



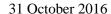
"The club that appeals"

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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 Melinda

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

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

Comment <u>The Editor</u>

SHELTERBOX PREPARES FOR MOSUL REFUGEES

From the RI Website by Maureen Vaught, Rotary News

The 17th of October marked the start of the battle to take control of Mosul back from the Islamic State group, also known as ISIS. The city is the group's last major stronghold in Iraq. But humanitarian aid agencies have known about the military offensive, giving them an unusual opportunity to prepare for the crisis.

"It is rare for the world to get early warning of a vast human catastrophe," says Chris Warham, chief executive of ShelterBox. "The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees issued a paper in July saying this would likely be the biggest humanitarian crisis of the year — and we better get prepared."

ShelterBox, Rotary's project partner for disaster relief, and ACTED, a French nongovernmental aid agency, have teams in the city of Irbil in Iraqi Kurdistan, 53 miles (85 km) east of Mosul. They have been working since July to get aid supplies ready so they can respond quickly as the battle unfolds.



"By tomorrow, 650 of the 3,000 tents that have been deployed to Irbil will arrive," says Warham. He estimates that, without the early notice, it would have taken ShelterBox at least two and a half weeks to gather these supplies.

Tens of thousands of people have already been displaced from Mosul and surrounding areas since March. The current round of fighting could last weeks or even months and is certain to raise that number, although it's unknown just how many people remain in Mosul and in which direction they might flee.

"Our aim is to get aid to displaced families as quickly as possible," says Rachel Harvey, operations coordinator at ShelterBox, who is in Irbil. "Giving people shelter and essential items such as a solar lamp, blankets, and a water carrier will allow them a degree of dignity and security to rest and recover."

Existing camps are already near or over capacity, so other possible sites are being readied. But Warham predicts that demand will almost certainly outpace supply, which could force many families to seek shelter outside managed camps in an inhospitable landscape during a season given to storms and below-freezing overnight temperatures.

ACTED and ShelterBox have partnered many times around the world. Most recently they worked together to help people in Haiti, where the deadly force of Hurricane Matthew caused a surge in cholera cases and left thousands homeless.

The Islamic State has controlled Mosul, the oil-rich capital of Nineveh province, since June 2014. Before the invasion, the city was Iraq's second-largest and one of its most diverse.

Follow ShelterBox on Twitter and Facebook for the latest updates.

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Previous Meeting

Unfortunately, the minutes of the last meeting have not arrived in time for publication.

Only for grammar pedants, here is an interesting article:

Singular or plural? It's complicated



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Newlands Rotary ClubRunner Calendar

FUTURE FIXTURES

Year Planner

Please advise the secretary promptly of any additions or changes

October 2016

Mon 31 Ordinary

November 2016

Mon 7 Partners

Mon 14 Ordinary

Mon 21 Bring & Braai?

Mon 28 Business & AGM

December 2016

Mon 5 No meeting, instead ...

Wed 7 Year-end function

Mon 12 Ordinary

No birthdays or anniversaries this

I think so, too...

People think aliens must be more smarter than us

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Most Americans believe there is life on other planets, and most of those who

National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The telephone survey of 935 adults asked, "Do you think there is intelligent life on other planets?"

UMPIRES AND SCORERS

| DATE | 31 October | 7 November | 14 November | 21 November |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| MEETING | Ordinary | Partners | Ordinary | Bring & Braai |
| SERGEANT | Lucian Pitt | Paul Spiller | John Winship | Graham Finlayson |
| 4 WAY TEST/ OBJECT | Heidi Andersson | Geraldine Nicol | Tony van der Lith | |
| GRACE & TOAST | Anthony Galloway | Daphne Lyell | Graham Lowden | |
| ATTENDANCE | Brian Pickup | Jenna Monk | Jenny Ibbotson | ТВА |
| FELLOWSHIP | Richard Burnett | Garnet Carr | Colin Burke | |
| MINUTES | Michael Walwyn | Pippa McLeod | Rochelle Malherbe | |
| COMMENT | Richard Burnett | Wybe Meinesz | Shân Biesman- Simons | |
| THANK SPEAKER | Jamie Hart | Henry Campbell | Vanessa Rousseau | |
| INTRO SPEAKER | Pieter van Aswegen | Jana Forrester | Andy Ismay | |

Invited GUEST SPEAKERS

31 Oct Robin Hammond -

The Phoenicians

7 Nov Terry Lancaster & co

 Behind the scenes running the Cycle Tour

14 Nov Marilie van der Walt

 Medicine, Magic and Malpractice: The Art of Healing in Ancient

Egypt

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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