

SOCIETY TO SAVE ROCKS

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On the occasion of the **18th Annual General Body Meeting** of the Society on 31.8.2013, a **Rock Art Exhibition** of photographs, paintings and sketches was organized at the Goethe Zentrum, Hyderabad. Twelve of our members put up 58 of their works. The exhibition was later opened to the public from 6th to 22nd September. Many rock enthusiasts could thus enjoy artistic images of the very special rock scapes of our city, interspersed with the reality of quarrying and destruction. (Names of artists and photographers mentioned on our web page)

A **new Managing Committee** was elected at the AGM. Most members were re-elected, however C.J. Rao, Uma Maheshwari, Dr. Hina Gokhale, and T.R. Subramaniam made way for Amita Talwar and Dr. K.S. Madhusudan. We are grateful to the outgoing members for having devoted much of their time and energies to the successful running of the Committee and the Society.



The Committee is now as follows:

President:	Narendra Luther	Members:	Padmini B Patell
Vice President:	Aparajita Sinha		Dr. Sudheer Bhan
Secretary:	Frauke Quader		Ravi Setlem
Joint Secretary:	Amita Talwar		Dr. K.S. Madhusudan
Treasurer:	Sangeeta Varma		

Two more Members will be co-opted by the Committee. All Committee Members will form sub-committees to cover specific areas of activity, like Cultural Programmes, Finances and Fundraising, Outdoor Activities, Lectures and Exhibitions/Sales, Press and Publicity, Monitoring of Heritage Rock Sites, Membership Administration. **Members are requested to volunteer for membership in these sub-committees and assist in the protection of the Deccan Rocks! Please contact Frauke Quader, Secretary.**

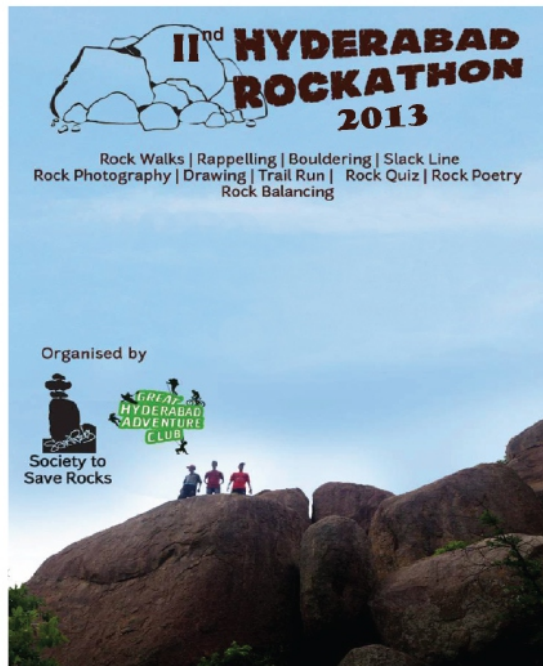
The General Body stressed that more efforts have to be made to raise funds for different projects that the Society wants to undertake. All members are called upon to tap sources in their environs, like corporates, friends, institutions. A draft letter to address potential sponsors will be sent to all members shortly.

PRESS COVERAGE - *Deccan Herald, Bangalore on 11.8.2013: "This Society strives to protect rocks of Deccan Plateau"*
- *The Hindu: "The Rockstars", on the Rock Exhibition, 16.9.2013*

UPCOMING ROCK EVENTS: MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SEVA MELA : OCTOBER 5th & 6th

The Society is putting up a stall at the two day Seva Mela at **HITEX** . This Mela is part of the Joy of Giving Week celebrated annually from 2nd to 8th of October, to provide an interface between Non-Profit Organizations (NPOs) and the Public. The event gives an opportunity for NPOs to share information about several activities taken up by them and for people to see the good work being done by NPOs, appreciate and support their work by making charitable contributions and also tie up with them for volunteer activities. We invite you to come with family & friends.



11th HYDERABAD ROCKATHON : DECEMBER 1st

This year's Rockathon will take place at Hyderabad Central University and promises to be more exciting with new events being introduced by both partners, the Society to Save Rocks and the Great Hyderabad Adventure Club.

It will be a day long event giving people an opportunity to make it a family outing with something of interest for all age groups. Volunteers are welcome.

Watch www.hyderabadrockathon.com for further announcements before the event.
Online registration begins on
1st October

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.....was a workshop that focused on Innovation, Sustainability and Mapping of Impact for NGO's. The following pointers seemed pertinent to us - impact having to be measured and revealed to prospective donors, income to be generated by the organisation for long term feasibility, the importance of reorienting the goals of the organization for growth given the present scenario. The workshop provided some networking opportunities which could further our cause, like with the Centre for Innovations in Public Systems and other NGO's that were willing to support our work. The Society was represented by Frauke Quader, Padmini B Patell and Dr K.S. Madhusudan who spoke about the Society and the rock cause.



Dr K.S. Madhusudan at the workshop

Join our full-day excursion to Devarakonda, a beautiful rocky hill with an old fort, on the road to Nagarjuna Sagar. Meet 8 a.m. at Gun Park opp. Public Garden. A bus will be arranged. Participants should bring their lunch, snacks and plenty of drinking water.

Rock Walks in October, November and December 2013

Date :	Place :	Time / Meeting Point:
Sunday Oct 20, 2013	Ghar-e-Mubarak/APPA	2.30 pm at NMDC, Masab Tank
Sunday Nov 17, 2013	Devarakonda	8 am at Gun Park Opp. Public Garden Details are given above
Sunday Dec 15, 2013	Addagutta / Mahendra Hills	3 p.m. Opp. St. Ann's School, S.P. Road Secunderabad

Rock walks are conducted on the third Sunday of every month. They are announced in Channel 6, WOW Hyderabad, The Hindu, Times of India, Deccan Chronicle, fullhyd.com and of course on our website. Everybody is welcome. Sensible shoes, a cap, long pants and a water bottle are a must. Please enrol a minimum of 2 days in advance with Ravi Setlem on 98662-41768 or with C.J. Rao on 98490-37240.

Membership Fees

Class	Admission	Annual Subscription
Active (Single)	Rs. 100	Rs. 200
(Couple)	Rs. 100	Rs. 300
Student	Rs. 100	Rs. 100
Life (Single)	Rs. 2,000 for Life	—
(Couple)	Rs. 3,000 for Life	—
Institution	Rs. 10,000	—
Corporate	Rs. 50,000	—