

ललित धारा

RI District 3292

Club No. 23126

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Issue No. 1463**Date: 13 Asadh 2079 / 27 June 2022****Today's Programme:**

President's summary of Rotary Year 2021-2022

Forthcoming Programmes:

4 July – Start of RY 2022-2023 with Business Meeting

Congratulatory Events**Birthdays:** Nil**Wedding Anniversaries:** Nil**Minutes of Meeting No. 1810****Date: 6 Asadh 2079 / 20 June 2022**

1. President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa called the regular weekly meeting number 1810 to order with 'Silent Invocation' of 15 seconds for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
3. Contributions/pledges for 'Happy News':
 - Rtn. Jeevan K. & Gunu Shrestha – for 31st 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Suraj Pradhan – for owning an apartment in Pokhara (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtms. Shiva K. Pradhan (NRs. 500), Rabendra R. Pandey (NRs. 500), Pushkar M. Shakya (NRs. 500), Nirmal K. Pradhanang (NRs. 500), and Lalita C. Thapa (NRs. 500) – for today's first club assembly of the RCP.
 - Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa – for the visit of daughter and granddaughter from the USA (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Keshab B. Mathema – for purchasing a new Honda car (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for her mother's 91st birthday last week, and today's 1st club assembly (NRs. 1,000).
4. Rotary Information:
 - President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa reminded about the District Awards and Recognition programme being held at Hotel Yak & Yeti on 25 June 2022.

He also informed about a new potential member of the RCP whose application with CV has been submitted to the RCP Board and shared electronically with all members.
 - President Elect Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan informed about the District Governor's Installation Ceremony being held at Soaltee Hotel on 1 July 2022.
5. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty – Rotary Club of Saint Joseph, Réunion, France; Chartered: 1991; and members: 28. District: 9220, Clubs: 56, & members 1403. He also briefed about the small island commune of Réunion located in the southern-most point of Europe.
6. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha summarized: contributions of NRs. 8,700 (NRs. 6,600 to the Sunshine Fund including for two telephone rings, and NRs. 2,100 to the Operational Fund of the RCP), and the meeting attendance of 21 members.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Nabin B. Maharjan**Q.** What does RYLA stand for, which age group does it include?**A.** Rotary Youth Leadership Award for participants ages 14-30.**Q.** What is the newly established: 'The Sylvia Whitlock Leadership Award'?**A.** It honours one Rotary member per year who has actively worked to advance women in Rotary.**Q.** Who is the Asst. Governor for the RCP for RY 2022/23? **A.** Rtn. Urbashi Rana, RC Jawalakhel Manjushree

Summary of the 1st Club Assembly of Rotary Year 2022-2023

President Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa welcomed all with a summary background on club assembly meetings, and informed that both the current and the incoming Assistant Governors were abroad and, therefore, unable to join today. He then handed over the 1st club assembly meeting of Rotary Year 2022-2023 to be conducted by President Elect Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan.

President Elect Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan conducted the 1st club assembly meeting with a power-point presentation (shared with all electronically), in English and its narration in Nepali. He first explained the purpose of the 1st club assembly as a high-level review of global, district and club priorities to agree on the RCP's priorities, plans and activities. He then introduced the Board of Directors of the RCP for the Rotary Year 2022-2023.

President Elect Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan described the basis of the RCP's plans and goals for 2022-2023, and recapped the Rotary Vision Statement, RI President Elect Jennifer Jones' theme 'Imagine Rotary', and District Governor Elect Jitendra Rajbhandary's theme 'Together for a Better World' and DGE goals for the District. He then, presented the RCP's strategic plan with four priorities – Increase our impact, Expand our reach, Enhance participant engagement, and Increase our ability to adapt, incorporating the goals/activities of the RCP within these priorities. He requested the committee chairs and members to comment on these so that these could be elaborated for further review during the second club assembly of the RCP.

Committee chairs present, and some members who commented, appreciated the excellent presentation with a high-level priority, plans and activities. Today's review will help finalise the presentation for the 2nd club assembly of the RCP.

Some of the specific comments to consider were noted as follows:

- As the Covid-19 pandemic eases, consider more physical meetings with at least one guest speaker per month.
- Ensure continuity of current members by making confirmation calls before the end of this Rotary Year. This is also to ensure that the RCP is not billed for any member who may not continue.
- As the RCP is a 100% PHF club, try to have all members contribute to become PHF members for which there are also incentives from the club available. Engage with members for additional contributions to TRF including for Major Donors.
- Ensure participation of new members at least once a month through pro-active initiatives by Club Administration committee.
- Continue with the priority of 'sustainability' and 'participation' in all RCP's service projects.
- Increase fellowships including the start of regular 'Birthday fellowships' three times a year that was interrupted due to the pandemic.
- Plan for the RCP's Charter Day celebrations with early identification of a Chief Guest and confirmation of the availability of the District Governor on Monday, 29 August 2022.
- Timely publication of the annual Lalitdhara Souvenir.
- Close review and teamwork of the RCP's future programmes by the troika of President, President Elect and President Nominee for continuity.

President Elect Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan thanked all for the useful initial comments that will help further expand the RCP's priorities, plans and activities for 2022-2023 for further review during the 2nd club assembly.



May the Laugh Bug Bite You 😄 😄 😄 😄 😄

A politician on an election tour stops at a small village. He asks one of the villagers what problems the village faces. "We don't have a doctor here", the villager says. The politician pulls out his mobile phone, calls a number and barks an order. He then turns to the villager and says, "You will have a doctor here in a couple of days. Anything else?"

"Yes, we don't get mobile phone signals here either," the villager replies.