

# SOBO BULLETIN

YOUR MONTHLY DASHBOARD ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY

CONGRATULATIONS WE ARE A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW CLUB

ISSUE TWO - AUG 2022

IN GIVING, WE RECEIVE



*Come September; key events to look out for:*



8<sup>th</sup> Sept: Musical evening with Sandeep Damania

12<sup>th</sup> Sept: Free Eye-Check up camp at Ambedkar Nagar Cuffe Parade



15<sup>th</sup> Sept: Speaker meet "Open Minds" Breaking the Bias with Rtn Zainab Patel

16<sup>th</sup> Sept: Eco - tourism support visit, Virar



17<sup>th</sup> Sept: Beach Clean up, Girgaum Chowpatty.

18<sup>th</sup> Sept: Health Camp, Rag-picker community, Marol



21<sup>st</sup> Sept: Visit to Door Step School

24<sup>th</sup> Sept: One day getaway at Alibaug



28<sup>th</sup> Sept: Women's Health, JK Banquets, Prabhadevi.



Sept 05<sup>th</sup> Jaishri Kimmatkar

Sept 11<sup>th</sup> Niharika Mallik

Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> Manish Keswani

Sept 29<sup>th</sup> Sunayana Vora

02<sup>nd</sup> to 04<sup>th</sup>

**De-addiction and Cancer Screening Camp** for MCGM sanitation workers, in our own backyard; G-South ward. These are the invisible heroes who keep our surroundings clean. They were screened for oral, breast and cervical cancer along with free eye checkup, dental checkup, hemoglobin, blood sugar, blood pressure amongst others. In addition, medicines were dispensed such as deworming, iron, calcium, multivitamins and nicotine replacement lozenges.

Total beneficiaries recorded were 622 in number, 422 being males and 189 females. For more than 50 percent of the beneficiaries abnormal findings were recorded, consequent to which they will be referred for free or subsidized, treatment, medication or surgery as needed.

This was a joint project between Rotary Club for Addiction Prevention & Rotary Club of Mumbai SOBO with the volunteer support by the Rotaract Club of , Rotaract Club of Caduceus and Rotaract Club of Medicrew.

[Click here to see the De-addiction & Cancer screening camp pictures](#)

04<sup>th</sup>

First **Club Assembly** meet of this Rotary Year with an interactive '**Project Fair**', being the first of its kind, enabling the members to interact one on one with each Director and Project Coordinator, and also to sign up for everything that resonates with them. Assistant Governor Rtn. Dilip Shah attended the club assembly.

15<sup>th</sup>

India's **75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day** was celebrated with a flag hoisting event with the wonderful children of the OSCAR Foundation, the founder Mr. Ashok Rathod and his team.

[Click here to see the event pictures](#)

17<sup>th</sup>

The **International Services Committee** captured 100 percent of the results from the Traveler Debrief Forms and incorporated the feedback into the training and outreach module, at its monthly meeting. An International services training workshop was outlined to be conducted going forward and an RFE interest survey was shared to gauge the interest and commitment levels. Further Dr. Rahul Nabar enthralled all with his PoPa Travel Diaries.

We celebrate 7 new flag exchanges including 2 domestic exchanges, running our grand total up to an amazing 21 flag exchanges; 3 in India and 14 in other countries.....*Way to go SOBO !*

21<sup>st</sup>

The first ever **Whale Tank Project** organized in our District 3141 received applications for 54 social/ community projects with varied focus areas from 108 clubs in our district. This project was jointly executed by the Rotary Club of Queens Necklace and Rotary club of Mumbai SOBO.

15 final teams pitched to the 4 whales namely Ms. Natasha Raj, Head HR HDFC Credila Financial Services Ltd. Mr. Sapan Choksi, CEO Systems Plus Solutions; Mr. Chetan Mehra, Vice Chairman Weizmann Ltd and Mr. Pradeep Gopalkrishnan, MD and Chief Risk Officer Deutsche Bank AG India. 7 projects ultimately obtained firm financial commitments from them. The Spine Foundation along with Rotary Club of Mumbai SOBO were one beneficiaries of the Whale Tank Program

[Click here to see the beneficiaries of the Whale Tank Season I](#)

[To know more visit www.whaletank.in](http://www.whaletank.in)

## Other Activities for the Month

1. 4 Children successfully operated at SRCC hospital under the **Global Grant for Pediatric Heart Surgeries** Sponsored by our club along with our international sponsor The Rotary Club of Marbella-Guadalmina for facilitating carrying out of 100+ Pediatric Heart Surgeries.
2. 502 beneficiaries at a cost of Rs. 29,618 under the **Digital Learning App Distribution Project**; that aims to provide a Digital Learning App to 10th grade students in municipal schools free of cost. Rotary SOBO is the lead club for this project in District 3141
3. 103 direct beneficiaries of the CPR training for the residents of Lodha Park and Lodha World in association with the Rotary Club of Amara Thane
4. Support extended to **Om Creations**, (an organization which aims to empower mentally challenged people through developing vocational skills). For exhibition and sale of their products at our own Club Assembly and at the Grand Hyatt

22<sup>nd</sup>

The **CSR/TRF Committee** successfully introduced the 'Whale Tank Project' as a platform to help the Rotary clubs in District 3141 engage with the CSR Community where a funding of Rs. 1 cr. was committed towards 7 shortlisted beneficiaries. At the monthly meeting members deliberated on the progress of the Kala Ghoda Art Project, and the service project to contribute and provide assistance to AURED (an organization dedicated to enabling children with hearing loss to listen and speak), whilst also planning a Black- Tie dinner event for raising funds and discussing and penning down the overall targets for TRF.

24<sup>th</sup>

The **Monthly Visit to the Door Step School**, where we distribute mid-day meals and fruits to 160 children twice a week, throughout the year was carried out. A new initiative was taken up this month to conduct a series of workshops on Skill Development and Wellbeing. The first workshop "*Manifestation and Love for Self*", was conducted by Rtn Hirral Merchant. This workshop comprised activities designed for children to know their true self through the aid of drawings and props. A heartfelt and overwhelming response was received from children of DSS at Crawford and Wadibunder. Additionally, Rtn. Sunayana Vora donated 200 packets of Oreo biscuits and 200 caps to the DSS children this month. Occasional treats incentivize the children to continue attending school. These really made their day!

[click here to see the pictures of smiling children at DSS](#)

24<sup>th</sup>

The **Environment Committee Month Meet** saw the Founder and CEO of RUR Green Life Pvt Ltd, Ms. Monisha Narke present crisp and clear ideas to participate for improving our environment. A three pronged action plan will be developed and implemented including a site visit to a gated community in our area where the company has installed waste management systems, a drive for the collection of discarded tetrapacks to be deposited in one of the 54 locations serviced by the company in South Mumbai and creation of an awareness program.

Also, Rtn Rajesh Choudhary from the Rotary Club of Mumbai Versova introduced the Alpha Rotary Forest a project led by the Rotary Club of Mumbai Versova and the Rotary Club of Palghar for afforestation of 34 acre land planting around 20,000 native trees.

25<sup>th</sup>

**"Innovating for India's Next Half Billion" an Interactive Speaker Meet with Roopa Kudva**, Managing Partner Omidyar Network India was well received and possible synergies explored. Omidyar focusses on tech-led impact investing and invests in BOLD entrepreneurs, who address India's toughest social challenges by empowering communities.

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