and our most powerful tool in driving members retention. So, we need to put a special emphasis on membership care and belonging. And that work begins with listening. We need to understand why our members took the big leap and joined us – and we need to know what they expect from us. What do they want out of their Rotary involvement and what we can do to help them get more out of their Rotary experience? We all feel the impact that Rotary service and Rotary values have on us – now it's our opportunity to share that feeling with others. This is a year to imagine Rotary by envisioning a world that deserves our best, where we get up each day knowing we can make a difference. We don't imagine yesterday, we imagine tomorrow. We imagine a world without polio with clean water for everyone. We imagine a world free of disease and where every child learns to read. We imagine kindness, hope, love, and peace. Each of you has assumed important responsibilities as a member of Rotary and I thank you for your hard work. You have made a commitment to help grow Rotary to adapt to the digital future and to make Rotary more appealing to future generations. Your good work will help us serve our communities and help Rotary thrive so we can imagine Rotary.

*Warmest regards,
Jennifer Jones*

Bamboo Plantation



On 05th August, 2022, CSR Project with Club Mahindra Lonavala.

Bamboo Saplings Plantation was jointly organized by Rotary Club of Lonavala with Club Mahindra Lonavala on 05th August 2022. Department of Forest requested to plant Bamboo Saplings near Lonavala. More than 1000 Plants were planted. Project Director Nandini, Treasurer Chaudhary, Membership Director Uday, Sergeant Narayan, along with members of Club Mahindra and Forest Officers were present for the Project.

Number of Beneficiaries – 500 COST – 1,70,000

Raksha Bandhan



On 11th August 2022, Synergy Project with Rotary Club of Dombivali Diamond.

Raksha Bandhan was celebrated by Rotary Club of Lonavala and Rotary Club of Dombivali Diamond on 11th August 2022 with Asha Workers at Municipal Hall. 15 Asha Workers tied Rakhi to Rotarians of Lonavala and Dombivali. During Covid Period, Asha Workers collected information and checked oxygen level and heart beats of Lonavala and nearby Citizens by visiting their homes, which was very risky and equally dangerous. That is why, both the Clubs decided to felicitate them. Sweet box and Saree were presented to each of them. Past President and Vice President of Lonavala Municipal Corporation Surekha Jadhav and Shridhar Pujari were chief guests. Nandaben from Prajapita Bramhakumari explained the Spiritual Importance of Raksha Bandhan. Opening remarks were given by President Ashish Mehta of RC Lonavala and Sanjay Kagde from RC Dombivali Diamond. Anchoring was done by Secretary Wankhede and vote of thanks was given by PP Kulkarni, IPP Nalaode, PP Patil, PP Kalyan, Rtn. Mustafa, First Lady Rtn. Shweta, Rtn. Sheravale all from Rotary Club of Lonavala and Rtn. Kadam, Rtn. Gokhale, Rtn. Kshirsagar, Rtn. Salavi, Rtn. Tambat, Rtn. Deshmukh all from Rotary Club of Dombivali Diamond were present. Program was concluded after National Anthem.

Number of Beneficiaries – 15

COST – 50,000

School Kit Distribution



On 14th August 2022, CSR Project with Club Mahindra Lonavala.

School kits (Bag, Compass Box, Pen, Notebooks) were distributed to Deovale Orphanage School. Warm welcome with Orchestra was done in school by school teachers. Sangeet Program was performed by Students. Project Director Nandini, PP Ravi, Secretary Wankhede from Rotary Club of Lonavala gave opening speech. HR Manager Mr. Ambekar and Miss Raysoni from Club Mahindra Lonavala explained purpose of distribution. Sweets were distributed to all the Students. Vote of Thanks was given by School Principal. IPP Nalawade, PP Chaudhary, Sergeant Narayan were present for the Project.

Number of Beneficiaries – 120 COST – 1,20,000

Special Report on District RYE Seminar



From District youth exchange team following members participated:

- a. Rtn Shobha Nahar, RYE Director
- b. Rtn Sharad, RY Co Director
- c. Rtn Sarika Rode, Inbond Chair
- d. Rtn Shilpa Toshniwal, RY Treasurer
- e. Rtn Priya, Events and Promotion
- f. Rtn Sarang, Tours and Travels
- g. Rtn C D Mahajan, Protection officer
- h. Rtn Rohan, Events Chair
- i. Rtn Kirti, Outbound Chair.

In total 16 students of inbond were present for the orientation program from countries like Japan, Spain, Germany, Brazil, France.



The Topics Covered in Orientation Program was:

1. Health and Wellbeing
2. Students Role as Rotary Ambassador.
3. Group Themes / Games.
4. Manners and Etiquettes – Indian Perspective.
5. Academic Assignments Volunteering, Educational, and extracurricular opportunities.
6. Vision and Mission Role and Goals.
7. Rotary youth exchange and student protection policy.
8. Obligations and best practices abuse and harassment – safe exchange for students.
9. Culture shock and Cultural Stereotyping.
10. Annual Calendar, Tours and Travels Rules.
11. Conference Presentation.
12. Warm up games.
13. Interactive Session and Review.

President Rtn. Ashish Mehta welcomed them as well as welcomed District Team. He felicitated PDG Rashmi Kulkarni and District Team. Convener and Director Youth Rtn. Mustafa Contractor introduced and presented opening remarks. PDG Rashmi Kulkarni inaugurated the Session with advisor speech. Final touch and closing of first day session done by DGN. Sheetal Shah. Dr. Dolly from Lonavala club Delivered Speech on 'ETIQUETTES & MANNERS AS PER INDIAN CULTURE' with small Presentation

Evening Cultural Program and Family Night hosted by PP Nitin, Rtn. Vijaya, Rtn. Mustafa and Rtn. Samina Motiwala. Dir. Mustafa and Rtn. Fatima, to show Indian Culture to Inbond Students. Session started with Deep Prajvalan as per Hindu Culture by DGN. Sheetal Shah and District RYE Team. PP Ravi Kulkarni explained significance of Deep Puja with Sanskrit Rucha. After that Ganesh Vandana and Shloks were recited. Ganesh Puja and Aarati were performed by Rotarian Ravi with Inbond Students. Brief explanation about Lord Ganesha was given by PP Ravi. Ritual of waving a Lit Lamp (Aukshan) has been performed of every student by all Anns. Sweet Momos (Modak) were brought by Ann Sharayu and distributed to all the students. Lavani Dance was performed by Annet Ishwari Pawar. All the students enjoyed the Lavani Dance. Ishwari also taught some dancing steps to the students. Also, some Hollywood Pop songs were played and students danced on those Beats.

Second day on 18th August, Lonavala sightseeing was planned for Students and District Team. This was included RC Lonavala's most famous tourist spot 'Selfie Point' and 'Rajamachi Garden and Vally'. PP Nitin accompanied the Guests. The logistic for sightseeing was organized by Rtn. PP Amit Banarjee (Sampark) Students enjoyed food, stay, cultural program and sightseeing. District Team gave special thanks to

RC Lonavala for excellent arrangement and best planning. District Team insisted to arrange such a Seminar in future at Lonavala.



OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

