



# VASCOWHEEL

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## The RI president's monthly message - July 2010 - Winds of Change

What an amazing world! Advances in technology are happening so quickly that they cause constant changes in our businesses and professions. Yet about one-third of the world's population is still living at a subsistence level with little change in their lives. It is a stark contrast and a cause for concern.

Rotary has both a distinguished heritage and a bright future. My primary task as president is to enhance the vitality and viability of Rotary clubs and to enable them to succeed in the midst of societal changes. This is an important task because it is the clubs that address and alleviate the root problems of society and thereby make the world a better place.

*Wind of change* was a new and significant phrase when I was a Rotary Scholar in South Africa in the early 1960s. It is serendipitous that the phrase that was first publicized in my host city of Cape Town is now applicable to Rotary as we contemplate the changes in society that dictate some corresponding changes in our organization. The phrase is now better known as *winds of change*.

We are currently enjoying a culture of innovation at Rotary International. We have the ability to look at all of our programs and practices to see if they can be improved, even as we steadfastly maintain our core values. I hope many Rotarians will take advantage of this opportunity to identify and implement improvements in their clubs and districts as well.

Rotary lives and breathes in our 33,000 clubs, and it is the clubs that improve lives by *Building Communities – Bridging Continents*. If we succeed in helping clubs to become Bigger, Better, and Bolder in the next year, then it will be clear that the best days of Rotary are still ahead. We are fortunate to be Rotarians! Together, we can make the world a better place!



Rtn. Sanjay Satardekar and Team 2010-11 was installed by IPDG Rtn. Guru Bhakta on 2nd July 2010.

Mr. Arun Rosario, GM of MMTCL Ltd. was the Guest of Honour. Also present was AG Rtn. Tejendra Lawande at a well attended function at Hotel La Paz Gardens.

Rtn. Sanjay is an Automobile Engineer and is a social worker by heart.

In his maiden speech as President he stressed upon Every Rotarian Every Year (minimum \$100) and spelled out his plans for the year to include projects for basic education and safe drinking water as the priority areas.



**CONGRATULATIONS to Capt. Eddie Viegas and Rtn. Servulo Barros for becoming MAJOR DONORS of Our Rotary Foundation.**



**NEW MEMBERS are necessary to keep any Organisation alive. We welcome Capt. Ruchin Dayal and Dr. Vidyatha Barros to ROTARY!**



**Birthdays**

Aniket Patil 10-Jul  
Roshnee Datta 15-Jul  
Jaya Saraswat 17-Jul



**Programme for the month:**

9<sup>th</sup> July – Club Assembly – sharp 7pm at Rotary Hall  
16<sup>th</sup> July – Girl Child Scholarship  
23<sup>rd</sup> July – Guest Speaker – YOGA  
28<sup>th</sup> July – Board meeting  
30<sup>th</sup> July – Distribution of sewing machines

A **Club Assembly** is a meeting of all club Officers, Directors, Committee Chairmen and all Club members held to discuss the programme and other activities of the club. In small and medium size clubs, all members may join the Club Assembly. The frequency with which club assemblies are held will be an important factor in the club's success.

A Club Assembly will enable the President to provide coordination and direction to community activity and to ascertain how approved plans are being executed. It will stimulate thought and activity that will generate out of informal discussions. It will also help the club to identify talent and creativity within its membership.

Rotary Clubs are encouraged to hold 4-6 club Assemblies in a year. These meetings allow the Club to:-

- a) Plan strategically
- b) Coordinate committee activities.
- c) Share how Club plans are being implemented.
- d) Brainstorm creative solutions.
- e) Provides ongoing education about Rotary and its programs and review the Clubs strengths and weaknesses.

1st Assembly: Immediately following the District Assembly to finalise the plans and programmes for the ensuing year in line with RI and District priorities. This meet should ideally be the Club Officers 'Training Seminar (COST) to be held with the help of the Assistant Governor.

2nd Assembly: Immediately after 1st July to ensure commencement of action plan.

3rd Assembly: At least two weeks before the Governor's visit to prepare the summary of club plans and objectives and reports of Directors and committee Chairmen.

4th Assembly: At the time of governor's visit, there should be complete understanding between Governor and the president as to how this is to be conducted.

5th Assembly: Sometime in January/February preferably after the District conference to review the progress of club programmes and activities.

6th Assembly: Sometime in March/April to take stock of how various plans and objectives have been implemented and to give finishing touches for the year.

**WE MEET EVERY FRIDAY AT 7.15 PM AT ROTARY COMMUNITY CENTRE, TILAK MAIDAN COMPLEX, VASCO DA GAMA**

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