

AIRVIEWS



INNERWHEEL CLUB OF BOMBAY AIRPORT Dist.314

CARE FOR THE FUTURE

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President's Message

Dr. Surekha Dhurandhar

It is with a sense of great happiness and pride that I accept the coveted post of the President of "Innerwheel Club of Bombay Airport" for the year 2002-03. I express my deep gratitude and heartfelt thanks to all my colleagues in Innerwheel Club Bombay Airport. I am sure with the continued co-operation from you all, I will be able to perform my duties to the best of my abilities. While I am deeply conscious of my responsibilities, I am confident that I will get guidance from all our Past Presidents and support from all of you, to make this year a memorable one.

My heartiest congratulations to Himadri and her team for an excellent performance. IPP Himadri has brought unprecedented level of laurels to our club and we have been proclaimed the "Best Club" in Innerwheel 314. Naturally, the expectations from all of us are extremely high and I am sure, together we shall succeed in fulfilling them.

"CARE FOR THE FUTURE" is the Innerwheel theme for the year 2002-03. It judiciously encompasses all the major projects that we have already planned. Accordingly, Environment Protection, Child Care, Women Literacy, Vocational Guidance will be a few of our thrust areas. I solicit your active participation in all our projects. I strongly believe "fellowship brings interaction" and interaction leads to exchange of ideas. It is necessary therefore to attend all meetings and give our colleagues an opportunity to interact with us. I look forward to a wonderful, progressive and enjoyable Innerwheel Year. Together, we shall make it.



Surekha Installed! PP Himadri Nanavati handover charge to President Dr. Surekha Dhurandhar



Past President's Message

Himadri Nanavati

I am feeling on top of the world, as they say when one is very happy. This year has been a beautiful journey with you as my companions. Everything we did shall never be forgotten. You have been caring, wonderful and have made a very big difference in my life. Human relations, planning and implementation is what I have learnt from you. My dreams have come true only because of you and your tremendous support and faith in me.

12th June, 2002 will always be a very memorable day for us. The awards we received from the District spoke volumes of our Club, its members and our unity. This achievement is only because of our commitment, perseverance, enthusiasm, focus and our zealous teamwork. I can very proudly say that each and every member has contributed towards the success of the IW Club of Bombay Airport. That is the reason why we have "The Best Club of the District" Trophy. What more can a President ask for?"

Well friends, glory, victory and success are all fine. It is encouraging, exciting, soothing and satisfying. But personally I feel that there is still so much to do, to learn and to give. Our work is like a drop in the ocean. Let learning, giving and working be our Mantra in the coming years.

These beautiful people, our members, put in a lot of faith and trust in you that you get the strength to do all that is required and much more.

Surekha is very lucky as she is going to lead the Best Club in the District. Who is not aware of her devotion and capabilities? Every successful President had Surekha behind them. So now we have her in the forefront with the ever-smiling Renu by her side. Not only luck, but also dreams will have to think... or Surekha will catch them and turn them into a Project!! Demons beware... the Messiahs of service have arrived!!



Rotary President's Message

Sunder Sipahimalani

My heartiest congratulations to President Surekha and her team for being installed today. Innerwheel Club of Bombay Airport in a very short time has consolidated and performed very well. Immediate PP Hima had a superlative year and I am confident that Surekha will ensure another high performance year for the Club. Rotary and Innerwheel have always been supportive to each other. Specially in Rotary Club of Bombay Airport we have always considered R/Anns as part of us. Innerwheel has given them an identity and I am extremely pleased to seek their organised support in our joint endeavours. Woman empowerment is the key word. Innerwheel by virtue of their projects and their reach to the Community perfectly manifests this. The strong bond with common intention of community service, we look forward to the culmination of many of our projects in the field of environment, woman and child healthcare, functional literacy and care of the handicapped. On behalf of Rotarians, Board Members, Sapna and me, I sincerely wish Innerwheel Club of Bombay Airport all the success for the year 2002-2003.



Editor's Message

Bharti Mulchandani

It is with great pleasure that I present to you our "Airviews" Bulletin giving you the glimpses of what we did during the year that went by and also blue print of what is going to come in the brand new year starting from 1st July, 2002.

Theme for the coming year has been selected as "Care for the Future" i.e. pertaining to all the factors that affect the future including children, environment, education, etc. We propose to take the theme seriously in letter and spirit and hence our projects will be dedicated to betterment of young children, environment and the women.

I feel privileged for getting an opportunity to serve our dynamic Innerwheel Club of Bombay Airport. I acknowledge with gratitude the guidance and support of our bold, caring and dynamic President Himadri Nanavati and that of equally efficient club members during my tenure in the last year.

The trophies that have been awarded to our club speak volumes about the leadership quality and dynamism of our president and the team work of all the members. But that is not all, there are some things that can not be caught in print & picture & that is the enjoyment & the satisfaction of doing the projects together. This bulletin carries the glimpses of the unforgettable moments.

Incoming President Dr. Surekha Dhurandhar is an equally dynamic and committed person. I am starting my new innings as a Club Correspondent once again and under her leadership look forward to utilise my last year's experience. I am confident of co-operation and support from each & every enlightened member of the club in serving our community by proper planning and executing our projects of the year 2002-2003.

Banking on your support, I have accepted the challenge of bringing out the club bulletin AIRVIEWS every month and ardently hope you will come forward with contributions and air your views.



District Chairman's Message

Dr. Jyoti Soneji

Dear Himadri, Surekha and friends,

Hearty Congratulations to Hima and her team for the bumper crop of projects, fellowships and well deserved honours reaped by your young club. Each passing year has been greater and greater achievements by this vibrant club.

Now with Paediatrician Surekha leading the club, we expect many innovative child oriented projects. Hope you continue some of the remarkable rural projects, which were undertaken last year. On my behalf and on behalf of District I wish you all the best.

IWC of Bombay Airport has one more jewel in the crown. Past President Amita Timbadia has accepted the post of Zonal Co-ordinator and has already started working on the blue print of the activities for the next year. Congratulations.

"वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्" is an ancient Indian concept. Let us work towards peace and harmony between the friends and members situated far and wide, contributing to International understanding.

We know that the mind is the limit. As long as the mind can envision something, you can do it. So let us immediately, ardently and wholesically 'CARE for the FUTURE'.

OUR TEAM FOR 2002-2003



Vice President
Gargee Vaidya



Secretary
Renu Gupta



Treasurer
Amala Mehta



I.S.O.
Chetna Shah



C.C.
Bharti Mulchandani

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Ami Shivpuri
Snigdha Mehta

Dr. Daksha Pandit
Tehmina Khandwala

Roopa Doshi
Suchitra Naik



Zonal Co-ordinator

Amita Timbadia

Amiable, affable Amita's selection as zonal co-ordinator IW Dist.314 adds another feather in the cap of the club. She had her formative education at the prestigious New Era school & Jai Hind college. A sports lover, she has been a champion in basketball, throwball, winning prizes at school and state level.

A fetish for adventure sports instilled during school days helped her in starting activities for children with husband Past President Rotarian Rahul, who is district secretary 2002-2003, under their banner Whiz Kids Club & La Tim Resorts.

Their son Parth is studying in US & daughter Radhika has just passed her 10th.

Appearances are deceptive and this feather weight Past President of IW Club of Bombay Airport has been actively, often aggressively involved whether its home front, business or social service!

She won the Ramona Lalwani & Kishore Jhaveri Trophies for community service projects & family planning programmes during her Presidential tenure.

I am sure she'll surpass her past achievements & do more than justice to this coveted assignment. We wish her all the best in her endeavours.



Past President Amita got the First Prize in District Essay Competition in Gujarati



I.S.O. Renu received Innerwheel Club of Bombay West Trophy for the Best I.S.O.



Late PR/Ann Amala Loyalekar Memorial Trophy for the largest membership growth. We have added 13 new members



Kishore Zaveri Trophy for All Round Performance of a Club, good teamwork, good projects & active member participation



Aruna Worah Trophy for the Best President-Secretary Trophy



Captain S. K. Gupta Trophy for the maximum work done in Female Education



IWC of B'bay Seacoast Sr.Citizen Fellowship Trophy. We organised Sr.Citizen Sports/Ras Garba/Entertainment Prog./Medical Check-up and a Newspaper Stand for the Senior Citizens



Jayaben Himmatlal Khira Trophy for Rural Work. We had a multi-project day at Maswan besides 3 Drinking Water projects



Kishore Zaveri Trophy (Rotating Trophy) for Vaccination. 50000 children have been vaccinated for Hepatitis B, Polio, Typhoid, etc.



Pres. Hima on stage duty at Polio Summit with RI Pres. Rick King, Luis Giay, and Jyoti Soneji



Shirin Rangwala Trophy for Child Welfare upto 15 years of age



Proud members display their laurels



President Surekha and Immediate Past President Hima proudly hold the Charter at Joint Installation



President Hima with Children of Uddan School & Bela Mehtaji





Demonstration of Vermiculture for NSS Students



Snigdha conducted a Yoga Camp for NSS Students for 3 days



Talk on Healthy Eating in Menopause by Dr. Vijaya Venkat



Prabha specially composed a song at the World Polio Summit with RI President Richard King and PRIP Luis Giay



New Members Rajul, Sonal, Parul, Pallavi inducted by Dist. Chairman Lata



Members in an array of Kanjeevarams to celebrate Festivals of Tamil Nadu



Senior Citizens Sports was a Zonal Project of Zone II



Rtn. Dr. Saroj Gumaste with girls of the Udaan School



Omita, Prabha, Hima, Amala, Bharti attended the 2-day Seminar on Women's Empowerment through Legal Awareness



Overnight Picnic at Panvel



Surekha and Bharti participate in "Who Dresses Faster" a one minute game at Club Picnic



200 Adivasi Girls educated on World Health Day on women related facts



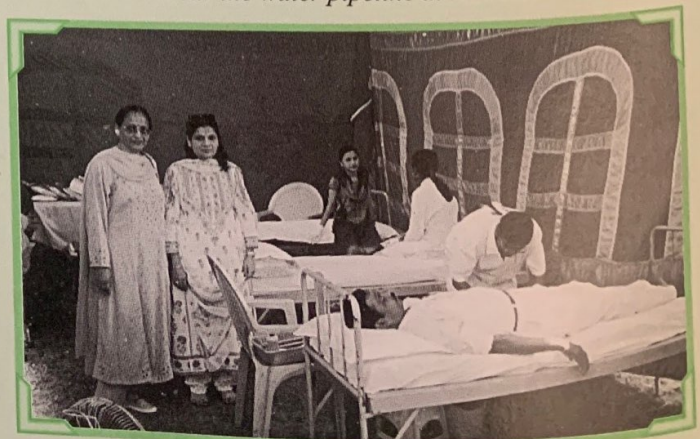
Happy villagers gather at Inauguration of Drinking Water at Maswan



Pres. Hima makes the auspicious coconut offerings near the water pipeline at Maswan



Opening of Newspaper Stand at Nana-Nani Park, Vile Parle (E), by Mr. Pramod Navalkar



Blood Collection at Antop hill

Man is a gregarious animal. His inferiority with respect to power, swiftness and agility is super imposed by his power of foresight which has evolved through time making man's journey safe and secure over the ages.

It is a fact that the times are changing very rapidly. The progress made by mankind in the last century is much more than the progress made in the last million of years. The image of the future seems magnificent, at the same time, if not properly cared for could be quite monstrous. To make the future, exquisite creations of God should be taken care of i.e. Children and Environment.

Children undoubtedly represent the future and are our hope to eradicate all the burning issues of today. A child is like a sapling to be nurtured carefully, gently and tenderly to enable it to grow into a healthy tree. A child who is healthy mentally and physically, well educated and with proper values, forms a strong foundation. There is a proverb, which says that "The child is the father of man". Today's child is tomorrow's citizen. It is this citizen who will run the world one day. Thus, it is essential to nurture, educate and instil values into children today, that will make them good citizens and better humans of tomorrow. Hence, the priority of today is to concentrate on the new generation.

The ENVIRONMENT is equally important for the existence of not only human beings but also all the creatures on this planet. The wrong perception of the future by human beings could destroy the balance which is very diligently maintained by Nature. Existence of all creatures is interconnected. An imbalance in the environment will generate a lot of problems like a polluted atmosphere, scarcity of rain, various unknown diseases, over population of particular species, erosion of soil, etc. The future can be taken care of by taking care of the ENVIRONMENT today. To live happily, man should live as far as possible in harmony with nature.

Since man has consciousness, he has tried to predict and understand the future. Yet the future remains uncertain. The future in a fleeting moment becomes the present and the present the past. Thus, all life is a string of moments and to make your future bright, it is important to live in the moment and make every moment count.

- Amita Timbadia

Are Indian TV Serials Integrating or Disintegrating Our Socio-Cultural Values

વીસમી સદી અવનવી વૈજ્ઞાનિક શોધોની સદી બની રહે છે. આ સદીમાં થયેલી વૈજ્ઞાનિક શોધોને લઈને માનવજીવનમાં તમામ ક્ષેત્રોમાં ક્રાંતિ થઈ છે. એને લીધે માનવીનું જીવન વધુ સરળ અને આરામદાયક બન્યું છે. ટેલિવિઝન, એ વીસમી સદીની અદ્ભુત શોધ છે.

ટી.વી. મનોરંજનનું સર્વશ્રેષ્ઠ અને સસ્તું સાધન છે. આપણે દેશવિદેશના સમાચાર, તેની ભૌગોલિક પરિસ્થિતિ વગેરે જોઈ-જાણી શકીએ છીએ. નાટક, સંગીત, નૃત્ય, કવિતા વગેરેનો આસ્વાદ માણી શકીએ છીએ. દુનિયામાં થતી વૈજ્ઞાનિક શોધો પણ જાણી શકીએ છીએ. ઘડતર થાય છે. સંસ્કારનું ભાઈ મેળવી શકાય છે. બાળકોના કાર્યક્રમથી તેઓને જ્ઞાન સાથે ગમ્મત મળે છે, લોકોની - દર્શકોની દષ્ટિ અને હૃદય વિશાળ બને છે. એમાં કૌટુંબિક, સામાજિક અને રાષ્ટ્રીય પ્રશ્નો તેમજ નૈતિક મૂલ્યો, જીવનના આદર્શો, નાગરિક ધર્મ વગેરેની છણાવટ થયેલી હોય છે. તેનાથી ઉદ્યમ, આશાવાદ, હકારાત્મક વલણ, શૌર્ય-સહસ, ચારિત્ર્ય, દેશભક્તિ, પ્રામાણિકતા અને નીતિ જેવા ગુણો કેળવવાની પ્રેરણા મળે છે. આ રીતે ટેલિવિઝન કાર્યક્રમોએ સ્વસ્થ સમાજ રચવામાં નોંધપાત્ર ફાળો આપ્યો છે.

છેલ્લા ત્રણ દાયકામાં આપણા સમાજમાં આમૂલ પરિવર્તન થયું છે. કન્યા કેળવણી અને નારી સ્વાતંત્ર્ય, સતીપ્રથા અને બાળલગ્નો જેવી કુરૂદિઓને જાકારો આપી શક્યા છીએ.

દહેજપ્રથા, વરવિક્રમ જેવી બદીઓ અંશતઃ દૂર થઈ છે. સામાજિક માળખામાં થયેલી આ ક્રાંતિ થોડે અંશે ટી.વી.ને આભારી છે. તેણે ઘણી હકારાત્મક સામાજિક અસરો સર્જી છે.

જોકે ટેલિવિઝનની સમાજ પર પડેલી બધી અસરો સારી હોતી નથી, એમાં પણ ભયસ્થાનો રહેલાં છે. અમુક કાર્યક્રમમાં દેખાડતા અંગપ્રદર્શનોની વિકૃત અસર બાળકો પર પડે છે. તેમના અભ્યાસ પર ધ્યાન છે. આને લીધે યુવાનોનું ચારિત્ર્ય શિથિલ થાય છે. મારામારી, ખૂનામરકી જેવા હીન દર્શ્યો લોકોના માનસ પર વિઘાતક અસર કરે છે. બાળકો તેને વાસ્તવિક માની અનુકરણ કરવા પ્રેરાય છે, તેને કારણે ગુનેગારીનું પ્રમાણ પણ વધે છે.

ટેલિવિઝન મનોરંજન માટેનું લોકપ્રિય માધ્યમ છે. તેથી નિર્માતાઓને શિરે સમાજના ઘડતરની જવાબદારી પણ રહેલી છે. તેઓએ હકલી કક્ષાના કાર્યક્રમ રજૂ કરવાને બદલે સ્વચ્છ મનોરંજન સાથે જ્ઞાન આપી શકે એવા કાર્યક્રમોનું નિર્માણ ન કરવું જોઈએ.

અમીતા ટિમ્બડીયા
I.W.C. of Bombay Airport

Reflections of my first year as an Honorary Member...

I Remember...

I remember the first time President Himadri Nanavati and Manisha had come home to view some of my work, and with much apprehension I decided to join the Innerwheel Club of Bombay Airport.

I remember my induction ceremony at "The Club" and seeing so many ladies working in harmony, each so well dressed and so dedicated to a social cause yet unknown to me, where age, language and caste seemed to be no criteria.

I remember the year started out with one of my projects in H.M.Nanavati School in Vile Parle (East), when I taught making things out of waste materials. Being teacher in various subjects for past 25 years, I could do it with ease. What surprised me, was the large number of members present to help out, which was almost the same as the number of students.

I remember that soon, I took off like a shooting star and got into the familiar seat belt of teaching in different schools, various things, like personality development, manners, handicraft etc. realising the immense satisfaction it was giving me, to spread knowledge everywhere and anywhere to all concerned.

I remember the various social functions, the experience at Maswan village; the visit of the International President; the sports of the physically handicapped; the Dandia Ras for senior citizens; the fellowship of our club, and various other projects, each leaving a beautiful memory etched in my mind. Each was meticulously planned and organised, giving everyone a fair chance to participate.

I remember the proud feeling of achievement and being recognised for the various prizes won for the club, be it

garland making at the Inter-district level or the picture making at the national level, the club definitely gave the platform for recognising your talents.

I remember with fond memories the announcement of birthdays, anniversaries and achievements of our children (like my son winning a gold medal at the state level swimming), which otherwise would never be known.

And lastly, **I remember** the huge selfless work done by all the members in their own capacity, which I only got to know at The District Assembly joint installation function of all the Presidents at St. Andrews Auditorium. The icing of the cake was the fact that our club received 9 trophies for various projects executed meticulously by our President Himadri Nanavati and the members. I am looking forward to an interesting and eventful second year in the Innerwheel Club of Bombay Airport

- by Mrs. Jyoti Gandhi

Punjab-di-Mahak

PUNJAB – THE LAND OF FIVE RIVERS



(More about Punjab in our next issue)

PUNJAB (District Map)



Punjab, the land of five rivers is a state with a vibrant culture – its people are known for their hospitality and enterprise. Various strands have been woven into the texture of the Punjabi people and it has evolved into cosmic culture.

An openness and readiness for restructuring have been the essence of the Punjabi lifestyle. This lifestyle has been the result of the various challenges faced by them and the traumatic experience of numerous invasions. The ability to assimilate these alien currents without being swept off their feet has made the Punjabis a dynamic people. They deserve praise for their hospitality. The rich culture heritage of Punjab reflects its ethos, psyche and value system. The Punjabis are known the world over for their dash, daring, dynamism and innate resilience. The folk dances, folk songs, art and crafts reflect this composite culture.

We are proud of you...

- All Round Performance Trophy
Mrs. Nandita Thakor
- Innovative Project
Mrs. Ratnavali Patel & Dr. Roopa Doshi
- Best Community Project
Mrs. Jyoti Gandhi
- Highest Number of Project Attendance
Mrs. Urmila Gupta & Mrs. Bharti Mulchandani

Well Done... Keep it up!

- **Devika Mathur**
Made it to the final 15 Contestants in the Coke [V] Pop Star competition
- **Vyoma Thakor** (age : 3½ years)
Selected for ZEE TV Program and won the prize
- **HSC**
Master Jay Mehta Esha Sheth
Shimul Kamdar Puneet Lahoti
- **SSC / ICSC**
Nirali Khandwala Salome Sathaye
Radhika Timbadia Paraj Dhurandhar
Sonam Gupta Karan Rathod
- **B.Com.**
Hemabh Shivpuri Nirmiti Churiwala

Bon. Voyage!

Vishesh Churiwala
going to U.S.A. for M.B.A.

Congratulations and Welcome Back...

Dr. Surekha Dhurandhar for successfully completing the Training Programme for the Trainer in Women Empowerment at Institute of Social Sciences (ISS) The Hague, Netherlands.



Hectic Training also had a few relaxing moments at Tulip Gardens



A group of qualified trainers at the Institute of Social Sciences, The Hague