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Good morning E-Club of South Africa One members and OUTA SPACE readers

TEN YEARS AND COUNTING

Thank you to all our members and friends who attended the Club's 10th Charter Anniversary Celebration. A list of the attendees is attached for the record.

It was a happy event, graced by our RI President Holger Knaack who gave an inspiring talk and praised E-Clubs for their contribution. He added that the E is recognised as a 'Mark of Quality'.

In addition, District Governor Maud Boikanyo combined her Club Visit message with her message of good wishes to our Club on achieving this milestone and wished us much success in going forward. DG Maud highlighted the need for the Club to achieve the Presidential Citation and work towards achieving the District goals. [See a copy of her message on page 14]

DG Maud praised our Club for our contributions to The Rottary Foundation Annual Giving and in particular to End Polio Now. *More about End Polio Now in pages that follow!*

Please take note of the 2 invitations that have been sent to you:

The Rotary E-Club of Chennai zoom meeting with RI President Holger Knaack as Chief Guest on 6th December 2020 and the Rotary Club of Johannesburg zoom meeting with RIP Nominee, Jennifer Jones as guest speaker on 7th December 2020.

Till next year - HAVE FUN, but take care and stay well EDITOR — Gerald Sieberhagen

ROTARY'S MOTTO IS: Service Above Self

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President's Perspective

Good Morning Fellow Rotarians,

November traditionally is Foundation month and I thought it to be very appropriate to share the below email received from our RI President Holger Knaack.

"As we enter Foundation Month, we would like to personally thank each and every one of you who did so much to make World Polio Day such an enormous success. We broadcasted our Global Update on 24 October in multiple time zones around the world, reaching more people, and raising more awareness than ever before. Rotary members in 146 countries registered more than 6,500 World Polio Day events and activities, from Brazil to Japan, Nigeria to India. More than \$900,000 was contributed online to the PolioPlus Fund which moves us closer to this year's \$50 million

fundraising goal to take full advantage of the Bill $\,\&\,$ Melinda Gates match.

The Global update can be watched ob https://www.endpolio.org/it/world-polio-day

Inspired by this show of support across the globe, our work to eradicate polio continues. On 25 August, Nigeria marked four years without a case of wild poliovirus, and the World Health Organization African region is now officially certified wild poliovirus-free. Rotary has contributed nearly US\$890 million—and countless volunteer hours—to eliminate polio in the African region. In the face of an ongoing global pandemic, this is one of the few good news stories for public health, and we should recognize this great achievement. It took tremendous effort and partnership over many years. Special mention should be made for the dedicated health workers—mainly women—who travelled by every form of transportation imaginable to reach children with the polio vaccine. We are particularly grateful for the Rotary members throughout Africa and around the world who have dedicated themselves to making polio a disease of the past. In fact, Rotary member Dr. Tunji Funsho was named as one of TIME's Most Influential People in the world for his role in leading Rotary towards this historic achievement.

The type of partnership we have formed to make such progress against polio provides a blueprint for future Rotary projects. In fact, such partnerships have already been formed. Next month, the Trustees hope to select the first ever Programs of Scale grant award. This is a grant of up to \$2 million for a three to five-year project that aligns with one of our causes. It really invites Rotary members to think big about high-impact service projects, and find partners to who are willing to invest money and resources to implement measurable and sustainable solutions.

To support all this transformative work, you can end Foundation Month on a charitable note by participating in Giving Tuesday on 1 December. Rotary will be joining thousands of other organizations worldwide for a global day of giving, and it is a prime opportunity to advance our mission by making a contribution to the Annual Fund. It is now easier than ever to give to the Foundation online.

Remember to use your District Designated Funds for a cause you are passionate about, whether that is PolioPlus, the Disaster Response Fund, the Rotary Peace Centers, or something in your community that could benefit from the support of a district or global grant.

So as we enter the second half of the Rotary year, please keep up your efforts to eradicate polio, tell our story, and increase our impact. With your actions, Rotary Opens Opportunities."

Yours in Rotary,
Holger Knaack
President, Rotary International 2020-21
KR Ravindran Trustee Chair, The Rotary Foundation 2020-21

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TOPIC of the Week duties

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11<sup>th</sup> Jan – Kim Woodhall
18<sup>th</sup> Jan – Nareshini Ranganthan
25<sup>th</sup> Jan – Hans Hon
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Thank you to all the members who send their TotW to the Club Admin Director at geraldandsue@mweb.co.za by the Thursday preceding their date.

Dates for GoToMeetings

GoToMeeting @ 19h00 TUESDAY

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This schedule is for guidance only and is subject to change
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1<sup>ST</sup> DEC – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
8<sup>TH</sup> DEC – Social gathering – cocktail hour – midnight snack for some
5<sup>TH</sup> JAN – Welcome back from Holiday period
19<sup>TH</sup> JAN – Possibly a speaker from NSRI
26<sup>TH</sup> JAN – BOARD MEETING
2<sup>ND</sup> FEB – Club Business meeting – members only
16<sup>TH</sup> FEB – Speaker – Ann Lee Hussey
2<sup>ND</sup> MAR – Speaker – Mike Kendrick – Wild Shots Outreach
16<sup>TH</sup> MAR – Speaker – Nick Evans – Snake Rescuer
23<sup>RD</sup> MAR – BOARD MEETING
30<sup>TH</sup> MAR – Club Business meeting – members only
13<sup>TH</sup> APR -
27<sup>TH</sup> APR -
18<sup>TH</sup> MAY – BOARD MEETING – Combined with Incoming Board
25<sup>TH</sup> MAY - Club Business meeting - members only
8<sup>TH</sup> JUNF -
22<sup>ND</sup> JUNE -
29th JUNE - Yearend social gathering -
6<sup>th</sup> JUL - INDUCTION OF INCOMING CLUB PRESIDENT
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During the week preceding the GTM, the login REMINDER will be emailed to each member. If you have any suggestions for a Guest Speaker at one of our GTM Speaker dates, please let President Hans or Secretary Irene know.

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DATES TO DIARISE

2020

SUNDAY 13TH DECEMBER
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON FOR RESIDENTS OF PAX CARE CENTRE, DURBAN
Contact Logie Naidoo or Monique Labat for more details

2021

POETS - dates and venues to be advised

23rd to 25th April

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF FIRST ROTARY CLUB IN AFRICA, The ROTARY CLUB OF JOHANNESBURG, culminating in the CELEBRATION DINNER at Emperor's Palace in Johannesburg On SUNDAY 25TH APRIL

In the meantime you may want to look up this link: https://rcjohannesburg.org.za/africa/

21st to 23rd May District 9370 Conference in Lesotho

At Thaba Bosiu, Maseru District

6th to 10th June

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION in TAIPEI – TAIWAN

Tuesday 6th July
INDUCTION OF INCOMING CLUB PRESIDENT

2022

4th to 8th June

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION in HOUSTON – TEXAS - USA

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BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

ENJOY

YOUR

DAY

BIRTHDAYS

DEC

7th – Angela Savage

13th – Richard Hargreaves

13th – Sivashni Singh

16th – Lesley Maullin

20th – Monique Jackson

22nd – Beryl Draper

25th – Steven Lancaster

26th – Amar Indurjeeth

28th – Jeanette Esterhuyse

31st – Nareshini Ranganthan

JAN

3rd – Hans Hon

14th – Kevin English

14th – Hugh Wheatley

29th – Johan Krugel

ANNIVERSARIES

DEC

19th – Hans & Tina Hon

22nd – Sivashni Singh & Dhiviyan Kalidas

23rd – Suresh & Irene Setty

31st – Steven & Tracy Lancaster

JAN

4th – Jeneth & Jacques van Leeuwen

7th – Brian & Angela Savage

31st - Bill & Diane Main



SHARE this #GivingTuesday

Posted on November 10, 2020

By K.R Ravindran, Chair, The Rotary Foundation

Giving Tuesday has grown into a global movement of generosity. It is a giving day recognized around the world that empowers us all to give back to our communities through service, kindness and financial support – all beliefs that Rotary value deeply.

Every act of kindness makes a difference, and no gift is too small. This Giving Tuesday, [on 1st December] I ask that we all find opportunities to help communities both close to home and around the globe. One easy way to take action is to make a gift to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund SHARE, Rotary's primary way of making sustainable projects possible both on a local and global level.

The Annual Fund's SHARE system empowers Rotarians close to home and around the world to use these funds to create lasting change where our help is needed most. Last year, the Foundation awarded 490 district grants and 1,359 global grants as a result of Annual Fund SHARE contributions made by our generous donors during our Centennial year back in 2016-17. What will be possible in the future for communities around the world will be determined by the action you take right now! I would like to ask every member of a Rotary or Rotaract club to contribute a gift of any size to our Annual Fund SHARE this Giving Tuesday.

I thank you for being part of the Rotary family, for your service, and support. Let's all take action this Giving Tuesday and together, we can keep Doing Good in the World.

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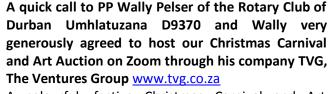
A Dazzle of Zebras for our Christmas Carnival and Art Auction in aid of #PolioPlus

by Rotarian Monique Labat It began with two zebras!

Lindsay Cryer began painting a few years ago after being inspired by a dear friend and discovered something which brought joy and fulfilment to her life. Lindsay is inspired by the beauty she sees in her daily life, her love for travel and the outdoors. Lindsay is passionate about capturing these moments in her art. In the short time she has been painting, Lindsay's work has captured the attention of art lovers, at home and abroad, secured her invitations to exhibit at two of the premier art events in KwaZulu-Natal, Art in the Park and the Hilton Arts Festival.

Artist Lindsay Cryer is married to PDG Greg Cryer, himself a polio survivor, hence their support for Rotary's End Polio Now project worldwide. Lindsay generously donated her Zebra painting to our Rotary E-Club of South Africa One in District 9370 so that we could hold an art auction and raise funds towards our Rotary Foundation's Polio Plus

initiative.



A colourful, festive Christmas Carnival and Art Auction took place which included fun activities of baking, drawing, quizzing and singing for the whole family all on Zoom!

In 90 minutes we raised ZAR12 000 which when matched with the Rotary World Fund 1:1 will = ZAR24 000 x 3 with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will make a whopping ZAR72 000!

Rotarians, family and friends of Rotary joined us from Australia, Canada, from the Rotary Club of East London D9370, Rotary Club of Pinelands, Cape Town D9350, Rotary Club of Port Shepstone D9370 and the United Kingdom. We were delighted to have Rotarian Dries Lotter, of the Rotary Club of Flamingo-Welkom in D9370 join us and win the wine hamper! Dries is the first living Southern African to become a member of the Arch C Klumph Society, named after the sixth president of Rotary, the Arch Klumph Society recognises The Rotary Foundation's highest tier of donors, those who have contributed US\$250 000 or more during their lifetime.

We had many, many prizes as giveaways, Hope

Meats vouchers, Woollies vouchers, a wine hamper, Huawei tablet won by Club President Hans Hon who donated his gift to young Howard Sidaki in Cape Town who promptly coded the tablet with his smart drone!

Our sincere thanks to our generous sponsors, PP Wally Pelser of The Ventures Group, Tina and Ravee Naidoo of Hope Meats Supplies, in Mackeurten Avenue, Durban North and Rotarians who donated a wine hamper, numerous retail vouchers, wooden warthog carving, Huawei tablet and books!



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Below – A SCREEN SHOT TAKEN WHILE RI PRESIDENT HOLGER KNAACK
WAS SPEAKING AT THE E-CLUB'S 10TH CHARTER ANNIVERSARY



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Rotary Fellowship: Rotarians of Amateur Radio's members in Australia celebrate Polio Free Africa Diane Main reporting

On October 24th (World Polio Day) Bill & I started operating the Special Event Ham Radio Station VK65PFA to celebrate the eradication of the wild Polio virus in Africa.

On Tues Nov 24th when the license period finished we had made in excess of 1,300 radio contacts (known as QSO's) worldwide.

The website used by Hams to see information about a callsign has had over 8,600 lookups in that period. So, 8 600 people now know about the Polio Plus campaign.

During the times Bill, myself and another Rotarian Peter, in Victoria were "On Air" we had multiple instances of other hams telling us of their memories of friends in every country suffering Polio. We had a very dear friend Wally who suffered Polio as a child and sadly was affected by Post Polio syndrome and passed away a few short years ago.

On the other side of the coin we had people who thought Polio was no longer in the world!!! We had a number of instances of younger hams who expressed surprise that it was still around and I even had one guy thank me for educating him about Polio.

This is one of the very valuable ways in which the Fellowship of Rotarians of Amateur Radio is able to highlight the good that Rotary does in the world.

Hams exchange "QSL Cards" to confirm the contact. Bill has designed and ordered a very special card for us to send out. I have included the design below.



Thanks for contacting Rotarians Of Amateur Radio in Australia - check www.grz.com

YIRS Diane Main VK4DI Editor for the ROAR "Communicator"

Wonderful to have 3 of our members, Bill and Diane Main and Peter Rentsch so actively involved in spreading the message about the END POLIO NOW campaign and the successes achieved.

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END POLIO NOW



From: Robert Hall

Sent: 23 November 2020 02:13 PM

To: Richard Brooks

Cc: Gerald Sieberhagen; Key Dev; Clare Monroe; Hans Hon; Irene Kotze; Maud Boikanyo

Subject: Re: END POLIO NOW

You reached the goal in only 4 months!! This is fantastic

Robert

Robert Hall is a member of the Rotary Club of Dunwoody, GA
Robert has held positions as Major Donor Chair, Endowment Fund Chair and is now Vice Chair of Rotary
International's End Polio Now Countdown to History Campaign Committee.

On Nov 22, 2020, at 11:41 PM, Richard Brooks EPN Regional Coordinator: Region 28 wrote:

CONGRATULATIONS on a tremendous effort. Right now Rotary International is in one big 'Final Push' to rid the world of polio in Pakistan and Afghanistan where there have only been 135 cases so far this year. Earlier this year Holger Knaack and Mike McGovern met with Imran Khan who has pledged his full support to Rotary's efforts in Pakistan. The Taliban still remain a problem in Afghanistan. With the 1:1 match from the World Fund and the 2:1 match from the Gates Foundation our Rotary E-Club of South Africa One donation of R25 000 this year to End Polio Now grows to R150 000. I am proud to be a member of the E-Club of South Africa One.

PS: The goal set by the RI President is for clubs to give \$1500 per year to PolioPlus. At the current rate of exchange we have given \$1623. Goal achieved.

Yours in Rotary,

Richard.



For the past 10 years we have collected funds and promoted END **POLIO** NOW, initially at the **Essenwood Craft Market** and more recently at Windermere **Shopping** Centre in Durban, either in October or November. This year very different as we had to conduct **business** at arm's length. David **Tilling** would have missed the interaction with 'customers' and his sales pitch of 'here is a free sticker for R2'.

Irene Kotze [who has organised every one of the EPN collections by our E-Club] is seated with Richard Brooks and Gerald Sieberhagen (combined age 240]

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END POLIO NOW



'Seated' in the centre is Aunt Caroline 10kg bag of rice that was donated and converted into R150 towards our collection. This year a total of R1 300 was collected 'with a little help from our friends'.



Left – Mike Millard recently visited Durban and enjoyed morning tea with Irene Kotze and Gerald Sieberhagen.

Right - Special dinner date on 10th Charter Anniversary! Guests Gussie and Hilary Augustus and of course there had to be a 'selfie'



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PAX CENTRE



Logie Naidoo recently delivered 5kg bags of Potch porridge to PAX CENTRE

History Summary of Pax Centre

For the past 6 years, my family has worked together with the owner of Pax Care Centre (Mr Marcus Janse van Rensburg). Pax Centre was meant to be for backpackers when Mr M Janse van Rensburg started it but little did he know that would soon change. Marcus is a Christian, loving-family man and saw that we have a big need in our community for a safe place for struggling families who need assistance in life. Pax provides more affordable rooms to rent. There are 45 children with their parents and about 25 Adults without children, residing at Pax, our youngest being newborn and oldest at the age of 96 years old. Some of them are barely scraping by financially in life. Some residents do have a minimal income and can afford to pay rent, and some we try to help as far as possible to keep them safe and off the streets.

Noelien (Manager) has been cooking and feeding 35-40 people daily, to whoever could not afford to have food for that day. I am proud and feel blessed to say that never has there been a tummy to go to bed hungry for one single day.

We try and help the school going children with school stationery, bags, and clothing etc.

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HISTORY OF PAX CENTRE - CONT FORM PAGE 11

At Christmas time we also make it as special as possible.

We as managing family have gone above and beyond, to make Pax a safe and secure family-orientated residence. There are some rules to keep, but only to the benefit and safety of the children and other residents. Our aim is to improve the lives of these families, motivate and help them recover, 'get back onto their feet' and hopefully move on to a better life.

Pax is home to many but we have become one big loving multi-racial family. We care for each other and have created so many memories together.

Financially it can become straining and there are no extra incomes for Pax Centre, so donations and community support does help and appreciated a lot when we get some help.

I would like to thank you for taking interest in Pax.

Warm Regards

Pax Centre

Marcus Jansen van Rensburg (Owner) 0793535431; Noelien (Manager) 079247770; Arnia 0749651275



Portion of the building that houses the residents of PAX Care Centre

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PAX Care Centre Christmas Treat

Logie Naidoo and Monique Labat are busy securing funding to provide a Christmas lunch for all the residents at PAX Care Centre and, in addition, hygiene packs for the 40 children.

The event is scheduled for the 13th December.

Here are details of the of the items for the hygiene pack.

CHRISTMAS HYGIENE PACK FOR THE PAX CENTRE

Estimated cost

TOOTHBRUSH R12-00 **TOOTHPASTE** R13-00 **ROLL ON** R20-00 **LUX SOAP** R13-00 **DAWN OR CLERE LOTION** R22-00 FACE CLOTH R15-00 **SOCKS** R50-00 MASK R25-00

TOTAL COST R170

So far they have secured sponsors for 20 hygiene packs to date and will need sponsors for 20 more packs.

They have also thus far been able to secure funding for the following:

5 Barrels of Kentucky; Slap Chips; 10 Dozen Rolls; Cool Drinks; 8 Doz Doughnuts

They are appealing to Rotarians, family and friends to contribute if possible. Should you wish to contribute cash please deposit your donation into the following bank account:

Rotary E-Club of SA One at Standard Bank – account number 043671756 – add your name and PAX as the reference please.

They further go on to say that they would appreciate any suggestions to assist with this event.

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Educational toys
obtained by Kim
Cooper were
donated to
Inkanyesi Encane
Educare Centre.
The Operational
Manager, Nomusa
Jali, was delighted
to receive the
donation.

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DG Maud Boikanyo's Club Visit Message

President Holger, It is a distinct pleasure to have you grace this occasion,

AG Vani, President Hans, PDGs here present, Rotarians guests and friends of Rotary E-Club of South Africa One. Thank you for elevating my club visit to this height.

I wish to also salute you for adapting to the dictates of the menacing little bug COVID-19 and taking on the challenge to keep the Rotary fires burning.

Looking back 115 yrs, Rotary must have either been set on very solid principles, or it was set to adapt to changes as events presented. The

movement survived devastations similar to or worse than what we have right now.

The Rotarians throughout the years persevered and preserved Rotary for us through those hardships, it is incumbent on us to do the same right now, and not quit.

Fellow Rotarians, mine is not to rewind the experienced of the past nine months, with my club visits I have set out to motivate, encourage, support and do whatever it takes to see the survival of this district beyond Covid-19. I wish to do that with all of you and more, let us hold each other's hands for survival.

Let us be reminded that the pandemic has brought more work to our door step, while we engage in handing out necessities to our communities, let us recall that the month we have recently completed, THE MONTH OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, reminds us to also consider psychosocial support, educational programmes to Change the mindset of our communities to desist from being drawn into crime, conflict and moral degeneration from the frustrations of economic decline.

Having said that about our communities, let us exercise the same among ourselves, let us be more communicative, understanding and accommodating to each other, so that we can achieve that ever challenging LACK OF RETENTION OF MEMBERS.

We, like the rest of the communities have been stressed and though we were able to push this aside and reach out to help others, which is highly commendable, let us still look out for number 1, so we can be happy Rotarians, doing what we love most: SERVING RELENTLESSLY ABOVE SELF.

Tonight as you celebrate your 10th plus one day anniversary, count your blessing in having the little bug avail the highest authority in Rotary today to celebrate with you.

Due to the enormity of the occasion today, I will not delve in the following issues that I have touched on with other clubs, but I just wish you to remember the following

- PRESIDENTIAL CITATION This year's Citation goals are intended to keep you on track with what we committed to as Rotarians: Service Above Self, a basis on which the 25 activities from which you are meant to select your 13 goals. The use of Rotary Club Central also places the application for citation within each club's control.
 - Whatever you do, do not forget about our Foundation, and especially the END POLIO NOW campaign and I see that your Club is leading the way with contributions!!

2. DISTRICT GOALS

- engaging in CLOSER LINKS WITH OTHER CLUBS in the District,
- GROW ROTARY,
- PUBLIC IMAGE put your achievements out in the public forum, let them know what you
 do, you will not trash Rotary's name if you stick to the guidelines and use proper imaging.
 We miss out on support and members because the right persons do not KNOW about
 Rotary

AS YOU DO ALL THESE, REMEMBER TO BE ROTARY HAPPY, LOVE WHAT YOU DO AND YOU WILL ALWAYS DO IT RIGHT.

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APPEAL FOR ASSISTANCE

From Maud Boikanyo [mailto:maudbb.leo.co.ls@clubrunner.email]

Sent: 21 November 2020 12:06 PM

To: Hans Hon

Subject: Reminder, support to victims of the Free State Fires

Dear Hans Hon,

Dear Presidents and Secretaries,

I hope and trust you are all well and safe from the Pandemic and other challenges of life.

Earlier this month, we made a humble request for our clubs to consider support to our fellow citizens in the Free State areas bordering with the North West province.

This email serves as a reminder to that call. While we are aware that it is now close to two months since the occurrence, we are aware as well that the extent of the disaster has left these communities gravely deprived of livelihoods, possessions as well as resources to face daily living and preparedness for the upcoming festive season.

Our efforts from the District have borne some fruit and we are ready to forward the D9370 contribution to the disaster. We shall draw from our contingency Disaster fund to assist.

We are further grateful to the members of the Rotary Clubs in the Northern part of our District for volunteering to undertake an assessment of the situation, to guide that our contribution addresses the continuing needs of the victims, and that the aid will go towards sustainable upliftment of these communities.

To this effect we humbly request your clubs, and any willing individuals to send your contributions to:

The Rotary Club of Orkney; bank name Standard Bank of South Africa, acct no 03 061 4597;

PDG Wally Jacobs is our contact and oversight.

We wish to assure you that the application will be closely monitored, and we shall provide a report on our interventions.

Thank you in advance for supporting this cause under the trying times. I wish to also express gratitude to the clubs that took initiative to donate at the time of the disaster, in particular The Rotary clubs of Potchefstroom and Arcadia, and if other clubs have done so and it was not brought to our attention, they are included in the gratitude.

Kind Regards

YIRS

DG Maud Boikanyo





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PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP RECOGNITIONS

DG Maud,

It was indeed a pleasure to have met you again at our Rotary E-Club meeting last night.

Thank you very much for a very motivating and interesting speech, which all of us found inspiring.

We have noted with interest your comments regarding the Rotary Clubs in our District that are shrinking in membership.

I have also taken cognisance of the fine you gave me in lieu of appointing you to undertake additional and unscheduled work regarding the Paul Harris recognitions. In the absence of a fine's master, I have taken the liberty to pay R100-00 towards PolioPlus. Is that acceptable to you? *DG Maud was happy with the fine!!!*

We had a total of 56 attendees comprising Club Members and friends of our Club that have supported us during the past ten years. Thus, there has been such an interesting spread of Countries represented such as Rotarians from the USA, Canada, the UK, Germany, Australia, Italy, Estonia, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Lesotho and South Africa.

Thank you, once again, for making time available to share this evening with us.

We wish you and your family a blessed Festive Season.

Best Regards

Yours in Rotary

Hans





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Member Spotlight: Andrea Tirone

Andrea Tirone is in the spotlight this week. Take a look at her particular gifts as a psychotherapist and what she finds most fulfilling about this type of healing work. Andrea also offers some great insights around self-talk, self-care during COVID-19, and how she finds that having the choice to create is key to creating balance and happiness in life.

Andrea Tirone, MA, RP (Qualifying), CH PSYCHOTHERAPIST

Andrea Tirone was an Ambassadorial Scholar in Durban D9270 during 2011, then a prominent Rotaractor, which seemed like forever, and then joined the Rotary Club of Toronto in 2015. See the full Spotlight in an attachment.

FACE to FACE MEETING OF E-Club DBN N&W CLUSTER



The first F2F meeting of members of the E-Club Durban North and West Cluster was held at The Market in Ballito on 19th November.

Back row – Richard Brooks, Gerald Sieberhagen and Peter Pieterse [long time friend of Lindsay and Greg]

Seated – Sonia Brooks, Ailsa Kaminski, Irene Kotze and Lesley Maullin

Earlier, Jean Singh met Irene Kotze and Gerald Sieberhagen and handed over a painting [left] that she had done especially for the 10th Charter Anniversary Celebration.

It is not for re-sale.



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WHEELCHAIRS FOR D9370 CLUBS

Through the efforts of our member, Charmaine Wheatley, The Rotary Club of Surfers Sunrise have donated 280 village wheelchairs to South Africa which are destined to go to the Rotary Clubs Reservoir Hills, Hillcrest, Klerksdorp and Welkom clubs.

In the photo she is seen with members of Surfers Sunrise packing the container.



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What

The Rotary Districts of southern Africa are collaborating with the Tutudesk Campaign to bring writing desks to disadvantaged children in schools lacking proper infrastructure.



The Desmond Tutu Tutudesk Campaign is personally led by Archbishop Desmond Tutu with the key mission to provision 20 million Tutudesks to African school children by 2025. An estimated 95+ million children in sub-Saharan Africa are affected by classroom desk shortages, which has a direct, ongoing and extremely negative impact on the development of the child's literacy development and academic performance. Tutudesk provides children in need with a mobile, steady and stable desk enabling an immediate, fasting and positive impact on the beneficiary child's literacy development and overall academic performance.

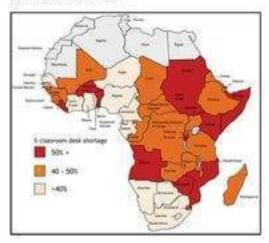


Who

The project is a collaboration of the Rotary Districts of southern Africa and the Desmond Tutu Tutudesk Campaign, Archbishop Desmond M. Tutu and Nobel Peace Prize Awardee has been Patron of the Tutudesk Campaign since August 2005, His eldest daughter, Thandeka Tutu-Gxashe is the Chief Executive Officer. The District Governors of the southern African Rotary Districts of D9210, 9350, 9370 and 9400 have teamed up to support the project with the help of participating Rotary Clubs.

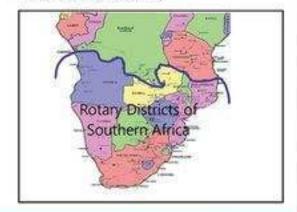
Why

The collaboration has its genesis as part of the Centennial Celebration of Rotary in Africa. But we see it as more than that. We see a long term collaboration where Rotarians and the Tutudesk Campaign can partner to drive Rotary's area of focus Supporting Education. This focus aims to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and increase adult literacy. It is one of Rotary's seven areas of focus covering humanitarian activities.



How

The collaboration has three distinct initiatives. The first is to approach Rotarians in the Rotary Districts of southern Africa and worldwide, using the Rotary network to reach as many Rotarians as possible. The second is a targeted approach to corporate sponsors for 1,000 Tutudesks each with their branding and a South African Section 18A tax rebate. The third initiative is a crowdfunding initiative using multiple social media platforms.



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BACK PAGE

To all our readers who celebrate Christmas.....

Be thankful with the present

Never forget the past

Trust the Future

Let the spirit of Christmas be your guide this holiday season



Celebratory dates in DEC:

Tuesday 1st - World AIDS Day; Rotary Giving Tuesday; Thursday 3rd - United Nations' International Day of Persons with Disabilities; Saturday 5th - International Volunteer Day; World Soil Day; Sinterklaas; Monday 7th - International Civil Aviation Day;

Wednesday 9th - International Anti-Corruption Day; Tuesday 15th - International Tea Day; Friday 25th - Christmas Day; Thursday 31st - New Year's Eve

Celebratory dates in JAN:

Friday 1st - New Year; Polar Bear Swim Day; **Thursday 21**st - National Hugging Day (may still be on hold); **Tuesday 26**th - Australia Day; **Wednesday 27**th - International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust;

Sunday 31st - International Street Children's Day;

Celebratory dates in FEB:

Tuesday 2nd - World Wetlands Day; Saturday 13th - World Radio Day;

Sunday 14th - Valentine's Day; **Monday 15**th - Singles Awareness Day;

Monday 22nd - Thinking Day; Saturday 27th - World NGO Day; Sunday 28th - Rare Disease Day;

Celebratory dates in MCH:

Wednesday 3rd - World Wildlife Day; Monday 8th - International Women's Day;

Monday 15th - World Consumer Rights Day; Thursday 18th - World Sleep Day;

Saturday 20th - International Day of Happiness; Sunday 21st - International Day of Forests;

Monday 22nd - World Water Day; Wednesday 24th - World Tuberculosis Day;

Till next year - HAVE FUN

And now we are once again OUTA SPACE