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Today's Programme:

Talk programme by Mr. Dipendra Bikram Thapa, Past Education Secretary on school education in Nepal-challenges and way forward

Congratulatory Events

Birthday:

PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya – 21 July

Wedding Anniversary: Nil

Minutes of Meeting No. 1863

Date: 1 Shrawan 2080 / 17 July 2023

1. President Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal called the RCP's Meeting No.1863 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: AG Rtn. Tika N. Lohani, former RCP member Mr. Som Paneru, Prof. Krishna Hachhethu, and President of Rotaract Club of Patan Richa Aryal together with 3 Rotaracts.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contribution Pledges:
 - Rtns. Matsyendra L. Kayastha (NRs. 500), Chandralekha Kayastha (NRs. 500), Bijaya Mallapaty (NRs. 500), Kamal Nyachhyon (NRs. 500), Lalita C. Thapa (NRs. 500), Kedar B. Shrestha (NRs. 1,000 including for good attendance), Nirmal K. Pradhanang (NRs. 1,000), – for the '2nd club assembly of the RCP with the participation of the AG, for having former RCP member Mr. Som Paneru and guest Prof. Krishna Hachhethu in today's meeting.
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht – for successfully participating in the 50 km. cycling (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi – for the points mentioned under the first bullet above, 'Happy Landing' from Singapore with presentation of a paper on RHD to the Asia Pacific Society of Cardiologists (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal – for the points mentioned under the first bullet above, son's visit from the USA, 50 km. cycling of spouse and the participation of some 350 women in the cycling programme (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for the points mentioned under the first bullet above, and the Wimbledon Tennis win by Carlos Alcaraz (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Som Paneru – for his return to the home club (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtns. Shiv P. Khemka (NRs. 500) and Rtn. Preeti Khemka (NRs. 500) – for 'Happy Landing' from New Delhi and for the points mentioned under the first bullet above.
 - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal - for the points mentioned under the first bullet above, and for completing the 50 km cycling (NRs. 500).
5. Other Contributions:
 - Rtns. Mahendra B. Thapa and Nirmal K. Pradhanang contributed NRs. 2,500 each to the RCP's PEEF Programme Fund from their participation at the Nepal Orthopaedic Hospital Board meeting.
 - Rtns. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty confirmed the payment of US \$100 each to TRF Polio+ as pledged earlier.
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang pledged to contribute US \$200 to TRF Annual Fund and \$100 to TRF Polio+.
6. Rotary Information: President Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal briefed:
 - On the graduation ceremony of the 5th batch of trainees on vegetable and poultry farming at the project site at Sunakothi in collaboration among TRIFC, ADSoN and the RCP.
 - On a RCP Team's meeting at Kathmandu Institute of Applied Sciences with Dr. Hemu Kafle and her colleagues for possible collaboration on 'girls' empowerment' programmes.
 - On a TOT (Training of Trainers) programme being held during 21-23 July 2023 at Little Angels School on Student Quality Circle (SQC) and encouraged participation from Rotary, Rotaracts and teachers from the RCP's adopted schools.

7. Salutation: By Rtn. Kamal B. Nyachhyon - RC Delhi Rajdhani, India: Chartered: 1984; & Members: 57. District: 3010, Clubs: 125, & Members: 5052.
8. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka announced: happy news contribution pledges of NRs. 10,000 (50% of NRs. 10,000 or NRs. 5,000 each to the Sunshine Fund and the Operational Fund, and NRs. 6,500 for attendance to the Operational Fund of the RCP), and the meeting attendance of 1 Rotarian AG, 2 guests, 4 Rotaracts, 26 members and 8 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa

- Q. Who was the President of RI from the Indian subcontinent in this century? **A.** Rtn. Kalyan Banerjee (2011-12).
- Q. Which year was the 'District Governor' system introduced? **A.** 1915.
- Q. What is the name of the mission that India has launched on 14 July 2023? **A.** Chandrayaan-3.

Rotary Club of Patan's 2nd Club Assembly of Rotary Year 2023-2024

President Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal welcomed Assistant Governor Rtn. Tika N. Lohani to the second club assembly of the Rotary Club of Patan for the Rotary Year 2023-2024 and started the RCP's presentation with the support of power-point. He reviewed the Rotary's Global and District goals and priorities, and an overview of the RCP's vision of club goals and priorities and requested each committee chair to present his/her committee's plans for review and deliberation of the 'House'.

The following presentations were made:

- Club Administration by Chairperson/Director Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty
- Fellowships/Events by its Coordinator and Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha
- Membership by Chairperson/Director Rtn. Kamal B. Nyachhyon
- Service Projects by Chairperson/Director Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty
- Youth Services by Director Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal
- TRF by President Mahendra S. Rawal on behalf of Chairperson/Director Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey
- Public Image by Chairperson/Director Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi

Members were requested to comment following each presentation. Comments made were noted for necessary revisions for the third club assembly.

Following deliberations on individual committee presentations, Assistant Governor Rtn. Tika N. Lohani thanked all the presenters and made some overall comments. He appreciated the high quality of the RCP's goals and plans, and suggested further elaboration on mental health issues, peace & conflict resolution, and individual committee meetings. He also recommended to have targets on The Rotary Foundation contributions including on PHF as the RCP is a 100% PHF club, plans for average age reduction of members, increase in number of members, succession planning, and to include a member satisfaction survey.

President Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal thanked the AG for his comments and thanked all the presenters and commentators, which will be taken into account in revising the presentation for the next club assembly in preparation for the District Governor's official club visit.

Rotary Information: Rotary International zone structure for Rotary Year 2023-2024 – view list in [my.rotary.org](https://www.rotary.org)

Every Rotary year, the Rotary International Board of Directors makes minor changes to the list of zones based on decisions to merge or create new districts, or grant district requests to change zones. In addition, the Board conducts a comprehensive review at least every eight years to comply with RI Bylaws that districts and clubs be divided into 34 zones of approximately equal number of Rotarians.

Nepal with Bhutan (District 3292) remains in ZONE 6 with other India (eastern) Districts 3030, 3100, 3110, 3120, 3240, 3250, 3261, 3262, & 3291.