

Issue No. 1602

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<p><u>Today's Programme:</u></p> <p>Regular Weekly Meeting at Bandipur</p>	<p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthdays:</u> Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal – 13 April Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam – 15 April</p> <p><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> Rtn. Prakash & Upasana Regmi – 14 April Rtn. Mahendra B. & Lalita Thapa – 14 April</p>
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1946

Date: 25 Chaitra 2081 / 7 April 2025

- President Rtn. Preeti Khemka called the RCP's Meeting No. 1946 to order on Zoom with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
- The last meeting minutes of the RCP were reviewed and adopted.
- Happy News Contribution Pledges:
 - Rtn. Bijaya L. Shrestha – for 'Happy Birthday' (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Preeti Khemka (Rs. 500), Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha (Rs. 500), and Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka (Rs. 500) – for a wonderful visit and the RCP's last weekly meeting hosted by Nepal Youth Foundation (NYF), Olgapuri.
 - Rtn. Som Paneru – for the above, and excellent RCP/NYF partnership (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey – for the group's participation in the meeting while in the trekking trip (Rs. 500).
- Rotary Information:
 - President Rtn. Preeti Khemka:
 - Confirmed that the next weekly meeting of the RCP will be held at Bandipur during the RCP's family outing there. Attempts will be made to have the meeting also on the Zoom.
 - Informed, particularly to the RCP chairs of committees, about the receipt of the detailed requirements from the District for this year's District Awards applications, which has been shared electronically. The deadline for submissions is 30 April.
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha gave more details on the planned Bandipur trip during 13 to 15 April 2025. Further information will be communicated on Viber.
 - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa informed about a very interesting talk programme about cyber crime made in the 'Retired UN Staff Association, Nepal' (RUNSAN) group meeting recently. It was suggested to request for this presentation during one of the RCP's meetings possibly on 12 May 2025.
- Salutation: By Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka – RC Barbados, Chartered: 1962, & Members: 81. District: 7030, Clubs: 75, & Members: 2450. He also provided some highlights of the club's projects. The District represents 17 countries and territories.
- Please see the minutes/decisions of the last Board meeting on the next page.
- Before the adjournment of the meeting, President Rtn. Preeti Khemka announced: happy news contribution pledges of Rs. 2,500 to the sunshine funds of the RCP, meeting attendance of 18 members, and 11 make-ups.

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

Q. When did Rotary adopt the '4 Way Test'?

A. 1943.

Q. Who was the first woman to serve as Rotary International Vice President and in which year?

A. Rtn. Any El Mathews, 2013.

Q. From which year did women start to vote in Rotary?

A. 1989.

9th Board Meeting of RY 2024-2025 held on 28 March 2025

President Rtn. Preeti Khemka presented the minutes/decisions of the 9th Board meeting, held from 17:30 to 18:30 hrs. on 28 March 2025, which was hosted by Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam at his residence near Sita Pakha Dwar in Hattiban, Lalitpur, with the participation of all 14 Board members. The 'House' endorsed/approved the minutes/decisions of the 9th Board meeting as mentioned below:

1. The minutes of the 8th Board meeting were reviewed with updates on the status of follow-up actions taken.
2. Request to collaborate on traffic awareness – This will be reviewed upon receipt of a proposal from Rtn. Sunil Gupta as requested.
3. Student Quality Circles (SQC)s training in schools – Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal updated the Board on the progress on this agreed activity being implemented in RCP's four adopted and one additional school supported by the PEEF programme. The venue will be Siddhi Mangal School. The Board approved a budget of maximum Rs. 35,000 for this activity.
4. Proposal for Dental Hygiene during the Eye Camp in collaboration with B.P. Foundation from the RDP's KPAD funds – The Board noted that this did not fall within the KPAD terms of reference to support people with disabilities. Therefore, it was suggested that this be submitted for review by the RCPs TEACH committee.
5. Financial Report - Treasurer Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty presented the financial status of the RCP as of end Falgun 2081 (mid-March 2025) including a summary of income and expenditures, which was shared in advance electronically.
6. Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi presented the plans for a Health Camp and RHD screening together with Nepal Heart Foundation in Jajarkot and RHD screening in Rukum, Salyan and Dang for a week starting 3 May 2025 (20 Baisakh 2082). A detailed programme will be shared shortly so that interested RCP members could confirm their participation. The Board approved a total budget of Rs. 50,000 from the RCP (Rs. 20,000 from the Health Camp budget and Rs. 30,000 from the RHD funds).
7. Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey brought up an issue noticed with regards to the lack of appropriate fire brigade vehicles suitable for the narrow lanes and high-rise buildings of the Kathmandu valley. An information gathering on the status of these was suggested with a request to Rtn. Krishna Hachhethu to lead a team supported by Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka and any other interested members.
8. Next Board Meetings: As agreed earlier, 10th Board meeting on Friday, 2 May 2025 will be hosted by Rtn. Krishna Hachhethu; and 11th Board meeting on Friday, 30 May 2025 will be hosted by Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha.
9. On behalf of all the participants, Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha initiated and Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey gave a 'Vote of Thanks' to Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam and his spouse Madhavi Ghimire for hosting the Board meeting followed by an excellent fellowship dinner. Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi also added words of appreciation, and the hosts thanked all for the participation and enjoyment.