

# ललित धारा

RI District 3292

Club No. 23126

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<u>Today's Programme:</u>	<u>Congratulatory Events</u>
Business Meeting	<b><u>Birthdays:</u></b> Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha – 29 April, Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan – 2 May, and Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha – 4 May <b><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u></b> Rtns. Kiran and Lalita C. Thapa – 29 April, Rtns. Padam L. and Kamala Maharjan – 29 April, and Rtn. Shanta K. and Nirmla Shrestha – 3 May

**Minutes of Meeting No. 1802****Date: 12 Baisakh 2079 / 25 April 2022**

1. President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa called the regular weekly meeting number 1802 via Zoom to order with 'Silent Invocation' of 15 seconds for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Past President of the Rotaract Club of Patan Rotaract Peshal Bhattarai.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. Contributions/pledges for 'Happy News':
  - Rtn Mukti N. Shrestha (NRs. 500) and Rtn. Mahendra B Thapa (NRs. 500) – for the successful completion of the rabies vaccination programme.
  - Rtn. Preeti Khemka – for being happy on today's meeting (NRs. 500).
5. Rotary News/Information:
  - Rtn. Ganesh B. Shrestha reminded on this year's revised PEEF groupings and requested members to contact him if there were any changes required. He also reminded on the KEEA contributions from members.
  - Rtn. Mukti N. Shrestha briefed on the just completed rabies vaccination of 1385 street dogs carried out under the team leadership of Dr. Manoj Karki of our implementing partner VPAN. A detailed report will be received upon return from travel of VPAN's general secretary Mr. Suraj Thapa. This year's campaign was very successful despite the timing of pre-local elections with the support of several dog lovers including Ms. Nirmla from Godavari. Rtns. Ganesh R. Shrestha and Khadak S. Bisht also participated from the RCP.
  - Rtn. Santa K. Shrestha briefed on his invitation of the RCP family to join in the final day of the 'Bhagavat Saptaha Maya Yagya' being held in his birthplace of Bandipur during 18-24 Baisakh 2079. Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan will be sharing the logistics detail in consultation with him in this regard.
  - President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa informed that the planned talk programme of Dr. Aruna Uprety was postponed as the venue was occupied this week.
6. Continuation of Past Presidents' revisit of significant issues during their presidency of the RCP:

Past President Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary (President 2003-2004) gave a comprehensive report of the achievements during his presidency of the RCP. He thanked several members of the RCP for their support in the achievements. With his spouse as the Inner Wheel club president and daughter's support work on social projects, the whole family was engaged in Rotary work and fellowship activities. Among the highlights were:

  - Major fund-raising to the RCP's PEEF flagship programme raising over NRs. 600,000 including a contribution of NRs. 100,000 by his spouse. Later, through his and his family's initiatives, contributions to PEEF totalled nearly NRs. 4.9 million that included contributions from Dr. Prabhakar equivalent to US \$30,000.

- Initiation of the plaque with welcome sign by Rotary Clubs of Lalitpur at the Bagmati bridge with support from the Rotary Clubs of Lalitpur. The plaque was inaugurated by the then Mayor of Lalitpur but removed after a few years as it was considered an advertisement. Attempts continue to be made to put it up again.
  - Started the NRCL (Network of Rotary Clubs of Lalitpur) as its charter president.
  - Many service projects related to health including health camps, environmental projects, and computer support projects to public schools. The computer support projects (with a total support of nearly 300 computers) were unique at the time and were appreciated by the government with the participation of senior level officials during its distribution.
  - Support to the formation of the separate Rotary district in Nepal with the participation of PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya and himself in a meeting with the then RI President in New Delhi, India.
  - Major efforts to raise the profile of the RCP to make it a 100% PHF club, which materialized in 2005-2006.
7. Salutation: By President Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha - Rotary Club of West Perth, Australia; Chartered: 1954; and Members: 55. District: 9455, Clubs: 49, and Members: 1475. He also gave some highlights on the increasing number of Nepalese in Australia and about Rotary in Australia.
8. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha summarized: contributions of NRs. 1,500 to the Sunshine Fund of the RCP, and the meeting attendance of 15 members and 8 make-ups.

### **Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Preeti Khemka**

- Q.** When and where will RI President Shekar Mehta's Presidential Conference take place next?  
**A.** In Hyderabad, India from 29 April to 1 May 2022.
- Q.** Who is the Chair of the Rota Quiz Sub-committee in D-3292 in the RY 2021-22?  
**A.** Rtn. Birendra Raj Pandey, RC Mount Everest
- Q.** When did the Rotary Club of Patan start its first Global Grant project, and what is the name of the Project?  
**A.** GG1418219 Primary Prevention of Acute Rheumatic Fever and Rheumatic Heart Disease. Approved in November 2013 and closed in March 2018

### **Rotary Information:**

Rotary International convention venues and dates planned from 2022 to 2027:

Houston, Texas, USA: 4-8 June 2022

Melbourne, Australia: 27-31 May 2023

Singapore: 8-12 June 2024

Calgary, Canada: 21-25 June 2025

Taipei, Taiwan: 13-17 June 2026

Honolulu, Hawaii, USA: 13-17 June 2027