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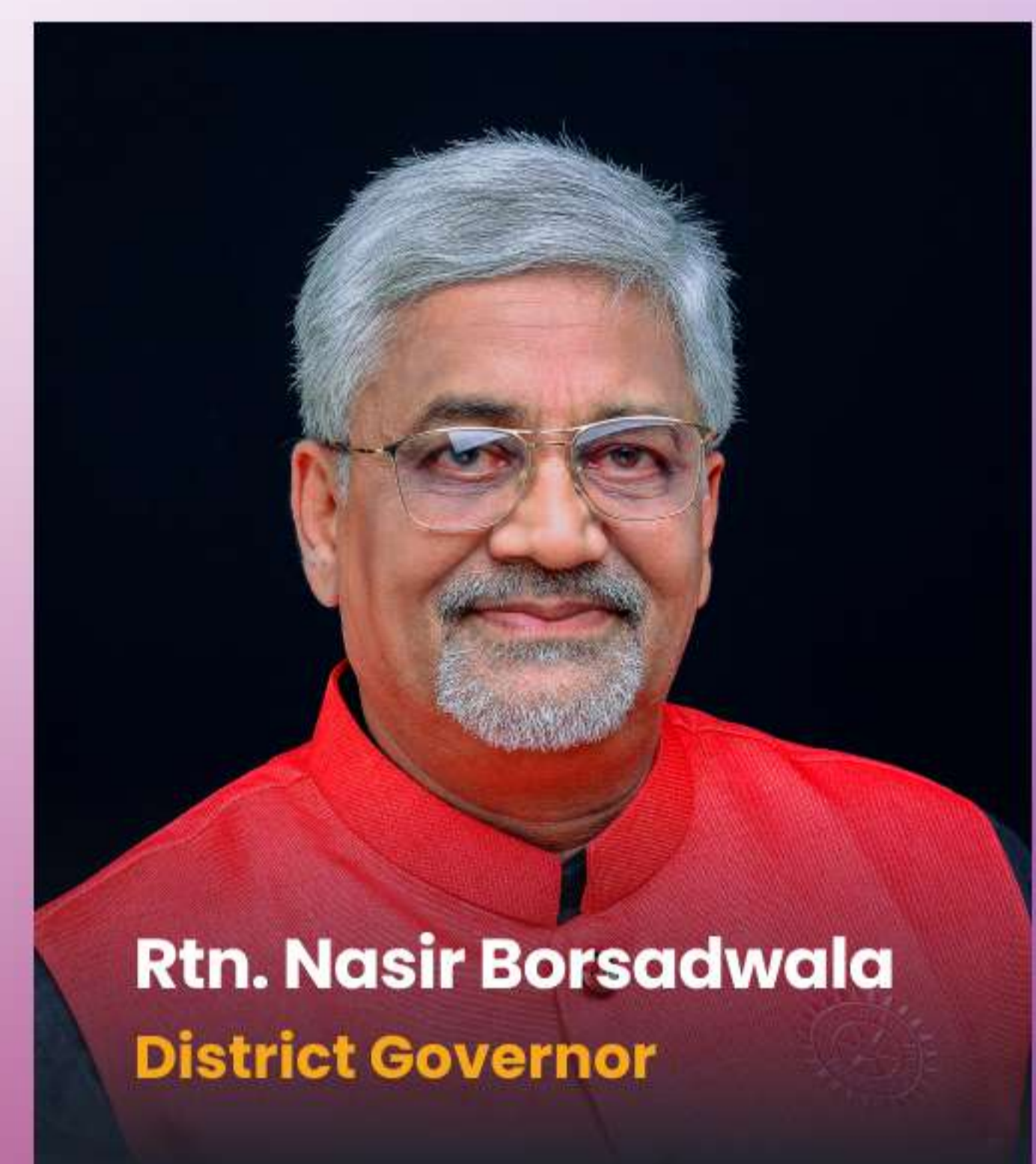
ROTARY CLUB OF KOLHAPUR

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ROTARY HERALD



Rtn. Gordon McNally
RI President



Rtn. Nasir Borsadwala
District Governor



Rtn. Siddharth Patankar
Club President



Rtn. Pradeep Pasmal
Club Secretary

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RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

RTN. GORDON McINALLY

Dear fellow Rotary leaders

As we begin a new year of service, let us not forget the importance of every one of Rotary's members.

You have been handed the reins of club and district leadership at an historic moment. Rotary has a chance to capture the world's attention and realize possibilities beyond our expectations. But we must build on the work that has come before us if we are to reach our goals, such as defeating polio and empowering girls and women.



Rotary offers people of action a chance to connect and find belonging, and this fellowship gives us hope that we can create lasting change. But in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, more people than ever feel hopeless. Many have lost people close to them. Social networks have been uprooted and divisions have grown wider as opportunities for connection have been lost.

To make matters worse, in many parts of the world, asking for help – especially in the realm of mental health – is considered a weakness. But nothing could be further from the truth. It is brave to be vulnerable and to admit you don't have all the answers. Reaching out for help is courageous – and continuing on a path towards wellness is even more so.

Join me in making Rotary a source of strength for all of those who feel they have lost hope, within and beyond our membership. Let this be the year we Create Hope in the World, and let Rotary be known as an organization that takes care, not only of its members but of the people we serve as well.

It is within your power to help bring peace and soothe those afflicted by conflict, both in their communities and in themselves.

Remember that your work can and will Create Hope in the World.

Warmest Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gordon R. McNally', written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rtn. Gordon R. McNally
President, Rotary International 2023-24

KNOW YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

RTN. NASIR BORSADWALA

Academically always a topper, Nasir is a commerce graduate and a certified associate of the Indian Institute of Banks. He is a multifaceted personality. Started his career as a banker, he was the youngest appointed manager of The United Western Bank Ltd. Later he resigned after 11 years of service and started his Computers business which has a respectable name in the I. T. Field.

Joined Rotary in late 1996 as the member of R.C. Kolhapur Midtown. And ever since he is a name to be recognised in the rotary fraternity. Recipient of the best club secretary award, he won 6 District awards as the club president in 2003-04.



A most coveted knowledgeable rotarian, he is one amongst the sought out trainers and speakers at rotary meetings. Known for his acute planning and execution, he takes over as the District Governor of RI District 3170 on 1st July 2023. We all look forward to a remarkable and a reformative year ahead.

Married happily to Ann Sakina, the couple has two highly qualified children. Daughter Arwa is an Industrial Production Designer working with JVC Kenwood, Tokyo Japan & Son, Aliasgar, a Chartered Accountant & CPA working as Associate Director with KPMG, Birmingham, UK.

MESSAGE BY DISTRICT GOVERNOR

RTN. NASIR BORSADWALA

Dear Hope Makers,
Greetings!!

Let me first congratulate and wish each one of you for the Rotary Year 2023-24. I wish success to your club, and each Rotarian during 2023-24 and solicit blessings from The Almighty to give strength to you all to Do Good to the World.

I have been a witness to the colossal rise of our District ever since I joined Rotary. I have seen many of you in Rotary as a newly born, a toddler, a teenager and now a youth galloping with huge strides towards achieving the goals of our organisation. Many veterans have helped me carve my journey towards becoming your Governor.

I have never believed in giving targets. However I have always believed that we need to do such a job that our successors should have a base to emulate it. And accordingly my team and I have designed the blueprint for the year 2023-24.

My friends, if you wish to do more good, you require more volunteers and that means that you must have more members. You need to explain and emphasize to your new members that Rotary is not just a Club where people join in, but it is an invitation and a gateway to endless opportunities in life. I want every Member of your club converted into a Good Rotarian!!!

The philosophy of D.E.I [Diversity, Equity & Inclusion] needs to be implemented as instructed by RI. We want new members but let me caution you, whilst inviting new members, one should not let aside the quality of membership.

The Rotary Foundation is yet another vertical we need to focus on as a district. At the various training events leading up to our year, I am delighted to see your enthusiasm and planning to set a higher target for the Year 23-24. Charity is a habit that needs to be inculcated and I urge each one of you to contribute a minimum of Usd\$15.00 per person to TRF along with your fees. We have a robust team in place to carry out every grant possible. My support and your passion to do big projects will ensure that we do great things.

Our **Rotary International President Rtn. Gordon McNally** has given us a prophetic theme for the year: **CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD**. The World is passing through turbulent times and it is the duty of every Rotarian to create Hope amongst the distressed. Let us accept this challenge and ensure that HOPE seeps into the society through our continuous service. Mental Health, Girl Child Empowerment & Peace initiatives are key thrust areas of RI and our District in 23-24. Our District Conference **"AASHAYEIN"** is scheduled at Kolhapur in February 2024 and I promise you a conference that will be remembered for a long time.

Lastly I leave you with a thought that I hold dear - I wish to make Rotary loved and respected by the masses. I want each member to understand the idealism of Rotary and practice the four way test in your day to day life. I want each Rotarian in my District to Create Hope for our community.

Friends, the success of my year rests on the support you lend me. Hence, I humbly appeal and urge for your belief in me and my team and lend your unflinching support during 2023-24. Thank you.

Yours in Rotary,
Rtn. Nasir Borsadwala.
DG 2023-24.



PETS SETS @ GOA

15-17 APR 2023

President Elect Rtn. Siddharth Patankar & Jt. Secretary Pradeep Pasmal attended the PETS/SETS (President Elect Training Seminar / Secretary Elect Training Seminar) held in Goa. District Trainer PDG Pratap was also present.



DG OFFICE OPENING CEREMONY

16 MAY 2023



Members of RC Kolhapur attended the opening of DG Office at Sunrise Hall, Kasba Bawda.

DTA 2023-24 @ HUBLI

17-18 MAY 2023



PDG Rtn. Pratap Puranik & 10 Members of the Board of Directors of our Club attended the District Training Assembly (DTA) held in Hubli. In the presence of DGE Rtn. Nasir Borsadwala and the 1st Lady.



NEW MEMBERS' VISIT TO RSSK

07 JUN 2023



Our proposed candidates visited RSSK to explore the permanent projects done by RC Kolhapur, and to understand the legacy of the club in Community Service. Rtn. Siddharth Patankar & Rtn. Pradeep Pasmal were present along with RSSK President Rtn. Rajendra Deshinge, Rtn. Mahendra Parmar, Rtn. Jethalal Patel etc.

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (RLI)

10 JUN 2023

President Elect Rtn. Siddharth Patankar, Jt Secretary Rtn. Pradeep Pasmal, Rtn. Nilesh Kutte from the Rotary Club of Kolhapur, along with Rotaractors and Rotarians from other clubs attended the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Part 1 training held in Kolhapur. Rtn. Amit Mate & Rtn. Arvind Krishnan were present as facilitators.



Our club is holding **Installation Ceremony** of the President, Secretary & Board on **Saturday Evening, 8th July 2023 @ Hotel Pavilion, Kolhapur.**

Installation of the Club Officers will be at the hands of **Rtn. Dr. Bharat Pandya**, Trustee, The Rotary Foundation.

BRIEF BIO DATA OF RTN. DR. BHARAT PANDYA

Dr. Bharat Pandya graduated from prestigious Seth GS Medical College, KEM hospital, Mumbai and is practicing as General & Laparoscopic surgeon since last 35 years. He is a Fellow of International College of Surgeons and has been conferred Fellowship by Association of Surgeons of India. He has served on the Board of Management of JSS, a Government of India sponsored Vocational Training Institute for 6 years.

He was Governor of D 3140 in 2006-07. During his year as DG, D 3140 contributed over \$ 2 million to The Rotary Foundation and for first time in history of TRF an Indian District – D 3140 - became number 1 in TRF contributions in entire Rotary world in 2006-07.



He has served Rotary as Regional RI Membership Coordinator(RRIMC), Rotary International Training Leader twice, GETS Chair twice, Member of India National PolioPlus Committee (2011-15) & GETS Trainer (9 times). He has served on number of RI Committees - R I Membership Committee, Finance Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, Leadership Development committee, RI-USAID committee, RI Sydney Convention Promotion Committee. He was Dist. 3140 COL Representative in 2013. He has been RI President's Representative at District conferences in India, Nepal, Pakistan & Philippines. He served as Rotary International Director for 2019-21 and as RI Treasurer for 2020-21. He serves as TRF Trustee for 2022-2026. He is Vice-Chair of the Board of TRF Trustees for 2023-24.

Bharat & Madhavi are committed to The Rotary Foundation and are Level II Major Donors. He has been conferred Citation of Meritorious Service and the Distinguished Service Award by The Rotary Foundation and Rotary's highest award "Service Above Self".

Dr Madhavi is a Gynaecologist. She was charter President of Inner Wheel Club of Borivali. She was District Chairman of Inner Wheel District 314 for 2017-18. She has served as Spouse Training Leader number of times. They have 2 daughters Dr Nidhi & Dr Sashmi.

MEMBERS CORNER

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Rtn. Harshad Dhale

Software Engineer by qualifications, Rtn. Harshad is passionate about creating visually appealing digital solutions. In his Rotary career, he has been a Club and District level BOD member for Rotaract and member of Rotary club since June 2022. He is married with Ann. Kasturi and blessed with a son, Bhargav.

Classification: Website & Digital Marketing

Occupation: Digital Marketing Consultant

Education: Engineering (Information Technology)

Hobbies: Wildlife Photography, Gym, Adventure Sports



Rtn. Shivjeet Benadikar

A hotel management graduate, who believes in relationship building, and wishes to build a community of travellers and show them way of an alternate Royal Life Style.

Classification: Tourism

Occupation: Holiday Homes

Education: Hotel Management



Rtn. Dhiraj Batheja

Rtn. Dhiraj Batheja, basically from Mumbai. He came to Kolhapur in 2000 along with his family, for business purpose. He got married on 4th May 2018 with Aastha, and is blessed with a boy named Manav.

He runs an optician store, Dhiraj Optics, located at Rajarampuri 6th lane bus route, and Dhiraj Optical at Tulja Bhavani Sankul, Mahadwar Road Kolhapur.

Classification: Optician

Occupation: Optician

Education: HSC

Hobbies: Riding, Trekking, Spirituality

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Rotaract Club of Kolhapur Installation

JULY 05:00PM Location: Hotel Atria , Kolhapur

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Rotary Club of Kolhapur Installation

JULY 06:30PM Location: Madhusudan Hall, Hotel Pavilion

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District Governor Installation

JULY 11:00AM Location: Hotel Pavilion , Kolhapur

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Probus Club Installation

JULY 06:30PM Location: RSSK, Kolhapur

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 02 JUL** Rtn. Harish Hamlai
- 03 JUL** Rtn. Harishchandra Sharma
- 05 JUL** Rtn. Bharat Kharate
- 07 JUL** Rtn. Vijay Vatkari

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- 07 JUL** Rtn. Dhaval Gala & Ann. Shweta



**ROTARY CLUB OF KOLHAPUR'S
ROTARY SAMAJ SEVA KENDRA BUILDING**

NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY | 05 JULY 2023 | 04:30PM

GUEST SPEAKER



**Dr. Madhukar
Bachulkar - Cholekar**
MSc. PhD. (Botany)

- 40 years teaching experience
- 28 years research experience
- 70 research papers published
- 22 books published

Topic: Importance of Environment in our day to day life

Location: Pakshiteerth, Near 5 Star MIDC, Kolhapur

Meeting Agenda:

- 4:30PM to 5:30PM Tree Plantation
- 5:30PM to 6PM High tea
- 6PM Onwards Weekly Meeting

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