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# The Rotary Zone 22 News | 2nd Quarter 2022/23

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## Editor's note

Dear Readers,

The editorial team is pleased to present to you this 2nd edition of the Zone 22 newsletter of the year. It is really awesome to see how many things are happening in our Zone and how in every corner, the Rotary family is involved.

Read it, share it and encourage all your club members to subscribe to our newsletter.

A <u>Zone 22 Facebook page</u> is in the making as well as a <u>website</u> with all the articles, in the newsletter, available in the blog, for easy sharing as well. We also, welcome stories from clubs and districts, so please, do not hesitate to contribute your latest success and make the blog your voice as we continue together to imagine the future of Rotary.

Dinesh Gajeelee, Newsletter Editor

# RI Zone 22 Director's Message to the Rotarians of Africa.



### It's a good time to reflect and to take stock of what we have achieved as ZONE 22, which embraces 54 countries of the African Continent broken down into 17 Rotary Districts.

To prepare for the start of our year of service as Zone 22, we conducted a highly successful Regional Teams Training Seminar, RTTS , in Johannesburg, South Africa. For the first time in 3 years, the RTTS was conducted, in person and brought together all the Regional Coordinators of the Zone in one place. Sadly, many of the Coordinators from Nigeria could not make it owing to Visa challenges.

#### Four major developments were achieved at the Johannesburg RTTS:

Firstly, the inperson meeting provided a platform for strong fellowship and a spirit of getting to know each other better by the Rotary leaders of Africa. Clearly, a process of bonding was generated.

Secondly, all the Regions succeeded in Setting challenging Goals in all the key areas of performance, namely; Membership Growth, Foundation Giving, Image, and Key Project Areas.

Thirdly, in the area of Membership, a number of new high level community leaders and people of influence, were inducted into Rotary during the RTTS.

Fourthly, at the end of the RTTS we all came away with renewed positive energy and enthusiasm to take Africa to the next level.

Unquestionably, the highlight activity during our first quarter of our year, was RI President Jennifer's maiden visit to the African continent. On August 23, RIP Jennifer accompanied by her dedicated husband, DG Nominee Nick Krayacich arrived in Zambia to begin the **Impact Tour** as part of her support for the enhanced fight against Malaria. Jennifer travelled through three provinces of Zambia meeting and working with front line soldiers against Malaria.

During her Zambian visit, President Jennifer held a one hour long meeting with the Head of State of Zambia President Hakainde Hichilema, at State House Lusaka.

From Zambia, President Jennifer moved on to Uganda where, among other engagements, she helped to raise US \$1.1 million for the Rotary Foundation.

From Uganda Jennifer travelled on to Abidjan, Cote deviour where she officiated at the highly successful Zone 22 Institute.

To conclude her African tour, President Jennifer moved to Accra Ghana, where she was not only received by the Ghanaian Head of State, President Nana Akufo-Addo, but was also crowned as a Traditional Leader along with her husband Nick.

There is no doubt that President Jennifer's African tour excited new energy across Africa. There is no doubt that Jennifer loved Africa and Africans, on the other hand, fell in love with her and her unique leadership style.

I expect to see a surge in membership growth and particularly among women prospects in the aftermath of the African tour.

Looking back over the last three months, quite clearly, the high point during the first quarter of this was the incredibly successful Abidjan Institute, held in September 2022.

Following my decision in January 2022, to relocate the Zone 22 Institute from Addis Ababa owing to security concerns, the Rotarians of Cote d'Ivoire in District 9101 only had 8 months in which to prepare to host this Institute. As it turned out, we achieved a record Institute attendance of 650 participants from across Africa and beyond, a rich programme content plus a highly memorable fellowship programme.

I cannot possibly sufficiently thank Institute Chair PDG Marie-Irène Richmond Ahoua and her amazing team of illustrious HOC members, for delivering such an unforgettable Institute.

Having said that, I would be remiss in my duty if I did not thank the Ivorian government for the robust support generously extended to our Institute.

Let us now match on together to achieve new victories as we move into our year of service.

Your partner in Service, **Patrick D Chisanga** RI Director Zones 21 and 22. July 2022.

# From the desk of TRF Trustee Geeta Manek



Dear Rotary members of Zone 22,

I bring you greetings from the Chair of The Rotary Foundation, Ian Risely, and all the wonderful Trustees.

For me, it is an honor to work with such a compassionate, caring, and visionary Board of Trustees.

I write to you all in the month of November as designated the Rotary Foundation month because I hope that you are as passionate about our Foundation as I am and that you all believe in the magic of the Rotary Foundation and the near miracles that it creates around the world...

#### Click here to read the message.

# Top news: Visit of RI President Jennifer Jones in Africa



The President of the Republic of Zambia, H.E. Hakainde Hichilema, was pinned as an Honorary Rotarian by Rotary International President Jennifer Jones during her courtesy call with her delegation at the State House, last August.

Click here to see the Facebook post from H.E. Hakainde Hichilema.

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September 11-13, 2022

# Rotary President Jennifer Jones visits Ghana



August 31-September 8, 2022

# Rotary President Jennifer Jones visits Uganda

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# Membership: Club Visioning

#### **By PDG Lee-Ann Shearing**

Imagine if you could find a proven process for successful long-term planning for your club?

A strong foundation, put into action, that could result in increased membership, amplified member engagement, improved recognition in your District, enhanced Foundation giving, with some fun thrown into the mix?



Read more...

# **The Rotary Foundation**



# A "Road Show" to promote major donor giving.

By PDG Jankees Sligcher, Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for Region 28

During The Rotary Foundation month, between the 2nd through the 5th of November 2022, a "Road Show to promote major donor giving", was organised...

#### Read more...

# The Polioplus situation in region 28 (Zone 22)

by PDG Stella Anyangwe, End Polio Now Coordinator (EPNC) Region 28

Poliomyelitis, or polio, is a communicable and potentially fatal disease that can strike people of any age, but mainly affects children under the age of five years.

# Read more about the situation in this part of Zone 22...



# **END POLIO NOW**

# FR - Célébration de la journée mondiale contre la poliomyélite dans la région 26 de la Zone 22

par PDG Dorothé Gounon, End Polio Now Coordinator (EPNC) Region 26

Découvrez les différentes actions réalisées dans le cadre de la célébration de la journée mondiale contre la poliomyélite dans les districts francophones de la région 26 de la Zone 22.

#### En savoir plus...

## In the news

# Rotary International and African Corporate Governance Network sign MoU to deepen working relationship

In an effort to grow membership in all our 17 Districts on the African Continent, Rotary International Director Patrick Chisanga signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the African Corporate Governance Network ((ACGN), a collaborative network of director membership organizations that promote effective corporate governance on the African continent.

ACGN works with its partners towards enhancing effective corporate governance

practices and building better private and public sector organizations and corporate citizens in Africa.

**<u>Click here to learn more about the MoU</u>** 







## Zone 22 hits the 100,000 bar at Rotary's Learning Center

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# November is The Rotary Foundation Month

Tell us what your Rotary Club has been doing in November to celebrate and focus on The Rotary Foundation?

Take the survey !

# 2022/2023: Dates to remember

23/02/2023: Rotary's anniversary

27-31 May 2023: Rotary International Convention, Melbourne, Australia

# " IMAGINE THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IN AFRICA "

Our Zone 22 theme for 2022 - 23

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