

**Issue No. 1531**

**Date: 13 Kartik 2080 / 30 October 2023**

**Today's Programme:**

Regular Weekly Meeting

**Congratulatory Events**

**Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries:** Nil

**Minutes of Meeting No. 1876**

**Date: 29 Ashwin 2080 / 16 October 2023**

1. President Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal welcomed all the participants and called the RCP's Meeting No.1876 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Mr. Ananda K. Ghimire, Rtr. Sandhya Chaulagain, and Mrs. Madhavi Gautam.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. Happy News contribution pledges:
  - Rtn. Preeti Khemka (NRs. 500), Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha (NRs. 500), Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha (NRs. 500), Rtn. Nirmla K. Pradhanang (NRs. 500), Rtn. Bishnu P. Sigdel (NRs. 500), - for 'Happy Vijaya Dashami'.
  - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali – for growing Cardamom in the eastern part of Nepal (NRs. 200).
  - Rtn. Krishna Hachhethu – for receiving his new book on Friday (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal – for the honour received from 'Chandralok Pratisthan' (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi – for 'Happy Landing' from Maldives (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal – for the participation of today's guest, the successful closing ceremony of the 6<sup>th</sup> batch of training in the RCP's joint project of vocational training for people with disabilities with ADSoN and TRIFC, and for 'Happy Vijaya Dashami' (NRs. 500).
  - Rtns. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty – for the successful closing ceremony of the 6<sup>th</sup> batch of training in the RCP's joint project of vocational training for people with disabilities with ADSoN and TRIFC (NRs. 500 each).
  - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka – for growing potatoes in Solukhumbu (NRs. 500).
  - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht – for 'Happy Landing' from Bangladesh (NRs. 500).
5. Other Contributions:
  - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal contributed NRs. 1,000 received from KOSHISH for participating in their social audit to the RCP's PEEF Programme Fund.
  - Rtn. Krishna Hachhethu contributed NRs. 39,900 (US \$300) for a Rotary PHF Certificate/Pin as pledged earlier.
6. Rotary Information:
  - President Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal:
    - Briefed on the District's 'Ethics Day' programme being held on 18 October as shared electronically and requested interested members from the RCP to participate.
    - Briefed on the successful closing ceremony of the 6<sup>th</sup> batch of training in the RCP's joint project of vocational training on organic vegetable and poultry farming for people with disabilities with ADSoN and TRIFC. From the RCP, himself, and Rtns. Bishnu P. Sigdel, Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty participated.
  - It was reminded that there will be no regular weekly meeting on Monday, 23 October 2023, due to Dashain Holidays.
  - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty briefed on the completion of this year's KEEA short-listed students interview by the RCP's sub-group. For the programme on the KEEA, date being determined after Tihar festivities, it was suggested to have a session for all the headmasters coordinated by Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam like the last year.

He also handed-over a 'Token of Appreciation' presented to the RCP by the RCP's PEEF supported Path Pradarsak School, Badikhel, during their annual day celebrations participated by Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty & himself.

- Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi shared a detailed plan for the planned RCP trip to Galkot/Baglung during 18 to 22 November 2023 being organised in coordination with Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam. He requested interested members to confirm their participation as soon as possible to finalise the trip. So far, 15 to 20 participants have been interested to join.

He also briefed on the completion of the training portion of the RHD global grant project and the closing ceremony with certificate distribution to the three trainees at Nepal Heart Foundation on 17 October 2023.

- Amendment to the District By-Laws: The District's request to all the clubs on this was reviewed. The RCP 'House' passed the resolution to support direct election for the selection of District Governor Nominee unanimously. Necessary report on this will be submitted to the District as requested by 21 October 2023.
  - On behalf of the Rotaract Club of Patan, Rtr. Sandhya Chaulagain invited all the RCP members to join their annual 'Good Morning Tea Party Fellowship' on the occasion of 'Vijaya Dashami' from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, 21 October 2023, at Tri Padma School, Pulchowk.
  - Rtn. Krishna Hachhethu briefed on his 18<sup>th</sup> and new book on 'Nation-building and Federalism in Nepal' published by Oxford, which will be available from 17 October 2023 in Nepal.
7. A Rotary video clip with the message from the Rotary International President Ian McNally on Polio and an audio clip from 'Kapil Sharma' show on mental stress and heart problems were shared.
  8. Salutation: By Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi - RC of Gujarat, Punjab, Pakistan; Chartered: 2001; & Members: 14. District: 3272, Clubs: 81, & Members: 1749. He also gave a brief on this place in Pakistan.
  9. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka announced: happy news contributions of NRs. 6,700 (50% or NRs. 3,350 each for the Sunshine Fund and the Operational Fund), NRs.4,750 for attendance including one mobile ring contribution to the Operational Fund, and the meeting attendance of 1 guest, 1 spouse, 1 Rotaract, 20 members and 11 make-ups.

### **Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Bishnu P. Sigdel**

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| Q. What was the official magazine of RI and when it was published? | A. The Rotarian, January 1911.    |
| Q. When was the current name Rotary International adopted?         | A. In 1912.                       |
| Q. What is the full form of CPR                                    | A. Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation |

### **Rotary Information: Polio Eradication**

(source: <https://makepoliohistory.org/>)

**350,000 children were paralyzed by polio every year before 1988**

**20 million children are walking today who would have otherwise been paralyzed**

**Only 2 countries remain endemic with wild polio in 2023**

**80% of variant polio cases are in only 4 subnational regions**

We have a historic opportunity to get to zero cases, but if we don't keep working, polio could quickly make a comeback, paralyzing hundreds of thousands of children again in our lifetime. The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) has the knowledge and tools to end polio for good, but we need your help to finish the job.

Join the Make Polio History campaign by raising your voice in support of polio eradication to tell donors, polio-affected country governments and other global partners that eradication is possible and urgently needed now.