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<u>Today's Programme: Virtual Weekly Meeting</u>	<u>Congratulatory Events</u>
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Business Meeting2. A presentation by Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht on Covid-19 and its status in Nepal	<p><u>Birthdays:</u> Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan – 2 May Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha – 6 May</p> <p><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> Rtns. Kiran and Lalita Thapa – 29 April Rtn. Shanta K. and Nirmala Shrestha – 3 May</p>

Minutes of Meeting No. 1703

Date: 15 Baishakh 2077 / 27 April 2020

1. President Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa called the virtual RCP Meeting No. 1703 through 'zoom' to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
2. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
3. Pledges of 'Happy News/Sunshine' contribution and contribution to the Operational Fund marked as 'OF':
 - Rtn. Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha – for 'Happy Birthday' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtns. Padam L. & Kamala Maharjan – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary', for being safe & healthy during the Covid-19 pandemic and many other happy news while in the USA as shared by e-mail & Viber (NRs. 1,111).
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha – for reducing 2 kilos of weight during the Covid-19 lockdown (NRs. 500 to OF).
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha – for today's good attendance in the virtual meeting (NRs. 500 to OF).
 - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka – for the second virtual weekly meeting of the RCP (NRs. 500 to OF).
 - Rtn. Lila B. Bania – for his first attendance of virtual weekly meeting in 2077 B.S. (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang – for participating in 'PETS' virtually (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya (NRs. 500 to OF) and Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa (NRs. 1,000) – for participating in the RCP's second virtual weekly meeting via 'zoom'.
 - Rtn. Santa K. Shrestha – for his contributions to Bandipur, Chitwan and Nawalparasi communities in collaboration with the local government during the Covid-19 pandemic. His contributions included free rental concessions, cash contribution and construction of rooms for the 'Kriya-putra' (NRs. 1,000).
4. Rotary News/Information:
 - In consultation with some members, President Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa suggested some focal points from the RCP membership to review possible RCP's role in dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic's short and long-term impact to the communities with whom we are working. The following suggestions were agreed:
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht on subjects related to the epidemiology of the pandemic.
 - Rtn. Lila B. Bania on economic impacts such as in livelihood, tourism and hospitality sectors.
 - Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal for community level work at the local level. PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya added to include possible support in basis education, health and school adoption following TEACH.

It was further suggested to request Rtn. Bishwa B. Sharma to review the post lock-down psychological impact on the RCP family and the communities we work for possible areas of support.

 - Rtns. Nirmal K. Pradhanang and Preeti Khemka have been attending the President Elects Training Seminar 'PETS' virtually.
 - As requested by members, Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht agreed to make a presentation on Covid19 and its current status in Nepal during RCP's weekly virtual meeting on Monday, 4 May 2020.
5. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Kamal B. Nyachhyon – RC Gurugaon, Haryana, India; Chartered: 1972 & Members: 88. District: 3010, Clubs: 125 & Members: 5052.

6. **The next virtual meeting through 'zoom' will be held on Monday, 4 May 2020 from 4 to 5 p.m.**
7. A total contribution of NRs. 6,611 was pledged (NRs. 4,611 for sunshine fund and NRs. 2,000 for 'OF' of the RCP). Attendance: 30 members and 1 Rotaract (IPP Rtr. Peshal Bhattarai).

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Preeti Khemka

- Q.** Name of Rotary Month of April **A.** Maternal and Child Health Month
- Q.** Name of RI President for 2021-2022 **A.** Rtn. Shekhar Mehta
- Q.** Period of RI Trustee Chairpersonship and Trustee Membership
A. One and three years, respectively.

Rotary Information



Joint Statement from Kiwanis International, Lions Clubs International, Optimist International, and Rotary International

Woven through the fabric of virtually every community on earth, service clubs of Kiwanis International, Lions Clubs International, Optimist International, and Rotary International are working safely and diligently to maintain connections with each other and our neighbors so that we can cope with and overcome the effects of COVID-19. We are leveraging the strength of our combined networks of 3.2 million members to provide comfort and hope to those feeling the effects of isolation and fear. And we are focusing our collective skills, resources and ideas to support frontline health workers and first responders as they battle this disease and save lives.

In these times of uncertainty, your local service clubs remain committed to meeting the challenge of finding innovative ways to take action together to help communities around the globe heal and thrive – and become more united than ever.

“The global effort against COVID-19 depends on actions taken in every country. As people of action, this is our time to connect with each other to offer immediate help to people in need.” – *Mark Daniel Maloney, Rotary International President, 2019-2020.*

“The scale and magnitude of this global pandemic requires our world's citizenry to heed the advice and cautions of the experts. The work and plans of our collective members and volunteers must not cease! Our immediate response after the crisis will be necessary to support local Governments respond to the many social and economic challenges that will ensue in its aftermath.” – *Adrian Elcock, Optimist International President, 2019-2020.*

“Great challenges test us, but they also bring us together. Lions are finding new ways to safely serve. Our Lions Clubs International Foundation has granted over one million dollars to help communities facing extreme rates of COVID-19, and additional grant requests are being received daily. Our communities depend on service clubs, and we will be there, supporting and strengthening them just as we always have together.” – *Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, Lions Clubs International President, 2019-2020.*

“During these difficult times, we're seeing everyday heroism across the globe. I encourage us all to recognize the health and safety professionals who are putting their own health at risk for the greater good. To the educators, grocery workers, delivery drivers and the countless professionals who can't stay home, the Kiwanis family thanks you. We all play an important role in keeping our friends and neighbors safe. Please follow the advice of the World Health Organization, your local health agencies and the instructions given by your Government. Please, stay safe.” – *Daniel Vigneron, Kiwanis International President, 2019-2020.*