

Rock Walks: With our 20th Anniversary coming nearer, we have decided to give our Rock Walks an add-on feature

Date :	Place :	Time / Meeting Point:
Sunday July 19, 2015	PEDDAGUTTA, near Jedcherla/Bangalore Highway	8 a.m. / NMDC, Masab Tank Bring Lunch!
This is a bus tour – fare is Rs. 500/- Please pay at our office, or transfer to Acct. Soc. to Save Rocks 18090100003047, Bank of Baroda, NEFT BARBOJUBILE (where 0 is zero) – mention your name! Limited seats - enrol asap. <i>This excursion is an opportunity for amateur and hobby photographers to indulge in rock images – the best of which will be selected by the Society to showcase in a Rock Photo Exhibition. For more information contact the Society's office at 23552923.</i>		
Sunday August 16, 2015	MOULA ALI HILLS	2 pm /opp. St. Ann's High School, S.P. Road, Secunderabad
<i>The walk will conclude with a 30 minute Awareness Meditation (conducted by Sandhya Luther) focusing on our deep connection with Nature in the evening glow atop the sacred Hill.</i>		
Sunday Sept. 20, 2015	VENKATESHWARAGUTTA, Shamirpet	2 pm /opp. St. Ann's High School, S.P. Road, Secunderabad
<i>Friends of Snakes Society will give a demonstration of venomous and non-venomous snakes after the walk.</i>		

Rock walks are conducted on the third Sunday of every month. Walking shoes, a cap, long pants and a water bottle are a must. Please enrol with Uma Maheshwari on 98660 19402 or Sandeep Raj 98484 18085

We welcome our new members:

Rosemarie and Martin Keller, Life (couple)	Dr. S. Kalyani Surya Dhanalakshmi, Active (couple)
Dr. Manjula Rao, Active	Dinesh Gupta, Active
J.C. Eepsita, Student	Jason Joshua Moses, Student

OBITUARY

In the sad and untimely demise of R. Rajamani we have lost a dear personal friend and a great supporter of the Society to Save Rocks. Though he persistently declined to accept any office, he tried his best to help it in various ways. As Chairman of the Heritage Committee of the HMDA, he conducted many inspections of rock sites to select candidates for inclusion in the Heritage Sites. It was he who canvassed with the ICICI Bank to give a grant for conducting a Survey of rocks by an inter-disciplinary team of scientists in three districts of Telangana, in 2003. We have not been able to broaden the survey to the remaining districts. He wrote a play for children 'Rollicking Rockscapes' in English which was performed by school children at a function at Shilparamam and was much appreciated. I tried hard to persuade Rajamani to accept the presidentship of the Society but did not succeed. A man of unusual modesty, his sterling human qualities and a general goodwill for all will never be forgotten. We share the bereavement of his family and friends.
- Narendra Luther, President, Society to Save Rocks

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	—

The Society bids a fond farewell to our Committee Member Ravi Setlem on his relocation abroad and acknowledges his tireless efforts to further the rock cause.

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RUN FOR ROCKS



As a run-up to our 20th anniversary the Society has planned some exciting events starting with the Run for Rocks that took place on Sunday 28th June early morning, partnered by Hyderabad Runners. The run from Fakhruddingutta to Ghar-e Mubarak combined awareness of the rocky landscapes that we are fortunate to have well within the city, with fitness.

The young and dynamic Badminton champ P.V.Sindhu flagged off the run at 6:30 am. 250 participants enjoyed a run of over 20 km, starting and ending in the ambience of stunning rock formations that have stood the test of time for 2500 million years. This is a legacy that we all need to appreciate and safe guard for future generations.

Needless to say, all who were present were astounded by the beauty of the rocks and complimented our cause. Many agreed that Fakhruddingutta was a perfect location for runners and people keen on fitness in the ambience of the rocks and fresh air.



P.V. Sindhu flagging off Family Run

We came to the Run for Rocks in a group mainly for the rock walk - the children simply loved the rocks and were reluctant to leave. The Society provided the ideal opportunity for us to explore the rocks in a safe environment and made us aware of the wonderful rocksite right in the city.

Shanthi N Reddy

I would like to thank you and the entire team at Save the Rocks for having organised a great Sunday morning run for all the Hyderabad Runners.

Rajesh Vetcha

Photos :
P. Vishwanath,
Frauke Quader



The rock walk after the run was an out of the world experience for my three year old - this was her first time in the outdoor and she really liked it.

Ravi Sharath Reddy (Hyderabad Runners)



CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS
The Society is proud to be associated with the upcoming Airtel Hyderabad Marathon 2015 taking place on 30th Aug, 2015. We will be putting up a stall at Hitex for the Marathonexpo on 28th and 29th of August. Volunteers need to email : minipad236@gmail.com for all anniversary programmes

WE THANK
P.V. Sindhu, Chief Guest, The Hyderabad Runner's Society, Avtar Meher Baba Hyderabad Centre, Fakhruddin Baba Aulia Dargah staff and our volunteers for helping to make the Run for Rocks event a success