



"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.

ATTENDANCE: Notice of apologies and guests and/or meal specifics to email Melinda

Stapleton at mjstapleton@webafrica.org.za and copy to Bill Meyer at

meyport@iafrica.com before 10h30 on Monday mornings please.

## Comment

## Via Vanessa Rousseau

In recognition of the role of women in Rotary

# Here's What a Day Without Women Would Really Look Like

From Time.com

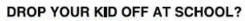
The organizers of the widely attended Women's March on Jan. 21 are following up the protest with a national "Day Without a Woman" demonstration on Wednesday in which women are encouraged to stay home from work.

While only a fraction of working women are likely to participate, it should come as no surprise that society couldn't function without all of them. To see what parts of our routines would be most disrupted, we chose a variety of occupations, regardless of the gender disparity, that a person is most likely to encounter on a day-to-day basis, then calculated what percentage of those jobs are held by women. Here's how a day might go if all women were to stay out of work

While plenty of occupations are overwhelmingly male, like roofers and mining machine operators, women make up a large percentage of the occupations with which many of us interact on a common basis. And that's not going to change. Women are now more likely to have a college degree than men, so the workforce will only become more dependent on them as time passes.



We examined American Community Survey records for the years 2013-2015, grouping responses by gender and the 2010 Census definitions of occupation. For activities that involve multiple professions, like seeing a doctor, the percentage is weighted by the number of total people in each individual job. Source: IPUMS-USA, University of Minnesota, www.ipums.org.





Looks like a day off. Women make up 84% of preschool and kindergarten teachers, elementary and middle school teachers, teacher assistants and special education teachers

#### **NEED TO CASH YOUR PAYCHECK?**



You might have to find a new bank. Women make up 85% of bank tellers

### CATCH THE BUS OR SUBWAY TO WORK?



Consider walking. Women make up 44% of bus and ambulance drivers and attendants and subway, streetcar, and other rail transportation workers

### **RUNNING LATE AND NEED A CAB?**



You should be able to hail one. Women make up 14% of taxi drivers and chauffeurs

### THAT DENTIST APPOINTMENT?



**Probably have to to cancel it.** Women make up **78%** of dentists, dental hygienists and dental assistants

### TAXES ARE DUE SOON



But you'll have to do them yourself. Women make up 63% of tax preparers



# **Previous Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting on 6 March 2017

**Scribe: Anthony Galloway** (ably assisted by Corinne Hudson)

Sergeant Lew Botha opened the meeting with considerable dignity, especially as he had no microphone and was operating from behind a bar stool. Nevertheless his presence was undeniably present, and he handed over the meeting to President Chris with admirable speed and gravitas.

President Chris duly welcomed all members and partners to the meeting.

Andy Ismay said the 4-way Test, followed by Pieter van Aswegen with the Grace and Toast, which included a widely praised mention of the all-conquering Bitzbokke 7's in Las Vegas. Next stop, Vancouver!

The Stirrers Spoon, currently held by Richard Burnett, will stay in his possession for at least another week as Richard was found to be MIA, i.e. absent from the meeting.

The Sergeant then called upon Paul Spiller to conduct the Wine Swindle. This turned out to be a lengthy affair, as first Paul congratulated himself warmly on providing not one, but two bottles of Wine "up for grabs". The scribe overheard someone stage-whisper "Give that Man a Bells!" but was unable to identify the honourable member. Paul then proceeded to make at least 18 (the scribe lost count, if the truth be told) draws for the partners' bottle, and with almost unbelievable consistency kept drawing the names of partners who were not there! It was eventually won by Martyn Webb. The Member's bottle was won, for the second week in a row, by a beaming Johan Beukman.

The Sergeant then, armed with a microphone and from behind the proper lectern which had by this time been restored to its customary position, requested Jana Forrester to introduce the Speaker, Tessa Oliver of the Kishugu Non-Profit Company, and her topic of Fynbosfire. Jana acquitted herself well, and Tessa was given control of the microphone, which she clearly enjoyed.

#### **Fynbosfire:**

Key points of Tessa's very interesting talk included:

- The fires we experience in the Cape are not unique to us. Similar fire patterns exist in similar areas around the world, notably Australia and California.
- They are caused by weather and climate change yes, all of you Trump supporters, Tessa confirmed that climate change is real!
- Weather patterns have become more variable, more extreme, and longer-lasting. Recent conditions in Aussie fires: temperatures of 48 degrees C!
- Fynbos needs fire to survive and thrive, but not too much.
- We need a shift from reactive methods to an Integrated Fire Management system.
- As part of the Fynbos Fire Project, many people have been trained, communities have set up their own "Fire Watch" structures along the lines of Neighbourhood Watches, and growing awareness is being achieved through full, ongoing, media campaigns.
- Remote weather stations have been set up, providing free information to central station at UCT.
- Different types of fynbos burn differently, a complicating factor.
- The AFIS (Advanced Fire Information System) updates every 15 minutes you can download this APP onto your cell phone.
- The proposal is to carry out Prescribed, or Ecological, Burns. In areas where they have done all they could to prevent fires, the fuel load build-up has been "insane", which leads to bigger, more destructive, fires.
- An Integrated Fire Management Handbook has been published, and has already received local as well as international interest and accolades.
- In response to the question "Are fires stared on purpose?", Tessa replied "Almost always not."

Menno de Wet thanked the speaker for a very interesting and informative talk, and gave her a gift from the club.

Sergeant Lew then declared dinner to be served and ordered a clockwise direction of tables to be served, much to the distress of the scribe whose table would be last "at the trough", as it were. However, apart from having to deal with some advanced hunger pains and a little emotional scarring, no lasting damage was done.

#### **Spots:**

- Terry spoke on final arrangements for the Cape Town Cycle Tour this Sunday. He thanked everyone for their help. We all thank you, Terry!
- Jenna Monk: expressed her fond farewells, and distributed delicious Lindt chocolates to all. Melinda then thanked Jenna for her wonderful contribution to the Club, which was followed by a standing ovation thoroughly deserved.

#### **President's Slot:**

President Chris announced that David Holtzhausen from the Rotary Club of Bellville has been confirmed as the successful candidate for DG in 2019.

He announced that all our visitors from Africa at the end of March have been accommodated. Well done to the Club, and thank you all.

He acknowledged upcoming birthdays, notably Garnet Carr's 70th this Friday.

Happy Rands: Many Happy Rands were collected in a saucer, due to the ongoing mystery of the missing "Begging Bowl".

Close: With appropriate authority and control, Sergeant Lew called the meeting to a close.

Next Meeting: Ordinary on Monday 13th March: War Stories from the CTCT!



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**Newlands Rotary ClubRunner Calendar** 

#### **FUTURE FIXTURES**

Year Planner

Please advise the secretary promptly of any additions or changes

### March 2017

Mon 13 Ordinary - War Stories

Mon 20 Ordinary

Mon 27 Business

#### **April 2017**

Mon 3 Partners - Vocational Evening

Mon 10 Ordinary

Mon 17 No meeting – Easter Monday

Mon 24 Business

**Happy Anniversary** 

18 March Geoff & Liz Sessions



18 March Willie Wijenberg 18 March Philomena Dillon

> 18 March Abe Oliver

# THE PEDENTS' RE-VOLT

Its not eazy being a pedent correcting others' mis-takes all daylong My freinds and me are totally sic of observing gramma witch has gone wrong.

"Whom are these language offenders"?, "could it be that I maybe one, to"
Their ignorant; stupid, and careless:
off gramma they have nt a clue.

They're speling is sutch an embarrasment its' amature, wired, and, abserd, comprized of neither thought or intelligance, to a dictionary they should of refered.

Writing down there awkwardly formed sentences, the participle clauses are left dangling. just made one less mistake each would have the affect to dramatically reduce this language mangling.

## **UMPIRES AND SCORERS**

| DATE                  | 13 March             | 20 March          | 27 March                | 3 April               |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| MEETING               | Ordinary             | Ordinary          | Business                | Vocational<br>Evening |
| SERGEANT              | Paul Spiller         | Christine Calothi | Nora See                | John Stephenson       |
| 4 WAY TEST/<br>OBJECT | Rochelle<br>Malherbe | Abe Oliver        | John Stephenson         | Tinus de Jongh        |
| GRACE & TOAST         | Graham Finlayson     | Bill Holland      | Richard House           | Lew Botha             |
| ATTENDANCE            | Johan Beukman        | Paul Spiller      | Richard Burnett         | Menno de Wet          |
| FELLOWSHIP            | Bill Meyer           | Geraldine Nicol   | Shân Biesman-<br>Simons | Brian Pickup          |
| MINUTES               | Jenny Howard         | Wybe Meinesz      | Peter<br>Henshilwood    | Heidi Andersson       |
| COMMENT               | Daphne Lyell         | Melinda Stapleton | Graham Lowden           | Tony van der Lith     |
| THANK SPEAKER         |                      | Pippa McLeod      |                         | Jenny Ibbotson        |
| INTRO SPEAKER         |                      | Henry Campbell    |                         |                       |

# Invited GUEST SPEAKERS

20 Mar Rob Erasmus – Wild fire forensics

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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