



BAY BREEZES - 24 APRIL 2012

The Praise Singer's Gazette



As I write this piece for Bay Breezes on the 18th April I am reminded of sadly a past wonderful life to the North of us in Zimbabwe formerly our beloved Rhodesia as today we celebrate, if that is the right word, 32 years of independence.

But we move on and celebrate life in the country of adoption, South Africa, and we are so grateful for a “second life” and the generosity of all who live in this wonderful country.

For many of us in Rotary we celebrate each week that we were invited to join such an auspicious fraternity. Our personal commitment not only to R.I. but more so to our Club is a small contribution for the

rewards we receive directly and indeed indirectly by being a good Rotarian.

At our meeting last night (17th April) our speaker Lionel Human told us of plans for the Hout Bay Festival. They are very ambitious plans and we sincerely hope that the majority will come to fruition. There does need to be some caution in respect of our Rotary Clubs’ participation in events to avoid over extending the potential commitment of our members. Better we learn first to walk not run.

Not unnoticed has been the attendance recently at both meetings and our projects of guests brought by a member of the Club. Such commendable actions can only benefit HBRC, be it by potentially finding a new possible member or just providing a Hout Bay resident or even a visitor to Hout Bay with some real insight into Rotary and what our Club strives to do for its community. All strength to those who are involved and lets hope that your actions will encourage other members to follow.

I wonder if RI will follow the British Coalition Government in removing the words, “ husband and wife” from official documentation; instead they will use the “neutral” words, “spouses and partners”. So my question to RI will be will they follow this and direct Rotarians to use the same terminology and bear in mind that our Organisations members come from both genders. Our Sgt will love it I am sure as he starts his “warm up” at the opening of a HBRC meeting with welcomes to members, spouses and partners. Who forgot that word “SIMPLE”.

Praise Singer continued....



In conclusion may I identify the wonderful power that a simple gift of a doll to a child can create. Not just for an abused child, just any child who receives the gift of a doll and the general description of dolls must also included "Teddy Bears".

So it was no surprise that last night Paddington Bear was named as the Nation's favourite animated character of ALL times at the British Animation Awards.

And you thought all articles in Bay Breezes were boring old Rotary matters on membership, projects, attendance and getting younger members to join. In respect of the chant for younger members just remember that not all of us are "old".

Monteleone,



A fruit is a vegetable with looks and money. Plus, if you let fruit rot, it turns into wine, something Brussels sprouts never do. - P.J. O'Rourke

Programme - April's Speakers and Schedule

24th April Butch's travels to the Sudan and experience of the Red Sea - great one for our partners to attend

1st May (no meeting - public holiday)

8th May TBC - this is going to be a partners evening - please let them know and Mick to for the numbers

15th May Rainer Jahn -- Windpower

22nd May Bronwyn Maree helping to save our fishing birds

29th May Roy Graham The history of coins

Anyone with a great speech or if you know of someone who would bring something insightful to the club - please contact Butch or President Don.

MEALS AND ATTENDANCE

Please would all members advise Attendance Officer Mick Feuilherade prior to the Tuesday meeting if you will not be attending or not dining or bringing your partner or guests by 5:15pm on Monday at the very latest, Mick's details are:- email: annmick@webafrica.org.za - Cell: 082 550 1654

April Birthdays

Shona Smith	1
Allan Walker	11
Ria Gibb	11
Dagmar Sutherland	12
Gillian Renkema	18
Sylvia Heath	21
Loes Schuchard	22
Alison Bull	25



10 Facts about Paddington

1. Paddington Bear loves marmalade and keeps a spare marmalade sandwich hidden under his hat in case of emergencies!

2. Paddington Bear was created by Michael Bond more than 50 years ago after he spotted a lonely bear left on the shelf in London's Selfridges store and bought it as a present for his wife. Within ten days he had completed his first story and A Bear Called Paddington was published in October 1958

3. Michael Bond was inspired to call his bear Paddington as they lived near Paddington Station at the time

4. Paddington Bear lives with the Brown family at 32 Windsor Gardens, Notting Hill. They took him in after finding him alone on Paddington Station

5. Paddington Bear's suitcase contains a photo of his beloved Aunt Lucy and a secret compartment!

6. There are 12 full length Paddington Bear novels. A total of 35 million Paddington books have been sold worldwide and around 20,000 people visit his website every month paddingtonbear.com

7. The Paddington Film Fair series on the BBC in the 1970's regularly attracted over 8 million viewers and is still broadcast across the world in the US, Australia, Japan and Asia. There is currently a Paddington Bear movie in the pipeline

8. The first 'plush' Paddington Bear was created in 1972. In 2009 and 2010 it was voted Britain's Best Souvenir by travellers at Heathrow Airport

9. There is a life size bronze statue of Paddington Bear at London's Paddington Station

10. Famous fans of Paddington Bear include Stephen Fry, Jeremy Clarkson and Suri Cruise

Events and Rotary in Action**ROTARY CLUB OF HOUT BAY YEAR END REPORTS**

As we near the end of the Rotary year 2011-12 it would seem to be a productive move to list our accomplishments and ask the Sentinel to publish them. This would be a more subtle way of advertising Rotary International and our Club. Becoming a Rotarian is by invitation so direct canvassing for new members is not appropriate.

To assist in the production of a suitable piece for submission to the Editor of the Sentinel may we ask that ALL members of the Club make a determined effort to identify information that could be entertained in the article. Please do not think that the only interest is in the financial aspects of our Club. There are areas of great success, the Bursary programme, the mentoring programme, the RYLA camp participation, the Library in IY assistance, feeding programme for school children, the Operation Medical Hope work in the field of HiV and Aids prevention and care, the visit by the Australian Rotarians who climbed the Mountain of the Moons to assist amongst others the Operation Medical Hope Project. Let's tell about the work we do for the Argus Cycle Tour, the Two Oceans Marathon and the work we do away from Hout Bay. The Nonceba Child Counselling Centre in Khayelitsha, the ongoing contributions that we make for the total eradication of Polio in the world.

The Rotary Club of Hout Bay has also during the year welcomed visiting Rotarians from around the world and these visitors leave taking information and complimentary stories not just about Rotary in Hout Bay but about Hout Bay's spectacular scenery, its diverse people and the excellent accommodation and shopping facilities. Rotary provides one of those hidden assets that identifies Hout Bay as "special".

Anton Leleis,

May I firstly apologise for my absence but a family wedding up the West Coast made it difficult to be in Hout Bay.

Our Club's organiser in chief of the CPYO event, Colin, has given much time to the organisation and he is now we hope reflecting in the glory of a most successful evening.

Colin has sent an email expressing some disappointment at the fund raised and it is this aspect that I would wish to make a comment on. Our Rotary Club is probably concerned that an attitude has crept into our activities in respect of projects and functions. It revolves around, "what we make" in terms of financial gain. The main aim surely of our organisation, Rotary International, is SERVICE not finance. Of course fund raising is an important aspect as we have projects where without funding there could be no hope, but, SERVICE includes the likes of the CPYO event.

Hout Bay Rotary Club's involvement with the CPYO event is a super SERVICE to the Hout Bay Community not a financial fund raiser. Of course the CPYO event will be BENEFICIAL and build GOODWILL and perhaps even amongst some an appreciation of ALL music.

Anton Leleis,

Kind Note from the Editor - I would like to suggest that if a member who participates or has the privilege of seeing a Rotary Project or event in action - can let me have a news article for BB - this would mean a varied perspective on what we do as a club. - NM

IT'S A KIND OF MAGIC - BLOUBERG ROTARY

We present Daniel Eksteen, a Magician who has been selected to represent the College of Magic Cape Town in Las Vegas in June 2012.

We would be pleased and grateful if you could persuade your members to attend this show on Thursday 3 May 2012 at the Italian Club at 18h00 for 18h30. In addition to the magic show, a three course meal of Salad, Spinage and Feta Canelloni followed by desert will be provided. Tickets are R100 per person. The profits of the evening will go to Daniel's travel costs.

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