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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.

ATTENDANCE: Notice of apologies and guests and/or meal specifics to email Paul Spiller at dr.paul.spiller@gmail.com and copy to Bill Meyer at meyport@iafrica.com before 10h00 on Monday mornings please.

Comment

The Editor

Peter Pan in Perpetuity

1929 James Barrie donated all his revenues from Peter Pan to the Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children in London. After Barrie died in 1937, the copyright became a major source of revenue for the hospital. Normally in the United Kingdom a copyright lasts until 50 years after the author's death, so Peter Pan entered the public domain at the end of 1987.

It entered copyright protection again in 1995 under the EU “harmony” regulations, which extended copyright to 70 years after the author's death. That should have put Peter Pan back in the public domain in 2007.

But in 1988 the government had added a special amendment to the law governing intellectual property:

The provisions of Schedule 6 have effect for conferring on trustees for the benefit of the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, London, a right to a royalty in respect of the public performance, commercial publication, broadcasting or inclusion in a cable programme service of the play ‘Peter Pan’ by Sir James Matthew Barrie, or of any adaptation of that work, notwithstanding that copyright in the work expired on 31 December 1987.

So, uniquely, the boy who wouldn't grow up has a copyright that will never expire — under U.K. law, it extends perpetually from 1988 onward.

Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting on 15 January 2018

Scribe: Chris Beech

Sergeant Pippa McLeod called the meeting to order at 18h20.

President Graham welcomed all and in particular Mary Burton our guest speaker and her husband Geoff, Chuck Blazer, a visiting Rotarian from Jayhawk Breakfast club in Kansas USA and partners; Jenny, Avril, Jane and Stuart.

The 4-way test was read by Pieter van Aswegen. Grace and Toast was done by Jerome Eccles. Wine Swindle was won by Brian Pickup.

The wooden spoon was still with Richard House.

Inez Arendse introduced Mary Burton a former chairman of the Black Sash to give her presentation:

Mary introduced herself and gave a brief outline of the workings of the Black Sash from its inception in 1955 to its present-day format, highlighting many of the trials and tribulations both serious and light hearted that occurred in the organisation during her time as a member.

Mary arrived in SA in 1961 at the age of 21 and immediately began to involve herself in charity work, the first of which was the feeding scheme in the Cape Flats. She watched the deterioration of human rights under the apartheid government- the Rivonia Trial, group areas act, the withdrawal of teaching facilities to the majority of the population, pass laws, and decided to join the organisation (which had been formed in 1955 by a group of concerned women during a tea party).

In 1965 Mary decided to join the Black Sash to see what she could do to help the victims of Apartheid, a group which was mainly English-speaking due to the social pressure of Afrikaans speakers, especially in the rural areas.

Her first demonstration was in Kalk Bay where the Sash was highlighting the removal, by the government, of the fishermen who had spent all their lives fishing in the village. She light heartedly reflected on the competing demonstration across the road outside the bottle store by the well-oiled fisher folk.

Throughout the 60's and 70's being a member of the sash was a lonely business and Mary was concerned that what they were doing was nothing more than putting band aids onto problems, and said that it was only the friendships within the organisation that kept it going.

However, in 1977, following the death of Steve Biko, the organisation realised that a change in the group's consciousness needed to be made, as a result of the new wave politics which had manifested itself: and through the 1980's they became more militant in their approach, learning during this time of the impact they were making (when they were on the scene the violence from the police was reduced) and the politics of the country which was beginning to change for the better.

She reflected on the announcement made on the 2nd February 1990 when F W de Klerk announced the beginning of the end of Apartheid: they jumped for joy, and expressed concern about the time taken to bring democracy to fruition through Codesa and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission; but felt justifiably proud of the contribution they had made in advancing transformational justice. She was firmly of the belief that we still needed to make some effort to ensure restitution for the past.

The Sergeant asked the meeting for questions from the floor.

1. Jenny H: Were there any men in the Black Sash - Mary stated that initially it was a women's organisation only. They felt that to have members from people who were often the donors to the organisation would not be a good thing, however, the more progressive newer members finally prevailed and membership was opened to men with the caveat that they had no voting rights.
2. Mike W: Were you ever arrested – Mary said they were arrested a number of times, but initially tried to operate within the law. However, through the course of time they became more militant, and whilst they were treated reasonably to begin with this became more problematic the more militant they were: but never as badly as some of the public who protested on the streets.
3. Andy I: Does the Sash still have the advice bureaux- Mary explained that since 1958 they had had an office to advise women, mainly to assist with the repatriation of women to the homelands, which expanded substantially through time. After 1994 the Black Sash as an organisation ceased to exist other than as an advice bureaux and watchdog for things like SASSA grants – they successfully challenged the way these grants were being managed in the constitutional court.
4. Geraldine N: How are the Black Sash going to provide input in the future- Mary stated that this would be very low key.
5. President Graham: What is the future of the Black Sash- Mary stated that as there was no specific membership anymore and will only look at financial issues. Graham responded by expressing the hope that the Sash would continue to play a role in society going forward.

Belinda then thanked Mary for an enlightening talk and hoped that the organisation would keep up the good work it was doing.

Spots:

1. Vanessa R: We are looking at co-hosting a long-term exchange student from Germany for 3 months and asked the members of the club to consider a recommendation regarding someone to go to Germany. She also asked for ideas regarding where to put the incoming student with regard to employment.
2. Inez A: Could members of the Vocational committee stay behind for a meeting following the meeting.
3. Jenny H: gave a Cycle Tour update which happens on the 11th March 2018.
4. Pieter van Aswegen: Lots of old computers were needed from members.

Presidents Slot:

1. Graham swapped a banner with Chuck from Kansas who gave a brief outline of his 75-member club.
2. Confirmed with Jenny H the computer she had promised him.
3. Welcomed both Henry and John back to the club following their operations.

4. Requested members to utilise the social media in a responsible manner.
5. Thanked Mary Burton again for her inspirational courage in the Black Sash, but also thanked her partner Geoff for his sterling service through the years as well.
6. He wished Happy birthdays to Nora S for the 16th, Bill M for the 17th and Shan B on the 18th January. He also extended those wishes to Mary for her birthday on the 19th January.

Pippa closed the meeting by announcing the service duties for next week, thanked everyone for coming and spoke about trying not to complain for 21 days.

“Happy Rands” were taken and the meeting closed at 08h05.



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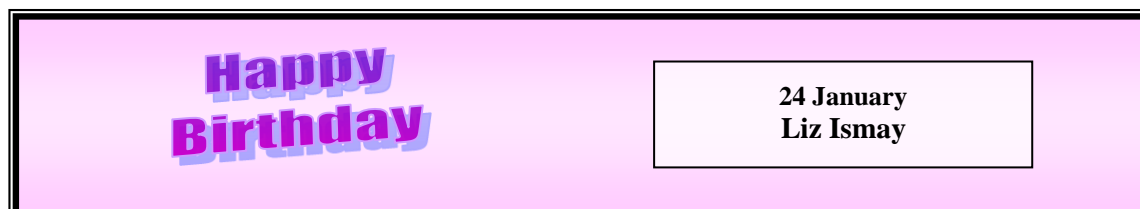
FUTURE FIXTURES
Year Planner

Please advise the secretary promptly of any additions or changes

January 2018
Mon 22 Ordinary
Mon 29 Business

February 2018
Mon 5 Partners
Mon 12 Ordinary
Mon 19 Ordinary
Mon 26 Business

March 2018
Sun 11 Cape Town Cycle Tour



UMPIRES AND SCORERS

DATE	22 January	29 January	5 February	12 February
MEETING	Ordinary	Business	Partners	Ordinary
SERGEANT	Geraldine Nicol	Richard House	Jana Forrester	Brian Pickup
4 WAY TEST/ OBJECT	Andrew Peile	Jenny Ibbotson	Garnet Carr	Tony van der Lith
GRACE & TOAST	Jerome Eckles	Johnny Hurwitz	Bill Holland	John Stephenson
ATTENDANCE	Vanessa Rousseau	Shelley Finch	Anthony Galloway	Wybe Meinesz
FELLOWSHIP	Bill Meyer	Shân Biesman-Simons	Andy Ismay	Pippa McLeod
MINUTES	Heidi Andersson	Terry Lancaster	Paul Spiller	Willie Wijenberg
COMMENT	Colin Burke	Graham Lowden	Rochelle Malherbe	Tinus de Jongh
THANK SPEAKER	Regine le Roux		Michael Walwyn	Christine Calothi
INTRO SPEAKER	Melinda Stapleton		Chris Beech	Jenny Howard

**Invited
GUEST SPEAKERS**

22 Jan **Dr Liana Roodt** – *Project Flamingo*

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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