

ROTARY IN ACTION

Rotary Club
of Skegness



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MAKING A DIFFERENCE, IN SKEGNESS AND WORLDWIDE

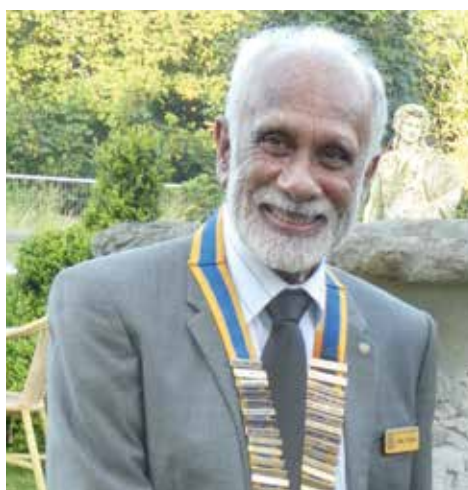


MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear fellow Rotarians and friends,
The Rotary international
Presidential Theme for 2024-25 is
The Magic of Rotary. It emphasizes
the idea that by working together,
Rotarians can perform "magic" in
their communities, bringing hope
and joy to those in need.

Let us continue our work to create
more Magic!

Yours in Rotary,
Sunil Perera, President



SANTA FUN RUN

After a false start on 8th
December due to terrible
weather, it was fantastic
to hear the starting Pistol fired
on Sunday 15th December,
which released 193 (registered)
Santa's to the streets of
our town.

A huge thank you to our
Sponsors, The Pier, First College
and The Royal Hotel and to all
those who volunteered on the
day to make the event happen,
and of course all the Santas
that took part.

£896.82 of the money raised
will be donated to the RNLI.



Christmas Party



We had a wonderful Rotary Family Christmas Party on Friday 13th December. It was great fun for both young and old. Entertainment was provided by two local guitarists John and Steve (booked by Sades) with a wonderful choice of music. Pat King did a very entertaining Play Your Cards Right for adults and kids where everyone was a winner. We even had the Real Santa come to visit the children. A huge thank you to everyone who donated for the hamper, we had so many donations, which enabled us to make up 3 wonderful hampers. Selling of raffle tickets for these raised an astonishing £452, which was donated to Skegness Academy for them to help some of their most vulnerable students this Christmas. The evening was finished off with a very funny, chaotic 12 days of Christmas. Thanks also go to Martin and Laura who provided music for The Carols. The Royal Hotel helped make this a memorable evening, as did everyone who attended.



Rtns. Ross and Tamara Good presenting a cheque for £452 to Claudio Gissendorf, Principal of Skegness Academy

Derbyshire Childrens Home

As part of the toy collection we held in December, we were able to donate a number of toys to the Children's home giving 15 young people something to open from Santa on the big day. As Helen the Manager of the home said **"if they remember a Happy Christmas in Skegness, it is all worthwhile"** A large number of other toys were donated to the St. Barnabas charity shop.



TESCO COLLECTION

We are really pleased to announce that a total of £2,179.62 was collected at Tesco this year, as usual the support from the Silver Band helped to boost the donations, as well as the help of Freddie the Tesco Cat.

Massive thank you to everyone who helped out.

£500 of the money collected will be donated to Skegness Silver band.

Patle School, Nepal Class Rooms Painting Project

Report by Balaram Bista (Baloo)

Patle school painting project was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Skegness, UK with the amount of €300. From that money our Team (Balaram Bista, Sharki Sherpa and Pasang Sherpa) paint two school classrooms of grade 3 and Grade 4. We stayed for 4 days at Patle village for the School painting project. On 14th Nov our team left Kathmandu very early morning to patle school, which took more than 14 hours to reached village, on that same day we bought all the required painting materials like paints, sandpaper, brushes, gloves, paint roller, paint thinner, enamel, wall primer and many more . Next day on 15th of Nov, we started our project from 7am. We divided work among 3 of us. Sharki and Pashang started to dust classroom while Balaram Bista started to prepare paints. After, we prep wall, we started to paint with wall Primer, after giving second coat of Primer, We started to divided wall into 3 section, top, middle and bottom with Masking tape. Top part of wall, we paint with white middle part of wall with creamy yellowish color afterward we paint bottom part with purple color. We had to give four coats of both colors of paints to wall. Students and teacher watched our painting progress. We could see happiness on student's face to have their classroom painted. We all were cover in colors. Once we completed to paint wall, we started on door and window, before we paint oil based paint, we prep wooden door and

window by smoothing the surface using sandpaper. It looked amazing after painting with chocolaty color. We got good response from teachers as well as appreciate our work. After we completed our classroom painting, we clean up all the materials so we can used them next day for next classroom as well as stored them. On 16th of Nov, we continued our project from very morning. We dust wall, took all nails, dusting and prepare paints. We there started to paint wall with white on top middle part with creamy yellow color and bottom part with purple color. We paint three coats of each color, white, creamy yellow and purple to the wall. Afterward we started to paint door and windows. After we completed painting both classroom we rechecked the room to find some missing spots where they needed final touch up. Once we give final touch up, we completed our project. On 17th of Nov, after completing our project and handing over classroom to school we leave for Kathmandu with full of joy and happiness. Our team gave full effort to make classroom child friendly and beautiful, so students can enjoy their study. In two days of hard work, dedication and effort, we completed class room painting project, to complete our project successfully we started to work/paint classroom from very early until dark. Our team able to change faces of classrooms, but only that possible from the good heart people of the Rotary Club and Allison Cowell who helped us in many ways and became a bridge between us and the Club. Our team and school express warm gratitude to Rotary Club Skegness, UK for the support. We hope to receive more support in soon because there is two more classrooms and outside wall that needed to be painted.





Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7th January
Starvation Dinner
Winthorpe Community Hall

Tuesday 14th January
President Sunil's 6th month roundup
The Vine Hotel

Friday 28th February
Business Quiz
at The Vine Hotel (Com Voc)

Tuesday 4th March
The Big Breakfast
at The Royal Hotel (Com Voc)

Friday 14th March
Greek Night
at No 9 Restaurant, Skegness
(International Committee)

Sunday 27th April
Beach Clean (Com Voc)



If you have anything that you would like to add to the next edition of the Newsletter, please forward a picture and a few words to Alli on Alli.cowell@gmail.com

Com Voc

Business Quiz

Friday 28th February at 7.00pm
The Vine Hotel, Skegness

Teams of 4 (max) £20.00 per team
all proceeds to local charities

Trophy for the winning team

Email patriciajlowe12@gmail.com
by 21 February to register your team
and obtain payment details

International Committee

Greek Night

Friday 14th March at 7.00pm
No 9 Restaurant, Skegness

£28.00 per person

Including Raffle
Raffle Prizes gratefully received
Further details to follow

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Rotary and Peace the world over

2025-26 Officers Elected

At the SGM held on 17th December, the following positions were elected:

President - Tamara Good
President Elect - John Stone
Treasurer - Pat King and Carole Cameron
Secretary - Bob Field
RGB&I - Margaret Taylor