# Ottapalam Rotary News

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A monthly bulleting of Rotary club of Ottapalam

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### From the Editor's Desk

Dear fellow Rotarians.

IPP Rtn. Ramachandran K

This Ottapalam Rotary News (ORN) bulletin is the 1<sup>st</sup> issue for the year 2020-21 commemorating the Installation of President Rtn. Pramkodkumar K and his team on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

The bulletin covers some activities during COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns all over the world. We show case some of our projects and also our activities at home by Rotarians, Anns and Annets. Let us continue pray for the well being of all human society around the world. The Bulleting also covers other activities of June 2020.

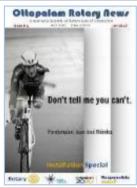
Let us wish President Rtn. Pramodkumar and team 2020-21 all the best.

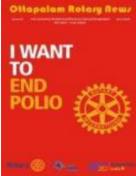
I would request all members to visit regularly the club website <a href="www.rotaryclubofottapalam.org">www.rotaryclubofottapalam.org</a> Club APP, District website <a href="www.rotary3201.com">www.rotary3201.com</a> and RI website <a href="www.rotary.org">www.rotary.org</a> . We have our presence on the Facebook and YouTube. Please promote them too.

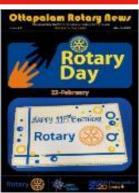
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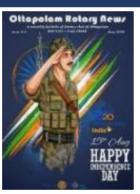
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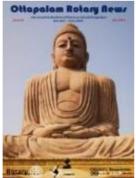
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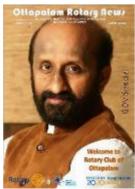


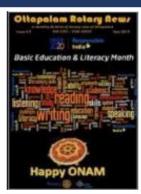


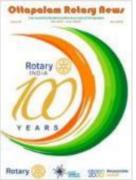




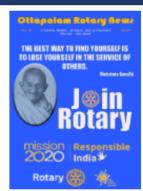




















## District Governor's Message



Dear leaders in Rotary,

Happy to learn that Rotary Club of Ottapalam is bringing out the first issue of its bulletin for the year on the installation day of the President and the team of office bearers.

I wish to congratulate Immediate Past President Rtn. Ramachandran K and his team for the excellent work they have done during the past one year. I wish all success to the incoming President Rtn K. Pramodkumar and his team and offer all possible support to make the RY 2020 -21 an eventful and meaningful one.

We are on the threshold of a new Rotary year 2020-21. Even though we are passing through difficult times due to Covid19 pandemic, we being the leaders in our profession and in organization, need to explore opportunities in every difficulty.

Whether the restrictions or difficulties due to Covid19 persist or not, we need to assume our positions as of 1st July 2020. Becoming a President / Secretary is a once in a lifetime opportunity. We have only very limited time, 12 months or 365 days to perform. Within that short time we need to prove that we are successful in our efforts and we should be in a position to make some kind of impact in the society by doing sustainable projects.

Our Rotary International President Rtn Holger Knaack has announced his theme for Rotary Year 2020-21 "Rotary Opens Opportunities". He said, "Rotary offers Rotarians endless opportunities to enrich their lives and community they serve ". He added, "Rotary creates leadership opportunities, gives members a chance to travel the world to put their service ideas into action and make life long connections ".He also added that "everything we do opens opportunity for someone, somewhere. He continued by telling us "Rotary isn't just a club for people to join, but rather an invitation to endless opportunities". A very apt and meaningful theme especially in the current scenario due to Covid19 pandemic.

Friends, we have planned an array of projects for the Rotary year 2020-21 under the tagline "Project YES" where Y stands for Youth, E stands for Environment and S stands for Shelter.

Apart from that we also need to do projects which come under Rotary India Mission, Water, Sanitation, Literacy, Health Preventive, Health Curative, Disaster Management, CSR, etc.

We need to grow Rotary making a net membership growth of 15 % in the coming year. We also need to ensure more women and youth participation in all our activities. We need to encourage Rotarians to make generous contributions to TRF.

We have also decided to observe 1st of July as YES day, and to provide bicycles to underprivileged children between the age of 12-18 yrs. A massive program of distributing bicycles on a single day can make a great impact. A project, which is in line with our focus areas, youth, Environment and Project Health. Also it will encourage students to keep social distancing in the current scenario.

Let us together make Rotary year 2020-21 wonderful and take our District to even better heights in the coming year.

Good wishes and God speed to the President Rtn. K. Pramodkumar and Secretary Rtn. M. Srinivas for a fruitful and successful Rotary year 2020-21.

**Rtn Jose Chacko M.**District Governor 2020-21.
RI District 3201





## Assistant Governor's Message

Dear Rtn. K. Pramodkumar,

I am happy to know that Rotary Club of Ottapalam is releasing club bulletin "Ottapalam Rotary News" on 27/06/2020 as installation special. Club bulletin is a source through which one can highlight the activities of the club and shares views for the benefit of the members.

I am sure that Rotary club of Ottapalam will undertake many humanitarian and "YES" projects

My best wishes to Rtn.Pramodkumar and Rotary Club of Ottapalam for a fruitful, memorable and eventful Rotary year 2020-21.

#### **ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES**

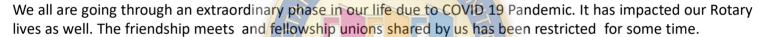
Yours in Rotary

Rtn. RAAJ MOHAN K | Assistant Governor 2020-21

## President's Message

Dear Rotarians, Anns, Annettes,

Welcome to the new Rotary Year 2020-2021.



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The Rotary activity has been temporarily halted due to our great contribution of staying home and safe to help contain the Pandemic. Many of our club members are veterans and need to take extra care and precautions we are with them and also our Fellow Rotarians and families in this great hour of distress. However in keeping with the COVID 19 protocols we will try to help our fellow beings and do projects benefitting the society at large and Ottapalam in particular. The Rotary slogan Rotary opens opportunities is very relevant and worth emulating during these tough days. New opportunities and YES project of the District will certainly give our club a new dimension and stature. I request your guidance and advice in taking forward this club to greater heights

Jai Hind, Jai Rotary

Rtn. Pramodkumar K. | President

## Secretary's Message

**Dear Rotarians Anns Annets** 

I am highly privileged to take over as Secretary of the esteemed Rotary Club of Ottapalam having a great tradition and legacy. The present days are of course difficult and challenging especially during the COVID 19 times. We are meeting through Google and Zoom virtual platforms and our area of priorities have changed. Still we have lot of scope and opportunities. We are a dynamic team powered by Past President's and able Leaders in Rotary.

I look up to them for guidance and advice. I see A YES in our endeavours. I foresee abundant opportunities which will come our way. We need not go seeking them it will knock our doors. We will take up more projects in community service education and environment. I humbly request all support to our humble team.

Yours in Rotary

Rtn. M. Srinivas Nair | Secretary











**Rtn. K. Pramodkumar** President



Rtn. K. Ramachandran

IPP / Bulletin Editor

Zonal Chair - District Priorities - Environment/Rain Water Harvesting



**Rtn. Srinivasan M**Secretary



Rtn. K.N. Kesavadas

Vice President / Cultural Programs Coordinator /Fellowship Team



Rtn. Col. C. Gangadharan (Retd) Treasurer



Rtn. Vijayakumar K
Sergeant-At-Arms /Fellowship Teamotary Opens Opportunities



Rtn. Col. Venugopal K President Elect



Rtn. P.M. Krishnadasan

Joint Secretary

Zonal Chair - Service Projects Committee/RI Citation Promotion



**Club Committee Chairs** 



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Rtn. C.P. Baiju
Chair - Membership Development Committee
Zonal Chair - Club admin committee/Fellowship Chair



Rtn. K. Raaj Mohan Chair – Public Image Assistant Governor



**Rtn. M.G. Koman** Chair - Services Committee



Rtn. R. Madhu Sudhan
Chair – TRF
District Chair - Rotary India/Wins & District Sanitation Committee

#### **Directors in alphabetical order**



Rtn. Ambalakkat Ram Mohan
Director-International services/Training Centre
Zonal Chair - Shelter/Low Cost Shelter



Rtn. V.A. Balu

Director - Vocational service

District Coordinator - Youth / Learning Application





**Rtn. Dr. K. Gopikumar** Advisor



Rtn. Adv. N.K. Jayadevan

Director - RI Priorities

District Coordinator - Service Projects Committee/Legal Assistance



Rtn. Col. KCK Nair (Retd)
Director - Rotaract & Interact clubs / Speaker Resource Pool



**Rtn. T.N. Kutty** Advisor



**Rtn. Dr. M. Narayanan**Director - Health Services



Rtn. Nirmala Ram Mohan
Director - Rotary Friendship Exchange / Rotary Family/ Partner Relations



**Rtn. P.K. Peethambaran** Advisor



**Rtn. E. Prabhurajan** Advisor





Rtn. Adv. P. Pradeep

Director - Youth service / Fellowship team

Zonal Chair - Service Projects Committee/Legal Assistance



**Rtn. K. Radhakrishnan**Director - District Priorities



**Rtn. Ravindran Nair**Director - Director - Tour Coordination



**Rtn. Dr. Satheesh Kumar Nair**Director - Art & Cultural programs



**Rtn. Adv. Sreeraj**Team - Art & Cultural programs



**Rtn. Adv. Suresh**Director - Community Service





**Rtn. Uma Peethambaran**Director - Women empowerment



**Rtn. Parakkottil Vijayan** Advisor































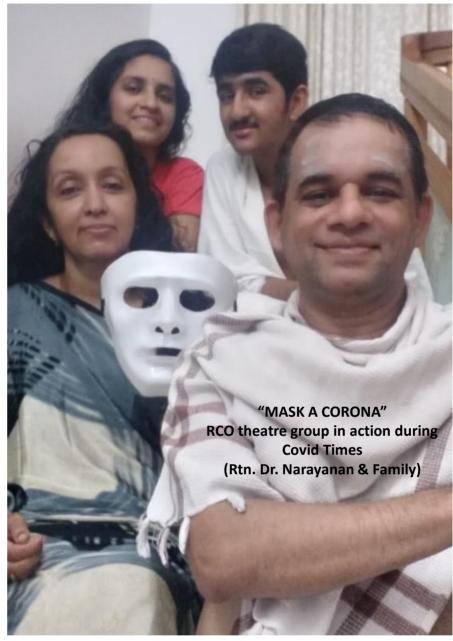
Photos from K.S. Madhavan memorial Rotary Vocational Excellence Awards presented on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020 to Covid19 Team at Taluk Hospital Ottapalam, Team lead Dr. Manoj and Circle Inspector of Kerala Police, Ottapalam Mr. Sujith.











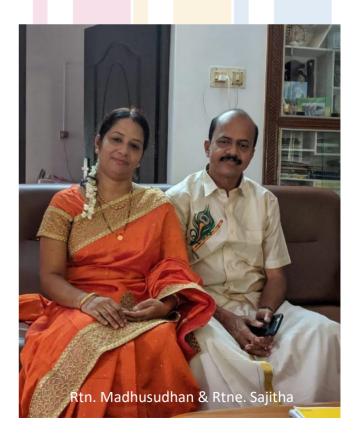


"Mask a CORONA" a social drama from Rotary Club of Ottapalam Arts & Music club presented during the Covid19 pandemic following strict social distancing guidelines. Here is a synopsis of the drama written by the writer, director and actor Rtn. Dr. Satheesh Kumar Nair.

"Corona Times With a Half corona cigar on his lips Marxim looked throughly puzzled. What to do next? The vibrance of his thoughts echoed in the silent valley (courtesy C.G Zacharia alias kottayam Pushpanath). Half Corona cigar must have helped detective Marxism in finding a solution for his puzzle but the virus named Corona(strain covid-19) continuous to trouble our world. Are we over conscious? I don't know. But I am sure there is a halt in the mad run off our Lifestyle. We thought we are invisible but a tiny organism named coronavirus show that we are just another living being in this world. Will locking and unlocking help? Only time can prove it. Though there are a lot of confusion about Corona there are some silver lines in it. First of all Corona brought closeness among family members .Secondly everybody's superlative and superstitious thinking process started to change. Sitting idly at home rang up my friend to ask how are you? he told he is looking for a good mask to protect himself from Corona. The idea of a man searching for a good mask striked me instantly. That is how the skit "MASK A CORNONA" happened . Thanks to all my friends for materializing this."

(Rtn. Dr. Satheesh Kumar)

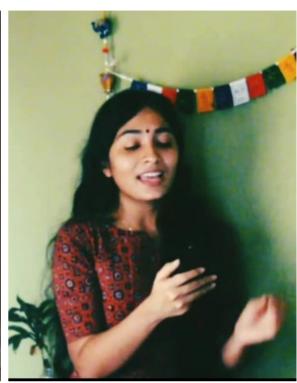












Annets Namrata and Nandita of Rtn. VA Balu trying their best at Cooking, drawing and singing..



Rtn. C.P. Baiju
Family Lighting a
lamp by the
family of and
other
activities
during
Covid19
(Right).







Covid revelation by Rotaractor Adarsh S Menon s/o Secretary Rtn. Srinivas





DISTRICT PRIORITIES



**1ST JULY 2020** 







Each one Gift one
GIFTING OF 5000 BICYCLES BY ROTARIANS
OF DISTRICT 3201 TO THE UNDERPRIVILEGED
SCHOOL CHILDREN.

- Age group 12-18 years (Boys or Girls)
- For Tribal, Economically backward students
- Government HS/ HSS or Club's adopted school
- To be Distributed in your Rotary Club's meeting at school in the presence of a VIP



Holger Knaack RI President 2020-21

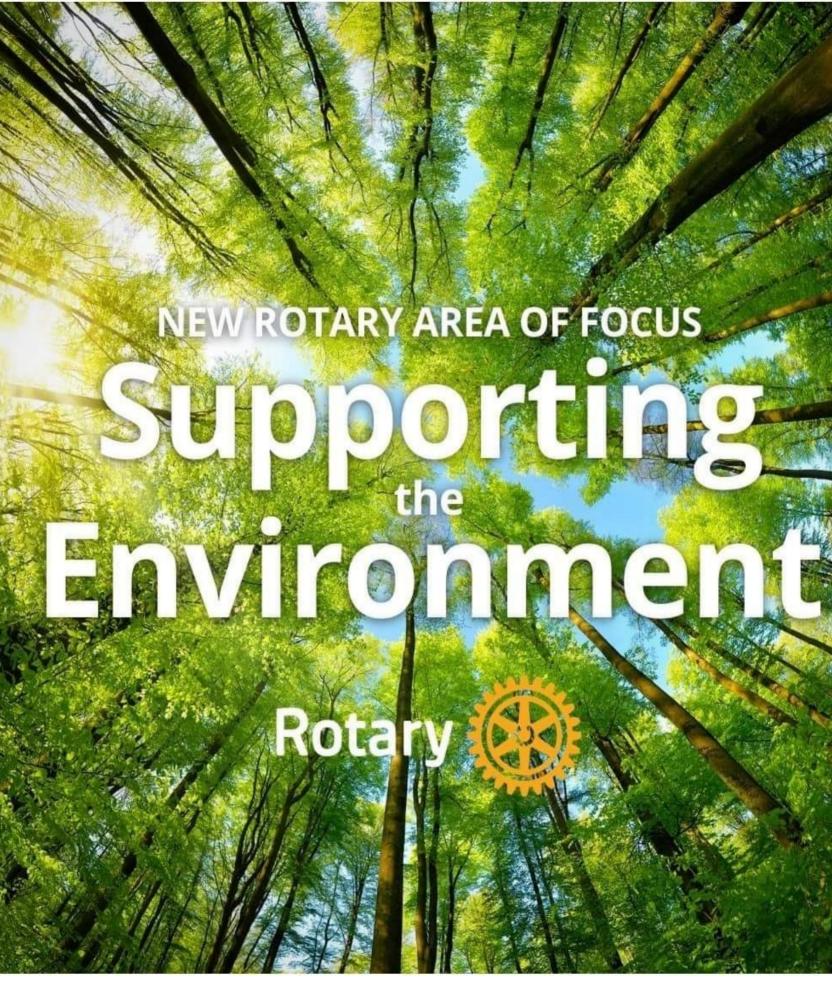


Jose Chacko M District Governor Elect



PDG Baby Joseph District Trainer





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