



BAY BREEZES - 1 NOVEMBER 2011

The Praise Singer's Gazette



What a refreshing address by our speaker Sam CLARK a Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar attached to the Durbanville Rotary Club here in Cape Town and from his parent club Broadmoor in Colorado USA. Yes refreshing and not just that because of the compliments about Hout Bay Rotary Club (all of which were true of course) but his clear explanation of the values of his Ambassadorial Scholarship. We listened to a confident young man tell us not just about his studies at the University of Stellenbosch Business School but more about his voluntary work here in Cape Town.

Sam works with NETWORK an NGO that assists migrant labour from Central African countries with readiness classes and thereby makes life and finding work an easier

task. Sam displayed great passion for the work he was doing with NETWORK and his thoughtfulness as a speaker in explaining his role was a great credit to himself and indeed to the Rotary programme for Ambassadorial Scholars.

We exchanged banners and Sam was also given a Hout Bay passport which will enable easier access to the Republic in the future.

It was a special day for Rotary from the USA because last night I received an email from Marion Dearnley of the Gulf Beaches, Florida, Rotary Club with a pledge of US\$ 500 for the Nonceba Centre. We had earlier in the year taken Marion on a visit and she agreed to take a DVD back and show and tell the Nonceba and Ashley story at her Club.

On the home front PP Patrick is finishing the OMH Matching Grant report – let us not forget this is the biggest project ever undertaken by our Club.

We also are starting to gear up for the invasion of the Australian Team after their wonderful climbs up and down Mountains of the Moon. It was not difficult to see the relief on Patrick's face when his fellow Rotarians in mass offered accommodation to these intrepid climbers. Patrick can cancel the order for tents on the Hout Bay common and thank you to those sterling members. A draft programme is circulating with us and John Glassford as we intend making their stay a memorable one.

John Camplin has reported further on the Classic Car debacle as he speaks to more contacts. There is the slimmest of chances that the Lions may agree to share the work with us but John is not confident of positive reply.

On a serious note and one which is a concern for the Club's Board. The attendance record of some members is best described as dismal and for a further number there is a problem. The Board is well aware of emergencies, they happen, but please do not be offended if our Attendance officer asks you to cover expenses that have been incurred. Being a Rotarian and particularly a Rotarian with the Hout Bay Club means you are special, please be special to our Club.

Sam Clark

Sam Clark the Ambassadorial scholar has written to say, "I greatly enjoyed my time with the Hout Bay Rotary Club last night. I stand by what I said regarding the HBRC's deserved reputation for enthusiasm. Thank you for making me feel so welcome."

ENDING POLIO

Dear Rotary Friends,

There's a job to be done and, on World Polio Awareness Day, on Monday, October 24th, you can be part of doing it. The job won't take up much of your time. In fact, it will require only 'virtual' time, online.

Here's why you should be part of this effort Undaunted by taking on polio, the world's greatest cause of disability, a group of Rotary volunteers in 1985 embarked upon the enormous task of eradicating the disease, worldwide. Joined by respected partners, they assembled the biggest non-military force ever seen. Year by year, the PolioPlus Campaign has overcome astonishing odds, from climatic to environmental, from political to geographic, but, amazingly, our volunteer 'army' has won more than 99% of the battle. More than 99% ! Eish..... that's close. That's "Thiiiiis Close."

But now we need to take on the final 1% and that's where you come in. You can help by visiting and 'liking' our Facebook page and, for this week, changing your profile pic to one of those in the gallery. You'll find the page at <https://www.facebook.com/internationalPolioDay?sk=photos>. If you're not on Facebook you can play your online part at www.thisclose.net. Then go out and tell your online friends that we're This Close. This close to eradicating Polio. Worldwide. Ask them to do their bit by spreading the word or volunteering their time. They can also contribute online or they can contact you and you'll point them in the right direction..... not so? (To donate online, visit <http://www.rotary.org/en/EndPolio/Pages/donate.aspx>.)

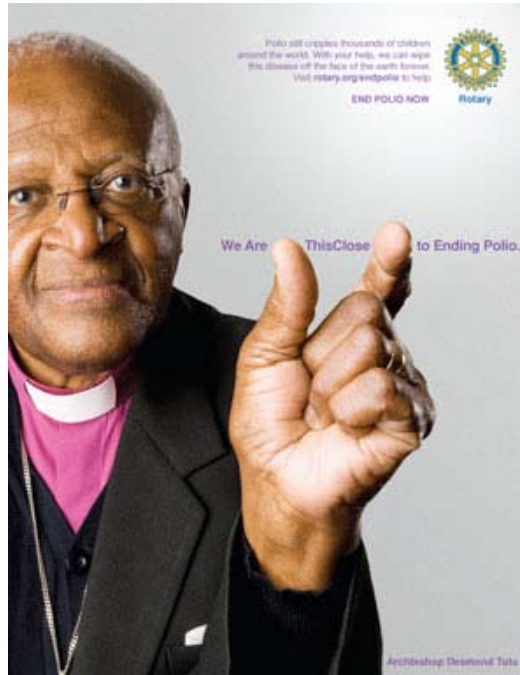
And if we don't succeed with the final 1% ? If the goal of polio eradication was to be abandoned? An estimated US\$ 10 billion will be needed over a 20-year period to just maintain polio cases at current levels. Over the next 40 years polio could rebound to 10 million cases negating the world's US\$8 billion global investment in the polio initiative.

However, if transmission of wild polio-viruses is interrupted by 2015, eradicating polio can provide net benefits of at least US\$40-50 billion with nearly all of these savings (85%) accruing in low-income countries. (The Global Partnership for Polio Eradication <http://www.polioeradication.org/Financing/Thecaseforpolioeradication.aspx>).

I could go on as you may have guessed but, for now, I hope you'll agree that the job must be done. And I hope you'll put your shoulder to our Rotary wheel to help to End Polio Now.

Sincerely and with best Rotary wishes,

Janey Ball



November Birthdays

Bernadette Dutton 24

November Anniversaries

McLaughlins 15

Ponder Points

After eating, do amphibians have to wait one hour before getting out of the water?

And whose cruel idea was it to put an "S" in the word "Lisp"?

Are people more violently opposed to fur rather than leather because it's much easier to harass rich women than motorcycle gangs?

Are there seeing eye humans for blind dogs?

Before they invented drawing boards, what did they get back too?

Despite the cost of living, have you noticed how popular it remains?

Do Lipton Tea employees take coffee breaks?

Do Roman paramedics refer to IV's as "4's"?

Do infants enjoy infancy as much as adults enjoy adulthood?

Does the little mermaid wear an algebra?

How can there be self-help groups?

How do you tell if you run out of invisible ink?

How is it possible to have a civil war?

"I am " is reportedly the shortest sentence in the English language. Could it be that "I do " is the longest sentence?

Programme

- Nov 1 Raid Constantia Club - join them at the theatre to see the production Solomon and Marion - cost R150 per ticket - please rsvp numbers through to Keith Bull - otherwise you are expected to do a makeup at one of the other clubs.
- Nov 8 Ross Johnson of Amambush speaking about Marimbas.
- Nov 15 Butch Liebenberg - Whales,Dolphins, Turtles off the Transkei Wild Coast and a fishing story or two.
- Nov 22 The Glidden brothers speaking on – Coming Home (stories from young South Africans who made good overseas and now are returning to help build SA)
- Nov 29 Tracey Wilson - Shelter Boxes

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

Rotary in Action, Events or News

SUBMARINE VISIT

The Submarine visit will be on Sat 12th November at Simonstown, the schedule for the day will be:
9.00-9.30 at Bertha's Landing for coffee and the best home made scones in CT.

Followed by a introductory talk from a crew member, or maybe the ex-commander of the actual boat when She was in service.

10-10.30 take the ferry to the Submarine in the Harbour(10mins). we will be split into groups of ten to make the presentation and questions easier.

Return to Berthas for lunch at the Salty Sea Dog.

The cost will be R40pp for the ferry to and from the boat.

This is a girls day out as well, the girls will find life on board very interesting, Please RSVP to me if you would like to be included as I will need to supply numbers urgently.

Club Services

HIKEFOR HIKE - On Sunday 20th Nov

Hikefor have planned 2 simple walks in Hout Bay (one at 11.30 around Tierbos Estate for the not so fit) and one from Suikerbossie to the end of Valley Road along the contour path at 11am.(a simple flattish walk of 1-1/2 hrs.)

Both will be followed by a Bring & Braai at Skaife Cottage on Tierbos at approx 1pm onwards.

All HBRC members are invited for either walk or simply come and join other Rotarians from Hikefor at the Braai if they don't wish to expand their lungs on the walks.

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NEWS

Sentinel

Clinic gets another Rotary gift

An initiative known as Operation Medical Hope, which is supported by Rotary clubs in widely disparate parts of the world, continues to be in the forefront of the fight against TB and HIV/Aids in Hout Bay.

The recent presentation of a much-needed copier/printer/fax machine to Hout Bay's Main Road Clinic, by Rotary Club of Hout Bay's president, Don Peters, has completed Phase 2 of the support programme. The machine has been linked to the clinic's patient record computer and to the system controlling the clinic dispensary which handles the TB and HIV/Aids medicine output.

So far clinical equipment and medical supplies to the value of R235 000 have been donated by Rotary to the clinic.

This comes on top of building extensions to the value of R350 000 which provided additional space for HIV/Aids counselling rooms. The extensions were made possible by grants from the Rotary Club of Coolamon, New South Wales, Australia,



and the Rotary Club of Tokyo.

"All funds contributed from overseas are matched locally by the Rotary Club of Hout Bay and contributed to by Rotary International in America," said Patrick McLaughlin, who heads the project.

"To raise money for the buildings at Main Road Clinic in Hout Bay, the Australian Rotarians came to Africa and climbed Mount Kilimanjaro. They intend returning in December to climb

the Ruwenzori Mountains in Uganda and again Operation Medical Hope will benefit."

"In previous years, the work of Operation Medical Hope resulted in extensions being built to handle HIV/Aids counselling at the

■ Jackie Oliver and Sister Esther Carolus of Hout Bay's Main Road clinic take delivery the new printer/copier from Don Peters, president of the Rotary Club of Hout Bay.

clinic in Hangberg and medical supplies being imported from America by sea in conjunction with American Rotary clubs.

"Now that the building phase is complete and we have contributed extensively to the specialised equipment needed to handle the increasing volume of TB patients, the next part of the support programme is to bring medical comfort and nutritional supplies to very poor HIV positive members of our community.

"They desperately need the right food to supplement ARV programmes, as do poorer families supporting Aids victims.

"South Africa does not have enough hospital beds to deal with HIV/Aids and consequently treatment for the disease has had to be classified as 'homecare' by nature."

An atheist was walking through the forest !

'What majestic tall trees!' 'What powerful fresh flowing streams and rivers!' 'What a gorgeous variety of animals and birds !'

He said to himself. As he was walking alongside the river, he heard a rustling in the bushes behind him.

He turned to look. He saw a 7-foot grizzly bear charge towards him.

He ran as fast as he could up the path. He looked over his shoulder & saw that the bear was closing in on him. He looked over his shoulder again, & the bear was even closer. He tripped & fell on the ground. He rolled over to pick himself up but saw that the bear was right on top of him, reaching for him with his left paw & raising his right paw to strike him.

At that instant moment, the Atheist cried out: 'Oh my God!' Time stopped. The bear froze. The forest was silent. As a bright light shone upon the man, a voice came out of the sky. 'You deny my existence for all these years, teach others I don't exist and even credit creation to cosmic accident.' 'Do you expect me to help you out of this predicament?' 'Am I to count you as a believer?' The atheist looked directly into the light, and said: 'It would be hypocritical of me to suddenly ask you to treat me as a Christian now, but perhaps you could make the BEAR a Christian?'

'Very well', said the voice. The light went out. The sounds of the forest resumed. And the bear dropped his right paw, brought both paws together, bowed his head & spoke:

'Lord bless this food, which I am about to receive from Thy bounty through Christ our Lord, Amen.'