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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.

### Comment

### The Editor

#### **Bizweni Skills Development Centre**

The Bizweni Centre provides education for disabled children ranging from the ages of 2 years old up to 18 years old. The school caters for all types of disabilities from severely disabled, where everything needs to be done for the child, to moderately disabled where the goal is to prepare the child for mainstream school.

Due to many factors there are adolescent children who remain at the centre as they are difficult to place elsewhere and are age inappropriate for a primarily early education centre. The majority of children coming to the centre are from disadvantaged communities who have no other facilities available to them in the area and would as a result have to stay at home if it were not for the centre. All this has motivated the expansion of the centre to incorporate a Skills Development Program for which the **Helderberg Rotary Club** started a project to raise funds and build a **Skills Development Centre**. Through the Rotary Club of Newlands Peninsula Beverages (**PenBev**) contributed funding of **R1.3m** towards the project.

The building is now nearing completion. Here on the next page is an update from **John Winship**:

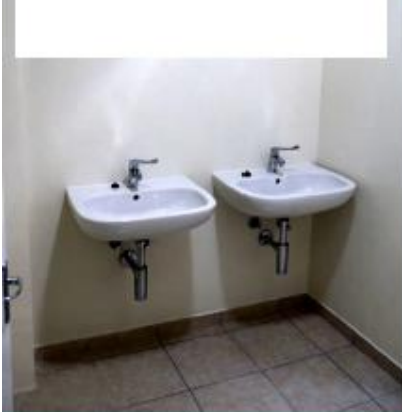
BIZWENI SKILLS CENTRE — JANUARY 2016



Final snagging underway



Finishes are to a high standard



Note new paving—fence still to be installed

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## Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting on 1 February 2016

Scribe: Graham Finlayson

**Graham Lowden** opened the meeting and requested **President Colin** to do the Welcome.

He duly proceeded to welcome **DG Geraldine on her official visit**, all the Members, their spouses, 'spices', and the Guests:

Marie Hardy – Rotarian from the club of Louvain La Neuve, Belgium

Her mother, Brigitte Hardy

Des Brown – Special guest of Richard Burnett

Rami Sayed – Ambassadorial Student

4 Way Test was recited Jenny I.

Grace and Toast to RI said by Chris B.

Stirrer's Spoon was handed by President Colin to Corinne for her efforts towards the Rotary Economic Conference coming soon

Wine Swindle was managed by Paul pushing all the 'right' buttons:

Partner's bottle won by Lyn vd Lith

Member's bottle won by Mike Young

**DG Geraldine** proceeded to deliver her address to the Club:

Thank you to the Club for inviting her to become a member and for all the support offered and provided during her time as DG. The wine on the tables was a token of this 'Thank You'.

Newlands is a special Club, one of the 3 top clubs in South Africa and is a role model for other clubs.

Congratulations to Jenny Howard for taking over the District Youth portfolio and thanks to Corrine for all her work in assisting with the Rotary Economic Conference and Regine who handles the District PR portfolio. Also, congrats to Ian for being the incoming DG, where he has all the skills required, albeit taking her to Upington via Namibia on a 'sightseeing tour'.

Rotarians in SA have tremendous leadership skills, but could also play a larger role in our communities as facilitators, considering the local demographics and socio-economics context. Clubs need to consult communities they wish to assist and not 'parachute' projects into the communities and then leave without further assistance. Clubs should partnership with the communities, moving away from 'projects of excellence' to developing 'communities of excellence'. It is a 'business unusual' model that we should be pursuing, by developing partnerships with communities and others working in those communities. It is about integrating through development and being a gift to the World through partners.

We have the potential and should work towards a long term future, developing our Early Act, Interact and Rotaract Clubs as part of the process of integration. Our Club stands tall and has an ethos to develop many more wonderful projects.

### ORDINARY SPOTS:

**Jenna:** Advised Rotary International Reward programme known as 'The One' has announced that Adri Marais, founder of Tsiba College, is 'one of the last four' contenders for the Award. She was nominated by LEAP who are associated with Tsiba. She will be flown to Hong Kong for the Award Ceremony.

**Jenny H:** Announced she has a bag full of little ‘ARK’ (Acts of Random Kindness) money boxes for collecting funds, on behalf of the Rotaract ‘ARK’ project. ARK is attempting to raise R100 000 between 05 Feb and 05 May 2016. Members are requested to collect one or more of the money boxes, have them filled with donations and handed back to Jenny, who will pass them onto the Rotaract Clubs. Chris Beech encouraged all to support this effort.

**Terry** gave updates on the Cycle Tour, as follows:

- Thanked all the RSM’s and SM’s who participated with the Route Drives
- There I a VOC & JOC Meeting on Wednesday
- There is a Route LOC Meeting for RSM’s, SM’s and Sponsors next Wednesday
- Manpower has been sourced for the Route, where the Sweep manpower is still to be resolved, so those not allocated will be shortly
- SM’s are requested to check their sector’s road conditions and report all defects at the soonest, so the City can repair them
- Bicycle repairs method of payment will be advised next week

**Ian:** has returned from the RI Briefing for incoming DG’s and advised that next year’s RI theme is “Rotary Serving Humanity”

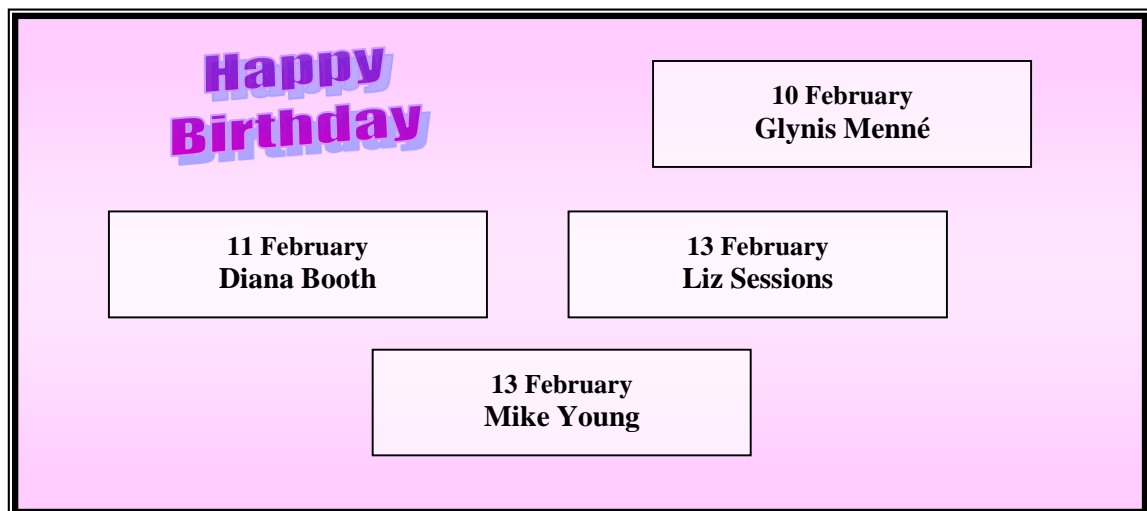
#### **PRESIDENT’S SLOT:**

President Colin

- Rotary guest Marie from Belgium exchanged banners with President Colin
- Held a Club Membership ‘demographic survey’ of those present
- Our Club is being raided by the Rotary Club of Good Hope next week
- Thanked Geraldine for her address and all those present
- Announced the Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### **SERGEANT’S SLOT**

Graham advised of next week’s duties and proceeded to attract a number of ‘Happy Rands’ from Members, and then closed the meeting.



## Stirrer's Spoon

Corinne Hudson

[Newlands Rotary Club Runner Calendar](#)

### FUTURE FIXTURES

#### Year Planner

Please advise the secretary promptly of any additions or changes

#### **February 2016**

Mon 8 Ordinary

Mon 15 Ordinary

Mon 22 Business

**Mon 29 Membership evening**

#### **March 2016**

**Sun 6 Cape Town Cycle Tour**

Mon 7 Partners

Mon 14 Ordinary

Mon 21 No meeting – Public Holiday

Mon 28 No meeting – Public Holiday

## Happy Anniversary

11 February  
Christine & Phil Calothi

14 February  
Mike & Sheila Walwyn

## The media...

**Poll says that 53% believe media often make mistakes**

her career prospects were dim. When she looked around the offices of the California Senate, the picture was bleak for women in government. Out of 40 women in the Senate, only two were female: Rose Ann Vuich, who became the first woman elected to the Senate in 1976, and Diane Watson, elected in 1978.



## UMPIRES AND SCORERS

DATE	8 February	15 February	22 February	29 February
MEETING	Ordinary	Ordinary	Business	Membership Evening
SERGEANT	Peter Henshilwood	Bill Holland	Pippa McLeod	Jenna Monk
4 WAY TEST/ OBJECT	John Stephenson	Eric Diazenza	Michael Walwyn	Rochelle Malherbe
GRACE & TOAST	Richard House	Pieter van Aswegen	Brian Pickup	Christine Calothi
ATTENDANCE	Tinus de Jongh	Corinne Hudson	Richard Burnett	Melinda Stapleton
FELLOWSHIP	Terry Lancaster	Garnet Carr	Regine le Roux	Graham Finlayson
MINUTES	Lucian Pitt	Mike Young	Wybe Meinesz	Andy Ismay
COMMENT	Heidi Andersson	Daphne Lyell	Tony van der Lith	Shân Biesman-Simons
THANK SPEAKER	Menno de Wet	Bill Meyer		
INTRO SPEAKER	Jenna Monk	Paul Spiller		

### Invited GUEST SPEAKERS

8 Feb **Lance Brown** – *The Driver of Change*

15 Feb **Marie Chevrier** – *Musiquelaine*

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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