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Initiative for Women Empowerment - Awareness program on the proper disposal

AUGUST 14, 2025

The Rotary Club of Kolhapur, in collaboration with the Gardens Club of Kolhapur and Sakal Tanishka Initiative for Women Empowerment, successfully conducted an awareness program on the proper disposal of waste generated during festivals. The event, held at the Women's Vocational Centre at CSIBER College Kolhapur, aimed to educate the public about the importance of responsible waste management, particularly when it comes to flowers, leaves, and herbs used in decoration during festivals like Ganesh Puja. President Rtn. Pradeep Karande, Secretary Rtn. Nilesh S Kutte, Rtn, Pradeep Pasmal, Community Service Director Rtn. Shobha Arvind, Ann. Prajakta Charane and team of Sakal Publication were present during the awareness program.



Distribution of school Essentials at V S Khandekar School

AUGUST 14, 2025

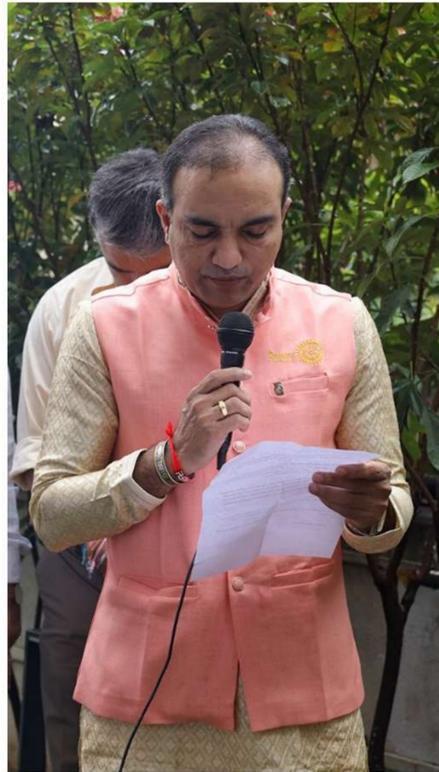
We distributed school essentials to 25 school students at V S Khandekar Prashala. The package included two pairs of school uniforms for 25 students. President Rtn. Pradeep Karande, Secretary Rtn. Nilesh S Kutte and Rtn. Subhash Malu were present during the project.



Flag Hoisting & Celebration of 79th Independence Day

AUGUST 15, 2025

Flag Hoisting on the occasion of the 79th Independence Day was carried out at the hands of President, Rtn. Pradeep Karande. More than 40% attendees comprising Members of the Rotary Club of Kolhapur, President/Secretary & members of the Rotaract Club of Kolhapur, Ann's, Annette's, Rotakids, staff of the Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra and Rajarshi Shahu Blood Bank were present for the ceremony. Flag Hoisting was followed by singing of the National Anthem.



Fellowship group meeting

AUGUST 16, 2025

Ganga Group member Rtn. Ramesh Hirave organised Group meeting on the Occasion of his Birthday. 10 group members, along with Group Coordinator Rtn. Menghraj Chugh attended and enjoyed a sumptuous Breakfast. During the meeting President Pradeep Karande informed about the second family get-together "Shravan Bhojan" happening on 18th August 2025 at RSSK and requested everyone to join the program with family members. Also, Rtn. Ramesh Hirave highlighted and updated on the benefits of having "Circuit Bench" in Kolhapur city. Rtn. Deepak Charane appealed to the group members to do a small community-based project initiated by their group. Secretary Rtn. Nilesh S Kutte informed the group members about activities to be conducted in the month of September 2025. Group meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by the Rtn. Shankar Patil and felicitating Rtn. Ramesh Hirave with a plant by President Rtn. Pradeep Karande.



Blood Donation Camp

AUGUST 17, 2025

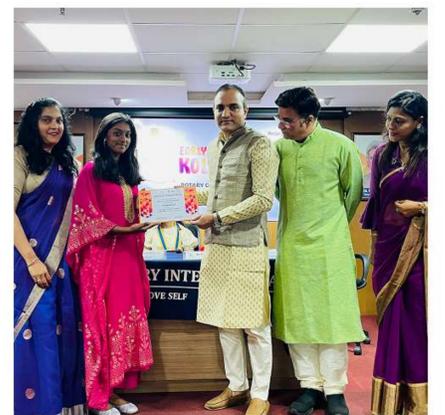
The Rotary Club of Kolhapur recently organized a blood donation camp at Shri Prem Prakash Mandir, Gandhinagar, Kolhapur. A total of 97 pints of blood were collected and handed over to Shri Rajarshi Shahu Blood Center. This brings the total blood collection to 618 pints, benefiting 1854 beneficiaries to date, furthering the club's commitment to serving the community. Rtn. Narayan Patodia, Rtn. Mahendra Parmar, Rtn. Mohan Patel, Rtn. Narayan Patel, Rtn. Amol Godake, Rtn. Dhiraj Bhateja, Ann. Astha Batheja and Secretary Rtn. Nilesh S Kutte, along with staff from Shri Rajarshi Shahu Blood Center, were present during the camp.



Installation Ceremony of EarlyAct Club of Kolhapur

AUGUST 18, 2025

On 18th August 2025 the Installation Ceremony of President and Secretary of Earlyact club of Kolhapur for the year 2025-26 was held at Madhav Prasad Goenka Bhavan. Rotakid Neharika Charane was installed as the President and Rtn. Dhier Zanvar as Secretary. President Rtn. Pradeep Karande as Installing Officer and Rtn. Amit Mate as Chief Guest. Rotakids, Rotarians, Ann's and Annette's were present for the ceremony.



Shravana Bhojan

AUGUST 18, 2025

On 18th August 2025, we had our second Family Get-together on the occasion of our traditional "Shravana Bhojan", where a total of 230 members, including family members, came together and enjoyed the fresh and new concept of "Musical Tambola" with winning gifts allocated to the winners. The delicious, typical Maharashtra-style food followed the good time spent together.



Weekly Meeting

AUGUST 20, 2025

Our eighth weekly meeting was held on the 3rd floor of Smt. Kamal Govind Gundesha Hall, Madhav Prasad Goenka Bhavan, Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra, Kolhapur. The Guest speaker for our weekly meeting were Dr. Vijay Kulkarni - South Africa's 90kms Ultra Hill Comrade Marathon Finisher: this time, our Weekly Meeting Chairperson, Rtn. Upendra Deuskar conceived a unique concept and idea of hosting an interaction session with the Guest. Rtn. Upendra made an effort to get up to 20-21 various questionnaires, like the entire working schedule, diet equation, number of days required for preparation, number of pre-marathons needed to participate, happy moments and worst moments during the 90kms marathon, quick adaptability of the weather and its influence on the body while finishing the marathon, etc. Dr. Vijay Kulkarni weighted more towards the "Trilathon" as the favourite and strongest against the marathon. Rtn. Dr. Vaibhav Sasurkar emerged as the lucky Rotarian for this week



ACHIEVEMENTS CORNER



Hrisha got 100% attendance award in Shantiniketan School

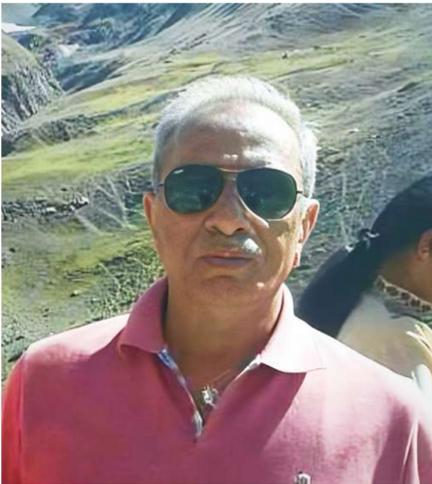
MEMBERS' CORNER



Painting by Ann Ashwini Girish Joshi

PAST PRESIDENT'S CORNER

PRESIDENTIAL YEAR 1982-83



PAST PRESIDENT:
RTN. DEEPAK SHAH

Some things which I now remember about this year are:

1. Weekly meeting attendance in the club was about 70–80%, and members with 100% attendance in the year per weekly meetings were about 15–20.
2. The lucky draw in the meeting was first started by me in this year and is practiced till today. Ours is the only club where lucky draw is done. This did promote attendance and lighter atmosphere in the meetings.
3. The practice of calling some beneficiaries to meeting and circulating inverted cap for the members to collect a small donation and hand over to beneficiary (which I discontinued as I thought it created displeasure and hampered attendance).
4. Started a Girls Rotaract club and the charter President was Miss Rupa Shah.
5. The best nurse in each hospital in Kolhapur was selected and felicitated and awarded in the function.
6. Free eye check-up and free spectacles were given to needy poor aged persons about 60+.
7. First time a joint project by all the Rotary clubs in Kolhapur was arranged to welcome GSE team.
8. Besides regular, usual, permanent projects were done.

TRIVIA TIME

Question:

Who is the first avatar of Ganesh? What it means?

Send your answers to **Rtn. Dr. Pooja Sasurkar** on WhatsApp.

The names of the first five members with correct answers will be published in the next bulletin.

Last Week:

Question: Who is the No. 1 Elephant in India?

Answer: Herbert J Taylor

Four way test:

Of the things we think ,say or do

Is it the truth ?

Is it fair to all concerned ?

Will it build goodwill and better

friendships ?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned ?

Correct answer given by

1. Ann Nikita Gandhi
2. Ann Dhara Sheth
3. Ann Poonam Shah
4. Ann Vaishali Taral
5. Rtn. Dr. Deelip Shah

KNOW YOUR ROTARY

Genesis of Four Way Test

In 1932, Herbert J. Taylor sought to save the failing Club Aluminum Products company. Believing ethics were the key, he aimed to create a simple moral guide for employees. After searching books without success, he turned to prayer. Inspired, he wrote down 24 words that became the foundation for ethical conduct in business and later synonymous with Rotary's evolution.

Herbert J. Taylor first tested the question "Is it the truth?" on himself, then shared his Four-Way Test with his company's directors, who embraced it despite different faiths. Applied company-wide, these principles helped transform Club Aluminum from near bankruptcy in 1932 to fully repaid debts and generous shareholder returns 20 years later.

Adoption of the test by Rotary: In the 1940s, Herbert J. Taylor, as an International Director for Rotary, offered the Four-Way Test to Rotary, which adopted it as a permanent global standard for ethical conduct. Widely promoted for personal and business use, it has never changed. Taylor granted Rotary the rights to use it in the 1940s and the copyright in 1954, while retaining use for himself, his Club Aluminum Company, and the Christian Workers Foundation.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

25 AUG Rtn. Amol Ghodke

28 AUG Rtn. Prasad Dabeer

NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY | 03 SEPT 2025 | 5:00 PM

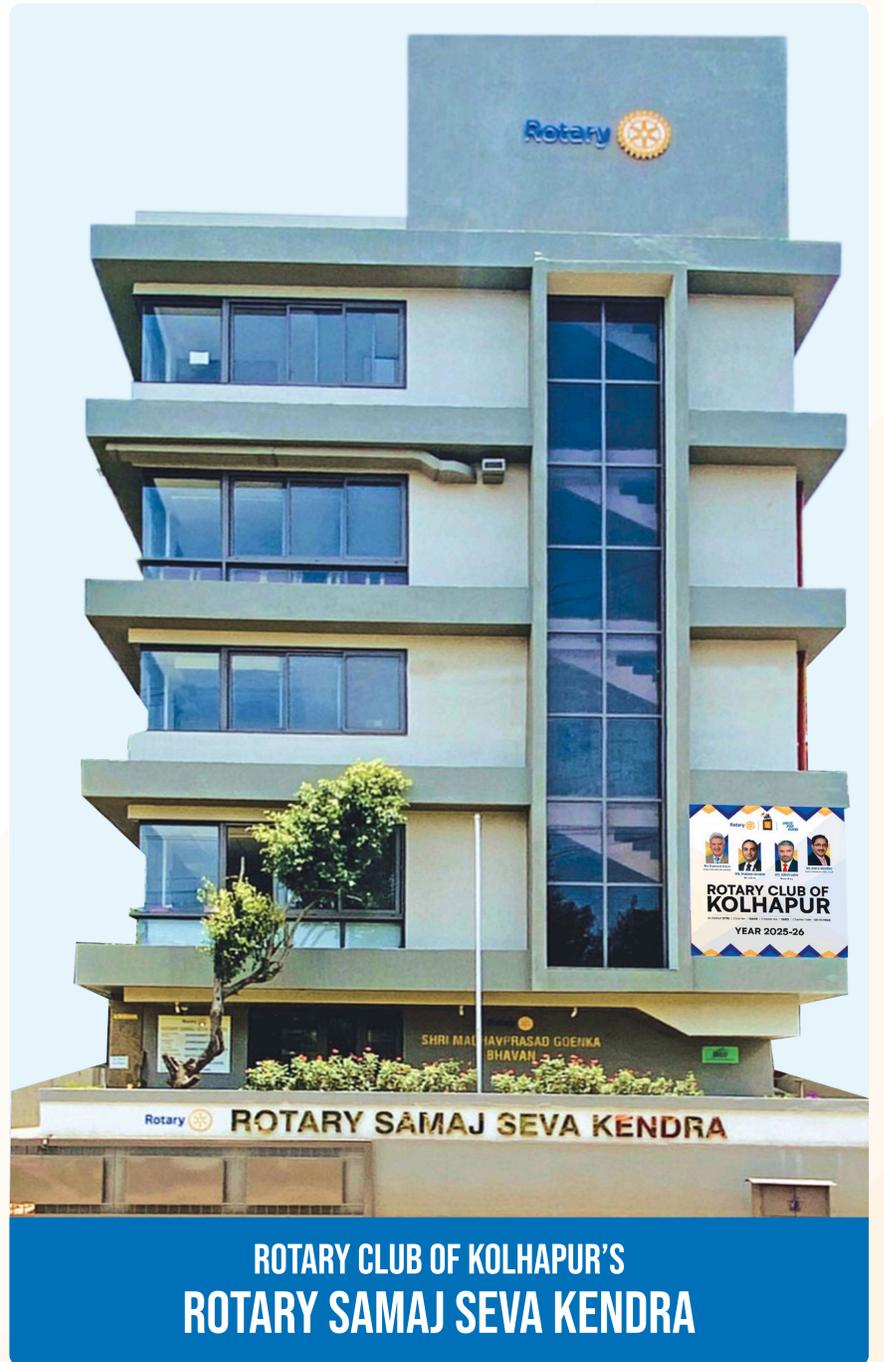
Club Business Meeting

Venue : Shri. Madhav Prasad Goenka Bhavan, 3rd Floor, Smt. Kamal Govind Gundesha Hall, Rotary Samaj Seva Kendra, Kolhapur.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Teachers Excellence Awards
RSSK

03 Sept



GET IN TOUCH

ROTARY CLUB OF KOLHAPUR

WE MEET EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 5.30 PM

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