

Dear Proud Members of SAFGR,

This is our first Edition of our E- bulletin of SAFGR. It is indeed a matter of pride that we are now being recognized all over the Rotary International Fraternity with much appreciation. Our "Feathers" are increasing in a good spirits. Together we will bring the Change through our fellowship across South Asia.

Chairman's Message

I am much thankful to all my members for unanimously appointing me the SAFGR Chairman for the next three years. Friends, it a great honour simultaneously it is great responsibility.

Within initial three years we developed the fellowship and spread the fragrance of our fellowship in South Asia. Now it's time to go ahead to achieve our goals.

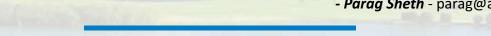
We have 93 members in our folder and steadily and casually we are increasing. It is observed that many of the members are successful businessmen, retired Govt. Officers, like IAS, IPS and Justice of the Court and high ranking Army officials. We all our working

on a common mission to support our Rotary Foundation and various community projects as well as Rotary Fellowship. Its pride for me that all are observing the etiquette of Golf, in spite of their high profile positions in the society. We have resolved during our last AGM that every member will invite at least one member to our SAFGR Fellowship.

We have now affiliation with International Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians, and I request all Regional Golf tournament organisers to share the tournament details to IGFR Secretariat. This will help to invite Golfing Rotarians from worldwide. You may visit to IGFR website to participate in the various tournaments organised by IGFR as well as other Chapter of IGFR.

We are looking for our connections in Srilanka and Bhutan. If anyone have any leads kindly share as to develop our fellowship in these countries.

- Parag Sheth - parag@ambicasalt.com



GLIMPSES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting:

We had our 4th Annual General Meeting on 7th October, 2018 at Rambaug Golf Club, Jaipur in presence of our members and invited guest.

Rtn Parag Sheth, Founder Chair of the SAFGR, welcomed all the members and invited guests and briefed about SAFGR activities during the last two years. Chairman's inaugural Speech is enclosed for information.

Rtn Karan Singh, Hon. Joint Secretary of SAFGR, read out the minutes of the last AGM and it was unanimously passed.

In absence of Hon. Treasurer Rtn Nishant Ramani, Rtn Parag Sheth had announced the statement of accounts of our fellowship and it was enormously passes. Accounts Statement is enclosed herewith.

Rtn Amarjit Singh had appreciated the dedicated work of Rtn Parag Sheth as Founder Chair , and proposed to continue him as SAFGR , Chairman for further three years and he has authorised to select his team for further 3 years. The proposal was unanimously passed.

Rtn Parag Sheth accepted the responsibility to continue as the Chairman and appealed to all members to support

the plan and program of SAFGR. Rtn Parag Sheth had announced the new team

Following points were raised by the members:

- PDG Sanjay Khanna, has appealed to all members to invite at least one member to our fellowship. That will increase the strength of our membership strength.
- II. Rtn Pradeep Shreshta, has recommended to develop our fellowship to other than South Asian Countries. The suggestions were accepted to invite the Rotarians Golfers other than South Asian Countries in our fellowship Golfing event. At present, it is immense potential to develop our fellowship by inviting Golfing Rotarians for South Asia.
- III. Rtn Dr Sant Prakash Singh Dhillon has suggested, not organising more than 4-5 events in a year. Chairman Parag Sheth clarified that SAFGR annual event is held once in a year along with AGM, and all other regional events are supported by SAFGR.
- IV. Rtn Parag Sheth has informed that R.I. Dist 3060 has requested to organise 5th Edition of SAFGR Tournament at AHEMDABAD, JOINTLY HOSTED BY RID 3054. It was unanimously accepted.

Rtn Ramesh Bhandari has offered the vote of thanks.

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At the AGM, SAFGR also resolved to spread its wings beyond South Asia (i) become members of international fellowship, and (ii) include beyond to Far Eastern region as well!

Glimpses of 4[™] Edition of SAFGR GIRL CHILD EDUCATION WITH LOVE FROM GOLFERS!



To engage golfing Rotarians in their usual pursuit of service, SAFGR raised the bar to hold fund raising golfing event. It was in the first week of Oct. 2018 at Jaipur that Rotary Clubs of Jaipur South and Mid Town of District 3054 hosted the event. Led by AKS Suresh Poddar and executed by team of PHF Ramesh Bhandari, ensemble of golfers was to fund a project of girl child education and sanitation in schools. Focus is on schools in rural areas of Jaipur.

It was an international event of sorts where, besides golfing Rotarians from all 53 Clubs from within India (84), there were participants from Nepal (5) and Bangladesh (1) from as many Clubs.

This 4th Edition of SAFGR Rotary Golf Tournament held on 7th Oct. 2018 was the first of its kind in RID 3054. Besides raising funds, it was also to enhance fellowship and raise Rotary image in the local community. The Chief guest of the event who handed out trophies to the winners was



State's Chief Secretary Mr. D B Gupta. Besides, cash awards were also handed over to five academically performing daughters of caddies of Rambagh Gold Club who hail from humble family backgrounds.

Among many, one bright spot worth mentioning is about Rtn. Sujata Sachdeva of Rotary Club Jamshedpur West hitting 220 yards long shot on top of her enviable score of 7 pars! Past President Punam Sheth of Rotary Club Bharuch Narmada Nagari of RID 3060 was runner up! Truly, women scored over men! While a Rotarian from Nepal was winner in 0-15 handicap category, overall best golfer trophy went to Rtn. Dr. Karan Singh of Rotary Club Roorkee Mid Town. Trophies for straightest shot and nearest to the pin went to members of RGC, Jaipur.

It was befitting to see members of local host Clubs present in the morning of tournament day to cheer the players. Also, the previous night Annual General Meeting of SAFGR was held where SAFGR Chair PDG AKS Parag Sheth was unanimously re-chosen as Chairman for a term of 3 years. The Chairman, then, chose and announced his team too.

JAIPUR GOLF TOURNAMENT RESULTS

CATEGORY	PARTICIPANT'S NAME	
Handicap 0-15 (Rotarian)	Pradeep Shrestha	Rajendra Sachdeva
	(Winner)	(Runner-up)
Handicap 16- 24(Rotarian)	PDG Parag Sheth	Ranjai Singh Rathore
	(Winner)	(Runner up)
Handicap 0-15 (General)	Deepak Tiwari	Ankit Palawat
	(Winner)	(Runner- up)
Handicap 16- 24 (General)	Vidhor Agarwal	Jaswant S. Meel
Ladies(Overall)	Rtn. Sujatta Sachdeva	Rtn. Punam Sheth
	(Winner)	(Runner – up)
Gross Best Golfer	Rtn. Dr. Karan Singh	
MANUTA MANUTANTA	(88)	and the world the district
Longest Drive	Rtn. D. Nagraj (247 yds)	
Straightest Drive	Rtn. Giriraj Agarwal	
	(11 inch)	
Closest to the Pin	Rtn. Vinay Tule (26 ft.)	THE COURSE M

























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गोल्फ मेरे लिए महज एक खेल ही नहीं मेरी जिन्दगी की लाइफ लाइन भी है। आज मैं देश के इस शीर्ष गोल्फ क्लब में आपको नजर आ रहा हूं, वह भी इसी की देन है। यह कहना है एसएएफजीआर के चतुर्थ संस्करण में हिस्सा ले रहे रोटरी क्लब के डिस्ट्रिक गवर्नर नीरज सोगानी का। उन्होंने कहा कि हमने अपनी जवानी देश की सेवा में समर्पित कर दी। वर्ष 1998 में सियाचीन में अंतिम पोस्टिंग के समय कैप्टन पद से रिटायर्ड हुआ। सोगानी ने कहा कि रिटायरमेंट के बाद बीमारियों ने घेरना शुरू कर दिया। मेरा हृदय भी मात्र 27 फीसदी कार्य कर रहाँ था, लेकिन बचपन में अपने बड़े-बूढ़ों से सुना था कि मारने वाले से बचाने वाला बड़ा होता है। यह मेरे जीवन में सही चरितार्थ हुआ। भगवान ने मेरे लिए देवेन्द्र कुमार नाम का एक फरिश्ता भेजा। रामबाग गोल्फ क्लब के मैम्बर देवेन्द्र मेरे से घर मिलने आए। उन्होंने कहा कैप्टन साहब आपको कुछ नहीं होगा। बस आप गोल्फ खेलना शुरू कर दो। पता नहीं उनके शब्दों ने मुझ पर क्या जादू किया और मैंने गोल्फ खेलना शुरू कर दियाँ। इसके बाद मुझे गोल्फ क्लब का सदस्य भी बनवा दिया। यहां मुझे गोल्फ खेलते हुए



12 वर्ष हो गए हैं। सोगानी ने बताया कि जिस आदमी की तीन-तीन ओपन हार्ट सर्जरी हो चुकी है और वह आज आपके सामने गोल्फ खेल रहा है। मैं यदि अपने शब्दों में बर्चा करू तो यह सत्य है कि आप जितना समय गोल्फ क्लब में बिताते हैं आपकी उम्र उतनी ही बढ़ती जाती है। एक तरह से कहा जाए तो गोल्फ के कारण ही मुझे नई जिन्दगी मिली है। मैं साथ ही ईश्वर को धन्यवाद भी देता हूं कि उन्होंने डॉ. देवेन्द नामक फरिश्ता भेजा और मेरी उम्र बढ़ा दी।

Where Age is just a number!!

Upcoming Birthdays

01 Jan. Sanjay Chaudhary 09 Jan. Rajendra Sachdeva

21 Jan. Jeyash Puthuparambil

23 Jan. Binod Khatan

26 Jan. P N Mohan

29 Jan. Sureshkumar Podar

04 Feb. S Satya Narayan Murthy

18 Feb. Dr Arjun Singh Mehta

18 Feb. Kishor Thakur

19 Feb. Dr Karan Singh

26 Feb. Bharat Kumar Parikh

16 Mar. Ravi Katari

26 Mar. Shashank Vishwarupe

30 Mar. Rajiv Joshi

31 Mar. Sambhu Namboodiri Kalamassery



KODAIKANAL GOLF TOURNAMENT





The 2nd Edition of the SAFGR Golf Tournament was held at Kodaikanal on 8th & 9th Nov. 2018. The participant strength was 57 members and 18 non players.

A musical evening made the event more memorable followed by a well organised dinner and Prize distribution. SAFGR'ians enjoyed the host ship and developed fellowship and it was a great opportunity to spread wings of fellowship among the other SouthAsian Countries.

Really appreciate the Bangalore members Unnikrishnan and team and Cochin Anil Menon and team for their tremendous support.

- Rtn Rohan Sambabu

Event Chair, RC of KodaiKanal, RID 3000



Hearty Congratulation for the great game you and your team organised-Ramesh Bhandari, Jaipur.

Excellent event on the expected lines of perfection and liberal hospitality. Well done Rohan and Team Kodaikanal. Now we feel we have a home there. With lots of Best Wishes

- Amarjit Singh, Delhi.

Very well done Rohan, we missed.

-Vinay Tule, Nagpur.









BANGALORE GOLF TOURNAMENT







The Bangalore Edition of Golf tournament was organised by Rotary club of Bangalore RID 3191. AT Karnataka Golf Association on 26th October 2018

Rtn Parag Sheth has won the golf tournament in his handicapped category.

Our Pride and Advisor Rtn. Sushil Gupta is elected as Rotary International President for Rotary year 2020-21





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1ST EDITION ROTARY
GOLF TOURNAMENT
BANGLADESH

24th February,2019 Venue : Kurmitola Golf Club, Dhaka

Organizing Committe:

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Major Mahfuzur Rahman (Retd) (Shymoli Dhaka)

We are delighted to inform you that First SAFGR- Bangladesh Rotery Club Tournament -2019 to be held on Sunday, 24th February 2019 at Kurmitola Golf Club, Dhaka Cantt, Dhaka. The Event is initiated by PE Sha q of RC Uttara, Dist 3281 and under the banner of SAFGR led by PDG Parag Sheth of RID 3060.

We aim to boost friendship among Gol ng Roterians of South Asian Countries and hope to nd Common grounds to extend our resources to take action to create lasting change. However this First Tournament of its kind in Bangladesh shall focus on stronger Fellowship.

The Tournament Registration Form is enclosed for you to complete and send to SAFGR Bangladesh Tournament Committe (Participants from India may send the same to PDG Parag Sheth).

Our team shall ensure that game is enjoyable and to remember, memories, and rewarding Bangladesh Experience. PDG Parag Sheth has assured to extend his full support for this event and we, as a host in Bangladesh will do our best to earn experiences in this maiden journey.

Brochure with details is attached. We look forward to recieve your participation, convenient sponsorship and Iled in Registration Form.

With Warm Regards,

Sincerely Yours

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Rtn. Sha qul Islam Chair, SAFGR- Bangladesh Tournament Committe sha q@arrivalfashion.com +880 1711 547 786



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Feathers of SAFGR "SPARKLING GEMS"

The Bangalore Rotarian Golfers have visited to Phuket and had a great experience.



Rtn Doc Tule had Hole in One at Hole no:2 at AKSC, Nagpur



December Kensville monthly medal round, winner Madhukarbhai



December Kensville monthly medal round Runners Up Rtn Punam Sheth



Rtn Harish Setty, has a Hole-in-One at Panchkula Golf Club.



Rtn. Parag & Rtn. Purna visited to Hua Hin at Thailand for playing Golf

