

### BAY BREEZES - 22 NOVEMBER 2011

# The Praise Singer's Gazette



Well it was hooks, and lines, and some great fisherman yarns supported by photographs that we listened to our Past President Butch tell us about the exciting time he has each year on the Wild Coast. What was significant was the bond of friendship Butch has with his old mates and the fact that they come back year after year to be regaled with the story of "that" one that got away. We also enjoyed thanks to the speaker given by a member who has never understood why anyone would wish to spend hours getting cold and wet only to use his very sharp Japanese knife to cut the line and let the bloody fish go, thanks Allan.

John Routley was standing in for Master Sgt David and he gave a fine rendering of the fabled story about stacking chairs.

Next week in a spot Fedde and Alison (Totnes Rotary) will be presenting dictionaries to James House helpers.

Preliminary information on the Aussie visit, mainly on accommodation and the braai to be held on Sunday the 11th Dec was given to members. Both the District Governor and the Assistant Governor have sent messages to the HBRC and

asked that their congratulations be extended to the Australian visitors.

At an earlier Board Meeting it was agreed to make an immediate donation to Polio Plus of R500 and a donation to the Rotary Foundation of R1000 both as a result of appeals from the District Governor and hopefully these donations will be followed up with further ones later in the Rotary year.

David Heath's number was drawn for the wine waffle but the prize was re-drawn as David was absent.

One of the attachments our Editor will include this week is a letter from Pheletso Nketu a Grade 11A scholar at the Hout Bay High School. Our Club paid for Pheletso to attend RYLA this year. What a wonderful endorsement of the work done by RYLA and in that regard I have written to PP David Holtzhausen the leader of the RYLA project. I said to David something I have mentioned to Hout Bay Rotarians, there is nothing better than being involved in a project that gives satisfaction, you have fun and everyone loves you for doing it.

Happy anniversary Joyce and Patrick you kept quiet about that it was on the 15th. Then we have the French connection with Bernadette Dutton having a birthday on the 24th, best wishes to you.



# Rotary in Action, Events or News



#### **CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Good People, I know its difficult to accept, but its that time of year.....AGAIN.

In consultation with our immaculate President, his wonderfulness has deemed that with the arrival of the Oz contingent in early December, we should continue the year on that high note and have our Christmas Supper for our final meeting for 2011.

Date, Tuesday 20th December Place. The Clubhouse

Format, You have to wear Red or Green or Both, if you wish to come as a Christmas character, that's great. Presents R30max man/woman, we have written to Father Christmas, hopefully he will call in. At the time of going to press, a two course supper will be served.

Price - TBC - Make a note of the date, we will start the list soon.

Club Services

As you may know, the Cape Town Male Voice Choir has strong Rotary connections, being involved every year in Kirstenbosch's Carols by Candlelight and Wynberg's Last Night of the Proms. The choir has been invited to participate in a massed gathering of male voice choirs in London in 2012 as part of the build-up to the Olympics. One of the events leading up to that is the concert described below, to be held in the City Hall on 26 November.

The Shoprite Jongestudentekoor, who will also be going to London, will participate, and this will result in a fascinating variety of music. There will also be participants from the three Johannesburg-based choirs that will be in London. We would be most grateful if Clubs could publicise this to their members, and should any club wish to use the afternoon performance to entertain pensioners or other deserving individuals, substantial discounts can be arranged for bulk ticket sales.

Kindly contact Mike Walwyn on mike@seaboard.co.za, or 021 421-1666 (office) or on cell no. 083 300-4363.

### **Programme**

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

Dec 6 AGM and briefing from Patrick on the Aussie visit. Provisional Board Mtg at 5pm

Dec 11 (Sun) Aussies arrive

Dec 12 (Mon) Mini raid with Aussies to Newlands Rotary

Dec 13 Aussie visit mtg Dec 20 Christmas party

#### **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

November Birthdays

Bernadette Dutton 2

November Anniversaries

McLaughlins 15

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#### WHAT KIDS SAY

#### Ten Commandments

A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five- and six-year-olds. After explaining the commandment to "honor thy father and thy mother," she asked "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?" Without missing a beat one little boy answered, "Thou shall not kill."

### Kissing on the Playground

An honest seven-year-old told her parents that Billy Brown had kissed her after class. "How did that happen?" gasped her mother. "It wasn't easy," admitted the young lady, "but three girls helped me catch him." That Baby in There

For weeks, a six-year old lad kept telling his first-grade teacher about the baby brother or sister that was expected at his house. One day the mother allowed the boy to feel the movements of the unborn child. The six-year old was obviously impressed, but made no comment. Furthermore, he stopped telling his teacher about the impending event. The teacher finally sat the boy on her lap and said, "Tommy, whatever has become of that baby brother or sister you were expecting at home?" Tommy burst into tears and confessed, "I think Mommy ate it!"

# **RYLA CAMP - Peletso Nketu's letter of thanks**



Attention: Rotary Hout Bay

I am writing this letter to thank you for giving my school the opportunity of taking part in this camp. It was the most wonderful camp I have ever had in my entire life.

Because when I first got to the RYLA camp I was very shy not much of a talker, but now I am not shy I've got the self-confidence of saying whatever comes into my mind. I learned a lot from the RYLA camp for example public speaking and doing something with self-confidence and putting others before me. I have learned how to speak ITALIAN.

The games that I took part were interesting for example the obstacle course was a wonderful experience for me. My team leader told me that I have the potential to become a great leader. The talent show was also good and the bricks. I also wish my school will get the opportunity of participating at the camp each and every year. I think some of my school mates would also like going to the RYLA camp to also experience what I have experienced.

I wish the RYLA camp organizers the best in what they are doing in peoples lives.

Thank You RYLA

From: Pheletso Nketu

Grade 11A

### THE BAIT SHOP

A woman goes into a shop to buy a rod and reel as a gift - She doesn't know which one to get so she just grabs one and goes over to the counter where there's a shop assistant wearing dark shades. "Excuse me sir" she says "can you tell me anything about this rod and reel?"

The assistant replies "Ma'am I'm blind but if you drop it on the counter I can tell you everything you need to know about it from the sound it makes."

She didn't believe him, but dropped it on the counter anyway. He said, "That's a 6' graphite rod with a Zebco 202 reel and 10 lb. test line... It's a good all around rod and reel and it's only \$20.00". The lady said, "It's amazing that

you can tell all that just by the sound of it dropping on the counter. I think it's what I'm looking for so I'll take it."

He walks behind the counter to the register, and in the meantime the woman breaks wind big-time. At first she is embarrassed but then realizes that there is no way he could tell it was her...being blind he wouldn't know that she was the only person around.

The assistant rings up the sale and says, "That will be \$25.50."

She says, "But didn't you say it was \$20.00?"

"Yes ma'am, the rod and reel is \$20.00, but the duck call is \$3.00, and the catfish stink bait is \$2.50."

