

QUEENS TRUMPET

ROTARY CLUB OF COCHIN QUEENCITY

(ID-79181, DISTRICT 3205)

*"We are all like one-winged angels.
It is only when we help each other that we can fly"*

About Us : We are proud members of Rotary International (RI) whose stated human rights purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian services, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and to advance goodwill and peace around the world.

Queencity Vision: "To build a vibrant and dynamic Rotary club that inspires deeper member engagement, fosters meaningful friendships, grows with purpose, and delivers impactful services to the community around and in alignment with the objectives, mission and vision of Rotary International".

A. OUR JOURNEY : " life is a constant journey of growing and refining"

History

- Provisional Inauguration : April 4th 2008.
 - Sponsor Club : RC Cochin Central ; GSR : Rtn. Shastry KN.
 - Charter Presentation: June 20th 2008 ; Charter President; Rtn. Mohan S Menon
- Number of charter members; 31

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PRESIDENT SPEAKS

I am grateful to all the members of the club for electing me and giving me a chance to lead this esteemed club. It is heartening to note that we have already organized two family dinner meetings with variety entertainment programmes. This has undoubtedly helped our club to foster friendship and fraternity among the families. My priority this year is to further strengthen this aspect, which will lay a strong foundation. It is my humble appeal to all of you to lend me your helping hand in discharging my duties.

Mohan S. Menon

FROM YOUR SECRETARY

I consider it a great privilege to be the secretary of a Rotary Club. I am aware of the enormous efforts that have to be put in to perform my task. I assure you that I will do my very best and perform upto your expectations with the co-operation of all the members. Let us all hope that the year ahead will be one of achievements and performance for our club. Wishing u all a fruitful Rotary Year 2008-09

N.B. Viswan

VISION 2008 - (Heavy Duty Assembly)

The district assembly of Dist. 3201 was held at Coimbatore on 24th and 25th May 2008. Rtn. C.A. Unnikrishnan, Treasurer and Rtn. Sujith Balan, Jr. Secretary attended

PETS

Rtn. Mohan S Menon, president, and Rtn. N.B Viswan, Secretary, attended PETS on 26th April at Cochin

EDITOR'S DESK

I have great pleasure in publishing the first issue of the official bulletin of our club. Any bulletin should serve the purpose of communicating the activities (both planned and concluded) of a club to the members and also other clubs functioning in the region. A directory of our members with names, telephone numbers and other details is also incorporated in this bulletin. I also request all our members to forward articles of cultural social values so that they can be published in the coming issues.

C.K. Raveendran

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YOUNG ACHIEVERS

Malavika S. (Daughter of Rtn. Sajikumar G. and Ann. Padmaja K.) secured 92% marks in CBSE 12th std

Chitra Raveendran. (Daughter of Rtn. C. K. Raveendran and Ann. Salina Raveendran) secured 91% marks in CBSE 12th std

Sreejith P.P. (son of Rtn. P.P. Ramachandran and Ann. Jyothi Ramachandran) secured 92% marks in CBSE 10th std

Aswathy. (Daughter of Rtn. P.K. Prakash and Ann. Ushakumari) secured 75% marks in 10th std

LIST OF OFFICE BEARERS

Mohan S. Menon - President
P.K. Prakash - Vice Pres.
N.B. Viswan - Secretary
Sujith Balan - Jr. Secretary
C.A. Unnikrishnan - Treasurer
Bisim T. Kumar - Sgt. at Arms

DIRECTORS

L.M. Manoj - Comm. service
Baby Thomas - Int. ntl service
Ashok Kumar - Club service
Alocious George - New Gen.
Sivadas - Voc. service
Jos Pallat - Spl. Projects
C.K. Raveendran - Bulletin Editor

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Club Culture & Traditions :

- Family-Centric Values: Weekly meetings, family get-togethers, picnics, group activities, festival celebrations.
- Active Ladies wing : Established in 2011, Anns actively support all projects and programs..
- Annettes Recognitions Recognising their achievements.
- Active participation in inter-club events and District programs; Winning championships/first position multiple times in “Shruthilayam”, RAM, Bharatheeyam, Keraleeyam, Rotary Kala Prathibha in Swapnothsav, number of prizes in Carols & Carnivals as well as POOVILI competitions.
- District Level Awards : “Best Club,” “Outstanding President,” Presidential Citation, Governor’s Citation, special recognitions for Projects , Membership Development, Club Service and International Service.
- The Rotary Foundation : 100 % PHF, sustaining and EREY club since 2020, 13 MPHFs.
- Hosting of District Seminars : District Membership seminar in 2024 and AGLS in 2025 under the chairmanship of our member Rtn Mohan S.Menon.



B. SERVICE ABOVE SELF – OUR LANDMARK PROJECTS :

“The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention”

- Project READ (Rotary Empowerment against AIDS & Drugs) ; 10 schools, impacting over 5,000 students,
- First Matching grant - Donating 12 seater Vehicle for SAKHI , as a support for the rehabilitation of deprived women
- SPANDANAM - Major cultural talent promotion and fundraising event, held 14 times, fostering Rotary fellowship and public image.
- CSR Cancer Care Project: ₹35 lakh initiative at Holy Cross, Perumpadap, with elevator installation and clean drinking water system.
- Cancer Awareness Program : In association with St.Therasas College. Initiated a concept of contributing Rs.1 by each student and Rs.5 by teachers every day.
- Diabetes Campaign: Multiple Medical camps, insulin sponsorships for children, wheelchairs for patients, seminars in collaboration with ADWA
- District grant project : Teaching aids at Thripunithura school .
- PAADHEYAM - Free food to the needy project was Inaugurated by DG-Rtn.Rajasekhar & Hon’ble Mayor of Cochin-Adv.M.Anil Kumar.
- HOPE : Construction of 4 Houses for Needy people.
- Edopted Schools; Neericode Govt. LP School, Govt. School Vennala.



- Youth Engagement : Interact clubs at St.Alberts & Thevara ; Rotract club in Cochin University. Conducted RYLA at St.Albrts & Thripunithura schools.
- Vocational Excellance awards: Awards to eminent persons such as Sanu Master and Dr.Ramachandran, Dr.K.Pavithran,Oncologist , Dr. Harishkumar, Endocrinologist, Awards also presented to 3 exceptional lady achievers - Sheela Kochouseph , Bhadra & Shyamala Surendran
- “SPARSAM” - Mega medical camp with free follow up treatments, at Kochu kadavanthra
- Environmental care : Donating 100 medicinal saplings , Tree planting and garden at St.Alberts and tree planting in district Govt.Hospital, Alwaye
- School Projects : Improving facilities in Vadakkekara school, installation of a new Merrigo round in Parayad school, Happy School Project @ St.Joseph School-Karithala, Recognising meritorious students, supply of Sound System, Onakodi to children, Awareness session on- mental health, sexual abuse, cyber abuse, adolescent issues, menstrual hygiene at Vennala Government High school on the occasion of international girl child day, building Smart Class Rooms in Marian Thressia Public School,Poovathuserry & St.Joseph UP School.
- FE, GSE,YSE : RFE delegations, RYE student exchanges, International friendship Exchange, Hosting of International Rotarians.
- Social Milestones: Sponsored wedding of an old age home resident.
- Inclusive Celebrations: Onam & Christmas with special children.
- Traffic Awareness Drive: Roadshows and support to traffic wardens.
- Housing for the Poor: Ongoing housing projects for underprivileged families.
- Ayurveda Camp 2025: Free consultation and medicine to over 100 patients, Dr. Sabhavathy, and keynote address by Prof. M.K. Sanu.
- Gift of Reading: Book donations to two deserving schools.



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“ Recognitions is a testament to trust and credibility “

Many of our members adorned district posts in the past ; AGs- Mohan S Menon, Late.Manoj IM & Rakesh Rajan, District Director -Baby Thomas , GGRs- Sajan KP, Jijo Palathinkal, Pradeep Kumar, Madhukuttan Pillai & Avinash .

Highlights of accomplishments in Rotary & Public by our Members :

- **MOHAN S.MENON**- Awarded “Outstanding Rotarian of Cochin City” and the Rolling trophy in 2025 , by Rotary Club of Cochin West . Past Chairman & Vice Chairman of Indian Institute of chemical engineers- Kochi , Council member & Program Committee chairman of Century Club, Founder Chairman of IFRM Kochi, founder President of RMF and also leadership roles in various other social & cultural organisations .
- **NANDAKUMAR**- Scripted the first Rotary Malayalam Song , released during District Governor’s Installation Ceremony held in June 2025. Author of many poems, also appointed as BJP Ernakulum Regional Secretary in addition to holding various socio political posts in the past.



- **BABY THOMAS**- Recently won the Promising Kerala Entrepreneurs Award 2025. Former Secretary and current Advisor of National Confederation of Officers Association (NCOA), Honorary Secretary of CAPS , NGO working with State Health Dept.,
- **DR.ANILKUMAR** - Recently received the Health Vogue Scientist Award 2025. Doctor of Science from University of California, Knighthood From St. John of Jerusalem, won Guinness world record for “Thickest Book in the world”, and is a recipient of many awards in the past.
- **PGR NAIR** - Distinguished Toastmaster, past President of Cochin Film Society ,past Secretary of Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers- Cochin, past President of Jubail Toastmasters, Founder of AMPS (Association of Malayalee Professionals in Saudi) and Winner of ‘ Hind Rattan Award ‘From NRI Welfare Society.
- **JIJO PALATHINKAL** - Board Member-Society for Rehabilitation of Visually challenged, Treasurer- Chavara Inspire Charitable Society
- **RAKESH RAJAN** - President of Millet Mission and Past Chairman RMBF. Asst. Governor, 25-26.
- **ANTO POOTHOKARAN**- Past President of Leadership Forum, member -Chamber of Commerce and Rama Varma club
- **MADHUKUTTAN PILLAI** – Speaker in various seminars, Former Chairman ICAI-Alleppey & Former PTA president -Bhavans Vidya Mandir , Giri Nagar.
- **SIVAN KUNJU** - SDKY yogam secretary , SD KY Gurukula Vidyalaya Board Coordinator, Potail Temple Secretary.
- **SHEELA LUIZ** – Novelist ; Authored and released multiple books recently. Special award winner for her novel in “ Mangalam magazine “
- **LIJI ABRAHAM** - Veteran Sports National Champion in Discus Throw, Hammer Throw, Shot Put, Javelin and Relay for 3 consecutive years, Former State Basketball Player and Coach. Avid writer of poetry and short stories, and also Crowned Mrs.India Second Runner-Up.

F. CLUB GOALS 2025–26 “Goals are dreams brought to life ”

Club Administration: • 24 club meetings, 8 classification talks, 6 family events • One stag, one ladies and one family tour • One joint Rotary meeting and district-level event • Officers’ training in July

Service Projects:

• 5 impactful community service projects under HARMONY theme • 1 signature project via CSR/Global Grant • 2 vocational awards

Youth & Engagement: • 4th edition of Brain Hunt Quiz • Start an Interact Club • Conduct one RYLA

Membership: • 10% membership growth

Public Image: • Launch official club website

Rotary Foundation: • 100%-member Contribution • Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) goal

• One major donor from the club

G. MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVES “ Keep going, growing & glowing “

Current focus: Grow to 50 members with increased female representation (goal: 20%) and Key initiatives as below.

- Robust social media presence • Public Rotary awareness campaigns
- Recognition of membership contributors



“ Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves ”