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## ROTARY CLUB OF NEWLANDS

“The club that appeals”



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## WEEKLY UPDATE

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**MEETINGS:** Western Province Cricket Club Sports Centre, Ave De Mist, Rondebosch, every Monday at 18h00 for 18h15 (Except for first Monday of the Month which is a Partner's Meeting, 18h30 for 19h00).

**ATTENDANCE:** Notice of apologies and guests and/or meal specifics to email Vanessa Rousseau at [rousseau@iafrica.com](mailto:rousseau@iafrica.com) and copy to Melinda Stapleton at [mjstapleton@webafrica.org.za](mailto:mjstapleton@webafrica.org.za) before 10h30 on Monday mornings please.

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### Comment

*The Editor*

### Humanitec Digital Showcase

Last month UCT Libraries launched Humanitec, a project that has involved the digitisation of more than 14 000 rare physical objects from fields as diverse as anatomy, botany, African studies and visual art.

The vast array of artefacts that have been converted to digital images and recordings ranges from early 20th century botanical drawings, to the rarest of handcrafted Southern African musical instruments, to architectural drawings of Cape vernacular architecture, to press clippings, newsletters, minutes and other documents that chart the rocky history of cultural resistance in the Western Cape – and much more.

There are 14 dedicated website homepages that have been developed to inspire popular interest in each collection and create an inviting point of access to the thousands of extraordinary objects that have been digitised.

Two of the collections that have been digitised comprise principally of sonic recordings. The first is a selection of rare audio recordings made by pioneering South African linguist Ernst Westphal, which brings several extinct and endangered African languages into public circulation again. The second is the Centre for Popular Memory's vast sonic archive – an extraordinary repository of over 3 000 oral history interviews, featuring first-person life histories, testimonies, memories and shared reflections in nine languages.

The Ian Ford archive showcases the architectural drawings of Ian Ford, a landscape architect with a deep understanding of the internal logics of Cape vernacular architecture. Ian was one of the first landscape architects to establish a private practice in Cape Town, and worked on some very important historic sites and heritage projects, including the gardens at Vergelegen, Groot Constantia, the Company's Garden, the Parliamentary Precinct and St George's Mall. He is probably best known for his subtle interventions into historic precincts – particularly the wine estates.

In another collection a collaborative project between UCT and Iziko Museums of South Africa, around 1 000 rock art records, relating to sites in the Western Cape, have been digitised. This collection consists of about 5 000 pages of notes, reports and summaries, 2 568 associated maps and 5 500 slides recording rock art images. These primary research records represent the results of tens of thousands of hours of fieldwork. They are literally irreplaceable, and give information on the location, content and condition of thousands of rock art sites. In many cases, they are the only record that we have of these sites, which would otherwise be lost to science.

The 14 collections that have been digitised so far are:

- [Human Anatomy](#)
- [Community Arts Project](#)
- [Bolus Herbarium](#) collection of botanical drawings by Mary Page and Beatrice Carter
- [CALDi/Westphal](#) holdings of rare audio recordings of endangered African languages
- [Centre for Popular Memory's](#) archive of oral history interviews and transcripts
- [Ian Ford archive](#) of architectural drawings
- [Independent Newspapers Cape Photographic Archive](#) of about 850 000 news photographs offering viewers an encyclopaedic visual history of the 20th century
- [Iziko Rock Art records](#)
- [Kirby Collection](#) of rare musical instruments
- Department of Botanical Sciences' Plant Conservation Unit's [collection of historical landscape photographs](#)
- [SALDRU/Datafirst](#) archive of data and documents of South Africa's first all-race countrywide household survey
- [Talbot Map Collection](#), a vast repository of printed maps that illustrate the terrain of the past
- [UCT School of Dance](#) archive
- [Zubeida Vallie](#) photographic archive.

To explore further, visit: [digitalcollections.lib.uct.ac.za/humanitec/index](http://digitalcollections.lib.uct.ac.za/humanitec/index).

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## Previous Meeting

**Minutes of the meeting on 7 September 2015**

**Scribe: Peter Ennis**

Sergeant Pieter van Aswegen opened the meeting and asked acting president Wybe to welcome the guests: Guest speaker Bulelwa Makalima-Ngewana and Janine de Fredericks, guest of Pieter van Aswegen; also John Stephenson, back after recovering from surgery.

The club observed a minute's silence in memory of Hein Schipper, long standing friend and Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Newlands, who passed away recently.

Ian Pursch did the 4 Way Test and Jenna Monk the Grace and Toast.

The wine raffle was won by Sybi Rousseau (partners) and Ian Pursch.

### Speaker

Corinne Hudson introduced guest speaker Bulelwa Makalima-Ngewana, CEO of the Cape Town Partnership; also a town planner, board member of a number of national and international bodies and an urban revivalist.

Bulelwa gave an informative talk about the Cape Town Partnership's role in the revitalisation of Cape Town's city centre, starting with an overview of the history of developments in the CBD since 1999. She gave some examples of the successes that have been achieved in making the city centre a safe, clean, connected and pedestrian-friendly downtown area and talked about the five major themes in the goal to help create positive change for Cape Town, now and in the future:

- A creative city,
- A resilient city,
- A city of opportunity,
- A liveable city, and
- A people's city.

Nora See thanked Bulelwa after some questions.

### Spots

Brian Pickup: The community Services Committee will meet next week

Ian Pursch: Reminder of the meeting for Cape Town Marathon Sector marshals and refreshment station managers on Wednesday at the Cullinan Hotel

Bill Holland:

The mooted system for mentoring new members is now in place

The logistics for handing out equipment for the Cape Town Marathon will be advised in due course

Look out for potential new members, especially with thought for a wider spread of professions and ages, for invitation to the membership evening on 19 October.

The Strategic Planning Committee will give feedback at the October business meeting.

### Induction

Acting President Wybe inducted Richard House who returns as member of Newlands Rotary.

**President's slot**

Wybe

Stressed the need for all members to be involved in the Cape Town Marathon, and  
Noted the birthday of Lynne Finlayson

**Close**

Sergeant Pieter collected a good haul of Happy Rands and closed the meeting

## Leaf Capital and Books for the World

Leaf Capital, a Cape Town based financial services company, distributed some books from Books for the World as part of their corporate social responsibility activities.

They combined the books with donations from employees at Leaf Capital and their associated companies and managed to deliver over 200 children's books to the Good Shepherd Educare Pre-school in Vrygrond. The pre-school has just over 50 children and the aim of the project was not just to donate the books but to start a library system so they also donated bookcases, library bags and put in place a library card system.

The books were extremely well received by the pre-school, teachers and pupils alike. Here are a couple of pictures.



From Tinus de Jongh

## Stirrer's Spoon

Johan Beukman

[Newlands Rotary Club Runner Calendar](#)

### FUTURE FIXTURES

#### Year Planner

Please advise the secretary promptly of any additions or changes

#### September 2015

Mon 14 Ordinary

Sun 20 Cape Town Marathon

Mon 21 Stop Hunger

Mon 28 Business

#### October 2015

Sat 3 Dragon Boats

Mon 5 Partners, Santa Shoebox packing

Wed 8 Rotary Family

-Fri 9 Health Days

Mon 12 Ordinary

Mon 19 Membership evening

Sat 24 Mini Conference, Worcester

Mon 26 Business

#### November 2015

Sun 29 Stellenbosch Fietstoer

## Happy Anniversary

17 September  
Heidi & Kevin Andersson

## Happy Birthday

16 September  
Lucian Pitt

15 September  
Johan Beukman

20 September  
Bill Holland

## UMPIRES AND SCORERS

DATE	14 September	21 September	28 September	5 October
MEETING	Ordinary	Ordinary	Business	Partners
SERGEANT	Rochelle Malherbe	Janey Ball	Garnet Carr	Michael Walwyn
4 WAY TEST/ OBJECT	Nora See	Regine le Roux	Heidi Andersson	Pieter van Aswegen
GRACE & TOAST	Graham Lowden	Jenna Monk	Corinne Hudson	Johan Beukman
ATTENDANCE	Tony van der Lith	Glynis Menné	Peter Henshilwood	Graham Finlayson
FELLOWSHIP	Wybe Meinesz	Brian Pickup	Richard Burnett	Shân Biesman-Simons
MINUTES	Vanessa Rousseau	Terry Lancaster	Graham Lowden	Daphne Lyell
COMMENT	Vanessa Rousseau	Jana Forrester	Paul Spiller	Lucian Pitt
THANK SPEAKER	Bill Holland			Mike Young
INTRO SPEAKER	Andy Ismay			Ian Pursch

### Invited GUEST SPEAKERS

14 Sep **Dr Nasief van der Schyff** – *Vic Hospital & Tramway FC*

5 Oct **Linda Scott** – *Brothers for All*

12 Oct **Sophie Woolley** – *Sophie's story*

If you cannot do your job on the day, please find someone who can do it instead of you, then contact the Sergeant on the day to update the roster. Please don't leave this until the Monday afternoon – let the Sergeant know in advance if you have not been able to arrange a swap. If you are going to be away for particular future meetings let Peter Ennis know.

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AT THAT**



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## **Books for the World**

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age from early education to High school**

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