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<p><u>Today's Programme:</u></p> <p>Business Meeting on Zoom</p>	<p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthdays:</u> Rtn. Bishwa B. Sharma – 2 June</p> <p><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> Nil</p>
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1953

Date: 12 Jestha 2082 / 26 May 2025

- President Rtn. Preeti Khemka called the RCP's Meeting No. 1953 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness. Members on a trip to Bandipur also joined on Zoom.
- Guests welcomed by the President: Ms. Shri Neha Pokharel from NGO 'Snehi Kaakha', and Mrs. Jyoti Dawadi.
- The last meeting minutes of the RCP were reviewed and adopted.
- Happy News Contribution/Pledges:
 - Rtns. Matsyendra L. & Chandralekha Kayastha – for 'Happy Birthday' of Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha (Rs. 1,000 each).
 - Rtn. Kamala & Padam L. Maharjan – for 'Happy Birthday' of Rtn. Kamala Maharjan (Rs. 500 each).
 - Rtn. Bishnu P. Sigdel (Rs. 500), Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha (Rs. 500), and Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam (Rs. 500) – for the excellent 3-day 'Training of Trainers' on SQC (Student Quality Circle) at Siddhi Mangal School for 5 of the RCP's PEEF supported schools.
 - Rtn. Preeti Khemka – for the above and for her parents-in-law's 53rd Happy Wedding Anniversary (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa – for joining in the support activity to the senior citizens in the 'Bihar' in Thecho, and for the participation of today's guests and Rtns. Kayasthas (Rs. 500).
 - Mrs. Jyoti Dawadi – for the contribution made to Snehi Kaakha today (Rs. 500).
 - Rtns. Gabriele and Bijaya Mallapaty – for a wonderful and difficult 8-day trek to Shey Phoksundo Lake (Rs. 1,000 each).
 - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey – for the activity with the senior citizens in the Bihar in Thecho, current trip to Bandipur to visit project site with the first meeting of the partners of KPAD project (Rs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal – for the SQC training and the Bandipur trip (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht – for participating in the District Grant Management Seminar and District Learning Assembly, and for the Bandipur trip (Rs. 500).
- Other Contributions:
 - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka pledged to contribute Rs. 50,000 to the RCP's KPAD funds on the occasion of his parents' 'Happy Wedding Anniversary'.
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha pledged to contribute Rs. 10,000 to the RCP's KPAD funds.
 - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey pledged to match the above two contributions with his contribution of Rs. 60,000 to the RCP's KPAD funds.
- Rotary Information:
 - President Rtn. Preeti Khemka confirmed that the Animal Welfare for Public Health activity of vaccinating, spaying and neutering of dogs in Harisiddhi area (Earthquake House) will be done on 29 and 30 May 2025 during 07:00 to 18:00 hours, and all the RCP family are welcome to participate.
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty briefed on the contacts made through Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha for the possibility of partnering with Soaltee Hotel. The Hotel has agreed, in principle, to support the RCP's PEEF programme from their CSR funds of up to Rs. 17 Lakh. This will require approvals from the Ministry of Industry and local governments.

- Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam briefed on the SQC 'Training of Trainers' activity coordinated by Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal. Rtn. Gautam conducted the 3-day training at Siddhi Mangal School for the teachers of five PEEF supported schools. There was a total of 22 trainees including 2 headmasters, 1 person with disability and Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal. President Rtn. Preeti Khemka and several RCP members joined the event including the founder of SQC in Nepal Mr. Dinesh Chapagain. The activity was very much appreciated by the trainees. Rtn. Gautam also played a audio clip from a participating teacher representing all the participants who thanked the RCP for this excellent training. The training will help the teachers to establish the SQCs that would be managed by the students themselves in the respective schools with follow-ups and reporting mechanisms.
 - President Rtn. Preeti Khemka and Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha informed of the plans for the 1st Club Assembly and the RCP's Birthday Fellowship on Monday, 16 June 2025, and the 5th Monday entertainment meeting of 30 June 2025. For the 5th Monday lunch meeting suggested to be outside of the regular meeting venue, ideas/suggestions were requested from members for entertainment activities.
 - President Rtn. Khemka reminded all on the need to pay the membership fees for the next Rotary Year by 15 June 2025. The next Board meeting will be deciding on the amount.
 - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa briefed on the activity in the 'Bihar' in Thecho held on 22 May 2025 with the senior citizens coordinated by the Rotaract Club of Patan and sponsored by Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey through the RCP. The senior citizens were extremely pleased with the entertainment activity and the support of the cooking utensils provided.
 - Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan briefed about the senior citizens home at 'Panga', Kirtipur, and an activity to bring the senior citizens to visit the Durbar Museum that was very much appreciated by the senior citizens there.
7. President Rtn. Preeti Khemka handed over the contribution of Mr. Kabir B. Chitrakar, c/o Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa, to Ms. Shri Neha Pokharel of NGO 'Snehi Kaakha'. Ms. Pokharel thanked Mr. Chitrakar and the RCP family for this generous contribution in support of Snehi Kaakha and invited all to visit the institution.
 8. Salutation: By Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka - RC Pranakorn, Thailand; Chartered: 1982; & Members: 24. District: 3350, Clubs: 88, & Members: 2427.
 9. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam announced: happy news contributions of Rs. 10,000 to the sunshine funds and Rs. 3,150 for attendance (including for one mobile ring) to the operational fund of the RCP, and attendance of 1 guest, 25 members, 1 spouse, and 9 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Padam L. Maharjan

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| Q. When Paul P. Harris established Rotary in 1905, what was his occupation? | A. Lawyer |
| Q. Which was the last club in Nepal admitted to RI under the then District 3290? | A. RC Jawalakhel Manjushree |
| Q. Which was the first Rotary Club in a non-English speaking country? | A. RC Havana, Cuba, in 1916 |

Rotary Information: New Learning Center mobile app improves the member experience

The Rotary Learning Centre is introducing a new mobile app for members, RotaryLearn, that makes it easier to take courses on mobile devices. RotaryLearn, which replaces the GoLearn app, is a more direct and intuitive way to access the Learning Centre's wide variety of courses and resources. And for club leaders, the app broadens access to the role-based courses required for incoming club presidents, secretaries, and treasurers.

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