

BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY



President's Message



So whose year is it anyway?

As the Rotary year draws to a close, I am being increasingly accosted by well-meaning members of our Club with the question "So how has your year been going?"

And my standard answer has been, "you need to tell me that".

Yet I have been thinking about it and I really believe that one question begs an answer.

"So whose year is it anyway?"

And to answer that question, I am reaching out to each and every one of you'll.

I sincerely believe that a Rotary year is made of a hundred different experiences.

The experiences of each member and each Rotaryanne.

And I urge you'll to write in to me at narayan.ramesh@gmail.com with one or two of these experiences.

Just a short note of under 50 words that encapsulate one or more experiences of yours.

They might be profoundly moving experiences that you have encountered or perceived as a part of your Rotary life.

Things that touched you. Or things you did that obviously touched the lives of others.

They might be just simple things about the Rotary year that you have observed. Different, the same, wonderful, it doesn't matter.

Please sit back for a moment and think of such an experiences or observations.

Write in. And we'll publish them in forthcoming issues of the Gateway.

It's really your year, you know.



Warm regards
Ramesh Narayan

The Gentleman's Game



Dilip Doshi, former Indian cricketer, was invited to the weekly meeting last Tuesday, entrusted to share his thoughts on a very topical issue: Ethics. Although the subject has been well dissected by some of the greatest philosophers, Doshi's perspective was rather refreshing. His sporting and business career inspired some very interesting parallels between sportsmanship and ethical business practices.

Today's Speaker

Deepak Parekh is the Chairman of Housing Development Finance Corporation



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President Elect Vijay Jatia inducts new member: Akhil Sanghi



Rtn. Nirav Shah introduces the new member

He began by asking us, "What drives us to do whatever we do?" Most everyone agreed to his answer: "We all want to be successful, which makes us think about the route that we must take to be successful." But here's where he feels that many fall for the mistaken assumption that "the self-esteem and recognition comes from the wealth that they accumulate."

To extend his point of view, he drew upon the first parallel of the afternoon: "How many of you have heard about the adage 'it's not cricket'?" For those who haven't, the adage

stems from the belief among many in the heydays that cricket was a gentleman's game, and that all its rules were pillars of righteousness that could only be enjoyed by gentlemen. It was used to suggest that "something was not acceptable." However, no one uses it any longer because "success at any cost is more important than how you get there."

Doshi is of the belief that "it is not wrong to accumulate wealth, as long as it is done in an organic manner." This belief has been ingrained in him from his time on the cricketing pitch, where

he learnt to accept what a day's play had to offer: "If you have the will to win, you must also have the equal courage to lose." One of the sportsmen who still epitomises this ideal, according to the speaker, is tennis legend Roger Federer.

To draw a parallel between the way sports, especially cricket, is played today and in the past, we got Doshi's view on the recent ball-tampering scandal. "Everybody saw the Australian captain, Steve Smith, do something extraordinary on the field under his guidance. The question is, was he really so upset because he was caught doing it, or was he already doing it and it went unnoticed?" He questioned, since the commentators did say that the ball was swinging too early during earlier matches.

But today's scandals would certainly be laughable to those who played the game in a different spirit. Take for example the legendary batsman of the late nineteenth century, W.D. Grace, who always indulged his fans with his outstanding batting.



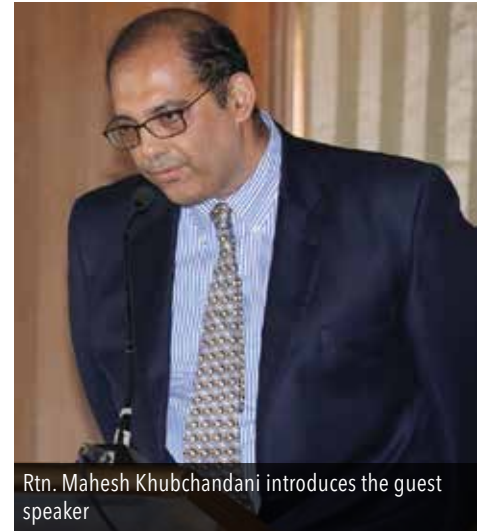
Happy Birthday Rtn. Sitaram Shah



PP Hareh Jagtiani asks a question

It was unusual to see him get out on the third ball, but once, when it did happen, he put the bails back on the stumps, and asked the bowler to continue bowling. Obviously, the bowler objected, but not after Grace reminded him, "Lad, they've not come to see you bowl, they've come to see me bat."

So the game was played for entertainment - and not for victory. Here is how that can be applied to ethical business practices in Doshi's words: "In today's world, there is a lot of extremist situations in business. People are following Excel sheets, as we know, which makes the bottom line - capital



Rtn. Mahesh Khubchandani introduces the guest speaker

gain - more important than the professional management of an establishment."

In the end, he asks us to think "progressive rather than aggressive," as it is when business turns aggressive, that "ethics fly out of the window."

Ananda Yaan - Big Bazaar & Satsang

"Are you ready to shop till you drop?" was a mega festival organised by Big Bazaar. To make this real experience for our Ananda Yaan members we had a donor Mr Anup Jatia. Anup celebrated his father's 75th birthday in a unique way. Anup and his wife, Shruti Jatia arranged for gift coupons of Big Bazaar for 75 members of Ananda Yaan - Byculla centre.

Anup also arranged a bus for the senior citizens to all go together to shop. Shruti, Anup's wife arranged a blissful bhajan and Satsang evening on 13th April with Mr. Ishank Raghupate, who is an Art of Living faculty teaching meditation and breathing techniques to people since 2008. He is a very good music composer - arranger and he conducts spiritual bhajan sandhyas wherever he is invited.

Members had a mesmerising evening singing bhajans, meditating, dancing and satsang in Marathi. The members gathered on a 14th April to go to Big Bazaar - Matunga and enjoyed their shopping and fun together.

Committee members, first lady Mrs. Devi Narayan and rotaryanne Mrs. Ekta Shah participated in the celebration by singing along and Dancing with the joyous members.



Third Annual Table Tennis Tournament

Skill and enthusiasm was on show as 23 Rotarians and kin turned up for our Club's Third Annual Table Tennis Tournament held, as before, at the YMCA at Colaba.

Jamshyd Vazifdar explained the format, stressing that it had been tweaked based on experience from the last two years, in an attempt to make it more fair and enjoyable to all.

Participants were paired up and divided into two groups of 5 pairs of players each, and each group would follow a League Format, with each pair, as 'teams', playing the others within the group. Group A, led by President Nominee Framroze Mehta consisted of 5 pairs: Framroze and Rajesh Shah, Manan Jain (son of Mohit) and Jamshed Banaji, Anand Dalal and Kirit Kamdar, Jaymin Jhaveri and Anuj Arenja, Aliakbar Merchant and Moy Biswas. Group B, led by President



Ramesh also consisted of 5 pairs: Vivek Himatsingka and Yajjat Sekhsaria (son of Alok), Mohit Jain and Pranay Kamdar (son of Kirit), Nowroze Vazifdar and Hiren Kara, Avyaraj (nephew of Anuj) and Rahil Shah, Mehul Sampat and Hrishit (nephew of Mehul).

After each pair had played the others in the group, League tables were formed

based on points won. In Group A the pair of Jamshed & Manan brushed aside all challengers as they took the number-1 spot with 4 wins out of 4 games. Second place went to the pair of Anand & Kirit. In Group B, the teams were much harder to separate, as 3 pairs finished on the same number of points. To settle this, head-to-head record and number of points won per game were considered, and the number-1 spot went to Vivek & Yajjat, and second place to Mohit & Pranay. The pair of Mehul & Hrishit narrowly missed out on a chance to progress.

The next phase of the tournament saw the pair of Anand & Kirit face off against Mohit & Pranay in the "3rd place match". This was won by Anand & Kirit.

The overall winners were decided in the match where Group A winners Jamshed & Manan played Group B winners Vivek & Yajjat. This thrilling best-of-three match saw Jamshed & Manan as the eventual winners.

President Ramesh graciously presented the trophies, which Moy had taken considerable pains over, as he does year after year for all the Sports events. Jamshyd thanked PP Paul George for facilitating the use of the YMCA and Rtn Vita Dani for loaning the racquets and balls. Thanks were also given to the Sports Committee, President Ramesh and all the participants, who then extended their fellowship over light refreshments.



Child Welfare begins



The Summer Camp for street children at the Salaam Balak facility at Marine Drive has been facilitated by the newly formed Child Welfare Committee chaired by Rajesh Shah. Rajesh and Rotaryanne Ekta have hit the ground running. Apart from this they have also planned to provide holistic care to students from the KG class to the 4th. standard at the Macchimaar Nagar at Cuffe Parade. Members and Rotaryannes interested in helping out with children please contact Rajesh Shah.

The incoming team plans ahead!

The incoming leadership team of the Rotary Club of Bombay led by President Elect Vijay Jatia had an offsite at Rhythm Lonavala (the Rotary favorite, thanks to Ashok Jatia) on April 14th, 2018. Billed as a Brainstorming Session, the well organized event had several Chairpersons and office bearers of the Rotary Year 2018-19 laying out their plans for the next year. Rotarians Ashish Vaid, Homi Katgara and Arin Master had organised fellowships at their homes/restaurant for the group.



“I am saving Rs 5,000-6,000 for my family every month!”

- Karuna Vijay Kamble, Mumbai, Maharashtra



Karuna's family had a monthly income of Rs 25,000, and yet, she was barely saving Rs 500 a month. Attending a Financial Literacy training organised by Reliance Foundation, she is now saving enough to afford daughter's education.

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Inaugural of Byculla Computer Room

The Bhavishya Yaan program at Byculla East Municipal School got its computer lab fitted with all brand new computers with the support of the Natarwala Foundation, courtesy Rtn. Shernaz Vakil. The Byculla school wore a festive look with students positioned by Mentor Rashmi Bapna on every floor, colourful rangoli decorations outside the Lab and smiles all around. RCB President Ramesh

Narayan thanked Shernaz Vakil and said that it needed a simple request and less than 30 seconds for Shernaz to give a nod for these new computers. Such was her generosity and support. Rt. Shernaz said it was the blessings and endowments of her father that enabled this philanthropy.

Among the Rotarians present were Director Madhusudhan Daga, Jimmy and Avaan Vakharia to name a few.



'Paint It' with Bhavishya-Yaan

"Painting is self-discovery every good artist paints what he is"

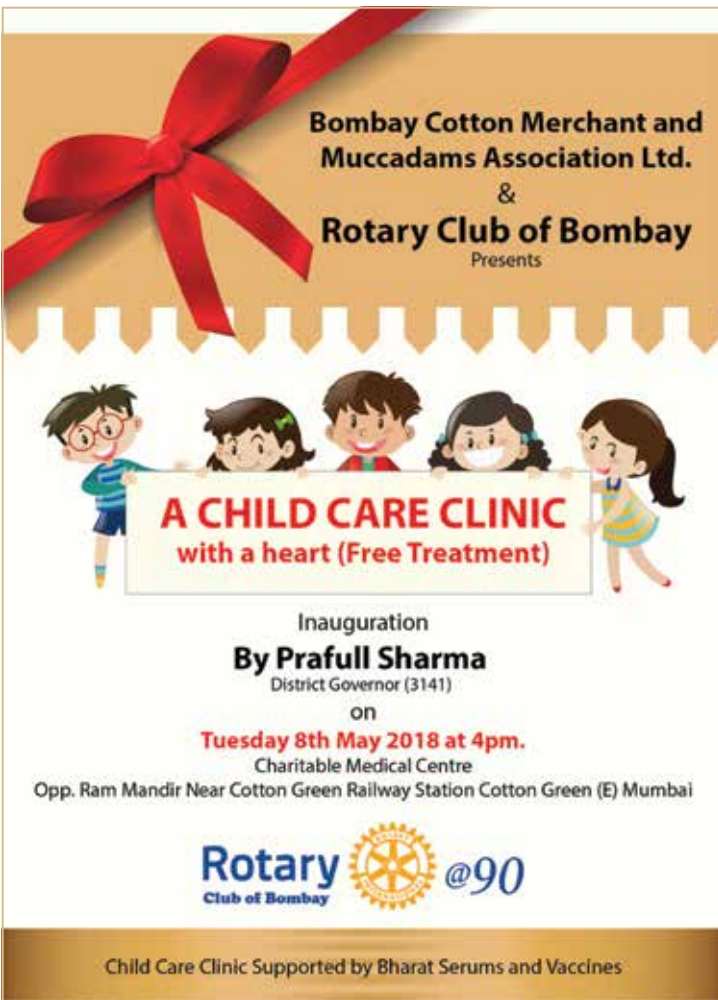
Paint It was a project organised by The Bhavishya-yaan committee of the Rotary Club of Bombay and The Rotaract Club of H.R College. It was a project where the 6th, 7th and 8th graders of the Colaba School spent their Thursday morning doing graffiti and painting the walls outside MSSA Ground, near Metro Cinema.

As education is a sole right of every child the topic for the project was 'Right To Education'. The topic was discussed in detail with the students. Various techniques of graffiti and

painting were taught to them. The students along with the volunteers managed to complete 5 walls. The students enjoyed a lot as they got to learn a lot of things.

The Rotaract Club Of H.R College would like to thank The Bhavishya-Yaan committee for supporting the initiative.






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Isha with her proud parents

Isha is one of our younger donors. With such people around the future looks good. She is currently studying in Grade 11, International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP), at the reputed Aditya Birla World Academy (ABWA). She believes that 'The Truth is that it only Fair that we all can donate some of our valuable time, money and resources for the Benefit of the needy to build Goodwill and Better Friendships'. This inspired her to recently generate funds Rs.5,07,000 for granting Education Scholarship for Girls and/or Cricket and Athletics Sports Scholarship for children, currently/formerly studying in Grade 5-10 in Municipal Schools, under support of the reputed Rotary Club of Bombay through the trust managed by them, Rotary Club Bombay Charities Trust No. 3. She hopes that this contribution encourages and adds value to their lives.



50 elders from the Ananda Yaan were treated to a Bharatnatyam and Kathakali dance recital at ncpa theatre on Saturday 21st April thanks to a generous donor organised by Rotaryanne Avaan Vakharia.

Forthcoming Events

- 8th May 2018**
Please join in for the inauguration of the Child Care facility at the RCB Medical Centre, Cotton Green.
District Governor Prafull Sharma will be the Chief Guest.
- 15th May 2018**
Niranjan Hiranandani, the realty wizard will address the Club.
- 22nd May 2018**
Uday Kotak will accept the Ramkrishna Bajaj Award for Good Governance and address the Club.

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NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKER - NIRANJAN HIRANANDANI



Dr. Niranjn Hiranandani is the Managing Director of the Hiranandani Group of Companies. He is the son of eminent ENT Surgeon and Padma Bhushan recipient Dr. L.H. Hiranandani, an icon in the field of medicine. From his early beginnings of teaching chartered accountancy, Dr. Niranjn began his initial business by venturing into textiles with a weaving unit at Charkop in Kandivali in 1981. His first spark of recognition in the construction line came with their work in Versova, Andheri in the mid-eighties.

He is actively associated with and holds key positions in various Government Bodies, Private and Social Institutions, Schools and Colleges. Continuing to serve the society in the best possible manner, the Group has forayed into the Healthcare sector with the 188 bedded Dr. L. H. Hiranandani Super Specialty Hospitals at Powai and Thane. He calls it his "Building of Passion".

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Birthdays & Anniversary Greetings



Rtn. Vinay Sanghi
8th May



Rtn. Ateeq Agboatwala
9th May



Rtn. Sam Katgara
9th May



Rtn. Dr. Prakriti Poddar
10th May



Rtn. Hans Khimji
14th May



Rtn. Burjor Poonawala
14th May

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9th May - R/anne. Thrity Javeri
12th May - R/anne. Reshma Vazirani

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Rotary Club Bombay Members	95
Partners	03
Visiting Rotarians	02
Guests	00
Rotractors	01
Total attendance	101
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