

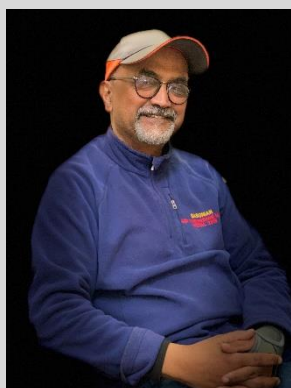
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Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Change is the essence of democracy and through its continuing transmutation, the club and the society are reinvigorated, freshened by a new wave of enthusiasm and new corps of leaders.

Rtn. Vikash Golyan Jr. will be ascending the leadership mantle under unprecedented times. If the preceding days are any indication, this will be the new normal – of virtual meetings, social distancing, and facial masks among others. We suddenly find ourselves in a world transformed. We have been forced to connect in ways we could never have imagined, testing our ability to adapt and innovate. We are seeing the dance of death by a monster,

only ten-thousandth of a millimeter in size, which has killed more than 500,000 people and still counting. With no respite in sight and with the economy and lives in shambles, Rotary was forced to cancel the International Convention, something which never happened even during the two World Wars.

Under such trying circumstances, we must show the resilience that Rotarians are known for and take up the challenge to serve humanity with stoic solidarity. Our young President needs the support more than at any other times. He is assisted by a board comprising of an eclectic mix of the wisdom of seasoned Rotarians as well as the innovation and flexibility of the young minds.

Let us align our thoughts with RI President Holger Knaack's theme for 2020-21, *Rotary Opens Opportunities*, which asks Rotarians to create opportunities that strengthen their leadership, help put service ideas into action, and improve the lives of those in need.

The time will inevitably come when we will be able to look back on the current pandemic with mixed emotions and pick up the threads of our disrupted lives. #

MEET YOUR PRESIDENT



President (2020-21) Rtn. Vikash Golyan Jr.

Rtn. Vikash Golyan Jr. a.k.a "Vicky", was born on 8th.March 1981 to Mr. Gopal Golyan and Mrs. Santosh Golyan. He is the eldest of three siblings. An alumnus of St. Augustine's School and Rockvale Academy, he later moved to Bhawanipur College in Kolkata, where he graduated in Commerce. After returning home, he lost no time in taking over the reigns of his family business in Kalimpong. *Ashok Hardware Stores* is a prominent business house in Kalimpong and most of us at some point of time or the other must have visited his business premises either to get your house a makeover with a fresh coat of paint or to search for that elusive nut, bolt or washer to fix the everyday- bugs in your life.

Soft-spoken and husky voiced, Vicky is passionate about sports, especially cricket. His favourite position being

behind the wickets. He was adjudged the best wicket keeper at a cricket tournament held at Mela Ground.

He is an avid music aficionado and despite his hectic business schedules, likes hanging around with his friends and partying, some of which were manifest when he held the post of Club Service Director.

Vicky joined Rotary in 2007 and has served in various capacities – Treasurer and Club Service Director. He also attended the Rotary International Convention in Bangkok.

Married to Sonia, they are blessed with two beautiful daughters Samiksha(10) and Janhvi (1½). #

ROTARY CLUB OF KALIMPONG

BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021

PRESIDENT	RTN VIKASH GOLYAN JR
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DISASTER MANAGEMENT	COL P.C. THAPA
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WATER	ARUN ZIMBA
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PRESIDENT ELECT NOMINEE (2022-2023)	SUMIT JINDAL
PRESIDENT ELECT DESIGNATE – I (2023-2024)	MAHENDRA AGRAWAL
PRESIDENT ELECT DESIGNATE – II (2024-2025)	SHEILA RAI FUDONG

ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

VIKASH KEJRIWAL	<i>(To look after day-to-day maintenance, security, landscaping, beautification, sanitation and rainwater harvesting of the Rotary Centre.)</i>
DR. S.D. ZIMBA, DR. D.P.PANDEY, DR. GAURAV CHHETRI, RAKESH SINHAL	To organize at least two health/blood/dental/veterinary camps in Kalimpong
RAJEN RAGHAVAN	To maintain the Club website, networking, and social media.
SHEILA RAI FUDONG	Club greetings take out monthly attendance percentages and post in Club's Official WhatsApp Group. Follow-up letters to members
NIKHIL PRADHAN	To work closely with RCC and explore the possibilities for tea/coffee plantations.
KAMAL BAJLA, RAJAT DALMIA, DR. MIKU FONING, RAJEN RAGHAVAN	Visit all the Global Grant project sites and report the functioning of the same, revive contacts with supporting international partners and beneficiaries.
PRAKASH GUPTA, BHARAT MANI PRADHAN, SANJAY BAJLA	Follow up on the District Grant for toilets with R.I. District 3240

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEES

DIGITAL LIBRARY COMMITTEE	BHARAT MANI PRADHAN, SANJAY BAJLA, MUKESH CHANGIA, VIKASH GOLYAN JR, A.K. ZIMBA, VIKASH KEJRIWAL
FINANCE COMMITTEE 2020-2021	SUMIT JINDAL, KAMAL BAJLA, MUKESH CHANGIA NAVIN SONI, BHARAT MANI PRADHAN, COL PC THAPA, COL AK GOGOI
CSR COMMITTEE	SUMIT JINDAL CHAIR, MUKESH CHANGIA, MAHENDER AGARWAL, COL AK GOGOI NIKHIL PRADHAN

ROTARY CLUB OF KALIMPONG

CLUB ROSTER



Vikash Golyan

President



Sonia Golyan

Spouse



Col. Ashok Gogoi

Secretary



Passang Gogoi.

Spouse.

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- 33. ZIMBA ARUN KUMAR** : ID 2466513, CL: **Past Service**, Add : **Spanish Villa, East Main Road, Kalimpong - 734301**, Ph: 9832074489 ,Mail Id: azimba48439@gmail.com, B Date: 1309, Wed Date:2806 .

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SECRETARY'S REPORT 2019-2020



Sheila Rai Fudong (Secretary 2019-20)

The new Rotary year started with a bang with the energetic Rtn Naveen Soni's Installation as the incoming President. The ceremony was held on the 7th of July '19 in the Club premises. The Chief Guest was Lion Radheshyam Sinhal and the Guest of Hon was Mr Nawraj Pradhan of ICIMOD. Board members were handed their lapel pins. Saplings were planted to mark the occasion.

The ongoing construction work at the Centre under GG 1758729 was thwarted by nature's fury when a major landslide was reported at the RWM on the 11.7.'19.

As is the case every year, Rotarians attended the Nepali Sahitya Adhyan Samiti's Bhanu Jayanti programme on the 13th.

All work and no play make Rotarians dull and so it was with much gusto and enthusiasm that members attended a party hosted by PP Kamal Bajla on the 13th evening at The Warehouse. Till date, we are still in the dark as to the reason for his magnanimity.

A resolution to update the Club's Bylaws to mention 24 members instead of the previous 23 was passed at the Board Meeting held on the 14th.

Rotary believes strongly in environmental issues. Hence a Waste Management Programme organised in partnership with NEPRA was carried out on the 15th.

The President and Secretary attended the Installation ceremony of the Lion's Club of Kalimpong on the 16th. Suffice to say that unlike our Club, punctuality seemed to be a pipe dream for them.

PP Indira Bose is a beloved charter member of the Club. So when she invited us Rotarians for Bhumi Pujan at the hitherto iconic Novelty Cinema Hall premises on the 19th the majority of us were very happy to accept.

Interactors are very important service partners. They are future Rotarians in the making. A very successful TEPSAB (Training of elected Presidents, Secretaries and Board Members) was held at the Centre for our Interactors on the 28th of July. This was the brainchild of the ever-youthful Youth Services Director PP Capt P Lal. But before that we were happy to attend the Installation of the Interact Club of Rockvale School which was held on the 23rd. The Installation of the Interact Club of St. Augustine's School followed on the 13th of August.

Independence Day is an opportunity for Rotary to make its presence felt in the community. A kiosk to distribute juice to the thirsty public was put up in front of PP Dr Pandey's clinic on the Main Road. Rotarians added to their visibility by donning the Club's tees.

Cancer is a modern-day scourge. Awareness about the disease is minimal. To combat this a Cancer Awareness Programme in association with The Darjeeling Oncology Trust was held at the Centre on the 23rd. An interview for a librarian was held on the 31st. As there was only one candidate and her credentials were satisfactory, she was appointed to look after the daily working of the library.

A successful Menstrual Hygiene and Substance Abuse Awareness programme was held at Ganesh High School on the 3rd of September. Other similar programmes were conducted at later dates in different schools by the WINS Chair PP Sanjogita Subba.

The Club Literacy Chair PP Sharda Mukhia organised a Teacher's Day Celebration on the evening of the 5th at the Centre. She spoke about 'The Role of a Teacher'. Hon Rtn M Bhujel spoke eloquently about the sorry state of affairs in govt. primary institutions and why teacher training was so important. PP BM Pradhan gave a critical analysis of how Rotary is trying to bring about changes in the educational sphere. The soon to be started Learning Commons will be a perfect solution to the problem of training teachers. We also had a guest speaker from Syngenta at another RWM.

The Club geared up for the DG's annual visit scheduled for the 27th of September. It was held at the May Fair. Our new member Rtn Peggila Bhutia

was officially inducted into Rotary by the DG himself who was very happy to liaison with the Board Members, the Interactors, Rotaractors and the RCC representatives. He gave an eloquent speech inspiring member to give their all-in service and in donations.

Another important date was the departure to the Netherlands by the water scholar Miss Sanjana Pradhan. Her studies there is being supported by the Club.

The Literacy Seminar in Gangtok was attended by CLCC Sharda Mukhia, PP Sanjogita Subba and Rtn Sheila Rai Fudong on the 29th of September.

The 31st of October was a red-letter day for District 3240. A ceremony to felicitate RIPN Shekhar Mehta was organised in Siliguri. RC Kalimpong was invited to take part in the opening march in ethnic wear.

Rtn R Hamilton of RC Dunbar visited the Centre on the 7th of November. The first phase report of the Learning Commons was also submitted. Children's day was celebrated at Ram Lal Dahal School under the aegis of PP BM Pradhan. Flutes were distributed to the children and a talk on organic farming was given to their parents.

A Nominating Committee meeting was held in the 16th of November.

PP BM Pradhan and Rtn Col PC Thapa attended the TRF seminar in Siliguri on the 1st of December.

The annual Rotary Family Picnic was organised for the 8th of December. It was a fun filled picnic to be with our Annes and Rotarylets at the riverside.

The 23rd of December was a historic day for the Club because the donor Rtn Dr Khem Pradhan Fatimi flew in all the way from the USA with her family to declare the soft opening of the Learning Commons. Lunch followed the introduction and speeches.

And then we were into the new year 2020 within the blink of an eye. The World Peace and Understanding Day was observed on the 23rd of Feb by an impromptu talk given by Rtn Dr Bibeth Sharma at the Centre. PP Dr DP Pandey spoke about his vocation.

A programme titled 'Earthquake Risk in the Darjeeling – Sikkim Himalayas' was jointly organised by Save the Hills and RC Kalimpong on the 12th of March at the Centre.

The Digital Library is meant to be used by underprivileged children and it was a good thing that PP P Dewan brought in children from the Hands for Education Trust to make use of the facilities there.

The world was being held hostage by the insidious Covid 19 virus and the domino effect it had on us led to the Centre being closed and all future RWMs to be cancelled from the 16th of March onwards. The District Conference ie the Shillong Conclave and the International Convention were also cancelled because of the pandemic.

Amidst all the gloom and disruption of normal life the one good news was the issue for payment of the second and final instalment of Global Grant GG1758729 on the 17th of March. The payment amount was a whopping US\$ 54,017. The Progress Report for the period ending 31st March was accepted after submission of Utilization Certificate and Bank Statement by the TRF. To quote PP Rajen Raghavan, 'A Herculean task done on time. Congratulations to the team.'

RC Kalimpong took to having Zoom meetings like a fish takes to water. Members contributed voluntarily to a Covid 19 fund. This was used to procure emergency supplies for distribution to the front-line workers. 500 masks and 500 pkts of gloves each were handed over to the Superintendent of hospital and the IC of Kalimpong Police Station. 1000 masks and 1000 pkts of gloves and 70 bottles of sanitizers were handed over to the Chairman, Kalimpong Municipality. 30 bottles of sanitizers were given to the Police Station and 50 bottles to the Hospital. The Fire brigade were handed over 100 masks, 50 pkts of gloves and 20 bottles of sanitizers. Each bottle of sanitizer contains 500ml

In the interim, Club members were attending District level and International Rotary Zoom meetings. This became the new normal in the second half of the Rotary year 2019-2020. The District Training Assembly was also held online. The PE and Board Members logged in.

It was learnt that DRFC Prabhat Kedia agreed to give 1x2 WINS project to RC Kalimpong from the savings of District 3240 WINS. A lot of preparation is ongoing for distribution of foot operated hand sanitizers in relevant public spaces.

This report ends on a positive note of the President and the Club having dealt with the pandemic and its repercussions with fortitude and innovation. #

Birthday Greetings



RTN. MAHENDRA AGRAWAL

9TH. JULY



RTN. RAJEN RAGHAVAN

10TH. JULY



ANNE DEEPA SINHAL

19TH. JULY



ANNE PASSANG GOGOI

29TH. JULY

Wedding Anniversary Greetings



RTN. SUMIT AND ANNE SURUCHI JINDAL

12TH. JULY

PRESS RELEASE: ON THE OCCASION OF 29TH. HANDING/TAKING OVER CEREMONY OF PRESIDENT, ROTARY CLUB OF KALIMPONG ON 05 JUL 2020



Secretary (20-21)
Col Ashok Gogoi

1. The Rotary Club of Kalimpong, an affiliate of Rotary International, began its journey in 1993 with the aim of delivering real, long-term solutions to our community's most persistent issues. The very motto of Rotary is "Service above Self". On the occasion of the 29th Handing and Taking over ceremony between the outgoing President Rotarian Naveen Soni and incoming President Rotarian Vikash Golyan, we would like to highlight the services rendered by the Club during



Distribution of Hand-free sanitizer at the D.M.'s Office

CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC since the lockdown commencing March 2020.

2. During the first and second lockdown periods, movements of personnel and vehicles were strictly restricted. There was acute shortage of masks and hand sanitizers immediately following announcement of lockdown. The Club held a number of online meetings and was able to raise Rs.1,25,000/- by donations from its members alone. Through the network of Rotarians within and outside Kalimpong, it was able to procure 2,500 masks, 2500 pairs of hand gloves and 150 bottles of hand sanitizers immediately and 15 numbers of hands-free sanitizer stands at a later date. The items were distributed to the following organizations: -

(a) Chairman Kalimpong Municipality – 1000 masks, 1000 pairs of gloves and 70 bottles of hand sanitizers.

- (b) Superintendent of District General Hospital – 500 masks, 500 pairs of gloves and 30 bottles of hand sanitizers.
 - (c) I.C. Kalimpong Police Station – 500 masks, 500 pairs of gloves and 30 bottles of hand sanitizers.
 - (d) Fire Brigade – 100 masks, 50 pairs of gloves and 20 bottles of hand sanitizers.
 - (e) Balance of the masks and hand gloves were distributed to the general public who needed them most during their outings
 - (f) Recipients of Hand Free Sanitizers Stands are - Kalimpong Municipality, Kalimpong Police Station, D.M.'s Office, S.P.'s Office, Electricity Department, Post Office, Court, Axis Bank, District OPD, SBI Kalimpong, Central Bank of India, Union Bank of India, ICICI Bank and Traffic Police. These Hand Free Sanitizer stands are meant for use by the general public and are supposed to be maintained by the recipients.
 - (g) As a token of appreciation of the COVID -19 warriors the Club also issued "Certificate of Appreciation" to many of the deserving warriors of Kalimpong town.
3. The Club has many more programs in store for the development of welfare services in the Kalimpong District. We look forward to the co-operation of the populace of Kalimpong for their successful implementation.



Distribution of Hands-free sanitizer at Kalimpong Municipality

MEET OUR NEW ROTARIAN

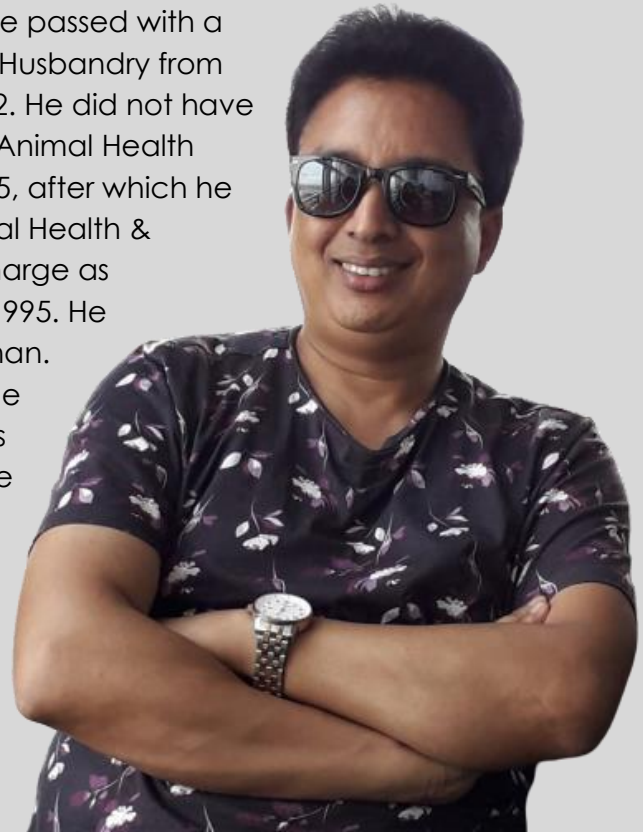
XII, in SUMI. Continuing his brilliant academic streak, he passed with a Bachelor's Degree in Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry from Bidhan Chandra Krishi Visvavidyalaya in the year 1992. He did not have to wait long before joining the coveted West Bengal Animal Health and Veterinary Sciences, Govt. of West Bengal in 1995, after which he was absorbed as a trainee officer at Institute of Animal Health & Veterinary Biologicals, Kolkata. Soon after, he took charge as Veterinary Surgeon at ABAHC, Kotwa, in Burdwan in 1995. He moved closer home being posted at BAHC Gorubathan. Later he took charge of BLDO Gorubathan in 2001. He moved quickly up the ladder by taking up charges as Senior Veterinary Surgeon, State Animal Health Centre in Kalimpong. He is now the Deputy Director of ARD Kalimpong District.

Dr. Devendra Pradhan, is associated with various socio-cultural organizations and is actively involved in various social works. His hobbies include listening to and singing old Hindi and Nepali numbers

He is married to Dr. Sanjeeta Pradhan , who is involved in a project of Central Govt. as Block Technology Manager, Kalimpong. They are blessed with a son, Samarpan, who is pursuing a degree in Designing at NIFT, Bangalore, and a daughter who is studying in Class IX at St. Joseph's Convent.

Welcome to Rotary!

Devendra Pradhan was born in the beautiful town of Samsing in the Dooars area. After completing his Class X in 1984 from Samsing High School, he finished his Class



Dr. Devendra Pradhan