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From the Editor's Desk: Weaving Words, Building Service

~Ann. Jayashree Parasuram



Dear Rotarians and Anns,

When my editorial team and I thought that June would be an easy month—with hardly any programmes to cover—we almost put our feet up! But soon enough, we had to pull our socks back on, as the month turned out to be **one of the busiest and most exciting of the Rotary year**.

This issue is packed with reports on some of our most important events, inaugurations, award ceremonies, and celebrations.

First, I am delighted to share the wonderful news that **The Amber Bulletin won First Prize** among the bulletins submitted by several Rotary clubs. **This achievement belongs to the entire editorial team**,

Congratulations to every member of the team!

We also bring you highlights of **our club's "Awards" won at the District, the President's and First Lady's "Season Finale"**, and, most importantly, the **inauguration of the Rotarian Panchapakesan Vocational Skills & Development Centre**—a landmark 10,000 sq. ft. project that will empower countless lives through skill development. A special appreciation to **Rtn. Hari Prasad** for his vision and dedication in making this dream a reality.



As always, **The Amber Bulletin** is available both as an **e-bulletin and in print**, delivered to your homes.

Happy reading !

From the Secretary's Desk – Farewell Edition

~Rtn. P Deepan



As I conclude my tenure as **Secretary** of the **Rotary Club of Ambattur** for the **Rotary Year 2025–26**, I do so with immense gratitude, pride, and cherished memories.

Serving as Secretary has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my Rotary journey. Every meeting, project, fellowship, and service initiative strengthened my leadership, deepened my friendships, and reaffirmed the true meaning of Service Above Self.

I am deeply grateful to our **President, Rtn. T. Parasuram**, whose visionary leadership, trust, and encouragement inspired me to give my best throughout the year. Working alongside him has been a privilege, and the lessons I have learnt will continue to guide me in my Rotary journey.

My sincere appreciation goes to our **Treasurer, Rtn. Suresh**, for his unwavering support, particularly during the times I travelled out of town on my official work commitments. He ensured that the club's secretarial and administrative responsibilities continued without interruption. His dependability and teamwork were invaluable.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to our **Board Members** for their trust, collaboration, and commitment. Every milestone we achieved was the result of collective leadership. My appreciation also goes to our Rotaractors, whose enthusiasm and dedication added immense value to our service projects and club activities.

Behind every successful Rotarian stands a supportive **family**. My heartfelt gratitude goes to **my wife, Uma**, for her patience and understanding as I missed many family dinners and precious moments to fulfill my Rotary responsibilities.

A special note of thanks to **Ann Jayashree Parasuram**, our gracious **First Lady**, for her warmth and encouragement throughout the year. My sincere appreciation to **Annette Apoorva**, whose creativity and unwavering support in designing club communications and event collateral made my secretarial responsibilities significantly easier.

I am truly humbled to have been recognised as the **Iconic Secretary of Rotary District 3234**. I accept this honour as a reflection of the trust, teamwork, and unwavering support of every member of the Rotary Club of Ambattur. **To every Rotarian, Ann, Annette, Rotaractor, Interactor, donor, and well-wisher—thank you for making this an unforgettable year of service, fellowship, and impact**.

It has been an **honour and privilege to serve as Secretary of a prestigious club.**

April Journeys: Club Highlights & Happenings

June 6th 2026 - RCA Movie Night

On **6th June**, our club members enjoyed a **fun-filled movie night** watching **"Parimala & Co."** The evening was filled with laughter, entertainment, and memorable moments as everyone came together to unwind and enjoy the film.






June 7th 2026 - "Unite for Good" President's Alumni Meet

On **7th June**, the **Unite for Good Presidents' Alumni Meet** brought together all **85 Presidents** of the Rotary year. **Our President, Rtn. T. Parasuram**, joined his fellow Presidents, along with **District Governor Rtn. AKS Vinod Saraogi, First Lady Ann. Usha Saraogi, and District Secretary Rtn. Saptagiri**, for a morning of reconnecting, and sharing memorable moments.





June 15th 2026 - Suprise Birthday Party of Rtn. Ajitha Balan

On **15th June**, **Rtn. Ajitha Balan's daughter** hosted a **surprise birthday celebration** for her mother at **Appaswamy Mandarina, Kotturpuram**. The evening was made even more special with the presence of fellow Rotarians, who came together to celebrate with warmth, laughter, and fellowship.







June 20th 2026 - Interact Club Orientation - Sindhi Model School, Chetpet






Rotary Icon Awards (2025-26)









June Journeys: Club Highlights & Happenings

June 21st 2026 - Season Finale - A Memorable Evening

On **21st June**, the **Season Finale** was hosted by **President Rtn. T. Parasuram and First Lady Ann. Jayashree Parasuram** at the **Buttery Bar, Madras Gymkhana Club**, bringing together Rotarians and Anns for a memorable evening celebrating an exceptional Rotary year.

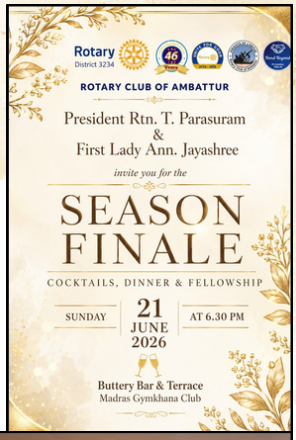
In his address, the **President** thanked **every Rotarian and Ann** for their **unwavering support** throughout **2025–26**, acknowledging that **every contribution helped make the year a remarkable success**. Members, including **Ann. Viji Hariprasad, Rtn. Om Prakash, Rtn. Hariprasad, Rtn. Prem Watwani, Mr. M.K. Menon (Unni), and Rtn. Geeta Menon**, **shared heartfelt words of appreciation** for the President and First Lady's thoughtful leadership and inclusive spirit.

A **highlight of the evening** was a **beautifully compiled video** of the year's journey, created by **Annette. Apoorva**, which received warm applause from everyone.

The celebration also marked **special milestones**, with **Ann. Renuka and Mr. M.K. Menon** celebrating their **80th birthdays**, while **Rtn. M.K. Menon and Rtn. Geeta Menon** celebrated their **Golden Wedding Anniversary**. The cake-cutting ceremonies added to the festive atmosphere.

The evening concluded with a **delightful dinner**, and guests were presented with **thoughtful return gifts of traditional vadams and paruppu podi**, reflecting the President and First Lady's philosophy of **simplicity**.

Thank you, **President Rtn. T. Parasuram and First Lady Ann. Jayashree Parasuram**, for an inspiring and unforgettable **Rotary year 2025–26**.





June 28 - Polio Immunization Drive

As part of **National Immunization Day**, Ambattur Rotary Hospital successfully conducted a **Polio Immunization Drive,** during which 80 children received the oral polio vaccine at the hospital.

The hospital contributed to three Pulse Polio centres—Varadharajapuram, Oragadam, and Venkatapuram. A total of **2,851 doses** were administered at **Varadharajapuram, 4,627 doses at Oragadam, and 2,738 doses at Venkatapuram**, covering a total of **10,216 oral polio doses**. The successful conduct of the programme reflects Rotary's continued commitment to polio eradication and community health.



June 28 - Joint Board Meeting



June Journeys: Club Highlights & Happenings

June 28 - Happy Shelters (A District 3234 Initiative)

Empowering **beedi workers** in **Gurupuram, Thiruvallur District**, the **Happy Shelters Project** 2025–26 of Rotary International District 3234 brought hope and security to **15 families** through the gift of new homes.

We are especially proud that **Rtn. Ajitha Balan sponsored one of these homes**, reflecting Rotary's commitment to transforming lives and strengthening communities through compassionate service.





June 24 - Rotary Skill Development & Vocational Training Centre (Inauguration of the Second Floor Classroom)

The inauguration of the **newly constructed second-floor classroom at TV Nagar School** was a memorable occasion, marked by the generous support of the **Inner Wheel Club of Madras Midtown**.

The ceremony commenced with **District Chairman of Inner Wheel District 323**, **Shrimati Devi Mathimaran**, cutting the ribbon and inaugurating the classroom. She was joined by **Shrimati Usha Bothra, President of the Inner Wheel Club of Madras Midtown**, and **Shrimati Sumitra Kumar, Secretary**. The **commemorative plaque** near the entrance was unveiled in the presence of **President Rtn. T. Parasuram** and the **President of the TV Nagar Educational Society Rtn. A S Hariprasad**.

The dignitaries paid **floral tributes** to the portrait of **the late Rtn. S. Panchapakesan** before the proceedings began. The event opened with the **students of TV Nagar School** rendering the **Tamil Thai Vazhthu**, setting a respectful and inspiring tone for the gathering.

In his **welcome address**, **President Rtn. T. Parasuram** warmly welcomed the distinguished gathering, which included representatives from nine Inner Wheel Clubs, seven Rotarians, and the First Lady. He briefly highlighted the various developmental works undertaken by the club and the significance of the new classroom.

Delivering the **inaugural address**, **Rtn. A S Hariprasad** spoke about the rich legacy of the **Rotary Club of Ambattur**, tracing its inception and the evolution of its numerous service projects. He also shared the history and growth of TV Nagar School and expressed heartfelt gratitude to the Inner Wheel Club of Madras Midtown for their **generous contribution of ₹11.34 lakhs**, which made the construction of the classroom possible.

A special felicitation ceremony followed, honouring the members of the Inner Wheel Club for their invaluable support and commitment to community service.

Addressing the gathering, **Inner Wheel Member Shrimati Kamala Selvam** shared the story behind the project, explaining that the initiative was conceived as part of their **Golden Jubilee celebrations**. She recalled how the proposal, introduced through **Rtn. G. Ravishankar**, received immediate approval from their committee, reflecting the club's dedication to meaningful service.

Shrimati Sumitra Kumar introduced the **Chief Guest, Shrimati Devi Mathimaran**, who praised the Rotary Club of Ambattur for its outstanding service initiatives. She appreciated the club's transparency, generosity, and the tangible impact of its work, encouraging the local community to make full use of the excellent facilities created for them.

The event concluded with a heartfelt **Vote of Thanks** proposed by **Rtn. Flt. Lt. L Ramesh**, followed by the **National Anthem**. Guests then enjoyed refreshments, including snacks and buttermilk, while interacting and celebrating another successful milestone in Rotary's journey of service.







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June 29 - Inauguration of Rtn. Panchapakesan Birth Centenary Block Rotary Skill Development & Vocational Training Centre

~Rtn. Col. Bhupinder Singh

The inaugural celebrations began with a **breakfast** gathering for the dignitaries and fellow Rotarians, setting the stage for a memorable and historic occasion.

The formal proceedings commenced with the **unveiling of the commemorative plaque** by **District Governor Rtn. A.K.S. Vinod Saraogi** and **President Rtn. T. Parasuram**. This was followed by a **floral tribute** to the **late Rtn. Panchapakesan**, whose vision and dedication laid the foundation for this landmark project.

The **students of TV Nagar School** rendered the **Tamil Thai Vazhthu**, invoking blessings and adding a traditional touch to the ceremony. **President Rtn. T. Parasuram** then **welcomed the distinguished gathering** and highlighted the significance of the Skill Development & Vocational Training Centre and its potential to transform lives.

Rtn. A.S. Hariprasad, **President of the TV Nagar Educational Society**, delivered the **inaugural address**, reflecting on the journey of the project and the collective efforts that brought it to fruition.

In recognition of their invaluable support, **all the donors** were **felicitated by District Governor Rtn. A.K.S. Vinod Saraogi**, acknowledging their generosity and commitment to community service.

Addressing the gathering, **District Governor Rtn. A.K.S. Vinod Saraogi** congratulated the Rotary Club of Ambattur and appreciated the dedication of every member in making the ambitious project a reality. He commended the club for its continued commitment to impactful and sustainable service initiatives that benefit the community. The Governor announced a contribution of **Rs. 5 Lakhs** for this project. Also, **Rtn. Suresh Babu** announced a contribution of **Rs. 1.5 Lakhs**.

The programme concluded with a heartfelt **Vote of Thanks** proposed by **Rtn. Flt. Lt. Ramesh**, expressing gratitude to the chief guests, donors, Rotarians, volunteers, and everyone whose support contributed to the success of this landmark inauguration.

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SKILL DEVELOPMENT & VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER
CHIEF GUEST
Rtn. AKS Vinod Saraogi
District Governor
RI District 3234
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JUNE 29, 2026
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Rotaractors Shine at the District Awards

We are delighted to share that our **College-Based Rotaract Club (S.A College of Arts and Science)** has been recognized at the **Rotaract District Awards**, with the President receiving the **Best Supporting President Award**.

This achievement reflects the dedication, teamwork, and unwavering commitment of our members, whose collective efforts have made a meaningful impact throughout the year.

Congratulations to the President and every Rotaractor who contributed to this well-deserved recognition. Here's to many more milestones as we continue to serve, lead, and make a difference together!





From Life's First Cheers to Forever Together Celebrating You Always!

Birthdays

July 04	Annette Raashmi Raju	C Raju
July 07	Rtn. T R Mala	
July 08	Rtn. Vijayakumaran V	
July 08	Ann. Dr. Jyothi Viswanathan	M. Viswanathan
July 11	Annette Vikram	V R Janardhanam
July 14	Ann. Nalini Raju	C Raju
July 16	Annette Aishwarya Parasuram	T Parasuram
July 21	Annette Pradeep	Mahaveerchand Dugar
July 22	Annette Arjun Shetty	Jai Shetty
July 25	Ann Tara Rao	Ashok Rao
July 26	Annette Kavitha	Gita Menon
July 30	Ann Geetha Ravishankar	G Ravishankar

Anniversary

July 02 Rtn. Dr. J David Samson & Ann. Sanjana Varma

Condolence Message

The RCA Family stands with Rtn. G Viswanathan & Family and Rtn. Rema Sakunthala & Family on the passing of their Mothers. May God give them strength to bear the irreparable loss.
Om Shanthi!

Mark your Calendar! - Upcoming Events

July 05 (Sunday)
6.30 p.m
47th Installation Ceremony
Hotel Beverly, Kilpauk

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