

BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY



President's Pick

An institution like the Rotary Club of Bombay should be judged largely by the impact it makes on society.

Beginning now, once a month we will devote this slot on the front page to precisely this.

I genuinely hope the "President's Pick" one day completely replaces the "President's Pic".



Good evening everyone! My name is Dipika Pawar and I am an ex-student at Bhavishya Yaan. To further identify myself, I would say I am a first batch student of Bhavishya Yaan from Dr. Ambedkar School. Currently, I am pursuing my post graduate degree in Travel & Tourism Management.

As we all know that English is the basic language for all higher level education, especially for the Travel & Tourism degree, where it is mandatory along with being skilful in PowerPoint to present your ideas in an innovative manner. Both of these skills I learnt during my days at Bhavishya Yaan, paired with counselling sessions which helped me with self development.

To conclude, I would like tell all Bhavishya Yaan students that you are at the right place, at the right time, and with the right people. All you have to do is push yourself out of your comfort zone and learn to practice here and get ready for the future.

All the best and thank you!

Dipika Pawar

Changing the Game



Jamaica, despite being a smaller country than our own, has won more Olympic medals than India. And it took Sundar Raman only thirty minutes to tell us why, providing answers to many of our pressing questions about sports in India.

Only the other day, Usain Bolt ran his last race. To the dismay of his fans worldwide, he placed third. He still got a standing ovation because "Usain Bolt



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President Ramesh presents the trophy to the winners of the Moot Court competition.

is a story of a how one man, for fifteen years, can hold up the world of athletics with the highest level of integrity.”

According to a marketer like our Tuesday speaker, Mr. Raman, to tell the story of great sportsmanship is a challenge that must be taken up. Taking us through a few graphs of the competitiveness of countries like China and the United States of America in the field of sports, he was able to divulge the opportunity that people like him are trying to tap into.

As many well know, Mr. Raman served as the COO of the Indian Premier League. It was during his tenure that stadiums were filled - both in India and South Africa - to uphold the spirit of sportsmanship and the gentleman’s game. So it is no surprise that he is currently the CEO of Reliance Sports, creating the same magic that had cricket fans mesmerised for a month every year during the IPL.

His success has given a new definition to the term “a career in sports:” As a sports marketer, he closed the IPL title sponsorship

deal in 2008 at 200 crores, and in ten years, it has appreciated ten times. This wouldn't be possible if people weren't lapping up the content offered to them through various mediums. It definitely wouldn't be possible if cricketers like Virat Kohli did not showcase their phenomenal talents.

An important outcome of these rapidly-increasing investments in sports is that sports personalities, like Usain Bolt and Virat Kohli, have become pioneers for a new generation of aspirants. What follows this phenomena is that more and more people come forward to add their bit to the flourishing industry.

“The world of sports is attracting a lot of professionals, so what can we do as individuals?” He asked.

The biggest impacts will be felt if we begin to support the sports industry at a grassroots level, suggested Mr. Raman: “All our research shows that kids fall out of sports once they are 13 or 14 years old.” So by encouraging our children, grandchildren, nephews, and nieces to play a sport, we can break the old mindset of “I can’t make a career in sport.” It is also





Vita Dani Co-Chair Programs Committee introduces the speaker

a misconception that a child lacking the right attitude and aptitude for a particular sport cannot ace at another sport.

Taking the example of successful marketers like Mr. Raman, we must remember that the sports industry is also in need of some creative thinkers who can carry on the great work that has been set in motion. A clear indication of this lies in the fact that the IPL, although the largest sports property in India, still dwarfs in

front of the kind of numbers the NBA and NFL claim in terms of digital viewership and revenue.

In conclusion, the speaker reminded us that the path is long and to become an overnight success actually requires years of

hard work. But since he took the example of Jamaica, here's how the Jamaicans would put it: Every mikkle mek a mukkule. (Every little counts).

Rtn. Natasha Treasurywala on the Legal Aid Committee's Upcoming Plans

The Legal aid Committee is proud to present two main projects in the coming year.

Those who have fond memories of the Moot Court Competition, held in association with the Government Law College, will be glad to know that the Legal Aid Committee is working towards bringing back the competition to its former glory, as its first initiative.

Secondly, they plan on setting up a Legal Aid Cell at the YMCA for families to seek legal advice. One can expect the same to take form in the next two months.



Bhavishya Yaan Annual Day Celebrations

Rotary Club of Bombay's Bhavishya Yaan turns 8.

The widely acclaimed student enrichment program being run by the Rotary Club of Bombay in five Municipal schools directly, turned eight on the 4th. August. A well attended function was held at the Colaba Municipal school where the successful passing out batch of all five schools were felicitated by veteran film actor Gulshan Grover.

Ramesh Narayan, the President of Rotary Club of Bombay said he was very happy that what began as a dream in one school with 40 children, had grown into a meaningful program that was positively impacting the lives of more than 1000 underprivileged children on an on-going basis. He added that the Rotary Club of Bombay was providing special classes for Spoken English, Computer Learning and Life Skills in these Municipal schools. The program included several interesting offsite visits to a range of destinations ranging from Nature Parks and Naval ships to the sets of popular TV serials. This, said Narayan, provided vital exposure to these children. The children had achieved 100% passing percentage at the last board exam, and had topped several Municipal schools' results.



From L to R - President Ramesh Narayan, Rtn. Madhusadan Daga, guest of honour Gulshan Grover, Rtn. Jimmy Vakharia and Pradeep Guha.



Old friends confer. President Ramesh Narayan with Pradeep Guha



A small skit is enacted by the BY students



A group of BY students put up an Indian classical performance



The audience captivated by the speakers and performers

Letters to the President

Ramesh,

It was truly a privilege and an eye opener for me when I attended the Bhavishya-Yaan Annual Day. My chest swelled with pride when I saw the students talking with such confidence and in good English on stage. I have interacted with these children in the past when I had donated my World Book Encyclopedia Collection to them and seeing their growth and progress has been marvelous. The Rotary Club of Bombay is doing a fantastic job in nurturing these children who come from poor backgrounds and helping them achieve their dreams. I am proud to be a part of the Rotary Club of Bombay and honoured to be associated with Bhavishya Yaan and wish the program all the best of success and growth.

Warm regards,
Moy Biswas



Gulshan Grover, Ms. Bhavna Daftary of Bharat Serums and Vaccines and President Ramesh inaugurating the new Computer lab at Colaba Municipal School

Inauguration of the Computer Lab at Colaba on 4th August



Satyan Israni, the Chairperson of Bhavishya Yaan Committee of the Rotary Club of Bombay said that this program had fired the imagination of Rotarians and their partners who participated in monitoring and mentoring the kids on a daily basis. It had also attracted several corporates who were impressed by the quality of the program they were undertaking to contribute toward the running expenses of each school. Israni added that an important aspect of this program was the fact that it recruited mainly

children from Marathi, Hindi and Urdu medium to make them proficient and ready for higher education. The Rotary Club of Bombay was also contributing to the college education of these children with scholarships.

The evening also saw the inauguration of a newly equipped computer lab for the Bhavishya Yaan children at the Colaba Municipal school by Gulshan Grover and Bhavna Daftary of Bharat Serums and Vaccines.

Mirror Now covers Bhavishya Yaan's Annual Day marking 8 years



A show of creative human body forms on display



One of the finales by the students



Understanding of Social Media via a small play by BY students



Bhavishya Yaan students getting ready for their performance

Rotary Club of Bombay launches Second Elder Day Care Centre Ananda Yaan

The Rotary Club of Bombay (RCB), launched its second Elder Day Care Centre for the underprivileged, "Ananda Yaan" (Mission to Happiness), in collaboration with Dignity Foundation at Dadar Sea Link on 11th. August 2017.

President RCB Ramesh Narayan said "this is the second centre the Rotary Club of Bombay has launched in Mumbai, the first one was at Dadar. There is a great need for such initiatives. As I always say, it is terrible to be old and poor in Mumbai. The sheer pressure on space results in our elders being treated very shabbily. We want to ensure that every evening of their lives, the poor elders get a few hours of happiness. This is our objective. I am pleased that the first centre has received a great response from the community" he added.

The well-attended event had popular film and TV actor, Rakesh Bedi as the Guest of Honor. Rtn. Alok Sekhsaria Chairperson of Ananda Yaan Committee said "We are happy to have Dignity Foundation, a pioneer in elder care, managing this Ananda Yaan Centre. We intend to provide the

underprivileged elders with a nutritious drink, board games and a place to meet other people like them. There would be much singing and laughter organized, along with health check-ups, and some entertaining visits. We are well on the way to our "Mission to Happiness". Christopher Bluemel added, "The Rotary Club has already organized blood tests for the members at the Byculla Centre. They also took



Rotaractors from the Hinduja College to the Byculla centre and there was great bonding between the young and the old. Several such initiatives would be done at the Dadar centre as well.



From L to R AY Committee Co-Chair Christopher Bluemel, Guest of Honour Rakesh Bedi, Sheelu Srinivasan of Dignity Foundation, President Ramesh Narayan and AY Committee Chairperson Alok Sekhsaria



Ananda Yaan Committee Chairperson Alok Sekhsaria addresses the audience



Guest of Honour Rakesh Bedi expresses his pleasure in being present at the opening



The neighbourhood elders are given the stage to perform for a keen audience

AASHIRWAD by Rotaractors of Rotaract Club of Hinduja College at Ananda Yaan Byculla

Motivated by Rtn. Poonam Lalwani, around 45 representatives from The Rotaract Club of Hinduja College came together to organise AASHIRWAD, a noble event in collaboration with its Parent Rotary - the Rotary Club of Bombay where they celebrated Raksha Bandhan in a very innovative and unique way on 4th August. The objective of this event was to share love and give a sense of belonging to 80 registered members of of Ananda Yaan (Elder Day Care Centre) at Byculla.

It was a day full of affection and respect towards the invitees, listening to their hearts and sharing their life experiences. The representatives went on to engage the invitees into some

indoor games that helped them to be physically active, get highly involved and full of spirit, where everyone was a winner i.e. the invitees won the hearts of the representatives and the representatives won the blessings of the invitees. Each Rotaractor tied a rakhee to an elder and took their blessings in return. The youngsters sat with the elders chatted with them, and there was much enjoyment and laughter. The colour and the youthful energy of the Rotaractors was much appreciated and many elders when interviewed said that they had only seen such a thing on TV and were bowled over to actually experience it.

The event ended with a heart warming feedback from the members who shared their views in

an honest manner. The Rotaractors left with flowers, heavy hearts, and a commitment to continue exploring such noble acts further to contribute towards a better society where joy and prayers are shared. The event was planned and organised by Rtr. Qavee Gupta, Rtr. Nancy Jain, Rtr. Ammar Kanorwala, Rtr. Ayushi Shah and other team members of Rotaract Club Of Hinduja College. While concluding the event they described the emotional element of the event where they were able to co-relate the invitees with their grandparents and a heightened sense towards the elderly and vice versa.

Rtn. Poonam Lalwani and First Lady Devi Narayan oversaw the initiative.



Bhavishya Yaan, GK Marg Students Visit The Science Express Train

Venue : CST Station

Topic : Visit to The Science Express Train

Date: 19th July 2017

Our Bhavishya Yaan students of GK Marg municipal school Lower Parel got an opportunity to visit the most exciting Science Exhibition this year - The Science Express Train. Science Express has become the largest and the longest running, most visited mobile science exhibition and has twelve entries in the Limca Book of Records. This exhibition is an initiative by the Indian

Government. The state-of-the-art exhibition aboard SECAS aims to create awareness among various sections of the society especially amongst the students about various issues & challenges associated with Climate Change and how it can be combated through mitigation and adaptation. The exhibition is spread out in the 16 coach AC train and each compartment has different issues that are covered. The volunteers inside the exhibition talked and explained the students about the various issues of climate change, concepts

of adaptation & mitigation, and what as a citizen can we do in India. They also enjoyed the kidzone section where there were games, puzzles, and a hands-on lab. It was definitely an enjoyable field trip for our students. It was fun learning and informative, all under one roof. We thank the Bhavishya Yaan Committee of Rotary Club of Bombay for letting us know of such an initiative and our coordinator Ekta Shah for helping us arrange the educational field trip.



The Second Assimilation Fellowship

On a nice, August misty afternoon, Vikram & Gauri Daiya graciously hosted the second assimilation fellowship at their beautiful home. The house with an exotic view of the Arabian Sea and Priyadarshini Park played the perfect venue for this luncheon. In attendance amongst the newer Rotarians were Natasha, Xenia, Harsh, Mudit, Rahil with fiancé Vasudha, Jamshyd, Vivek, Anujj, Mehernosh, Raj, Vrinda, and Mohit.

Keeping them enthralled with Rotary stories were President Ramesh with First Lady Devi and President - Elect Vijay, and Gauri with Past President Nirav. Rotarians Madhusudan, Alok, Pradeep, Abhinav, Anar, Jimmy, Anand, Akil, Madhup, Dr. Sanjay Hoshang, and others treated themselves to the lovely appetisers and food served by the ever so charming and warm hosts.

Rotary talks gossip and more - the perfect assimilation. Thank you Vikram & Gauri!



Courtesy PP Navroze Vazifdar

An Amazing sentence in English
 "I do not know where family doctors acquired illegibly perplexing handwriting; nevertheless, extraordinary pharmaceutical intellectuality counterbalancing indecipherability transcendentalizes intercommunication's incomprehensibleness."

The person who made this sentence must be a vocabulary GENIUS.

Reason

This is the sentence where the first word is one letter long, the second word is two letters; the third word is three letter long... the eight word is eight letters long and so on... the twentieth letter is twenty letters long!

Shankar Mahadevan
in concert for
Rotary Club of Bombay



NCPA Tata Theater, 23 August 2017

Recipe Corner



Tara Deshpande



PATRIOT'S PASTA

If you omit the Parmesan you will need additional salt. You can also use Chilgoza, the Indian equivalent of pine nuts for the pesto.

INGREDIENTS FOR 4

450-500 grams pasta such as elbow macaroni, Farfalle, Fusilli or Gemelli

1/2 cup pine nuts or almonds lightly toasted

1.5 cups tightly packed of arugula or rocket leaves washed, large stalks removed and coarsely chopped

1 tablespoon butter or olive oil

2 tablespoons coarsely chopped garlic

1/4 cup grated parmesan (optional)

4 tablespoons olive oil

1 carrot about 4-5 inches long scraped, cleaned and diced finely

1 unpeeled zucchini washed and diced finely

1/2 teaspoon crushed red chilli flakes or to taste

Salt and pepper to taste

INSTRUCTIONS

Set a stockpot of water to boil on high heat. Stir in a pinch of salt and cover.

Heat olive oil on a medium flame in a non-stick pan and saute carrots about 2-3 minutes. Add zucchini and saute until tender but not mushy. Add chilli flakes and saute 30 seconds.

When water is boiling add pasta and cook until al dente or to your taste. In India, I cook the pasta about 2 minutes less than the time provided on the packaging. In our heat and humidity I find the pasta continues to soften even after it is drained.

Drain pasta and reserve 3-4 tablespoons of the pasta water. Use the rest for a soup or dal.

Once the pasta is drained, toss with half the sauteed carrots and zucchini.

Puree the chopped rocket or arugula leaves in a food processor with garlic, pine nuts, parmesan and butter or olive oil to form a coarse paste. If you are vegan omit the Parmesan and butter and use olive oil instead.

Taste for salt.

Toss pasta in the arugula pesto. Season with black pepper, garnish with more parmesan and remaining sauteed zucchini and carrots.

Forthcoming Events

- **August 23rd 2017**
Shankar Mahadevan live in concert for Bhavishya Yaan, at the Tata Theatre.
- **September 5th 2017**
Speaker to be announced
- **September 12th 2017**
Ajit Singh Consul General of Singapore will address the Club
- **September 19th 2017**
Ralph Simon the father of the Ring Tone will speak how the Digital revolution is transforming our lives.

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NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKER

Gautam Chatterji Chairman RERA



Gautam Chatterjee is a retired officer of the Indian Administrative Service of the Maharashtra Cadre.

A Gold Medalist in M.Sc. Mathematics from Patna University, Mr. Chatterjee also holds a post graduate diploma in Urban Planning and Housing from the Institute of Housing Studies, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

In his illustrious career spanning over three decades, Mr. Chatterjee has held several important assignments both in the Government of Maharashtra and Government of India, notable among them being Collector

of Ratnagiri, Additional Municipal Commissioner of Mumbai Municipal Corporation, Joint Director General of Foreign Trade in the Ministry of Commerce, CEO of Maharashtra Housing and Area Development Authority, CEO of Slum Rehabilitation Authority, OSD of Dharavi Redevelopment Project, Principal Secretary of Maharashtra Housing Department, Joint Secretary (Navy & Ordnance) in the Ministry of Defence and Director General of Shipping in the Ministry of Shipping, Additional Chief Secretary, Maharashtra Transport and Ports Department.

After his superannuation, he served as Officer on Special Duty (OSD) to the Chief Minister of Maharashtra before taking over as Chairperson of the Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority (MahaRERA)



Birthdays & Anniversary Greetings



Rtn. Manoj Israni
24th August



Rtn. Narinder Kumar Nayar
24th August



Rtn. Cyrus Patel
26th August



Rtn. Ranjit Singh
27th August

Partners

22nd August - Ptn. Manjula Mehta
Ptn. Manju Sinha
26th August - Ptn. Dina Golwalla
27th August - Ptn. Neelima Baliga
- Ptn. Neeraja Taparia

Anniversaries

27th August - PP Rtn. Haresh Jagtiani & Ptn. Shobha

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Rotary Club Bombay Members	102
Partners	04
Visiting Rotarians	02
Guests	02
Rotractors	06
Total attendance	116
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