



BAY BREEZES - 3 APRIL 2012

The Praise Singer's Gazette



It is our understanding that there is often a low attendance at Club Business Meetings, not so at Hout Bay where we had a good turn out and further we had an interesting and thought provoking at times meeting. Our organisation thrives on the participation of its members and particularly their input at what often is described as "grass roots". The main topic of discussion last night was membership, this same topic has been discussed at least once every year since Hout Bay was chartered. Its amazing that we often come up with new approaches to the problem of getting new members. We had the mention of younger members and we had the counter argument of more mature

members for shorter periods but with a higher grade of commitment. Personally I am not concerned about the average age yet as modern medicine, proper diets, more golf and good quantities of red wine will extend the life of our members and their contribution to serve society following Rotary principles. Having said that no club and particularly your club would be upset if some new members arrived on the scene all of them being worthy to become a Rotarian. So for each of us a challenge to find Mr, Mrs or Ms Perfect and invite them to a meeting and share the fellowship, friendship and community concerns that we all have. Step by step we will find that Perfect new member.

Lovely to hear the good news about our student Cynthia from the two Alisons and more so hearing that KPMG have offered Cynthia a position which has really excited the young lady. Roy made a very useful comment of connecting bursary awards from Companies to Rotary.

Alison and Keith return this week to Totnes and they have been given a slot to present to that Club some news of the Hout Bay projects. In the next few weeks we will be saying farewell to more of our swallows who really should be titled, Ambassadors as they take with them wonderful stories about Hout Bay. We would of course warn these Ambassadors to make sure that their story has not been told before....

Next week we travel to the wine country and attend the Constantia Club meeting

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Projects Showcased at D9700 DISCON - PP John Glassford



Our annual district conference is held in the district of 9700 and this year was in Young about 2 hours from home.

There were 410 registered delegates and it started on Friday evening and concluded on Sunday at lunch time.

There were many excellent speakers, a great night of rock and roll, and a gnome convention.

PDG Fred Loneragan and I were given a spot to talk on the Mountains of the Moon on Sunday morning. Fred spoke about the climb itself and I spoke on Orphan Rescue and Hout Bay especially Operation Medical Hope and Nonceba. Susan, Mark Janetzki, Helen Maxwell and Rae Loneragan were also there.

We also had a visit from a GSE team from D1010 in Scotland and they stayed in Coolamon for a few days after the conference. I got to wear the kilt again!

Have posted three stories on our web site: <http://club.coolamonrotary.com>



Fred and I also manned a RFFA stand with stories and flyers for Operation Medical Hope, Nonceba and the Orphan Rescue Kits for Kenya.

Fred and I are also cranking up RFFA Australia and Operation medical Hope and the Nonceba project will be high on our list of beneficiaries and awareness within Australia.

I will also do my best to get the Hout Bay message across in Bangkok. Is there anyone from Hout Bay going to Bangkok?

Regards
John

Programme

April 3 2012 - Raid on the Constantia Club - Steenberg Club House
Jan Eggink, the Shell South Africa Upstream GM will give a presentation about the topical natural gas extraction project proposed by Shell in the Karoo, where the technique known as fracking is envisaged.

MEALS AND ATTENDANCE

Please would all members advise Attendance Officer Mick Feuillerade 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

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| Ria Gibb | 11 |
| Gillian Renkema | 18 |
| Sylvia Heath | 21 |
| Loes Schuchard | 22 |
| Alison Bull | 25 |



Did I read that sign right?

In an office:
TOILET OUT OF ORDER.....
PLEASE USE FLOOR BELOW

In a Laundromat:
AUTOMATIC WASHING
MACHINES: PLEASE REMOVE
ALL YOUR CLOTHES WHEN THE
LIGHT GOES OUT

In a London department store:
BARGAIN BASEMENT UPSTAIRS

In an office:
WOULD THE PERSON WHO
TOOK THE STEP LADDER
YESTERDAY PLEASE BRING IT
BACK OR FURTHER STEPS WILL
BE TAKEN

In an office:
AFTER TEA BREAK STAFF
SHOULD EMPTY THE TEAPOT
AND STAND UPSIDE DOWN ON
THE DRAINING BOARD

Outside a secondhand shop:
WE EXCHANGE ANYTHING
- BICYCLES, WASHING
MACHINES, ETC. WHY NOT
BRING YOUR WIFE ALONG AND
GET A WONDERFUL BARGAIN?

Notice in health food shop window:
CLOSED DUE TO ILLNESS

Spotted in a safari park:
ELEPHANTS PLEASE STAY IN
YOUR CAR

Seen during a conference:
FOR ANYONE WHO HAS
CHILDREN AND DOESN'T KNOW
IT, THERE IS A DAY CARE ON
THE 1ST FLOOR

Notice in a farmer's field:
THE FARMER ALLOWS WALKERS
TO CROSS THE FIELD FOR FREE,
BUT THE BULL CHARGES.

On a repair shop door:
WE CAN REPAIR ANYTHING.
(PLEASE KNOCK HARD ON THE
DOOR - THE BELL DOESN'T
WORK)

Outside a school during construction
work: DEAD SLOW CHILDREN

Thanks Keith Bull - keep them
coming - Scribe

GSE Team from Texas and Mexico - 12 April 2012

Dear President Don

I bring you warm greetings from RC Wynberg.

I am pleased to inform you that at RC Wynberg's meeting of Thursday 12 APRIL we will be hosting this year's incoming GSE team from Texas & New Mexico. The team is due to give its first presentation to Cape Town clubs at that meeting. We would be delighted if any of the members of your respective clubs (and their partners) would care to join us on that evening.

RC Wynberg will be meeting that evening, as usual, at 18.00 for 18.30 at the Constantia Nek restaurant where an a la carte menu is available offering meals ranging from about R50.00 to R80.00. There is also a cash bar available.

We would be delighted if any of your members were interested in joining RC Wynberg and the GSE team on that evening. Please confirm your acceptance by Tuesday 10 April by emailing Biffy Danckwerts at aecon.e@mweb.co.za.

Hoping to see you there.

Yours in service
BEV BIRD

TWO OCEANS MARATHON - Call for Marshalls

Please give Terry Eldrid your names to assist with Marshalling for the Two Oceans Marathon on the 7th April - once complete we will all meet at Terry & Terry's place for bit of fellowship.
Meet at the Post Office - 7am

James House Gives Thanks - 25th Birthday Fun Day



Dear Rotarians

On behalf of all at James House, I would like to extend our deep gratitude to you for supporting our 25th Anniversary Fun Day. In particular, we thank you for the valuable role you all played in running this event. Rotary members were an invaluable team and managed everything with a professional manner.

We were truly overwhelmed with the offers of support from various organizations, businesses, local restaurants and residents without which, our event would not have been so successful. It is only with the generous support of such people that enables us to continue to serve children and families in need.

Once again, our grateful thanks for your invaluable support. It was a great pleasure working with you.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniela McCullough'.

Daniela McCullough
Administrator

Come and support an amazing children's charity concert!

Featuring The Ryleys School Choir, all the way from the Midlands in the UK, in concert with Bishops Preparatory Choir and the Kronendal Music Academy.

DUMELA SOUTH AFRICA TOUR

When? Where?
Date: Thursday 12 April 2012
Time: 6:30pm for 7pm
Venue: Disa Primary School, Hout Bay.
 Park and ride from Kronendal Primary Field.

About the tour
 Children aged 10-13 from The Ryleys School in England are touring South Africa to sing African songs, folk songs and contemporary songs to entertain and inspire.

All for a good cause
 All proceeds will be used to support children's musical education locally at the Kronendal Music Academy.

Entry by donation
 Entry tickets available at the door or beforehand at Bishops Preparatory, from Ian at La Cucina in Hout Bay, Disa Primary School, Kronendal Primary or at the International Primary School.

For more information find us on Facebook: **Dumela South Africa Tour**, email us: dumelasatour@gmail.com, or call Brigitte on 0731738434.



Celebrating the first anniversary of our Past President's bypass we publish this photo, unlike the "little ones" recently published there is no prize for identification

An elderly man is stopped by the police around 2 a.m. and is asked where he is going at this time of night. The man replies, "I am on my way to a lecture about alcohol abuse and the effects it has on the human body, as well as smoking and staying out late." The officer then asks, "Really? Who is giving that lecture at this time of night?" The man replies, "That would be my wife."

Rotary International signs project partnership with ShelterBox - FRIDAY, 30 March, 2012

Rotary International has this month signed an agreement with international disaster relief charity ShelterBox which will increase their joint capacity to help families around the world displaced by disaster. The agreement formalises the twelve-year bond between the two organisations and cements the place of Rotarians around the world at the heart of ShelterBox activities. It is the first time that any organisation has become an officially recognised 'Project Partner' of Rotary International. ShelterBox was founded by Rotarian Tom Henderson OBE in 2000 as a Rotary Club Millennium Project of the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard. It has since become one of the world's leading humanitarian aid charities providing emergency shelter and supplies to over 107,000 families worldwide following disaster. Rotary clubs across Great Britain and Ireland raise around £1.5 million each year for the charity and some Rotarians are ShelterBox Response Team members who go out to disaster areas and provide hands-on help during times of need. These disasters can be anything from dealing with the aftermath of tsunamis to helping refugees from war-torn countries who have fled conflict.

Tom Henderson OBE, ShelterBox Founder and CEO, said: 'Rotary and Rotarians have been integral in the operational development of the organisation, from being eyes and ears on the ground during deployments, to providing logistics, accommodation and translation services, right to assisting with the pitching of tents. Many of our global Response Team volunteers are

Rotarians. Others have joined the Rotary family having seen the difference that Rotary and ShelterBox make on the ground. They have always helped us in endless ways.'

Rotary International in Great Britain & Ireland (RIBI) President Ray Burman said: 'This formal agreement is great news not only for ShelterBox and Rotary but also for the many thousands of people we jointly help every year. Rotary is about saving and improving lives wherever in the world our help is needed. We have always had a great relationship with ShelterBox and our network of 34,000 Rotary clubs across the world means that these boxes, and other disaster relief supplies, can quickly get to places some aid agencies struggle to reach.

'Rotarians raise funds but we also provide hands-on help. We give our time and our skills to help others. With this new agreement, Rotarians will be able to respond even quicker to calls for assistance. I urge the public to continue supporting Rotary causes and help to make a world of a difference.'

Rotary International CEO and General Secretary John Hewko said the agreement will increase hands-on service opportunities for Rotary club members in disaster-affected communities by providing the means for local members to have an immediate, lifesaving impact. John Hewko, Rotary International CEO and General Secretary, said: 'For more than ten years, ShelterBox has given light to over one hundred thousand families worldwide in their darkest hour. This project partner agreement represents our mutual goal of helping those in need. It gives Rotary a forward-facing approach to immediate disaster relief.'