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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 <u>rousseau@iafrica.com</u> and copy to Melinda Stapleton at <u>mjstapleton@webafrica.org.za</u> before 10h30 on Monday mornings please.

Comment

The Editor

Le Mans 2016: Cool Runnings in the South of France

As told by GREG MILLS



In Cool Runnings, the account of the Jamaican bobsleigh team, Sanka Coffie remarks, "All I'm saying, mon, is if we walk Jamaican, talk Jamaican, and is Jamaican, then we sure as hell better bobsled Jamaican."

With faux leopard skin jackets and the large cheetah emblazoned on the bonnet of our Ginetta G55 racecar to highlight Motorsport SA's anti-poaching cause, we, similarly, "talked African". And, largely, we were. Gathered in the paddock of the Paul Ricard race-track in the south of France on the weekend of 16-17 July 2016 were seventeen South Africans, two Kenyans, three Brits and a Dutchman making up Team Africa Le Mans.

The Jamaican analogy does not end there. What could a team made up of unpaid volunteers hope to achieve against the mega-budget professional European outfits in one of the toughest motorsport tests of all – a 24-hour Creventic endurance race?



Well, to find out, read the rest of the story here.



EarlyAct

One of our EarlyAct Clubs at Bishops Prep have been doing some great projects this year under the guidance of their very enthusiastic and committed teacher Sue Kieswetter.

Here are the EarlyActers with clothing they collected for The Haven, Leliebloem, Sir Lowry's Pass Village and others.



And here is a picture from a project where they collected bandanas to be made into quilts for Masi orphanage.

They also held a pup idols competition which raised R500 for the Guide Dog Association.



From Vanessa Rousseau

Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Business Meeting on 25 July 2016 Scribe: Janey Ball

Sergeant Henry opened the meeting handing over to President Chris for his welcome and the first Business Meeting of the new Rotary year. Jenny Ibbotson then passed on the spoon to Brian Pickup in recognition of his work for Rotary and consistent stirring.

Colin Burke then read the Objects of Rotary, Kenny van Aardt said Grace and made the toast and Paul Spiller swindled everyone except Heidi Andersson.

Corinne then reported on **Community Services** and plans to spend the R300k budget. Activities will include the Dragon Boat Race, One to One and Stop Hunger Now. We continue to support Sisters Incorporated's car insurance and it was noted that the organisation now has two vehicles. In regard to Books for the World, no more inappropriate books will be accepted and the budget assigned to the project will be used to purchase more suitable books. A number of suggestions were made from the floor. Buckets of Love will also be supported, along with Children's Book Network (CBN) Future You, the Vera School and Phelisa Amapandi. The budget allocated to all the above is R135k. Phase 1 of our ECD project, led by Mike Young, will take place in Langa and has a budget of R100k. Of the R65 'surplus', the President's Discretionary Fund (which replaces the President's Challenge) will be R35k and is available to any member to propose R5k grants. The Leopard Toad Project has already been approved for R5k and Richard Burnet's business will match this amount. R7k will be spent on CBN toolkits.

Andy Ismay reported on Entrepreneurship

The committee would like to support Pocket Money Markets by supporting the organisation's website renewal as well as providing banners and direction signs for use at mall campaigns.

Geraldine, Chris and Andy have met with Abe Oliver at FBC's Centre for Entrepreneurship to discuss the proposal to start a rapid incubation business support programme. Beneficiaries are new Small Business Owners who are focused on woodwork/furniture manufacture and metalwork. The intention of the program is to develop 30 small business owners and, over a two to three year period, to facilitate their business endeavours. Our program will commence once building at the Westlake campus is complete. Rotary's role will require funding of between one to five SMEs at R12k per SME. We have committed to also provide additional coaching and mentoring support, to facilitate business contact introductions, networking opportunities and specialist workshops.

Jenny Ibbotson reported on **Vocational & International Service**. We presently support four independent students and are awaiting first semester results. If they do well, the students will be considered for full bursaries for the 2017 academic year. We also receive reports from SAEP and from The Prison Care Support Network. We have four new bursary applications under consideration. An International Friendship Exchange is being run by District and Cape Town Rotary for a visit from Uganda and Tanzania. We will need three hosts for one day (3 October). Our guests wish to visit our projects and will also attend our *Stop Hunger Now* meeting.

Colin Burke, standing in for Melinda Stapleton, reported on **Club Services**. The committee includes Mike Walwyn (Master Sergeant), Mike Young (Speakers), Jenna Monk (Cheerleader and Chief Decorator) and Heidi Andersson(Banners). A Barnyard Theatre evening is planned

for 24 August along with a raid of Claremont on 30 August. (NB – There will be no Newlands meeting on the 29th). On 3 October, our Nelson Mandela Tribute will involve packing for Stop Hunger Now. Colin Burke, who is Entertainments Officer, will organise a Car Rally in summer and is considering Mystery Bus Tour closer to Christmas. While he intended a 'sop en dop' evening, too, finding a date is proving tricky. Apologies for non-attendance of meetings should again be sent to Melinda, cc Vanessa, *before* 10:30.

Vanessa reported on **Youth Services** and our involvement in Earlyact and Interact. We have active Earlyact Clubs (Bishops Prep and Grove Primary) and are starting two more at Sivuyela Primary and Blue Downs. Both schools were identified by Pinelands Rotary. We also have four Interact Clubs and two more starting. At Groote Schuur High School, a new teacher is coming on board and Reddam Tokai has grown substantially and learners are very involved. LEAP needs more support, especially with Eric being away and Heritage College, after some financial difficulties, recently amalgamated with Summit House. New clubs are starting in Khayelitsha and Certificates of Membership and badges will soon be handed out. An Interact training workshop will take place on 17 September and will include Peer and District Awards. The next RYLA Camp is from 29 Sep to 2 October and costs just under R2k per learner. Our Youth Evening is on Monday 26 September. This is an evening at which it is important to show our interest and support.

Menno, reporting on **Membership**, advised that we are now the biggest club in District. He also reported on possible 'redistricting' which, if this occurs, could see the end of District 9350 and formation of a new, combined District. We need to increase our District's Rotary membership by 250, to 1550, in order to avoid this situation. It was noted that the PE clubs which had planned to join our District are no longer doing so. Menno advised that the membership meeting on 8 August has been postponed but that he has 19 possible new members. His committee (Paul, Henry and Kenny) are working on bringing them on board. The committee will also look at the frequency of attendance of some members. Menno's goal of aiming for 70 Newlands members saw lengthy discussion and some differing opinions.

Peter Ennis **(Finance)** advised that accounts are going out soon. Meals have gone up to R95 and Rotary subs are increasing. Our Club's RI and District Dues for this half-year have already been paid.

Chris, in his **President's Slot**, slot thanked the Board members for their energetic effort and detailed reports. He noted that we don't yet have a final budget and expressed concern that we have, in recent years, been stagnant in the amounts we generate and thus donate. Colin is going to try to find another fundraising event and we are also discussing various Global Grants. President Chris urged members to pursue CSI funding partnerships.

Spots

Richard Burnett: The Wine Auction in Johannesburg is on 22 September, at the Balalaika Hotel. He is hoping to make R250k for NSRI Hartebeespoort Dam. Our Cape Town Wine Auction letters have gone out to 704 wineries, one third of which are in Stellenbosch. Please 'hold the date' (20 October) and help us meet the target of R400k for a vehicle at NSRI Simonstown.

Jenny Howard reported on Rotaract's District Conference held last weekend. It was very well attended and Sune Griesel from the Public Protector's Office was a Guest Speaker. Speaking at Conference, DG Ian also made a strong appeal to Rotaractors leaving the organisation to join Rotary. Jenny also reported that it has been agreed at Conference that the District Leadership Team (DLT) for Rotaract will have representatives from each Rotaract Club in District. She has

arranged with President Chris that the DLT send a representative to our Board meeting each month. Jenny also reported that Newlands received Rotaract's Random Kindness Campaign Award for our Yellow Ark support. A Rotary/Rotaract Partnership meeting will be held on Sat August 13th at Chez Gourmet.

Bill Holland reported on his recent time away which included visits to Grahamstown Rotary Club and a Rotary Rhino Ramble with Port Alfred Club. Bill also visited Knysna Rotary where he heard a very interesting talk by their president on various Bains' passes.

Christine reported that the Calothi's good friend and Rotarian Mike Tripp from Roggebaai had sadly passed away.

Mike Walwyn reported on the success of Rotary Peace Fellowships. 570 Districts are eligible to apply for the grants which are worth R30 to R40k each. We have put forward four candidates of exceptional quality and will learn the results in November.

Garnet has joined HikeFOR (the Hiking Fellowship of Rotarians) and encouraged other members to join.

In his closing slot, Chris Beech reminded members of Jana's Birthday on the 26th.

Sergeant Henry brought the meeting to a close by reminding members of their duties next week and gathering a number of Happy Rands.



UMPIRES AND SCORERS

DATE	1 August	8 August	15 August	22 August
MEETING	Partners	Ordinary	Fun Evening	Business
SERGEANT	Wybe Meinesz	Eric Diazenza	Anthony Galloway	John Stephenson
4 WAY TEST/ OBJECT	Daphne Lyell	Regine le Roux	Graham Finlayson	Menno de Wet
GRACE & TOAST	Jana Forrester	Andy Ismay	Jenna Monk	Colin Burke
ATTENDANCE	Jamie Hart	Shân Biesman- Simons	Rochelle Malherbe	Henry Campbell
FELLOWSHIP	Corinne Hudson	Pieter van Aswegen	Jenny Ibbotson	Mike Young
MINUTES	Glynis Menné	Vanessa Rousseau	Tony van der Lith	Lucian Pitt
COMMENT	Garnet Carr	Willie Wijenberg	Terry Lancaster	Nora See
THANK SPEAKER	Geraldine Nicol	Richard House		
INTRO SPEAKER	Richard Burnett	Bill Meyer		

Invited

- GUEST SPEAKERS
- 1 Aug Brad Bing Calypso Cricket
- 8 Aug Liesl van Rensburg Sport 67
- 30 Aug Antarctic Talk at Kelvin

If you cannot do your job on the day, <u>please</u> 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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