

Rotary Club of Hout Bay

Bay Breezes



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IT'S BEEN A WHILE

A month in fact without Bay Breezes. Back on track now after my vacation and ready to fill in the blanks from the past few weeks.

The Winter months have left us with rather a lot of TED talks screened in place of speakers and although PP Christine did try to organise an evening with the Rotaractors while I was away, this apparently had a disappointing result as they were unable to attend given the troubles in Imizamu Yethu which were prevalent that Tuesday and which meant that it was too dangerous for them to be moving around the township at night.

We hope that recent, more strenuous intervention by the police and CPF will have calmed the situation down.

So the first order of the day when I got back was to organise the Paul Harris investitures bestowed by Coolamon Rotary Club on Sister Carolus of the IY Coolamon Clinic and our own Butch Liebenberg who earned a Sapphire to his existing PH.

Sister Carolus's PH was announced in advance but we decided to keep Butch's Sapphire a secret from him [and Lyn]. Both awards came with a video presentation from Coolamon and having made sure that Butch and Lyn would be present at last Tuesday's meeting, the surprise was sprung. As can be seen in the video [link below], Butch was completely nonplussed and sat there with his chin in his hands. Apparently, and according to Lyn he just kept muttering "this is a mistake there must be a mistake".

We eventually got Butch to come up to the front and accept his pin.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-tSJaj3vP6M&feature=youtu.be&list=FLHOMyDsfe5XtaxBOg5HZjzA>

The video covers investitures of both Sister Carolus and Butch. For the sake of file size I couldn't fit in Patrick's wonderful speech setting out Sister Carolus's achievements and deserving of the PH but I attach his written speech to this edition.

As for Butch, I thought that the Coolamon video did the job. Any more eulogy from me would have just inflated his ego! But it has to be said that Butch is one of those large dollops of glue that keeps our club together. From wheelchairs and helping out members and their dependents with household repairs to organising a drive for panties and sock for Little Angels to, well just about everything as well as organising the visit of Coolamon to us after the Mount Kenya climb, Butch is there. AND he has time to be beaten at golf by me every Friday.

We were also graced by the presence once again of our ADG Jackie James. It is always a pleasure to welcome Jackie to our club and, on this occasion to be present to honour both Sister Carolus and Butch Liebenberg.

We were also honoured to have a number of guests including Liz Huckle, Lindy Ennis, Margaret Walker and Ursula Jahn. Particularly Ursula so recently widowed. We hope to see you often.





BUTCH'S EMAIL TO JOHN AND SUSAN GLASSFORD

Hi John and Susan,

I tried to wake you up early this morning as you did to me some 8 years back, but only got a message machine. I was gobsmacked when you spoke on the video clip at our meeting and I kept on saying to Lyn that you were making a mistake, and meant to say Sister Carolus, not me. You then repeated it again, and I just sat there when they called me up to accept the Sapphire pin award. Somebody then pushed me up to the front and still I was not fully aware of what was happening. After accepting the award still mumbling that there must be a mistake I was unable to speak but managed to say thank you.

Thanks so much for thinking about me, I am by nature a back room boy and don't look for pats on the back, but this was wonderful, Lyn was in tears and also knew nothing about the award. Please pass on my gratitude to Fred and the boys/girls and let them remember that Coolamon will always be remembered for the unbelievable achievement of singlehandedly raising the funds to rebuild our IY Clinic. Aids is history in Hout Bay thanks to Coolamon's efforts. All that is needed now is continual education to the younger people to practice safe sex. All we as Hout Bay Rotarians did was to spend your money wisely, as best we could, to reorganise or revamp the old Clinic into the most functional Clinic in the Western Cape. Sister Carolus assures us they have the best functioning clinic in the Western Cape, thanks to the funding from Coolamon.

Best wishes from Lyn and myself plus all of Hout Bay Rotary
Butch

COOLAMON CLUB – Mount Kenya climb

We have just received notification from John Glassford that they have donated to our Club the sum of AUS\$ 12,790.00 following their ascent of Mount Kenya and the charity drive around it. This should amount to around R 120,000.00. Maybe more if the Rand keeps slipping!

This is just one of the reasons we raise our glasses to RC of Coolamon every Tuesday.
Thank you. Thank you.

G ' day

Welcome to all of our members new and not so new.

Please click on the link below for the July News Letter

[RAGES JULY NEWS](#)

Feel free to contact me via email at anytime and I will do my best to reply asap.

RAGES is getting busier day by day and we ask all of you to be patient with us and in due course we will have plenty of concrete work to do for endangered species.

Initially we are finding our way and making good plans.

Your ideas, plans and aspirations for this group will be very welcome.

You are also welcome to contribute to the monthly news and in due course we will have a discussion forum up and running.

Yours in Rotary
John Glassford

CATCH UP ON COOAMON'S NEWSLETTERS

Here is our bulletin for this week:

[Coolamon Weekly Bulletin #08](#)

Plenty of news and a question:

G ' day

Here is the weekly from Coolamon Rotary:

[Coolamon Weekly Bulletin #07](#)

Morning

Been a busy week for Rotary but the bulletin is done:

[Coolamon Rotary Bulletin #06](#)

G ' day

Plenty of information this week:

ASHLEY KAIMOWITZ – Youth Leader of the Month

As you know, we are linked with Nonceba and the Ashley Kaimowitz Award Scheme. This is through our association with Ashley as our sponsored exchange student to Japan, her dedication at the age of 16 to Nonceba, her production of a video of the crisis of raped and abused children at that time and the fulfilment of the building of a centre in her name in Kayelitsha. Killed by a drunk driver at the age of only 19 her dream lives on through her parents and the Board of the Nonceba organisation. Not least of all because of Don Peters who has always championed this cause and who is our Foundation member and really the “father” of our club.

If any of us have not visited Nonceba [and I hope that there are few] please contact Don to do so, and see what has been achieved. This is a magnificent building but what goes on behind the protective structure is what matters. The green grass and play centre are the tranquillity and protection encircling the counselling and crisis management.

Below is a link to a recent interview on Cape Town radio with Ashley’s father taking acceptance for Ashley being awarded “Youth Leader of the Month” [posthumously obviously]. Please have a listen and learn a lot more.

<https://soundcloud.com/primediabroadcasting/lead-sa-youth-hero-for-july-2015>

LITTLE ANGELS and GRCT [GARDEN ROUTE CHILDRENS’ TRUST]

As mentioned previously, Little Angels will be the subject of a separate newsletter dedicated to this project which is fast taking on a dimension of its own. I have already detailed some of the initiatives in place including Breadline Africa and Oceana for containers set up as classroom, toilet and kitchen respectively. Our own feeding scheme and other sources of income as well as the needs. I need also to mention the input of Totnes Devon RC for their donations and support as well as GRCT [Garden Route Children’s Trust] in the UK which has selected not only Little Angels but two other crèches in the district for help with E pap. These are Siyazama and Noluthando pre-schools which will benefit from the Epap program which GRCT operate. Liz Huckle, myself and Ria Gibb are working closely with this organisation and have taken delivery of the Epap required and paid for. I have yet to visit the Siyazama and Noluthando pre-schools but am planning to do so with Ria as soon as she is back from the UK.

I believe that the GRCT initiative comes through Keith Bull at Totnes Devon RC. Such great help and great work. To get the message across and to tap in to the people who really DO want to make a difference.

JOELLE SEARLE

Joelle has been working rather hard in my absence, notably heading up the drive for panties and socks for Little Angels. With Butch’s persistence a total of 148 undies and 63 pairs of socks were purchased and there is money left over. All this from a comment from Liezel Matthews made to me that many, if not most of the kids didn’t have undies which was distressing to them. As many of the clothes Bernadette had collected were for girls, some of the boys were wearing pink panties. Not good for the image whatever age you are! Then Randy [Liezel’s right hand lady] mentioned that socks were also absent for most of the little ones. She wasn’t expecting but just hoping that we might help. Well, there goes Butch and Joelle again. Off on another drive. Even our ADG Jackie James brought along packets of socks and panties at last Tuesday’s meeting. Word gets around! Joelle took the collection to Little Angels and the photos are below.

Not content with this, Joelle organised a Quiz night at the LookOut Deck last Wednesday in support of Little Angels. She raised R3,000 to go toward their feeding program. AND Joelle is putting together a recipe book [with our individual submissions] which we can all buy [and sell] to raise funds for Little Angels.

See, it can be done.

Joelle is also working with ABC to fix our leaking roof and deal with other issues. She really is a club champion.



Joelle delivering the sock and undies at Little Angels

CAN SOME OF US HELP?

Cape Town Marathon

Cape Town Marathon

Organisers of marshals - Newlands Club
Sunday 20th Sept early morning.

Locations for marshals yet to be advised but obviously in Cape Town central

We have 20 in the IY Champions Team going to marshal @ R80 per hour.

The Ikhaya bus will be used and cost will be deducted from payment to the marshals BUT the bus takes 15.

We will need 3 volunteer Rotarians to assist me please (a) in carrying the extra marshals from IY and to supervise sections of the route.

Time wise its pretty short.

This is not a big fund raiser for the Club but more a community participation as we will be giving the marshals their earnings.

Cheers

Don

Subject: Insert for Bay Breezes Message on website
Date: Wednesday, 26 August 2015 22:31:51 South Africa Standard Time
From: Patrick McLaughlin
To: Pres Peter Dutton
Category: BAY BREEZES (Project) 2

Dear Peter
Following received on our website

[Jim Fitzsimons](#) commented on [Welcome to Rotary Club of Hout Bay](#)

As from 24/06/2015, Rotary Club of Hout Bay re-elected past president Peter Dutton as its new President for the Rotary year ...

Dear Fellow Rotarians

My name is Jim Fitzsimons and I am President-Elect of Newtownabbey Rotary Club, which is on the outskirts of Belfast in Northern Ireland.

My wife, Diana and I are going on vacation to South Africa from the 5th to the 24th January, 2016 and our flights arrive and depart from Capetown. We will be hiring a car and are currently planning our itinerary. We would like to spend 3 or 4 days in Capetown, then spend up to a week touring the Garden Route and also spend some time in the Cape wine lands. We were wondering if any of you would have holiday accommodation in these areas which we could rent or do a swop with our holiday apartment (2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms) in the Algarve, Portugal or indeed with our home in Northern Ireland (5 bedrooms/3 bathrooms).

Any help or advice would be much appreciated. Kind Regards.

Jim Fitzsimons

[Approve](#) [Trash](#) | [Mark as Spam](#)

regards in Rotary

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WHEELCHAIR BUTCH STRIKES AGAIN

Sian Milborrow took delivery of a wheelchair on behalf of her maids father in Malawi. he is 70 years old and totally paralysed .she is going to pay the costs of transporting the chair to Malawi. Sian donated R400.00 to Rotary for the chair. Butch



Looking Backwards.

The other day the rear-view mirror dropped off our favourite older car. The search for its replacement gave an insight into how car manufactures, by and through design, change the shape of such things by model and by year to create a wonderful secondary market. They have also, at least in France, influenced the authorities to believe this is a good thing.

My supplier of such spares in rural Burgundy had over a hundred mirrors to match just the current models of the French, German, and Japanese etc etc. manufacturers. None of course paired up with mine. Even a version marked "Standard" failed to measure up.

"Perhaps it was the time to buy a new vehicle " was the proposal.

Ignoring this advice I bought the closest shape to mine, now it seemed obsolete, and with a mosaic cutting tool and super-clue fitted it in. Not beautiful but functional.

Proud of my effort I displayed this to the supplier who had sold it to me. Response

"Your car now does not conform to the manufacturers' specifications The police could stop you, they know about these things."

There must be well over a thousand different models of cars of various ages on the roads here. Only the French would believe that any traffic police officers would recognise or care that my 1992 model car has a slightly modified left-side rear-view mirror.

I look forward to any summons I may get and will post this on Bay Breezes.

Colin Sutherland
South Burgundy

Dear Rotary Clubs

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Wynberg, I like to invite your Rotary Club to take up a table at our #RotaryQuiz Night in aid of the literacy committees reading corners.

The Quiz will be held at Tango's Grill in Diep River on Thursday 17 September @ 19h00. The quiz is played in teams of 4-6 players .

The cost is R100 per person and includes a R60 Voucher to a meal off their menu.

We will also be asking for participants to bring reading books for grade R-3 or the Foundation phase of school.

We would like Rotarians to bring non-Rotarians as a way to socialise and share in Rotary.

Please book via replying to the email.

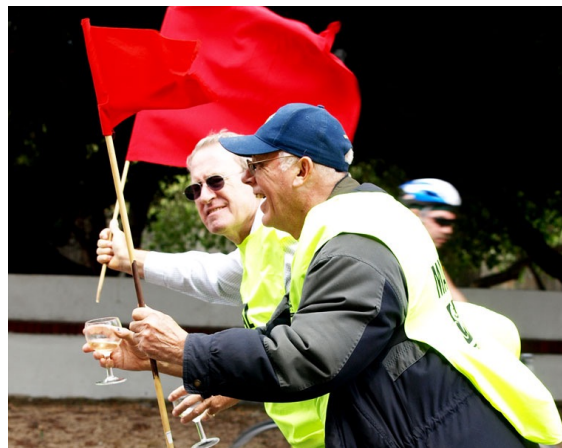
We have limited tables between 20 -24 teams.

Kind Regards

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Member of Rotary Club of Wynberg

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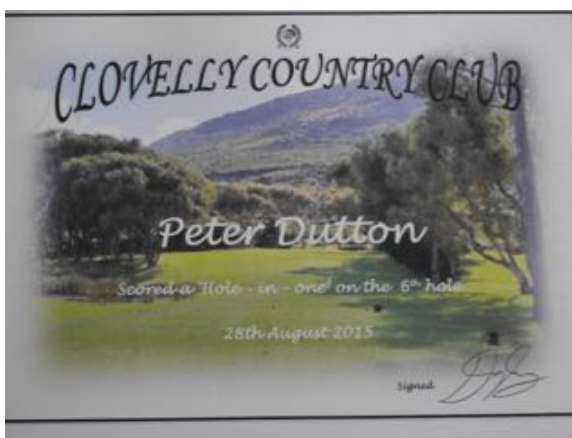
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Patrick and David. Beijing Athletics 2015 Rotary relay [failed]

HOLE IN ONE

Ok. So this is editorial licence but I have to announce that yours truly AKA Pres Peter scored a hole-in-one at Clovelly on Friday. Also note that this was not scored on the "easy" index 18 on the 11th but the index 9 on the 6th. The most difficult par 3 on the course. It did rather upset Butch and Mike [Gie] on the opposing team but I am sure that I will pay the price in the end.



NEWS FROM TOTNES ROTARY

Saturday 08 August saw the annual flotilla of 2,000+ numbered plastic ducks struggling down the River Dart with the anticipation of several hundred people anxious that their duck should win the R4,000 prize! Alison had spent the last few weeks planning and selling tickets along with other Totnes Rotarians. Dressing up in a man-sized duck costume always seems to help sell tickets!



As the ducks drifted downstream with the tide, many were becalmed in the reeds among the riverside, making it difficult for the boat tenders and their crew armed with fishing nets, to recover the wayward ducks!



Tragedy struck as one duck managed to streak ahead of all the rest, picking the centre current of the river – however, within 20 metres of the finish line it was attacked by two aggressive seagulls, turning it over. Luckily those creeping up the inside were becalmed around the abutments of the bridge, and justice was done! Crowds turned out for the event, with entertainment and refreshments provided at the finish line. The banks of the river were teeming with people on the hottest day of the year! Some R30,000 was raised for Rotary charities.



Chapman's Peak Drive Circ 1952

Thanks for your patience. Thank you to those who have contributed to this issue. I do very much depend upon your input to make a publication that we all look forward to reading. As I think this issue makes clear, we are a very vibrant club. We have some fantastic members and while we don't expect all to be at the coal face we do need to each contribute in his or her own way.