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<p><u>Today's Programme:</u> 1st Club Assembly of RY 2025-26 & the RCP's 3rd Birthday Fellowship</p> <p><u>Forthcoming Programme:</u> 23 June – Talk Programme (Details to be provided) 30 June – 5th Monday entertainment programme</p>	<p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthdays:</u> Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi – 16 June</p> <p><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> Nil</p>
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1955

Date: 26 Jestha 2082 / 9 June 2025

Joint Meeting with the Rotaract Club of Patan

1. These minutes cover the notes of the RCP meeting and common issues while the Rotaract Club of Patan would be covering their own minutes.
2. President Rtn. Preeti Khemka called the RCP's Meeting No. 1955 held jointly with the Rotaract Club of Patan to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
3. Guests welcomed by the President: President of the Rotaract Club of Patan Rtn. Aman B. Shrestha and all the participants from the Rotaract Club of Patan, and Professor Chandika Bhatta.
4. The last meeting minutes of the RCP were reviewed and adopted.
5. Happy News Contributions:
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary – for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Ramesh L. Maskay – for 'Happy Birthday' (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha – for spending a week with the 'Prakriti Premi Samuha' (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Preeti Khemka (Rs. 500) and Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi (Rs. 500) – for today's joint meeting with the Rotaract Club of Patan.
 - Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam – for having his friend Prof. Bhatta as a guest in today's joint meeting (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Bishnu P. Sigdel – for visit to 'Man Dovan' and today's joint meeting (Rs. 500).
 - Rtn. Som Paneru – for 'Happy Landing' from the USA where he was interviewed by ABC News Channel 7, visit to Germany for the 10th anniversary of NYF's German Chapter, and for the participation of his childhood 'Guru' Prof. Bhatta in today's meeting (Rs. 2,000).
 - Rtn. Lochan Gyawali – for Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka's tasting of 3 teas in his shop (Rs. 2,400).
 - Rtn. Shiv P. Khemka – for the above (Rs. 1,000).
 - Rtns. Padam L. and Kamala Maharjan – for participating in today's joint meeting (Rs. 1,000).
6. Other Contributions:
 - Rtn. Som Paneru contributed Rs. 50,000 to the RCP's PEEF Trust Fund.
 - On behalf of TRF Chair Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey, President Rtn. Preeti Khemka requested RCP members to contribute to Rotary's Annual Fund (EREY) to meet the RCP's fund-raising target, which is short by US \$400. Rtns. Shiv P. Khemka, Ganesh R. Shrestha, Bijaya L. Shrestha, Khadak S. Bisht, Ganga R. Gautam and Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha pledged to contribute US \$ 25 each while Rtn. Som Paneru pledged to contribute US \$ 50. Other members, who have not contributed, were also requested to make voluntary contributions to meet the RCP's target.
7. Rotary Information:
 - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal briefed on the progress of work on the Eye Camp with the B.P. Eye Foundation as well as follow-ups being made on a prospective global grant project.

- Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal briefed on the revisit to the Bungamati site where the RCP had done 'Tree Plantation' two years ago. The visit was done jointly with the Inner Wheel Club of Patan and local government authorities on 5 June 2025 coinciding with the World Environment Day.
 - Rtn. Bisht Rawal also informed on the plans to conduct a career-coaching for students at Luvu school early next Nepali month and requested participation of interested RCP members.
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty briefed on the start of the RCP's PEEF selection/distribution campaign of this year and the meeting with all the RCP coordinators held in this regard.
 - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi informed of the need to conduct a Health screening at Godavari school as planned by the Interact Club there. Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal will be following this up for the next week.
 - Rtn. Regmi updated on the Helpdesk that started at Ganga Lal Hospital together with the RCP's partners. A photo of the Board, which includes the RCP's logo for public image, was also shared.
 - Rtn. Som Paneru shared the information that the government has classified the Ullens School as a special (Bishistakreet) school, which requires the school to pay 18% of its revenue to the government so that it can manage the support in the education sector. This requirement may make it difficult for the school to continue other scholarships such as provided through the RCP to two students in grades 11 and 12. While attempts will be made to continue the support provided through the RCP, PEEF coordinators should be aware of this situation in briefing the schools during the forthcoming selection/distribution campaign.
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht and Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha reminded about the forthcoming 1st Club Assembly of Rotary Year 2025-26 and the RCP's 3rd Birthday fellowship of this year respectively on Monday, 16 June 2025. Rtn. Shrestha specially requested maximum participation in the Birthday fellowship with the spouses.
8. Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam introduced his friend and today's guest Prof. Chandika Bhatta who also spoke briefly highly appreciating the RCP's discipline in conducting the meeting in an excellent manner as well as its many social support programmes for the community. Prof. Bhatta teaches at the Coventry University Group and Anglia Ruskin University, U.K. He comes from Gorkha where he started his teaching. Rtn. Som Paneru from the RCP was one of his early students in 2036 B.S. Rtn. Paneru spoke about Prof. Bhatta recollecting and appreciating how serious he was to ensure that students took studies seriously.
9. President Rtn. Preeti Khemka reminded all members to pay the Rotary membership dues of Rs. 30,000 for the next Rotary Year 2025-2026 by 15 June 2025 and noted that the membership fee amount will be reviewed after 6 months.
10. Salutation: By Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal - RC Helderberg, South Africa; Chartered: 1983; & Members: 34. District: 9350, Clubs: 61, & Members: 1381.
11. Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Ganga R. Gautam announced: happy news contribution of Rs. 9,400 to the sunshine funds and Rs. 4,500 for attendance to the operational funds of the RCP, and the meeting attendance of 1 guest, 16 Rotaracts, 20 members & 9 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by the Rotaract Club of Patan

Q. What is the Full Form of RAG?	A. Rotary Action Group.
Q. What was the first Rotary District Conference theme of RID 3292?	A. Suvharamvha.
Q. Which country was the first to use a calendar?	A. Egypt.
Q. Who scored the winning penalty for Portugal in the shoot	A. Ruben Neves.
Q. How many interact clubs were in RID 3292 as of June 30, 2023?	A. 144.