



## President Arlene's Letter

Dear Friends,

How are you all? It has been a month which has seen the world change yet again. So many wars, droughts, people needing help in almost every country on earth, but when I see how many of us are responding to their needs it makes me think there is hope for us all.

Rotary reaches practically every country on earth and in each country we have volunteers working either through ROTARY or together with other charitable organisations. Every Rotarian is an ambassador for peace and friendship. How do we do all of this humanitarian work? By meeting and discussing a way forward, by sharing views and listening to others, by implementing projects agreed upon and by following the 4 Way Test.

Why am I stating the obvious you may ask, it is because many have asked what is the point of an E-Club? I have noted that attendance at meetings is not a regular habit that many cultivate. Some of the comments include 'online meetings do not promote friendship/camaraderie'.

I am sure that many of you would agree that during the Covid pandemic, the use of Zoom, WhatsApp, Google, Face time etc. became the 'norm'. People use these methods not only to communicate but to promote and retain friendships made. The internet has become a preferred tool of communication, and I am sure that many people including myself have made many friends going down this route. I have chatted with several club presidents who have told me that their clubs are becoming hybrid. Lots of us have gone on to meet in person with those friends we met during an E-Club meeting. As we are all aware our club is an international club so it would be impossible to meet in person. This does not stop us from having many successful projects. Quite the opposite it encourages those overseas to work with us and in many cases donate.

I appreciate that there are many reasons why an individual cannot attend i.e. power outage, family commitments, work based and many more but unless we come together we do not get the chance to meet our fellow club members to learn about current projects or present a project that you would like to run or be associated with. I would like to finish by asking you all...

- How would you like our meetings run?
- What would you like to see included?
- Would you like anyone you know to give a presentation?

Take care all and thank you for your service to Rotary!

Arlene Arnold, Club President

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## The Four-Way Test

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for people to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotary club members recite it at club meetings.

Of the things we think, say or do 1.

Is it the TRUTH?

2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?

3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

***Rotary's Mottos are:***

**Service Above Self and One Profits Most Who Serves Best**

## Interim Editor

Cathy Dippnall, our DrumBeat Editor is visiting her family in the United Kingdom.

This DrumBeat edition was compiled by Club Secretary, Monique Labat.

Thanks to President Arlene and Projects Director Logie for all their contributions to Drumbeat.

## Condolences

Our sincere condolences to Director: Public Image, Esmeralda Witbooi who sadly lost her niece in Bloemfontein recently.

## Dates to Diarise

During the week preceding our GoToMeetings, Club President Arlene Arnold will send through the GoToMeeting link/login. Our meetings are held online at 19h00 South African Standard Time every fortnight!

# No challenge is too big for us!

For more than a century, Rotarians have bridged cultures and connected continents. We champion peace, we fight illiteracy and poverty, we help people get access to clean water and sanitation, and fight disease. Our newest cause is to protect our planet and its resources.

## Future Speakers

Thank you to David Tilling for inviting our next guest speaker!

This beautiful invitation was created by Xavana Reddy, friend of Logie Naidoo, our Director Projects.

Please share the invitation on your social media pages and encourage your friends and family to join us online!



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### Kisaru Nkera Initiative

Join us as Rotarian Barbara Parkins speaks on her work with the Maasai & Kisaru Nkera Initiative in Kenya!

Rotary  
E-Club of  
South Africa One



I knew I was meant to be in Kenya and had been led to the Maasai people, thus I decided to help build a school and plan for a rescue centre



for the Maasai girls.

**Tuesday, 19 Apr 2022**  
**7:00 PM SAST**

Visit [www.kinikeny.com](http://www.kinikeny.com) to find out more about

Kisaru Nkera Initiatives (KINI)

Contact Logie Naidoo [logie247@mweb.co.za](mailto:logie247@mweb.co.za) to join via GoToMeeting invite.

Internal - Intellectual Property

Thank you to Projects Director, Logie Naidoo for inviting Sister Elsie Naicker to speak about Diabetes on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May. Invitation as above to follow closer to the time. Please diarise the date!

Thank you to Director Web Administrator, Bill Main for inviting Sanaz Shahrokni, Peace Fellow to speak on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Invitation as above to follow closer to the time. Please diarise the date!

## District Conference

Our District 9370 Conference will be held on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022 in Makhanda (old name Grahamstown), Eastern Cape.

*Is anyone from our E-Club attending the District Conference this year? Please advise Club President Arlene.*

## Rotary's International Convention

The 4<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2022 Rotary International Convention in Houston, Texas, USA.

## Wishing our E-Club Rotarians and Honorary Rotarians Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary!

### Birthdays

1 Apr	Arlene Arnold
19 May	Desiree Govender
28 May	Inga Mpepanduku

### Anniversaries

11 Apr	Angela and Johan Krugel
26 April	Sue and Derek Kimber
17 May	Lynette and Mike Millard
19 May	Sonia and Richard Brooks 26
May	Elizabeth and Viktor Cytra

## Membership Subscriptions

The lifeblood of a Rotary Club is its members all of whom are volunteers and the subscriptions which keep the Club afloat. Subs are payable in two tranches for the Rotary Year which begins on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July. Rotarians are billed twice at 6 monthly intervals. At our Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 8 March 2022, it was agreed that our Club's subscription for the new Rotary year starting 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 will be R1,000 (One thousand rand).

Our Rotary Subscription for 6 months is allocated firstly to Rotary International dues and Rotary International sets the exchange rate for a period US\$ to South African Rands.

Our District 9370 dues are R230.00 for the same 6-month period. We contribute R135.00 to the Rotary Africa subscription and lastly, we have Club expenses of R25.75.

Please drop our Club Treasurer Tony Holness a WhatsApp on +27 (0) 82 800 9236 or drop Tony an email: [wizardhc@mweb.co.za](mailto:wizardhc@mweb.co.za) if you need more information!

RI President's Theme 2021/2022



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Rotary International's Calendar Months

Rotary has designated *April as Maternal and Child Health month!*

Have you visited our Rotary E-Club Facebook page and given our post a Love ❤️?

The more ❤️ we receive the more we can drive online traffic to our E-Club's Facebook page!

Simply click on the link and enjoy our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/RotaryclubSAone>

## Project: Afriweave – Weave your Magic!

Creator of Afriweave Needles, Carroll Lazarus secured strips of t-shirt material. Projects Director Logie Naidoo arranged storage space at her brother Steven Pillay's warehouse in Umbilo, Durban. On Saturday morning 9<sup>th</sup> April 2022, Logie organised for Rotarians and Friends of our Rotary E-Club to roll and weigh each ball of t-shirt yarn into 500 grams. Each child in the Early Childhood Development Centres identified by our project partner, Iris Canham, will receive 2 balls of t-shirt yarn to learn how to weave their magic!

Our sincere thanks to Steven Pillay, Logie's brother for arranging the space, the pallet tables and for supporting our Rotary project!



Team Afriweave - Back Row Left to Right: Rotarian Kevin Lachanna and Kevin's son Jaden Lachanna  
Middle Row Left to Right: Carroll Lazarus, Radha Naicker, Friend of Rotary, Iris Canham, Early Childhood Development Centres, Selvie Gounden, Friend of Rotary, Ann Parsons, Friend of Club Treasurer, Tony Holness, Xavania Reddy, Logie Naidoo, Director Projects and Wendy and Tony Holness, Club Treasurer.



If you would like to contribute to our E-Club's worthwhile Afriweave project, please contact Project Director, Logie Naidoo E: [Logie247@mweb.co.za](mailto:Logie247@mweb.co.za) or on WhatsApp: +27 82 453 5913



### AFRIWEAVE NEEDLES INITIATIVE

Rotary E-Club of SA One, in collaboration with Iris Canham, Community Development Practitioner are raising funds towards Afriweave Needles Initiative for grade R learners at ECD centers.

Afriweave is a fun and simple weaving craft home-grown in South Africa

The benefits of the weaving project for children include co-ordination and concentration, improves engagement, develops patience and creates a sense of achievement and develops confidence.

It is a lifelong skill that could lead to youth entrepreneurial development. The skills help prepare children for writing, grasping, fastening and practical life skills.

Your contribution makes the difference.



Iris Canham  
Community Development Practitioner

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Community Development Practitioner

## Project: Nkosi Albert Luthuli Hospital's Pediatric Oncology Unit

Activity Packs handed over on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022 by our Projects Director, Logie Naidoo for the Little Ones at the Nkosi Albert Luthuli Hospital's Pediatric Oncology Unit. The activity packs were donated by Dr Indran Naidoo, supporter of our Rotary E-Club Projects.

Thank you Dr Naidoo for your generous donation!

Did you know that Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central Hospital is a central and a tertiary care, referral hospital, located in Vusi Mzimela Road, Mayville, Durban. It is the first large-scale new hospital to be built in South Africa since 1994.

