

Minutes of the 1916th RWM held at Park Place, Near Ballygunge Pantaloons, Kolkata – 700019 on 25th June, 2010

- President **Rtn Bilolaksha Das** called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
- National Anthem was sung in chorus. Minutes of the **1915th RWM** was confirmed.
- President **Rtn Bilolaksha Das**, on behalf of the outgoing Committee welcomed the members, their families, invitees, AG Pramod Kr Mathur & his spouse, RCC co-coordinator, Luthfa Di, Sri Sandip Purokayastha, Head Master, Satal Kalsa H S (HS), Sri Indranil Roy, Laserworld, Sri Samujjal Ganguli & his family. He expressed his sincere thanks and gratitude individually to all his fellow Rotarians for their year long support and contribution.
- At the joint BOD meeting it was decided that PP Rtn Amarendra Bose would be an honorary member of the club
- PHF Rtn Debdas Bandopadhyay spoke on the reminiscences of eventful 2009-10.
- New Member Rtn. Debasish also expressed his feelings and shared his experience of how he got involved in rotary movement.
- PP Rtn. Samaresh Chakraborty also shared some happy moments from his experience of 2009-10.
- Incoming President **Rtn. Shubrato Chakraborty** extended his heartfelt thanks to the outgoing committee and expressed his regards to all members for choosing him as the President of the prestigious Club for 2010-11. He announced the new committees for the installation ceremony, the upcoming projects of 1st July, and also about 'Subharamb'. He spoke on the upcoming plans for the year 2010-11 and his strong desire to support DG's Dream Projects. He also talked on the significance of this year's Rotary motto Building Communities and Bridging Continents.
- Secretary **Rtn Tapan Ghosh** announced the birthday of Rtn Nasir Uddin Ahmed (29th June).
- President Bilolaksha Das after approval of the last meeting's minutes terminated the meeting at 8:30 pm.
- The eventful evening ended with a happy note and great promises through a dinner of the Club members and family.

Happy Box Collection Rs. 100
Members Present : 31

From your Editor..... Amis Bienvenus!!!!

.....An Appeal for Your Blessings & Guidance

I sincerely thank you all for entrusting me with such a great responsibility and honoured task! Hope you all will extend your support throughout the year with your small thought provoking write ups, quotes, witty jokes, updates & information and guide me in the right path to keep the FLAME of the torch of RC Ballygunge shining brightly to attain the peak.

RI District 3291 R.C.C. Assembly for 2010-11 – SUSANKALPO

On the 20th June 2010 at 9 am at Rabindra Sarabor Auditorium, the whole day session of Susankalpo began. A lot of enthusiasm and interest was marked amongst the participants. Through out the day discussions and presentations were held to create awareness with focus on various issues like Polio eradication, global warming, healthy sanitation, usage of water, opportunities for entrepreneurs, career and vocational counselling, etc. Rtn Pradip Majumder from RC Ballygunge spoke on career guidance highlighting on some important opportunities and organisations that help in building the career. The meeting ended at about 5 with an acknowledgement to all the hosts and co-host clubs. It was attended by Rtn Shubrato Chakraborty. Rtn Subhas Dey, Rtn Gautam Halder, Rtn Gargi Sen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthday
Rtn. Balam Pyne
3rd July

Wedding Anniversary
Rtn. Anindya Bagal & Anne Dionne
7th July

MANY MORE HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY



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Building Communities, Bridging Continents'
THEME FOR ROTARY YEAR 2010 – 2011

THE EVENTFUL JULY 1ST

On 1st July, RC Ballygunge celebrated "Doctors' Day" in a fitting manner.

In the presence of Swamiji Sarbatmananda Maharaj, "Doctors' Day" was celebrated at the outdoor clinic of Bharat Sevashram Shangha at 10.30 am.

At the outset, President Shubrato handed over a box containing life saving and necessary medicines (tablets and injections) to Swamiji. Then, after a brief introduction by the President about the purpose of the meet, 6 doctors attached to the clinic were ceremoniously felicitated. AG Deep Chandra, on behalf of our club, handed over a letter of appreciation, a flower bouquet and a gift to all the doctors individually.

Swamiji, in his brief speech thanked the AG and the Rotarians of our club for their presence and for implementing such a programme. Dr. Jayanta Banerji, speaking on behalf of the medical fraternity, thanked our club for organising the event. PP Prodeep Coomar spoke on the importance of like-minded persons in community service and also proposed a vote of thanks.

RC Ballygunge wishes to convey its deep gratitude to Swamiji Biswatmanandaji (Dilip Maharaj), who was present for a while at the start of the event, for his overall help and initiative in arranging the project.

From our club, besides Pres Shubrato, PP Prodeep, IPP Bilolaksha, Secretary Nasir, Treasurer Gautam and Rt Biswajit were present.



RC BALLYGUNGE BAGS AWARDS AT THE DIST. AWARD CEREMONY

- **Enhancement of Public Image (on Awareness Campaign of Swine Flue/ Malaria).**
- **Quiz Contest with different Schools.**
- **Donation of Trauma Care Ambulance to Bharat Sevashram Shangha.**

Besides, recognitions were accorded to President Bilolaksha Das who has won RI President's Citation & Governor's Citation (Outstanding President) and Secretary Tapan Ghosh has won the District Governor's Citation (Outstanding Secretary).

From the desk of the President

I take on the onerous responsibility of leading the club during this Rotary year, in all humility. With the B.O.D. and other club officials and the unstinted support and active cooperation of all the members, I am sure RC Ballygunge will have a great year ahead!

COTS at RC Ballygunge

It was a nice experience for me to attend the first COTS on the 20th June 2010 at 10.30am at Silpangan, Salt Lake. The meeting started at about 10 min to 11am. It was called to order by the President Rtn Bilolakhsha Das.

After a brief introduction he handed over the proceedings to PE Rtn Shubrato Chakraborty who introduced the dignitaries, AG Rtn Deep Chandra and ZS Rtn Prasan Lohia of Zone XXII of Dist. 3291. PP Rtn Pradip Majumdar then spoke on the importance of COTS. It was nice to hear him categorically distinguishing COTS from Club assembly. The next speaker, PP Rtn Debdas Bandyopadhyay focused on the most important issue of Rotary – “Building Communities, Bridging Continents”.

AG Deep Chandra started his presentation on a very humble note. He emphasized the thrust areas of RI for the year 2010-11 and also on the core areas rather the 10 dream projects of DG Rtn Rajendra Khandelwal in a crispy, informative yet comprehensive way. The session turned out to be very interesting as there were lots of exchange of thoughts and views. He enquired with the club officials on various issues.

Rtn Prasan categorically emphasized Rotary as a movement and not as an outcome of an individual's effort. “ARC can be the best of the bests if all the team members venture into action plans whole heartedly”, he added.

It would remain incomplete if the thought of PP Rtn Samaresh Chakraborty is not shared! He narrated an incident in his unique style that ended with the moral - “Rectify yourself before you criticize others” and calls on all officials to put in their maximum effort to make 2010-11 a success story.

VP Rtn Subhas Dey delivered the vote of thanks to all present. The programme concluded with a grand lunch.



ICM on Eastern India Rotary Welfare Trust

The last Inter City Meet on Saturday, June 19, 2010 turned out to be a highly informative affair in which almost all the Trustees, comprising of several PDGs and senior Rotarians, were present. PDG Ravi Sehgal began by enumerating the history of the trust. Thereafter, other Trustees like PDG Sekhar, DG Utpal, PGG Debashis, PDG Vijay Bhandary, PP Binod Khaitan and others spoke on different aspects of the Trust. A lively interactive session, initiated by PDG Ajay Dutta and others clarified a lot of question and doubts in the minds of those present.

A very comprehensive booklet containing the chronology of events of the Trust, details of the Trustees, Balance Sheets of the last three years, Trust Deed, Helping Grant details etc, was released on the occasion.

President Bilolakhsha and Rtn Subhash Saha presented their TRF contribution cheques to DG Utpal on the stage in the presence of the PDGs, to become Paul Harris Fellows.

From our club, apart from Pres Bilolakhsha and Rtn Subhash Saha, PE Shubrato was present.



PDG Prabhat Rohatgi speaking at the interactive session

The last RWM of the year: A Grand Finale

On the evening of 25th June at Park Palace the Presidents of the outgoing committee and the incoming committee of RC Ballygunge, Rtn Bilolakhsha Das and Rtn Shubrato Chakraborty after the RWM hosted a grand dinner for the members, their families and friends.



We all attended the occasion with a mixed feeling – a lot of excitements to achieve more yet some melancholy for the times of yore, but everyone one was very optimistic and confident about future of the prestigious RC Ballygunge.

It was indeed a pleasant experience to meet each other on such platforms and share a lot of thoughts and moments. Outgoing President Bilolakhsha touched every heart through his gesture of not only thanking everybody but through his words while acknowledging everyone's contribution. During the dinner both the hosts with their warmth made everyone feel at home.

A HAPPY ANNOUNCEMENT

Members will be happy to know that **Mr. Samujjal Majumdar** will be inducted as a new member of our club this evening. *He had, till recently, been a member (and PP) of RC Pune Nagar Road in Dist 3131. He is presently working as General Manager- Marketing in Vikram Solar Pvt. Ltd. with a wide, varied and successful experience in Sales and Marketing for almost a decade. His date of birth is 29th September, 1970 and he stays in Flat no. 1E, North Block, Diamond Tower, Diamond Park, Kolkata- 104.*

We extend a hearty welcome our new member

CLUB ASSEMBLY ON 17.06.'10

President Bilolakhsha Das called the meeting to order. He thanked each and every member for the co-operation that was extended to him during the year. He also thanked the Director and Chairmen for their involvement in the projects.

PE Shubrato Chakraborty was invited to brief his future plans

- He expressed his sincere thanks to all club members for entrusting him with the responsibilities
- Regarding the new plan of RC Ballygunge, he suggested Installation of Solar Power Units for 20 houses Rainwater storage and harvesting, formation of Interact Club and

various other projects, based on DG's Vision 10.

- PE requested the club officials to attend the COTS on 20.06.2010.
- He announced that a club project at Bharat Sevashram Sangha on 1st July was being finalised.
- PE announced that the first club meeting of 2010-11 would be held on the 2nd July, 2010 in lieu of 1st July, 2010.
- He also announced about the installation ceremony for the year 2010-11 that would be held on 15. 07.2010 at the Golden Park, Kolkata at 6.30 pm.