

## "When Rotary Opened the Right Door (Though it was to the Left) - Serendipity and Soup"

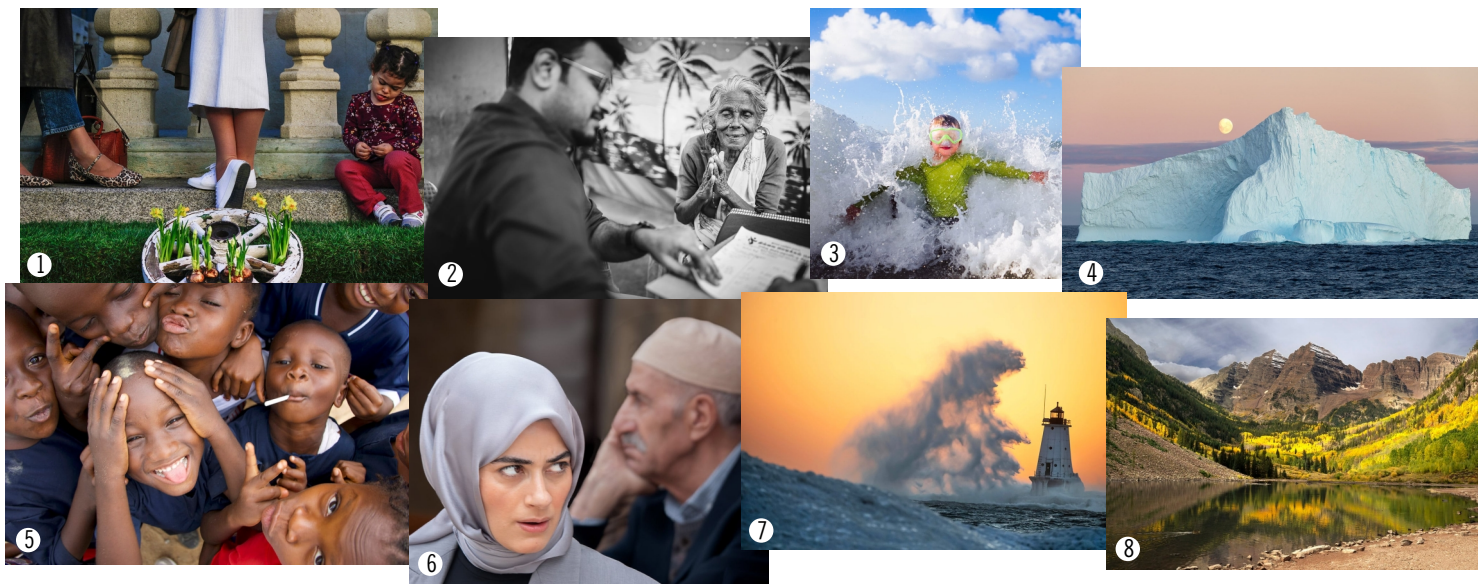
Rtn Osmand Ewen J Nongbri

Some years ago, while visiting Sylhet, Bangladesh, I went up to the top floor of the hotel where I was staying for dinner. I distinctly remember finding two doors, one on either side, and being unsure which one led to the restaurant. Standing beside the door on the left was a person who looked at me and simply asked, "Rotary?" I immediately understood and replied, "Yes"—although, until just a few seconds earlier, I had no idea that a Rotary Club meeting was taking place in the building. It turned out to be a meeting of the Rotary Club of Sylhet Green City! I still cherish fond memories of the warm fellowship I enjoyed that evening—not to mention the excellent soup they served.



## 2026 Photo Awards: the extraordinary ordinary

The pictures featured in this year's photo awards are simply sublime



A picture is worth a thousand words. A photograph has the power to make us pause and reflect and it can also fill us with a sense of wonder and awe. The photo awards this year just did that! The photographs are not only sublime but also fill us with a sense of hope, happiness and amazement.

1. LUCA VENTURI, Rotary Club of Siena Est, Italy
2. JENO JOHNSON, Rotary Club of Tiruchirapalli Chola, India
3. ERIC STRAND, Rotary Club of Fergus Falls Sunrise, Minnesota
4. MIKE LIEBMAN, Rotary Club of Denver Cherry Creek, Colorado
5. GEORGE BROWNELL, Rotary Club of Monrovia Suonu, Liberia
6. JOHN BUTTERFIELD, Rotary Club of Dublin-Worthington, Ohio
7. STEVE BEGNOCHÉ, Rotary Club of Ludington, Michigan
8. TERRI LATTA, Rotary Club of Lake Norman/Huntersville, North Carolina

### Uniquely MEGHALAYA

**Kongthong (The Whistling Village):** In this unique village near the Bangladesh border, mothers compose a unique musical melody (*a jingrwai iawbei*) instead of a name to call their children.

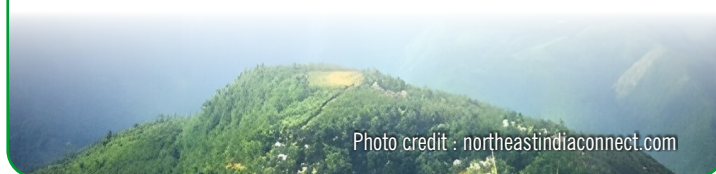


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## COMMITTEE PLAN AS PER M&amp;A

| COMMITTEES                                  | CHAIR                          | MEMBER                  | MEMBER                 |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Vice President</b>                       | <b>Rtn Gurmeet Singh</b>       |                         |                        |
| Fundraising & CSR                           | Rtn Kishan Tibrewalla          | Deepak Sarin            | Vishnu Chokhani        |
| <b>Director Club Admin</b>                  | <b>Rtn Amit Sharma</b>         |                         |                        |
| Weekly Programme                            | Rtn Jashoda Chettri            | Deepak Singla           | Vandana Gupta          |
| Social Events & Rotary Family               | Rtn Shyam Singhania            | Rtn Deeya S Rathore     | Chirodip Mukherjee     |
| Fellowship                                  | Rtn Arundhati Paul             | Rtn Ajay Kr. Gupta      | Gangadhar T. Jatiani   |
| Club Archives & Rotary Information          | Rtn Ajay Gupta                 | Pooja Goenka            | Ashok Goenka           |
| <b>Director Membership</b>                  | <b>Rtn Deeya Singh Rathore</b> |                         |                        |
| Attraction, Retention & Orientation         | Rtn Kiron Joshi                | Narayan Jhujhunwala     | Santa Ram Joshi        |
| Club Directory, Classification & Attendance | Rtn Vandana Gupta              | Ramesh Kr Agarwalla     | Khalid Khan            |
| Partners in Service (RCC)                   | Rtn Amit Saraf                 | Rohit Bajoria           | Skhemjingmut Law       |
| <b>Director Public Image</b>                | <b>Rtn Santaram Joshi</b>      |                         |                        |
| Media & Public Relations                    | Rtn Kailash Varma              | Sarad Bawri             | Arundhati Paul         |
| Website & Social Media                      | Rtn Sunil Arora                | Suresh Prasad Singh     | Rtn Jashoda Chettri    |
| Club's Trust's & all other Awards           | Rtn (Dr.) Ashim Kr. Das        | Hemanta Bayan           | Narayan Jhujhunwala    |
| Vocational Awards                           | Rtn Param Singh                | Khalid Khan             | Amit Saraf             |
| <b>Director Service</b>                     | <b>Rtn Abhishek Singhania</b>  |                         |                        |
| Community                                   | Rtn (Dr.) Jyotsna Puri         | Manas Chaudhuri         | Kiron Joshi            |
| Environmental Protection                    | Rtn (Dr.) Rakesh Puri          | Hemanta Bayan           | Deeya Singh Rathore    |
| Health                                      | Rtn Kamaljeet S Sehdev         | Dr. Jyotsna Puri        | Dr. Rakesh Puri        |
| Drinking Water Project                      | Rtn Sarad Bawri                | Vishnu Chokhani         | Deepak Sarin           |
| Literacy, Education & E-Learning            | Rtn Akash Chirania             | Rtn (Dr.) Ashim Kr. Das | Kamaljeet Singh Sehdev |
| <b>Director Foundation</b>                  | <b>Rtn David T Umdor</b>       |                         |                        |
| Annual Giving                               | Rtn Ramesh Kr. Agarwalla       | Chandana Das            | Amit Sharma            |
| Global & District Grants                    | Rtn (Dr.) Debashish Das        | Dr. Kameswar Elangbam   | Parambir Singh         |
| International Fellowship & Action Groups    | Rtn Dr. Kameswar Elangbam      | Rtn Amit Saraf          | Gangadhar T. Jatiani   |
| <b>Director Youth Services</b>              | <b>Rtn Skhemjingmut Law</b>    |                         |                        |
| Rotaract & Interact                         | Rtn Rohit Bajoria              | Debashish Das           | Parambir Singh         |
| RYLA & Youth Exchange                       | Rtn Manas Chaudhuri            | Ashok Goenka            | Suresh Prasad Singh    |
| <b>Adhoc Committee</b>                      |                                |                         |                        |
| Waste Water Management                      | Rtn Gurmeet Singh              | Pooja Goenka            | Abhishek Singhania     |
| International Outdoor Assembly              | Rtn Deepak Singla              | Chandana Das            | Shyam Singhania        |



## GREETINGS

**Rtn Ashok Goenka** celebrates his birthday on 29<sup>th</sup> July.  
*RCS wishes him a Happy Birthday.*



## WORD OF THE WEEK

**Greenwashing** - Misleading marketing that portrays products as eco-friendly



## HANDY TIP

To cook the perfect fried egg, try cutting a thick onion ring and cooking your egg inside it. The egg really does come out perfectly round – and tastes delicious!