

# OUTA SPACE

NEWSLETTER

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## APRIL IS MAGAZINE MONTH

This month we are reminded of the excellent work that is done by the various magazines that are published throughout the Rotary World. In our District we have Rotary Africa that is published monthly. The magazine relies on clubs to provide interesting information for inclusion in the magazine.

An interesting development this month has been the announcement of a new service partnership by Rotary International that will support humanitarian efforts by clubs and districts.

RI will combine resources with the Global FoodBanking Network to alleviate hunger worldwide.

Working with the Global FoodBanking Network, Rotary clubs and districts will be able to volunteer at food banks and help create new ones, organize food collection drives, sponsor trucks for food delivery and distribution, raise awareness of hunger, and distribute food to hungry children through the Backpack and other

school food programs.

"Rotarians have served selflessly in the communities where we are developing and expanding food banks," says Jeffery D. Klein, CEO of the Global FoodBanking Network. "We want to connect Rotary clubs and districts to service projects and food distribution in the more than 20 countries where we are currently engaged in food banking activity, and inspire them to take leadership in this generation's quest to end hunger."

Foodbank already operates in the Durban area and you can read more about it at the website [www.globalfoodbanking.org](http://www.globalfoodbanking.org)

Just a quick reminder of the important functions that our club will be involved in during May – 9<sup>th</sup>; 13<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> are all important dates. See page 2 for more details.

**Have FUN**

*Editor – Gerald Sieberhagen*

**Please remember that it is the responsibility of each member to introduce prospective members.**

**Members should always be on the lookout for suitable projects that would be suitable for our E-Club to undertake.**

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## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

**BIRTHDAYS – May**

10<sup>th</sup> Tammy Maddox

13<sup>th</sup> John Fannin

17<sup>th</sup> Gilliam Stark

**ANNIVERSARIES - May**

3<sup>rd</sup> Jenni & John Higgs

22<sup>nd</sup> John & June Fannin

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES TO DIARISE:

6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> May – Rotary International  
Convention in Bangkok

9<sup>th</sup> May – get together with John & June  
Fannin at Breakers in Umhlanga

12<sup>th</sup> May – Arrival of Alan & Joy Francis  
and Harry & Joyce Durey at 20.05 from  
Australia on their Project Safari

13<sup>th</sup> May – 17h00 – Members and family of  
E-Club - braai at Garden Grove with  
above Project Safarians

18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May – D9270 **District  
Conference** at Wild Coast Sun. **Closing  
date for Registration was 13<sup>th</sup> April**

20<sup>th</sup> May – East Coast Radio & Discovery  
Big walk – 5km; 10km; 15km or 20km

3<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST – Reach for your Slippers Day  
– a REACH FOR A DREAM Fundraiser

**2013**

17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> May – Last **District Conference**  
of D9270 – venue Sibaya

1.7.2013 – Merger of Districts 9320 & 9270  
to form new District 9370

**2014**

8<sup>th</sup> **WORLD ROTARY CRICKET FESTIVAL in  
NOTTINGHAM UK in JULY**

Hopefully SA IFCR will have a full team  
attending this Festival – Great Fun always

**2019**

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION  
IN DURBAN from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

## SHORT TERM YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME [STEP]

I may or may not have mentioned that our Club submitted 4 applications to District for STEP and all 4 of our applicants have been accepted for family to family exchanges in December/January. Thank you Jeneth for your hard work in ensuring that every-thing was completed and submitted on time and well done girls on being accepted. See page 5 for photos of the Students. The next step is now for the 4 students to be accepted by an overseas host family which should happen quite soon because the Exchange student from overseas will arrive in South Africa in July/August.

It is suggested that we arrange a face-to-face meeting when these Inbounds are here so that they can tell us a bit about themselves and their countries – we will have a further face-to-face in November sometime when the 4 outbounds tell us about themselves and what they propose telling people overseas about our country. Jeneth and Janet, you will no doubt liaise about this.

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Last week Angie, Irene & I delivered some soccer balls to the Kranskloof Primary School. Remember this was the school that was featured in the Mercury on 1<sup>st</sup> March when the boys were shown to be using an empty water bottle as a soccer ball.

It was quite a drive to get there but fortunately we had a retired rally driver and a budding rally navigator in the car so that made the trip a real breeze. This school was like so many others we come across – classrooms with many, many broken windows and dusty courtyards. No library and no computers at this school of 900 pupils.

The Principal, Mrs Ndwandwe and the teachers responsible for sport at the school appreciated our donation.

**See photos on Page 8.**

### THE FIRST POLIO FREE BRICS

Our member, RTN Anusha Timul, has arranged for East Coast Radio to do a public service announcement which is designed to highlight an organisation and create awareness. This follows the article on page 3 of OUTA SPACE # 18 regarding the first Polio-free BRICS. We have asked PDG Natty Moodley, who is the District Chairman for Polio Plus to facilitate these PSA's.

Thank you Anusha & Natty

Now wouldn't it have been marvellous if we also had suitable newsprint coverage about this very significant milestone.

**In one of our articles we mentioned Global certification of a Polio Free World and there was an enquiry about who actually issues the Certification, so here is now the answer.**

### Global certification

Global certification is the scientific confirmation of the success of a disease eradication programme by the World Health Organization and public health experts. Before the world can be formally certified polio-free, all six WHO regions (Europe, the Americas, Africa, the Western Pacific, South East Asia and the Eastern Mediterranean) must first be certified. This involves going through an intensive three-year surveillance process without recording any polio cases caused by the wild virus in that region. Once three years has passed without a single case of polio anywhere, then the world will be formally certified polio-free.

Individual countries cannot be certified polio-free. However, if a country goes one full year without recording any case of indigenous polio (i.e. a strain native to that country, rather than a strain imported from another country), it will be removed from WHO's list of polio-endemic countries.

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative aims to assist governments in their efforts to immunize every child against polio until polio transmission has stopped. The world would then enter the three-year process of "certification". This will be a critical period for the eradication programme, as nations and communities keep a global polio watch.

During this time UNICEF and its partners will continue to vaccinate children to keep the "immunity wall" high and prevent any hidden poliovirus from causing a sudden outbreak. The partnership will continue to play a vital role in assisting communities and local governments to set up surveillance systems and to remain ever vigilant so that no polio case slips through the net.

Only when three years have passed without a case and the world has been certified polio-free can we say we have achieved global eradication.

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## Answers To Quiz in OUTA SPACE NO 18: As there were no entries and therefore no winners this was the final OUTA SPACE Quiz

1. Boxing
2. Niagara Falls..The rim is worn down about two and a half feet each year because of the millions of gallons of water that rush over it every minute.
3. Asparagus and rhubarb.
4. Strawberry.
5. It grew inside the bottle. The bottles are placed over pear buds when they are small, and are wired in place on the tree. The bottle is left in place for the entire growing season. When the pears are ripe, they are snipped off at the stems.
6. Dwarf, dwell and dwindle...
7. Period, comma, colon, semicolon, dash, hyphen, apostrophe, question mark, exclamation mark, quotation mark, brackets, parenthesis, braces, and ellipses.
8. Lettuce.
9. Shoes, socks, sandals, sneakers, slippers, skis, skates, snowshoes, stockings, stilts.

## What about taking part in East Coast Radio's Big Walk?

You will find an entry form for the ECR BIG WALK on their website at [www.ecr.co.za](http://www.ecr.co.za) or at any TOTAL SPORTS store but hurry because entries close when the first 23 000 entries are received or 30 April 2012 and I know from the past two years – there are loads of entries.

If you are not attending the District Conference at the Wild Coast then you should really consider taking part in the East Coast Radio Big Walk – 5km's is great fun but I also know there are some seriously energetic walkers in our Rotary Club so at least 10km for you. Please send us some pics and make sure you meet up with Rtn Anusha Timul on the day. Have lotsa FUNSUNZI



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These are our 4 Short-term Youth Exchange Students who are now just waiting for news of their exchange family – above Kayleigh Goodwin and L-J Houston and below Nadine Jack and Kelly O'Donoghue who will all jet off in December for a 6 week exchange.





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This is **NOT** a **QUIZ** because there are no answers to the questions, just some points to ponder **AND THE LAST QUIZ WAS THE FINAL OUTA SPACE QUIZ.**

Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard when he lives in the jungle without a razor?

Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are flat?

Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they know there is not enough?

Why do Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?

Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?

Whose idea was it to put an 'S' in the word 'lisp'?

What is the speed of darkness?

Why is it that people say they 'slept like a baby' when babies wake up every two hours?

If the temperature is zero outside today and it's going to be twice as cold tomorrow, how cold will it be?

Do married people live longer than single ones or does it only seem longer?

How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?

Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

Did you ever stop and wonder.....

Who was the first person to look at a cow and say, 'I think I'll squeeze these pink dangly things here, and drink whatever comes out?'

Who was the first person to say, 'See that chicken there... I'm gonna eat the next thing that comes outta it's bum.'

Why do toasters always have a setting so high that could burn the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat?

Why is there a light in the fridge and not in the freezer?

Why do people point to their wrist when asking for the time, but don't point to their bum when they ask where the bathroom is?

Why does your Gynaecologist leave the room when you get undressed if they are going to look up there anyway?

Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours? They're both dogs!

If quizzes are quizzical, what are tests?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, then what is baby oil made from?

If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?

Why do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune? Stop singing and read on.....

Do illiterate people get the full effect of Alphabet Soup?

Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him on a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?

Does pushing the elevator button more than once make it arrive faster?



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## RI newsletters

**These are all easy to read FREE RI Newsletters and you are encouraged to subscribe to them – unfortunately you will not be able to click and subscribe on the link below but you will have the link to follow that up on [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) and then to sign up/subscribe. Once you have subscribed they just pop up in your Inbox.**

### **Community Service Update**

The *Community Service Update* is a quarterly electronic newsletter that provides Rotarians with news about effective service practices, project resources, and important service-related events. [Sign up.](#)

### **End Polio Now**

*End Polio Now* is a quarterly newsletter about polio eradication. The newsletter includes both the latest statistics and inspiring stories. [Subscribe.](#)

### **Every Rotarian, Every Year**

*Every Rotarian, Every Year* offers Annual Programs Fund updates, articles on how Rotarians are meeting their clubs' goals, and stories about how Annual Programs Fund contributions enhance people's lives. [Sign up.](#)

### **Future Vision Pilot News**

The monthly *Future Vision Pilot News* connects you to new online Future Vision resources and information and reminds you of upcoming Future Vision pilot deadlines. Everyone is welcome to subscribe. [Sign up.](#)

### **Interactive**

*Interactive* helps you experience through photos and videos the fellowship of Rotarians and young adults involved in programs such as [Rotaract](#), [Interact](#), and [Ambassadorial Scholarships](#). This e-newsletter is produced 11 times a year. [Read past issues and sign up.](#)

### **International Service Update**

The bi-monthly *International Service Update* e-newsletter provides current information about World Community Service, Rotary Volunteers, and Rotary Community Corps, as well as disaster relief and recovery. Visit [Service and Fellowship](#) for details about these programs. [Sign up](#) for the e-newsletter. Download an *International Service Update* e-newsletter.

### **Membership Minute**

The *Membership Minute* is a short e-mail newsletter that provides membership development ideas, resources, and tools. [Sign up and see past issues.](#)

### **New Generations**

The *New Generations* monthly e-newsletter provides news and developments regarding Rotary's youth and young adult programs: [Interact](#), [Rotaract](#), and [RYLA](#). You can sign up for the newsletters by visiting these programs' Web pages.

### **Peace Net**

The *Peace Net* newsletter is a forum for the Rotary Centers community. [Sign up.](#)

### **PR Tips**

The biweekly *PR Tips* offers innovative ideas for clubs and districts to promote Rotary in their communities. [Sign up and see past issues.](#)

### **Reconnections**

*Reconnections* is the source for news about Rotary Foundation alumni. [Sign up.](#)

### **Rotary Leader**

*Rotary leader* is Rotary's flagship multimedia publication. Published bimonthly in eight languages, *Rotary Leader* features practical information for Rotary club and district officers, incoming officers, committee chairs, and other leaders. [Subscribe.](#)

### **Rotary: Navigating the Global Network**

*Rotary: Navigating the Global Network* is intended for civic and humanitarian organizations around the world. Articles highlight Rotary's local and international work. [Sign up.](#)

### **Rotary Training Talk**

*Rotary Training Talk* keeps Rotarians informed about the latest news in RI training, including RI mailings, RI Board decisions that affect training, and training tips. [Sign up and see past issues.](#)

### **Rotary Youth Exchange Newsletter**

The *Rotary Youth Exchange Newsletter* is distributed bi-monthly and contains information and updates on current Youth Exchange events and resources. It's intended for all Youth Exchange officers and interested Rotarians. [Subscribe.](#)

### **Vocational Service Update**

The *Vocational Service Update* is a quarterly electronic newsletter that provides Rotarians with news and resources related to vocational service. [Sign up.](#)

### **Weekly Update**

*Weekly Update* provides the latest Rotary news. It can be used for club and district newsletters and Web sites. [Sign up.](#)



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Apart from the 24 soccer balls that were donated to the Kranskloof Primary School, we also handed over several Zoo trucks which are educational toys provided by Shooter & Shuter.



**Above** - Don't you just love this clever tortoise?  
**Left** - Coming soon to a river near you - The Rotary E-club of South Africa D9270 DUCK RACE Fundraiser - be sure to have a duck in the race.