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R. Gordon R. McNally
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My Dear Fellow Rotarians,

R. Gordon R. McNally is president-elect of Rotary International. He was educated at the Royal High School in Edinburgh and at the University of Dundee, where he earned his graduate degree in dental surgery. He operated his own dental practice in Edinburgh until 2016. Gordon was chair of the East of Scotland branch of the British Paedodontic Society and has held various academic positions. He has also served as a presbytery elder, chair of the Queensferry parish congregational board, and commissioner to the general assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Gordon joined Rotary in 1984 at age 26. A member of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry, he has served as president and vice president of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland (RIBI). He has also served RI as a director and on several committees, including as an adviser to the 2022 Houston Convention Committee and chair of the Operations Review Committee.

Gordon says he looks forward to working with members to build new Rotary clubs and groups. "My vision is that Rotary should exist everywhere in a style to suit everyone who has the desire to be part of us and to help us do good in the world," he says.

Gordon is a patron of the UK-based nonprofit Hope and Homes for Children and led a partnership between that organization and RIBI to support children in Rwanda who had been orphaned in the genocide there. He is a patron of Trade-Aid, an initiative of the Rotary Club of Grantham Kesteven, Lincolnshire, England, that provides sustainable humanitarian aid to individuals, families, and businesses in the developing world. He is also an ambassador for Bipolar UK, a national mental health organization. In his free time, Gordon enjoys rugby, good food and wine, and stick dressing, the traditional Scottish craft of making walking sticks.

Gordon describes The Rotary Foundation as "the fuel that provides the energy to do Rotary service." He and his spouse, Heather, also a Rotarian, are Paul Harris Fellows, Major Donors, and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation. They are also members of the Bequest Society.

Gordon wishes to dedicate his presidency to making the world a better place for his granddaughters, Ivy and Florence, to live and thrive.

Presidential Initiatives: **Prioritizing Mental Health**

Talking about mental illness and emotional health may feel uncomfortable, but it's vital to the well-being of our global community. Creating a space where it's safe to address these issues will help provide a welcoming, equitable, and inclusive environment for everyone who interacts with us.

In 2023-24, Gordon will encourage clubs and districts to undertake activities that:

- Erase any stigma associated with discussions of emotional well-being
- Raise awareness of mental health needs
- Improve access to mental health services

Building Peace Through Virtual Exchanges

Rotary has a long history of working for peace through personal connections, but the COVID-19 pandemic has made it difficult to do that face-to-face. Inspired by what we've learned during this time, Gordon will encourage districts to incorporate virtual components into more of their programs, events, and activities. By using innovative technologies to make connections, we give more people the opportunity to experience our global community.

Adding or maintaining these components in Rotary Youth Exchanges, New Generations Service Exchanges, Rotary Friendship Exchanges, and other programs in 2023-24 will:

- Give members and participants new ways to experience other cultures, make new friends, and broaden their global awareness
- Make membership more accessible to people with time, health, or financial considerations
- Build stronger intercultural communication and understanding, and ultimately foster more stable and peaceful communities

Empowering Girls

Gordon will continue the initiative launched by 2021-22 RI President Shekhar Mehta and maintained by 2022-23 RI President Jennifer Jones that focused on empowering girls and women around the world. We encourage members to keep finding ways to improve the health, well-being, education, and economic security of girls.

Message from District Governor 2023-24



Rtn. Manjoo Phadke
District Governor
RID 3131 - 2023-24

My Dear Fellow Rotarians,

At the outset, let me thank you for allowing me to pen down my thoughts for your club's bulletin.

Friends, as we step into the Rotary Year 2023-24, it is vital for us to reflect upon the power of hope and its ability to transform lives. Hope fuels dreams, inspires action, and ignites change. We are people of action, and behind that action is care, compassion, empathy, and inclusion. We are most comfortable and satisfied when we are fully engaged in helping the humanity. Through interesting meetings, impactful projects, engaging activities and the dedication of us all, we will continue to be a beacon of hope, fostering positive change and transforming communities across the globe.

I am sure your club must have planned projects and engagements that are in tune with our organization's core values, Vision and Mission as well as with our district's thrust areas. Strike an ideal balance between continuity and innovation.

By focusing on pediatric cardiac surgeries, providing lifesaving surgeries to children suffering from congenital heart diseases, we shall create hope not only for the children but also for their families and communities.

Our passion for providing a nurturing environment for children during their formative years, thru happy anganwadis, shall enhance their infrastructure, facilitate access to nutrition, promote hygiene and sanitation, and empower teachers with training.

By implementing innovative techniques of bore well recharge, we aim to replenish underground water sources, ensuring a continuous water supply. This initiative fosters hope for a sustainable and water-secure future.

By promoting sustainable practices such as waste management, renewable energy adoption, green cover, upcycling etc. at surrounding residential societies, we will inspire people to take action and protect our precious natural resources.

As part of its commitment to environmental sustainability, RID 3131 introduces Rotary Green Friday, a global call to action. This initiative encourages each one to dedicate every Friday to activities such as avoiding use of AC, Reduce use of Tissue papers, using motion sensors for lights in common areas etc. By uniting individuals across the world under a common cause, Rotary Green Friday ignites hope for a greener and more sustainable future, one action at a time.

If we wish to achieve all these, we must put in our sincere efforts to attract the right kind of resources to Rotary. Resources can be in the form of members, funds, contributions and skills. Attracting members and engaging them meaningfully must form the core of our activities at club level. Clubs need to majorly focus on organic and sustainable growth, add young hands and nurture both, old and new members to make their Rotary Journey even more enjoyable. Once we create a rich members base, achieving all our dreams shall become a child's play.

Talking about the bigger dreams and bolder projects, let's not forget our biggest financier, The Rotary Foundation. Let's remember that most of our bigger projects have been made possible due to funding from TRF through Global Grants. Let's not forget the potential of TRF and let's also not shy away or doubt the value of contributions rotarians make to TRF. Those who have been shying away, my only advice is, take an effort to learn more about this magical tool and I am sure you will start loving it as much as I do or even more. I urge all of you to contribute generously to The Rotary Foundation which will go a long way in rehabilitating people and creating hope for them.

Through collaborative efforts and unwavering commitment, Rotarians like you will continue to inspire individuals to join hands and create positive change that resonates across generations. Together, we can make a difference and create a world filled with hope, compassion and sustainable progress.

Vishwas joins me in wishing each one of you a very happening and successful year 2023-24 that is full of actions to "Create Hope in the World" and memories for a lifetime.

Message from President 2023-24



Rtn. Prasad Mane
President

My Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Beginning the new Rotary year with thanking all fellow Rotarians of my club for bestowing their belief in me to lead the club as President for year 2023-24.

We as a Royal Rotarians will have friendship, bonding within members and fellowship will be the topmost priority to make the club one big family, where each member has a sense of involvement & togetherness.

This year Rotary theme is "Create Hope in the World" that the goal is to restore hope to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and to help achieve lasting change.

I start this journey of mine seeking blessing, support & co-operation from all of you. First Lady Shweta & Annet Audarya & Ashwika will also participate in all activities of our Club.

Thanking you,
Rtn. Prasad Mane
President



Message from Outgoing President 2022-23

Rtn. Rajendrakumar Saraf
Outgoing President

This year our Symbol is an airplane flying high in the sky. Whenever it lands for its activities it will make a bench Mark. We started Rotary Year 22-23 on the first day of the year i.e. 1st July by joining the Mega Tree Plantation Program of RID 3131 Supporting the Environment Avenue. On the same day we had a public meeting jointly with Marathi Vidnyan Parishad Pune & Pimpri Chinchwad Science Park. Rtn. Smita Vikhankar spoke on opportunities after 12th.

After the vibrant beginning we had 57 meetings and 30 Projects. Some of the unique projects are as below.

Unique medical project Bone Density Camp: It was organized for porters & staff at Pune Railway station on Sunday 7th August. Total beneficiaries are 140. Out of them were the porters and the rest the Railway police & Railway staff. After finding out the Bone Density our Director Service Project Medical Yogesh Khandalkar - Orthopedic Surgeon gave consultation & prescription on the basis of test report. This project has created health awareness amongst the porters and the staff & added to the Public Image of Rotary.

Raksha Bandhan: The purpose of this auspicious festival is to ask those who protect by offering salutations to protect them. There are many examples of this in history. Women have always stepped forward to protect society and are still doing so. The slogan of the police is 'Sadrakshanaya Khalnigrahanai'. Many women are working in Maharashtra Police Department to make this a reality. We have expressed respect and gratitude by tying a Rakhi to a Lady Police Officer in the office of Police Commissioner Rajendrakumar Saraf tied a Rakhi on the arm of Smt. Bhagyashree Navtate (IAS) Deputy Commissioner of police (EOW and cybercrime). The program of Raksha Bandhan, which is emotional, inspiring, energizing, gives eternal happiness, creates unbreakable relationships, lives forever in memory and glorifies the power of women is highly appreciated by all Police officers.

International Peace Day

Great saint Shri Saibaba has given the teaching of equality, tolerance and faith to maintain peace in society and the world over. Members of RCP Royal along with Ann visited Saibaba Temple called Pratishirdi at Shirgao. We offered our prayers for having peace all over the world. A peace march by teachers, students and devotees & Rotarians was conducted in & around the Temple to spread the message of samata, bandhu bhav shanshilata & ekta. Members of RCP Royal interacted with the devotees and explained to them the role of Rotary in achieving Peace all around the world. To sow the seeds of peace in the minds of the young generation, an essay competition was conducted for the students. The subjects for the essay were International Peace Day relevance to my life, Internal & External peace, Harmony in Society. Students promised harmony & peace in society.

Workshop How to have Stress Free Business Life: The Program was jointly organized with Poona Merchant Chamber.

When stress is unbearable, the person runs away from life and ends it. Problems caused by stress cost our society billions of rupees every year. On the contrary, this means that anyone who can reduce their stress levels can improve their business and life and make them happier. Counsellors Dr. Gowda and Dr. Mhetre explained how to do stress-free business and demonstrated how to do it. Rtn Aarati Deshpande taught Yogmudra to get relieved from stress. All the participating traders said that the workshop has shown the path to have business stress-free.

Workshop UPCYCLING to Preserve & Conserve Resources: Rotary Club of Pune Royal is the Host Club for implementing the Upcycle Project of RID 3131 Supporting the Environment Avenue along with 13 other clubs. Response to Google form was 443. The First Online Workshop was held on 2.10.22. 230 Students along with their friends and family members participated in the workshop. Rtn Gauri Shikarpur Director Supporting the Environment Avenue spoke about the purpose of the Workshop. Chief guest PDG Rtn Pramod Jejurikar spoke about the Role of Rotary for better environment. In the Second Session Environmental Engineer Rtn Rajendrakumar Saraf explained with demonstration the Upcycling and the various alternatives to upcycle the waste products. Shri Vishwajeet Naik demonstrated how to make the Bird nests from the waste materials. 7th Jan 2023 - Final presentation of selected products was held at Pimpri Chinchwad Science Park. .

25 participants presented & exhibited their Upcycle Products. More than 400 visitors visited the Exhibition. DGN Rtn Shital Shah Chief Guest congratulated host clubs & participants. He asked participants to take up this task further and join the Rotary movement to become Ambassador to Save the Environment. Prizes were given to winners. The Project has created awareness amongst the youth to save the environment. Some of them along with their family have decided to start their venture to manufacture Upcycle Products.

Rotary International Multi District Global Online Workshop on Upcycling to empower Youth

First time in the history of Royal we have a Global Multi district workshop. 8 districts from India & abroad participated in this workshop. 456 youth from various parts of the world registered for the Workshop. The workshop was conducted on 4th & 5th February 2023. The workshop was inaugurated on 4th Feb by DGE Manjoo Phadke. Her speech inspired the participants to work to save the environment. Rtn Satish Khade delivered his lecture on Resource Conservation to Save the Environment. Rtn Rajendrakumar Saraf conducted the Workshop of Upcycling with Practical demonstration. The workshop on 5th began with the speech by PDG Rtn Deepak Shikarpur on Role of Rotary International in Supporting the Environment. Rtn Rajendrakumar Saraf conducted the Workshop of Upcycling with Practical demonstration. Recorded Program was sent to partners. 156 Posters of Upcycle products are received. 50 products are selected by the First Group of Jury for the Final Presentation. Online presentation was held on Sunday 19th March . There were excellent presentations by participants. Some of them even mentioned details like material & labor cost involved in making the product and confidently spoke about their upcycle products. After the thorough assessment Juries spoke on separate conference calls and decided the winner for Workshop. The names of winners were declared. It has ignited the spark of Imagination and Creativity in the youth to adopt Upcycling and practice a careful and responsible approach to supporting the Environment. This Workshop has shown the path to start business in Upcycle Products.

Celebration of International Day: We have participated in the celebration of World Water Day, National Technology day and World Environment Day festival organized in association with The Institution of Engineers (India), NGO and Government organizations.

Activities under DEI

Diversity, equity, and inclusion: RCP Royal is invited by Goran Grossskop Family Clinic to join the Program of Rakshabandhan for Transgender.

We have Lauch a Unique program for LGBTQ community for job opportunities in association with Puneri Pride and Savali Foundation.

We have given the Service Excellence Rotary Award to Amit Mohite a Transgender , putting his best effort to bring change.

New Generation Activities.

We have started two new Interact Clubs Interact Club of Vanaj Parivar Vidyamandir School Madhyamik Vibhag & Interact Club of Sau Pratibha Pawar Vidyamandir, Maharashtra, India

We have conducted four One day RYLA in the School.

Grow Green

This district project was launched by our Club at Sau Pratibha Pawar Vidyamandir. 300 sampling with observation book was distributed to students to nurture the plant write down the observations and plant the grown saplings at suitable place,

The year has many landmarks. It has received citation for Best Club Administration, maximum participation in District Conference Josh and the Certificate of appreciation for Environment activities and many others. Six members of the Club are District officers for years 22-23.

This all is possible because of whole hearted support and involvement of the Members and their family and friends.



Message from First Lady

Hello, Dear Rotarians,
 As a First Lady I welcome you all in this new Rotary Year 2023-24.
 "A strong woman knows she has strength enough for the journey, but women of strength knows it is journey where she will become strong". And That is Rotary
 This year we are arranging informative weekly meeting and one dinner meeting also special Ann's meeting & picnic.
 "Finding the Right Part" to engage each member would be part our core function.
 Our club is really Royal club as all the member in this club are Royal. So I wish All the Best for further journey.

Shweta Mane



Editorial Message by Rtn. Shantikumar Mansabdar

Hello my friends It's my great honour That I have been Bestowed Upon with the responsibility as editor of Arpan. I will definitely strive to work hard and fulfil the expectations of all our members. I would like to make an Appeal from bottom of heart to all the Rotary members to share their New innovative ideas and views to make our bulletin a great success. I request all our members to come up with new articles, write-ups, poems or some new thoughts, which we will try to publish in our Arpan. I hope For your support and encouragement for my assignment.

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