

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

Botswana, Eswatini, Mozambique and South Africa

AUGUST 2022



*Message from the District Governor:
Koekie Makunyane-Quashie*

*Mensagem Da Governadora Do Distrito:
Koekie Makunyane-Quashie*

Dear fellow Rotarians,

August is Membership and New Club Development Month, so I would particularly like to welcome all new Members into Rotary District 9400.

As we start our second month of our Rotary year, it is imperative that we refocus our approach to membership. We are all aware that "Membership" is the number one 'Internal' priority of Rotary International. Membership is the responsibility of every Rotarian in a club and our district as we're tasked to embrace RI President's call of "Each-one-bring-one, and keep-one".

The issue of membership has two basic challenges;

1. How do we get them to join us? (Recruitment)
2. How do we keep them from leaving through the back door? (Retention)

The theme for 2022-23 is:

IMAGINE ROTARY

The issue of recruitment is and always has been the "lifeblood" of any club. However, many times, we as Rotarians, make this process more difficult than it really is. It is just that simple, because each and every one of us has one friend, associate, business partner that we trust and could recommend to Rotary.

Our strategy has to reflect the changing times, attitudes and activities that are of interest to our membership. We have been given options (the tools in My Rotary) to have more flexibility in the way we run our clubs, as such, it has never been so easy and encouraging to be vibrant in our club activities. Off course in doing so, we have to be guided by our guiding principles and core values of:



2022/2023
DG Koekie
Makunyane-Quashie

Caros Companheiros Rotários,

Agosto é o Mês do Aumento de Sócios e Desenvolvimento de Novos Clubes, então gostaria de dar as boas-vindas a todos os novos sócios do Distrito do Rotary 9400.

Ao iniciarmos o nosso segundo mês do ano Rotário, é imperativo que reorientemos a nossa abordagem ao quadro associativo. Todos sabemos que o "quadro social" é a prioridade 'interna' número um do Rotary International. O quadro social é responsabilidade de todos os Rotários de um clube e distrito, pois temos a tarefa de aceitar o apelo da Presidente do RI de "cada um traz um e fica com um".

A questão do quadro social tem dois desafios básicos;

1. Como fazemos para que as pessoas se juntem a nós? (Recrutamento)
2. Como impedi-los de sair pela porta dos fundos? (Retenção)

O lema para 2022-23 é:

IMAGINE O ROTARY

A questão do recrutamento é e sempre foi a "força vital" de qualquer clube. No entanto, muitas vezes, nós, Rotários, tornamos esse processo mais difícil do que realmente é. É simples assim, porque cada um de nós tem um amigo, associado, parceiro de negócios em quem confia e pode recomendar ao Rotary.

A nossa estratégia deve reflectir a mudança dos tempos, atitudes e actividades que são de interesse dos nossos membros. Recebemos opções (as ferramentas no Meu Rotary) para termos maior flexibilidade na forma como administramos os nossos clubes, portanto, nunca foi tão fácil e encorajador ser vibrante nas nossas actividades de clube. Claro que ao fazê-lo, temos de ser guiados pelos nossos princípios orientadores e valores fundamentais de:

- Fellowship
- Integrity
- Diversity
- Leadership
- Service

The number of members in our clubs, retained and recruited, is an important measure of our strength in service, but so are funds we donate to fuel that strength and the number of projects and volunteer hours we render. We have to continue celebrating ourselves and our successes as people of action in “service above self”.



DG Koekie

We have to be able to “Tell Our Rotary Story”, says RI President, because, “Our brand is more than just the logo and the words that follow it. It is a symbol of trust ... of hope” (Zone Director Patrick Chisanga). It is the essence of who we are and what we do, therefore strengthening our clubs and membership will help us tell that story in a compelling way and attract like-minded people like ourselves to join.

CLUB VISITS

I began my visits on 15th August, starting with my own club – Rotary Club of Manzini, Eswatini, followed by RC Matsapha and then RC Malkerns, before hopping into neighbouring South Africa to visit RC New Dawn, Brits-Hartbeespoort and Rustenburg. The next leg took me to our third country, Botswana, to visit the Rotary Clubs of Selibe-Pikwe and Gaborone.

For all the clubs we have visited, thank You. Kobla and I appreciate your warm Rotary hospitality.

The most rewarding part of the job of being District Governor is meeting some old friends, making brand new ones and learning about all the fantastic service that is being carried out. I look forward to seeing in the near future the ‘small and struggling’ clubs re-gain their ‘pride’ in numbers. By the same breath, I congratulate them for the valuable service they continue to render and encourage them keep up that spirit of ‘ubuntu’.

The month however has also had its disappointing moments – in the request for closure by the Rotary Club of Midrand NXG. I thank the members for the ‘service above self’ they’ve rendered over the years and hope to see them back in the family of Rotary in due course.

As we celebrate our successes, let us remember that our primary customer is our members and more attention should be paid to their welfare. A happy family attracts. Jennifer Jones says, we are to adopt the “Comfort and care philosophy” to keep our members.

Till next month,

DG Koekie

- Companheirismo
- Integridade
- Diversidade
- Liderança
- Serviço

O número de sócios nos nossos clubes, retidos e recrutados, é uma medida importante da nossa força no serviço, mas também o são os fundos que doamos para alimentar essa força e o número de projectos e horas de voluntariado que prestamos. Temos que continuar a celebrar a nós mesmos e os nossos sucessos como pessoas de acção em “dar de si antes de pensar em si”.

Devemos ser capazes de “contar a nossa história Rotária”, diz a Presidente do RI, porque “A nossa marca é mais do que apenas o logotipo e as palavras que o seguem. É um símbolo de confiança ... de esperança.” (Director de Zona Patrick Chisanga). É a essência de quem somos e do que fazemos, portanto, fortalecer os nossos clubes e associados nos ajudará a contar essa história de maneira convincente e atrair pessoas de mentalidade semelhante como nós para se juntarem.

VISITAS A CLUBE

Comecei as minhas visitas a 15 de Agosto, começando com o meu próprio clube – Rotary Club de Manzini, Eswatini, seguido por RC Matsapha e depois RC Malkerns, antes de embarcar para a vizinha África do Sul e visitar RC New Dawn, Brits-Hartbeespoort e Rustenburg. A próxima etapa me levou ao nosso terceiro país, Botswana, para visitar os Rotary Clubs de Selibe-Pikwe e Gaborone.

Para todos os clubes que visitamos, obrigado. Kobla e eu agradecemos a vossa calorosa hospitalidade Rotária.

A parte mais gratificante do trabalho como Governadora de Distrito é encontrar alguns velhos amigos, fazer novos amigos e aprender sobre todo o serviço fantástico que está a ser realizado. Estou ansiosa para ver, num futuro próximo, os clubes ‘pequenos e com dificuldades’ recuperarem o seu ‘orgulho’ em números. Ao mesmo tempo, eu os parablenizo pelo valioso serviço que continuam a prestar e os encorajo a manter esse espírito de ‘ubuntu’.

O mês, no entanto, também teve seus momentos decepcionantes – no pedido de encerramento do Rotary Club de Midrand NXG. Agradeço aos associados por “dar de si antes de pensar em si” que prestaram ao longo dos anos e espero vê-los de volta à família Rotária oportunamente.

Ao comemorarmos os nossos sucessos, lembremo-nos de que o nosso principal cliente são os nossos membros e mais atenção deve ser dada ao seu bem-estar. Uma família feliz atrai. Jennifer Jones diz que devemos adoptar a “filosofia de conforto e cuidado” para manter nossos membros.

Até ao próximo mês,

DG Koekie

SEPTEMBER is ROTARY BASIC EDUCATION and LITERACY MONTH

SEPTEMBER is basic education and literacy month. Rotary supports activities and training to improve education for all children and literacy for children and adults.

The Rotary Foundation enables Rotarians to ensure that all people have sustainable access to basic education and literacy by:

- ✚ Involving the community to support programs that strengthen the capacity of communities to provide basic education and literacy to all;
- ✚ Increasing adult literacy in communities;
- ✚ Working to reduce gender disparity in education;
- ✚ Supporting studies for career-minded professionals related to basic education and literacy.



Worldwide, 67 million children have no access to education, and more than 775 million people over the age of 15 are illiterate. Rotarians support educational projects that provide technology, teacher training, vocational training teams, student meal programs, and low-cost textbooks to communities.

We know that basic education and literacy are essential for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace. Rotary clubs all over the world are taking action to enhance basic education and literacy in their communities. Every community has different needs and different opportunities to serve. The publication [Basic Education and Literacy Project Strategies](#) helps you ask the right questions, identify real needs, and make the greatest possible impact with the time, energy, and resources you have at your disposal.



2024-25 Rotary International President Stephanie A. Urchick

Stephanie A. Urchick, of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, USA, will be the second woman to hold the position of President of Rotary International. She will be declared the president-nominee for 2024-25 on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested.

With the world facing incredible challenges, including the COVID-19 pandemic, disasters driven by climate change, and conflict in many regions, Urchick says Rotary's leaders can offer a vision and a plan for overcoming these challenges.

"Measures taken by Rotary leadership to survive and end critical challenges often make our organization stronger and more resilient for future events," Urchick says. "This kind of essential leadership also creates new levels of cooperation, even among rivals, when Rotarians pull together as people of action to serve and solve a crisis.

"Making regionalization a priority is crucial," says Urchick. "Because Rotary operates in more than 200 countries and regions, it is vital to recognize that the organization has the potential to become more efficient and effective by understanding and reacting to how regional differences affect the way Rotarians work together to address providing service, promoting integrity, and advancing world understanding, goodwill, and peace," Urchick says.

Urchick is partner and chief operating officer of Doctors at Work LLC, a consulting and training company. She holds a doctorate in leadership studies from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She is active on numerous community boards and committees.

A Rotary member since 1991, Urchick has served Rotary in many roles, including as a director, Foundation trustee, and chair of the RI Strategic Planning Committee and TRF's Centennial Celebration Committee and currently the Election Review Committee and the Operations Review Committee. She is a Rotary Foundation Major Donor and a member of the Bequest Society.



Educated or "Just Schooled"?

"One of the greatest problems of our time is that many are schooled but few are educated."

– Thomas Moore (1779 – 1852)

Who was Thomas Moore? He was an [Irish](#) poet, singer, songwriter, and entertainer.

*You know, like **Paul David Hewson**. Who is Paul David Hewson?
He is better known by his stage name: **Bono**.*

In the spirit of full disclosure, I have been teaching for over forty-five years. I specialised in teaching children with special needs – specifically youngsters dealing with Dyslexia even before many educators believed that it existed. I have written three elementary mathematics textbooks. I was the principal of a private academy for five years prior to coming to Africa.

For the past 37 years I have been training church, business and community leaders in Africa. I am currently the chairman of the Luanshya District Education board and the training chairman of a Vocational Training Centre in Zambia. I am a trainer by vocation and by choice and I love it! It has also been my privilege to train Rotary leaders at both club and district level for over 20 years to prepare them to lead with integrity and passion.

When it comes to the difference between "schooling" and "education" I have some very strong opinions.

There is a thin line between education and schooling. Schooling is an organised process of teaching and learning which takes place in a four-walled room called school. If properly executed, this process is supposed to evolve into education.

In principle, schooling ensures that pupils are equipped with knowledge of facts, figures or certain physical skills. If learned, these are potential tools in the hands of the possessor. However, often times, the supposed learners do not properly learn these things. Schooling becomes mechanical, methodical and monotonous.

On the other side of the spectrum, education can happen anywhere and anytime. It is broader and deeper than schooling because it is *change-based*. It is all about application and problem-solving. If what schooling offers cannot be applied to solve societal problems, then, education has not taken place. If what schooling offers cannot instigate change in personal or group behaviour, then education has not occurred.

Years ago, at L' Abri Fellowship in Switzerland, Francis Schaeffer said, "Don't let your children's schooling get in the way of their education."

Basic education is an evolving program of instruction that is intended to provide students with the opportunity to **become responsible and respectful global citizens**, to contribute to their economic well-being and that of their families and communities, to explore and understand different perspectives, and to enjoy productive and satisfying lives.

Education is the acquisition of knowledge, values, and skills that are conducive to a *satisfying and meaningful life*.

The state of Washington, USA, set these goals of each school district, with the involvement of parents and community members to provide opportunities for every student to develop the knowledge and skills essential to:

- (1) **Read** with comprehension, write effectively, and communicate successfully in a variety of ways and settings and with a variety of audiences;
- (2) **Know** and apply the core concepts and principles of mathematics; social, physical, and life sciences; civics and history, including different cultures and participation in representative government; geography; arts; and health and fitness;
- (3) **Think** analytically, logically, and creatively, and to integrate technology literacy and fluency as well as different experiences and knowledge to form reasoned judgments and solve problems; and
- (4) **Understand** the importance of work and finance and how performance, effort, and decisions directly affect future career and educational opportunities.

"Schooling" might teach someone how to make a living, but education teaches people how to live! So ... we look at our "Basic Education" projects, let us keep in mind that we want our children to be educated ... Not just schooled.

SEPTEMBER is basic education and literacy month. If you are interested in having a real impact with Basic Education, contact [PDG Shirley Downie](#), The Rotary Foundation Major Gifts Advisor for Basic Education and Literacy.

By [Patrick Coleman](#)





2021-22 Rotary year in review

Focus on the impact of Rotary

The Rotary Foundation

Every year, an ambitious fundraising goal is set for The Rotary Foundation. We've exceeded our targets for the past several years, and we expect 2021-22 to be no different. Rotary International hopes to raise US\$410 million this year, and as of 30 April, the Foundation stood at US\$350.2 million. Our goal is within reach.

The Foundation achieved other fundraising milestones this year. In October, donors contributed close to US\$750,000 for **World Polio Day**. A month later, we raised nearly US\$1.2 million on **Giving Tuesday** — a Rotary record! Some of our most engaged clubs were in Taiwan, Singapore, the United States, the Bahamas, and India.

An increasing number of members are also using **Raise for Rotary** to create online fundraisers for the Foundation. This year, more than 1,359 pages have raised US\$895,700. **Raise for Rotary** now supports the Australian, Canadian, and U.S. currencies, with more to come. We are encouraged by its success.



John Hewko, General Secretary and Chief Executive Officer of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation

Rotaract

From this year, Rotaract clubs as a distinct membership type, positioning Rotary for a future that's innovative and adaptable. Rotaract clubs can now track their own membership leads that come from [Rotary.org/join](https://rotary.org/join) and report an expanded list of club officers to Rotary. This gives them access to the information and tools they need to support their members and activities.

Starting in 2022-23, Rotaract clubs can be one of the sponsors of a global grant and can receive district grant funds. Rotaractors will also begin paying Rotary International membership dues. This funding will help Rotary support and strengthen Rotaract clubs. Members of Rotaract can also now be appointed to district committees. And Rotaractors can be nominated for more Rotary awards such as the Service Above Self Award.

The number of people expressing interest in Rotary also grew. As of 30 April, we received 16,345 membership inquiries via My Rotary this Rotary year, an increase of 27% over fiscal year 2021. We attribute this partly to making the site more functional, increasing our communications with district and club leaders, introducing a better mobile experience, and allowing members to refer people to their own clubs.



Rotary Peace fellows

Learning, advocacy, and service are all part of Rotary's DNA. Together, they lay the foundation for long-term, sustainable change for the 130 **Rotary Peace fellows** — 80 working toward professional development certificates and 50 toward master's degrees — began their studies in the past year at our seven Rotary Peace Centres. They spend one to two years learning about peace and development issues and use their expertise to become leaders at institutions that support peace in their communities and around the globe.

Programs of Scale

Rotary's [Programs of Scale grant](#) supports the expansion of a well-developed and successful service project into a wider-ranging program that can make an even bigger impact for more people. [Partners for a Malaria-Free Zambia](#) was the first program to receive the grant, seeking to reduce malaria by 90% in two highly affected provinces of Zambia.

Since 2021, the program has trained, equipped, and deployed more than 1,300 of a planned 2,500 new community health workers. This influx of health professionals has already led to more cases being quickly diagnosed and treated. As local awareness of Rotary's impact has increased, so has interest in joining our efforts. At the beginning of the new Rotary year, Nigeria was announced as the second recipient of a Rotary's Programs of Scale grant for a maternal child health programme.

GOING BEYOND the club experience



Although it's important for Rotary to add members, it's equally important that we give people reasons to stay. Our surveys show that members remain in Rotary because of the friendships they make and the opportunities to serve. Through its Fellowships and Action Groups, Rotary offers many programs where members can meet new people and volunteer outside of their clubs.

FELLOWSHIPS

Through more than 90 *Rotary Fellowships* in over 150 countries, members can be part of communities built around shared professions, identities, and hobbies. Eight new fellowships formed in the past year:

- Camping
- Entrepreneurs
- Friends of Alsace
- Kites
- Military Veterans
- Pickleball Players
- Urban Gardening
- Vintage Collectables

ACTION GROUPS

Rotary members and friends in more than 150 countries also put their interests and expertise to use with our 27 *Rotary Action Groups*, such as

- [Food Plant Solutions Rotary Action Group](#) or
- [Rotary Action Group for Diabetes.](#)

This year, more than 500 Rotaractors, 4,800 non-members, and 30,000 Rotary members supported more than 2,400 projects through action groups.

ROTARY COMMUNITY CORPS

Non-members who share our commitment to service and want to make a difference can also be part of a *Rotary Community Corps* (RCC). There are 12,000 RCCs around the world, including the nearly 500 chartered this year. Created by members of the Rotary Clubs to bring people together, it helps those families who face economic hardship and isolation.

168,460

New members joined
Rotary

1,708

Clubs were chartered
during the Rotary year

Compulsory Training 2022/23 Rotary Foundation

Rotary  PEOPLE OF ACTION



For your club to qualify for a District or Global Grant, the following is compulsory:

- Two club members attend both the Foundation Overview and Grant Seminar (One of the attendees to be either the President, Secretary or Foundation Officer)
- A signatory to any Grant (District or Global) has attended both compulsory sessions

All these compulsory sessions are 2 hours long and scheduled to be on a Saturday.

10 September - Grant Seminar - Global Grants, District Grants, Stewardship

8 October - Foundation Overview - History, growth, integrity; Projects and their scope; Funding and Funds; Giving and how to give; Recognition. Repeat of 13 August

22 October - Grant Seminar - Repeat of 10 September

ANN'S MESSAGE

FROM DGA CHRISTINA

Dear DGARs and Rotary Anns of D9400,

As we approach the end of the first month of the new Rotary year, it seems appropriate to send a short message to update you on where we are. While we haven't exactly hit the ground running, we are getting there and foremost in my mind and priorities is visiting as many Ann Clubs as possible during my year, including those further afield.



DGA Christina Forsyth-Thompson (left) with Rotary Anns of Rosebank. President Shirley Eustace, Secretary Hilary and Treasurer Margie.

It has been very special for me to renew old friendships and begin forging new ones. The District Year Planner, including DG visits has been circulated. Unfortunately, I will be away in the UK during August until 2 September, when a number of DG visits include Ann Clubs but hopefully, I will be able to schedule alternative dates to visit them.

DG Koekie's invitation for me to be her Rotary Ann is very special, both from her as a friend and for giving me the opportunity to again serve an amazing group of selfless women, who continue to give so much of their hearts, time and resources to Those Less Fortunate.

It is indeed an honour to be DGA again and I look forward to being part of the **IMAGINE ROTARY** year as we **IMAGINE EMPOWERING GIRLS**.

This does not preclude boys of course, who need to respect and show politeness towards women. I'm looking forward to hearing about your Girl Empowerment Projects, whether they be the continuation of existing efforts or new ventures. An empowered girl becomes a powerful woman!

Wishing you well for the coming year.

Yours in Rotary,

DGA Christina

DGA Christina Forsyth-Thompson 2022/23

ROTARY ANNS OF BENONI AURORA

... .. had their **SHOW US YOUR CANS** drive. So far, they have collected more than 4 900 cans. Cash donations will hopefully be past the R 6 700 mark.



ROTARY ANNS OF KRUGERSDORP

... .. delivered beanies and hotdogs to *Ikusasa Boys Shelter* as well as blankies, beanies, gloves and dude dolls to *Polokego Place of Safety* for abused women and babies. The Krugersdorp Anns also donated items to *Villa Gloria Squatter Camp*.



Join the Virtual Africa Peace Concert



You are invited to the second Virtual Africa Peace Concert on **Friday, September 2, 2022**, from 18h00 (EAT), where RI President Jennifer Jones will be the Guest of Honour.

Contribute to The Rotary Foundation

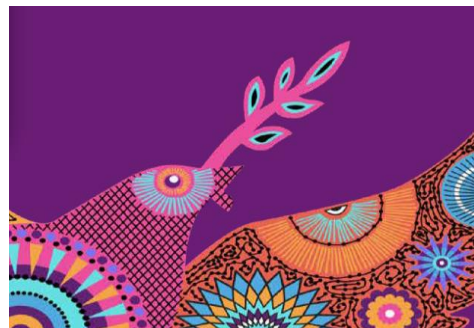
With a minimum of US\$100 you can attend the Africa Peace Concert & contribute to the Rotary Foundation.

Your contribution will be tagged to your individual giving to the Rotary Foundation.

The top three clubs will be recognized by the Rotary International President.

Go to www.rotary.org/donate

Select Endowment and then click Peace Centres and follow steps to complete payment.



The main objective of the concert is to raise funds to support the Rotary Africa Peace Fund. The participation fee is a minimum of US\$100 which will be credited to your individual TRF giving towards Rotary Peace Centres.

Rotary creates environments of Peace. As a humanitarian organization, peace is a cornerstone of our mission. We believe when people work to create peace in their communities, that change can have a global effect.

We look forward to your participation to discover and enjoy the rich African Culture, at the same time contributing to raise funds to support Peace Promotion and Conflict Prevention.

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Youth officers also invited to attend September RYLA



The Rotary Club of Brits-Hartbeespoort will be hosting the next Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) camp in Region 9 from 12h00 on Friday 23 to 13h00 on Sunday 25 September.

Youth officers are invited to join the Harties RYLA at Camp Extreme Life@DIE HOEKIE in Hartbeespoort.

DEADLINE - 16 SEPTEMBER 2022

All the youth associated with your club should attend.

- All exchange students (both inbound and outbound) are welcome to attend at the cost of their D9400 Rotary Club (not compulsory).
- Interactors and Rotaractors.
- Secondary school students (Leaders should be identified).
- Young leaders in your community (Perfect opportunity to develop new members & promote Rotary as a vibrant organisation to belong to.)



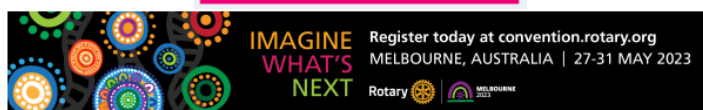
Get ready to Imagine What's Next with Rotary!

Rotary members like you are taking action and creating meaningful change in communities worldwide.

At past conventions, you've seen what we can accomplish when we come together and share our passion for Doing Good in the World. We're excited to keep the momentum going in 2023. **Join us in the beautiful city of Melbourne, Australia, 27-31 May** to connect with other people of action. We'll hear from great speakers, enjoy fantastic entertainment, take part in inspirational breakout sessions, and so much more.

Register now to receive reduced rate that expires on 15 December.

Register Today



End Polio Now

IPDG Stella Anyangwe and Rtn Carl Anyangwe visited RC The Wrekin, D1210 in Telford, UK on Thursday 11 August 2021.

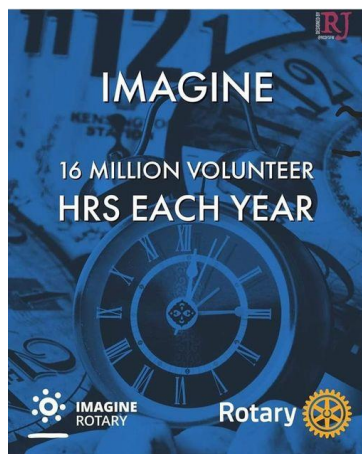


As End Polio Now Coordinator of Rotary International Region 28, Zone 22, Stella gave a talk encouraging Rotarians to donate towards ending polio. The last case of wild polio contracted in the United Kingdom was in 1984, and the country was declared polio-free in 2003, but the virus still circulates in some parts of the world.

The club is more than 40 years old and President Joy Francis, is the first female president of the club.

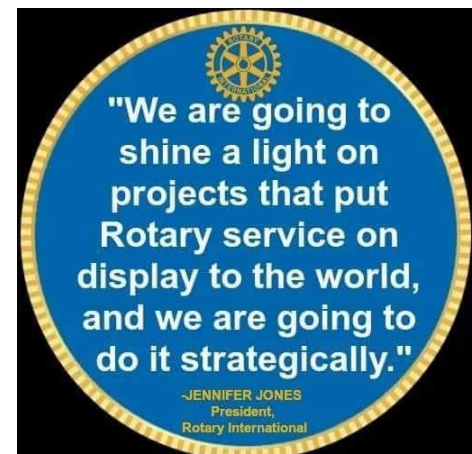


IPDG Stella and Carl Anyangwe with Joy Francis of RC The Wrekin, D1210



Rotary Year 2022-2023

Has your club set its **GOALS** yet?



JOINT SERVICE WEEK COMING UP



Rotary International's joint service week with Kiwanis International, Lions Clubs International, and Optimist International was so successful last year, we're doing it again!

During the week of **11-17 September**, we're encouraging Rotary and Rotaract clubs to partner with local Kiwanis, Lions, and Optimist clubs on a service project that will have a long-term impact in your community. (Use the club finder tools to locate [Kiwanis](#), [Lions](#), and [Optimist](#) clubs near you.) To get started, work with a local social service organization or with local government officials to learn what your community needs and how you can plan the most effective project.

Tell your neighbours — and us — about your joint service project by sending out a news release, posting on social media with #CelebrateCommunity, and adding the project to [Rotary Showcase](#).

We can do more when we work together. Let's harness the collective power of our four organizations' 3.4 million members and Celebrate Community together.



New award recognizes members for advancing women in Rotary

The Sylvia Whitlock Leadership Award honours one Rotary member each year for their work to advance women in Rotary. The award is named for Sylvia Whitlock, the first woman to serve as a Rotary club president. Whitlock has gone on to lead change for women around the world through Rotary.



In 2021, the RI Board made this award, which was created by group of Rotarians in 2017, an official RI award. Beginning this year, any member can [nominate another member](#) during the **1 August-30 September** nomination period.

Do you know a member of any gender who is doing great work to advance women in Rotary? Now is the time to recognize them for their contributions.

Recognize people of action with Rotary service awards

Does your club or district have members who have demonstrated a particular commitment to service?

Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation have a number of awards to recognize members, non-members, alumni, and clubs for their work.



The updated [Rotary Service Awards resource](#) provides information about eligibility, deadlines, and the nomination process.

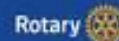
Recognizing the work of people in your district is a great way to engage members as well as non-members. For general information about awards, go to Rotary.org/awards.

GREAT NEWS! WE ARE EXCHANGING AGAIN!

It has been a difficult two years for the Youth Exchange programme during Covid-19 and many young people have lost out on the opportunity to participate in Rotary's Youth Exchange.



rotary
youth
exchange



But times have changed and we are happy to announce that we are exchanging again! Now is the time to identify suitable students. Please forward this link www.youthexchange.co.za to potential students so that they may access more information and the online application form. The applications for 2023/2024 Rotary year will open 1 September 2022 and close on 15 January 2023. The following destinations are available:

- ✚ Italy, France & Hungary
- ✚ Germany & Finland
- ✚ USA, Alaska, Sweden & Norway
- ✚ Belgium & Spain
- ✚ Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Mexico & CZ Republic
- ✚ Austria, India & Denmark
- ✚ Netherlands & Turkey

SHORT TERM EXCHANGE: D9400 receives inbound students June/July while the exchange for D9400 students is November to January every year.

LONG TERM EXCHANGE: D9400 receives students during June/July for a year and D9400 students depart in January for a year.

AGE: A student must be 14 and a half to 18 and a half to qualify for Youth Exchange. The student must leave before turning 18 and a half years old otherwise they are no longer children and country laws for children are different than for adults.

We need the support of all clubs in our District to assist with the advertising of Youth Exchange opportunities. Please contact Marina Britz at 083 299 5539 or chairman@youthexchange.co.za should you wish her to present a talk to your club. As D9400 Youth Exchange Chairman & Country Co-ordinator she is here to support all clubs to get Youth Exchange active again.

BENEFITS: Benefits for a participating club are huge. Membership can be increased through this program by involving the parents and teachers. Your club can also benefit from international co-operation and funding if you equip your exchange students with the right tools to market your club and its service projects.



DISTRICT 9400 DUES 2022-2023

Remember to complete your club invoice sheet and send it together with your club's proof of payment for the 2022-2023 District dues to either

- Kevin Wolhuter kwolhuter@kjwolhuter.com or
- Alice Meyer alice@rotary9400.org.za



Rotarians (excluding spouse)	1 July '22	R600
Rotarians (Spouse)	1 July '22	R300
New Rotarians	1 July '21-31 Dec '22	R300
New Rotarians	1 January '22-30 June '22	R150

MARKETING AND FUNDRAISING WORKSHOP

A marketing and fundraising workshop was held on Friday and Saturday 19/ 20 August 2022. Rotarians from all over D9400 attended the event in Isando.

Annelise de Jager, the presenter of the workshop, outlined the four pillars of a non-profit organisation - people, technology, marketing and fundraising. Guidelines were also given on raising money via proposals and how a proposal should look. It is important to obtain the proposal guidelines from the donor and to take note of their proposal process.

Information about the project background, goals, objectives, strategy and activities is important as well as what changes are to be achieved by the project outcome. Other important aspects in a proposal are the budget, timeline, monitoring and evaluation, and the sustainability plan.

The workshop also covered details of raising funds on-line by means of a website, social media and other fundraising platforms as well as charity shops and special functions or events.



Inspired by the weekend's Marketing and Fundraising workshop, delegates want to get the momentum going with what was learnt and what intervention is necessary to extend the learning to as many Rotarians as possible.

Workshop presenter, Annelise de Jager, will prepare a 15-minute video for D9400 to flight at the AG and District Chair training as well as at the PETS training in February and March 2023. It is also hoped that a two-day Marketing and Fundraising event can be hosted in May 2023. Rotary clubs will also soon be able to start their own fundraisers for **The Rotary Foundation**.



Your club can help bring life-changing projects to every corner of the world by starting your own fundraiser at <https://raise.rotary.org>

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Message from the District Rotaract Representative



Fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors and friends of Rotary,

Congratulations and best wishes to all Club Leaders of Rota Year 2022-23 for accepting the prestigious leadership roles in your clubs! Also, congratulations and kudos to the Rota Year 2021-22 leaders for successfully carrying on the Rotary and Rotaract legacy!

The theme for Rota Year 2022-23 has been announced by RI President Rtn. Jennifer Jones as "Imagine Rotary." Indeed, we are imagining what Rotary is doing in our communities and

how it has impacted our lives in terms of personal and professional growth.

President Jennifer urged people to dream big and use their connections and the power of Rotary to make those dreams a reality.



We should work to collaborate with other clubs, Rotary Clubs, districts, local clubs, organizations, and stakeholders of all kinds in order to improve our own competency and, in turn, to aid others in improving their own competency. Let's work together in service as well to create synergistic effects that increase the significance and influence of what we do.

Yours in Rotary Service

Nkosinathi Mkhonto

District Rotaract Training 2022-23

The new Rotaract year is fast underway, as the District Committee we are looking forward to seeing our fellow Rotaractors shine. In preparation for this new year, we have held the annual Officers Elected Training Seminar (OETS). The training took place over the course of two days where we gained valuable insight from a variety of speakers. It's important to us as a committee that all members feel well prepared for the upcoming challenges we face in our current environment.

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Throughout the training, we explored various topics:

- *How to effectively execute service projects*, by our ADRR Chantelle Bennett
- *The essential guide to having an effective Rotaract Club, conducting effective meetings and teamwork in your club*, by PP Linda Dent
- *Introduction to District Grants: Applying and Constructing Sound Proposals*, an insightful presentation by PDG Grant Daly
- *Enhancing Dynamic Leadership in Contemporary Times*, quite an interesting speech by PDRC Damian Lahoud
- *PR and Social Media: Having an Online Presence*, presented by our PI Kelsey Loubser
- *My Rotary - A Practical Session*, and lastly a presentation by PDRR Mlungisi Hlophe

We are delighted to have shared this knowledge with our club leaders and hope that this training brought some peace of mind in knowing that they are more prepared for their roles.

As the District Committee we are always available to aid our fellow Rotaractors as they navigate their responsibilities and face the challenges that have yet to come.

We have much confidence in the abilities of our District and we watch in anticipation to appreciate the great work that our clubs will do this year.

Yours in Rotary

Rotaract District 9400 Committee

Rotaract Club of Maputo Officers Training





MEMBERSHIP

Worldwide membership is 1,181, 651. This represents growth of 15,320 above the 1 July start figure and 2,700 above the same period last year).

District 9400 membership stands at 1,187 at the end of July 2022. This represents growth of 38 members. There are 66 clubs compared to 70 clubs the same period last year.



Membership Comparison to 1 July

Count as of: 31 July 2022

		PRIOR YEAR			ROTARY YEAR ACTIVITY TO DATE				
		2021 - 2022			2022 - 2023 Start Figures		31 July 2022		
		Net					Net		
		Inc / Dec					Inc / Dec		
		1 July 2021			1 July 2022 *		2022 - 2023 *		
District	Zone	# Club	# Member	# Member	# Club	# Member	# Club	# Member	# Member
9400	22	70	1,166	(17)	66	1,149	66	1,187	38



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Rotary Club of Pretoria West



The RC Pretoria West obtained books from the Rotary Humanitarian Centre in Bedfordview for their Book Donation Drive. The beneficiary is the [National Shelter Movement](#) (NSM) which aims to be the united voice on sheltering women and children affected by gender-based violence in South Africa.

RC Pretoria West recognised the psychological impact on women and children in shelters and is committed to creating a better environment for these women and children by providing books and magazines that would

keep them occupied as they prepare themselves to survive and overcome. The club donated just over 600 books and magazines to NSM for distribution to their 78 shelters in all nine provinces.



Rotary E-Club of Southern Africa



On 9 August, President Charlotte Khoza of the Rotary E-Club of Southern Africa hosted the Let's Empower Women High Tea at The Secret Tea Garden in Fourways, Johannesburg to commemorate Women's Day.

The event brought together mothers, sisters, neighbours, leaders and colleagues as well as many other young professional business women to celebrate the strength and resilience of women and their contribution to society and country. An amazing line up of speakers reminded the audience that: "every individual possesses the resources to achieve their dreams and that everyone has the power within to be successful."



Africa's region 28 Ambassador for Empowering Girls, PDG Annemarie Mostert added that, "Rotary International has a spotlight on our girls. We are more effective when the whole-of-society is working together to bring compassion, resources and expertise in response to the humanitarian crisis. Let's leave no girl behind!"

Rotary Club of Vanderbijlpark



The RC Vanderbijlpark has many Mandela Days and rise to every occasion where they bring joy to those who need it most. Every year a donation of 500 blankets sponsored by an anonymous donor is received with a challenge to meet the sponsorship. As always, the Rotarians accepted the challenge with the help of other organizations and individuals who ordered blankets from the club. Some of the blankets were distributed on Mandela day as well.

President Celeste Lance handed out blankets to Dorothy Menino from Touching Lives during a pre-Mandela day visit.





The club was approached by Motus Izusu and Renault from Vereeniging who were represented by Lourinda van Waveren and Deon van Bosch, to assist them in distributing soup and bread together with blankets of which 50 were sponsored by their company. Past President Jackie van Waveren initiated the project. Emfuleni Boys Shelter and Kammaland Nursery School were beneficiaries as well.

President nominee Jeanette Nortje and hubby Johan visited Emfuleni Medi Clinic to distribute toys in the pediatric and maternity wards.

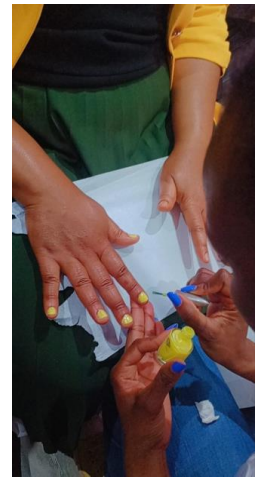


The RC Vanderbijlpark thanks all sponsors who contributed to the success of the day: President Hyper bread and butter, Blue Ribbon bread and soup from Golden Vaal Chamber of Commerce.

Rotary Club of Pretoria Hatfield

On Womens Day, 9 August, the RC Pretoria Hatfield showed their appreciation for the hard work done by the care givers at the Mamelodi Thuthuzela Care Centre. In recognition of their crisis work for rape and other victims in the community, a manicure pamper session was arranged for fifteen care givers at Thuthuzela and Tateni. The gifts were sponsored by Bio Sculpture and Nelmark Nails.

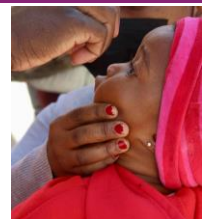
RC Pretoria Hatfield runs a Lifeskills program three times a year for two consecutive Saturdays. In these programs we teach community members basic life skills like goal setting, financial skills, how to write a Resume/CV, how to prepare for an interview and building self-esteem. These sessions are facilitated by our Rotary club members. The most recent sessions were held at Yiest Housing property in Pretoria CBD on 30 and 6 August 2022.



Rotary Club of Maputo

Mozambique started the 4th Round of Polio virus vaccination, launching a new impetus to project all children under the age of 5 and prevent the spread of this virus.

On Saturday, August 20th, the RC Maputo and the Rotaract Club of Maputo jointly carried out a mobilization and awareness campaign for the vaccination against Polio in urban centers of Maputo City.



Polio Campaign to raise awareness among parents to take their children for vaccination.



Rotary Club of Pretoria East

The RC Pretoria East (RCPE) has run SOUNDS projects since 2011. The club now has a third Global Grant, and reaches about 20,000 children annually. This may be an overestimate as many sets are probably not used, but the footprint of this project is large and expands annually.

Rotary requires that projects must be sustainable and the SOUNDS project meets this criterion in two ways.

Firstly, after one year of training with SOUNDS, a pupil should know all the SOUNDS of the 26 letters of the alphabet, plus many of the blends of letters used in English, -th-; -oo-; -ee-; -ch-; etc., be able to read and build words, and read simple sentences and maybe simple books. The pupil will retain that skill for life.

- SOUNDS does not teach a pupil to spell correctly, that comes later, e.g., SOUNDS, fon, kik are phonetically correct.
- SOUNDS also does not teach a pupil to write; a pen is needed to write while words are built with the SOUNDS letters.



- Books from *BOOKS IN HOMES* is a major component of the SOUNDS training and large numbers are sold to teachers after every meeting.

Secondly, the sets are very durable and being used year after year. Thus, since 2011, one set would have been used by 12 cohorts of children. Viva Village in Mamelodi was given three sets in 2011. When follow up training was held recently, the crèche owner confirmed that the three original sets were still in use. The first three sets have been through at least 1,200 pairs of hands. Three more sets were later donated.



The project has expanded by forming partnerships:

- The first major partner was the PEN organisation in Central Pretoria. They started in 2011 with about 30 crèches and now have 125 crèches in Johannesburg, Central Pretoria, Nelmapius, Winterveldt, Diepsloot, and Krugersdorp.
- The next partner was the US Peace Corps. Before COVID-19, they had 50 volunteers trained annually with SOUNDS. The volunteers were based in schools in rural Limpopo, North West, KZN and Mpumalanga. Peace Corps will restart their programme in October 2022.

Various crèche forums (CF) are involved:

- The Kathlehong CF in Mamelodi East has 100 crèches that have been trained. Mamelodi West CF has 39 crèches, Soshanguve South CF 64 crèches. Soshanguve Central and Nelmapius CF with 140 and 58 crèches respectively awaiting training.
- Rotary Clubs have been slow to join. So far, three clubs are active - RC Centurion in Diepsloot, RC Pretoria West in Silverton and Rotary E-club Baobab in Polokwane with 40 schools.

The one partnership that still eludes the RCPE is with the Provincial Departments of Education. The current Global Grant set out to achieve this, but have so far led nowhere. However, this goal is still receiving attention and hopefully will eventually be successful.

Thus, if your Rotary club wishes to become involved in the SOUNDS project, contact Robin Jones of RCPE at robin.rsa@gmail.com

Rotary Club of Waterkloof

As part of their Boys Leading Change (BLC) initiative, the RC Waterkloof organised a Boot Camp at the Nyathi Lodge Beestekraal near Brits, North West from 6 to 9 August 2022. The camp addressed the imbalances and challenges of how some boys versus girl children are brought up, especially those raised by single mothers in the absence of father figures. Cultural norms suggest that real men show their strength by not crying when they are challenged or hurt. This myth is so toxic that it will cause anger to bottle up and eventually explode. Hiding emotions and suffering in silence can have a serious negative impact.



The initiative was in collaboration with and supported by Ditsala Children Shield and Projects, Freedom Park, Growing Up Without A Father Foundation, National Sea Rescue Institute, Magalies Water, ABSA Bank, South African Police Services and Kgabo Cars Service and Training Centre. Participating Schools were, Marikana Primary, Marikana High, Rethusegile Secondary, Sediba sa Tsebo Primary, Botse Botse High and Artisans Trainee from Kgabo Cars Service and Training Centre.



The Booth Camp was arranged to create a platform to inspire openness, empower, educate and to raise awareness for boys at tender age to guard against disparity which can exacerbate animosity between a boy child and a girl child. This is the process of unification for a Peaceful society.

All participants were awarded Certificates of attendance and badges. Participants who stood out as leaders were elected as Ambassadors to also form part of the Planning Committee for the 2nd Annual Boys Leading Change Booth Camp scheduled for August 2023.

The topics covered were:

- Evolution, Detrimental Effects of Comfort Zone and Lack of Self-development
- Growing Up without a Father, Self-Love, Power of Dreaming Big, Vision Board
- Water Safety and General Life Saving Guidelines.
- Water purification processes, Career opportunities in Magalies Water



- Effects of Crime, Alcohol & Substance Abuse, Careers in SAPS
- Financial Literacy, Investments, Assets, Bursaries & Bank Careers
- Change Starts with Me (behaviours, challenges, family)
- Technical Vocation Automotive Expo (Motor Mechanics)
- Setting Goals to Lead Change

Rotary Club of Waterkloof

The RC Waterkloof launched the Rotary Community Corps Soshanguve Central Chapter in District 9400 South Africa on 6 August 2022. The memorial symbolic cutting of the ribbon was done by Paul Harris Fellow, Dr David Molapo.

The Exco members of the RCC are President Isaac Boshomane, Deputy President Ofentse Ledingoana, Secretariat Queen Mogale and Treasurer Ntsako Chabalala.



The Rotary Community Corps Soshanguve Central is 16-members strong. RCC Soshanguve Central Chapter members made history when they all enrolled on the Rotary Positive Peace course and successfully completed it. The RCC Soshanguve Central will be focussing on the three Rotary Focus Areas - Peace, Environment and Skills Development. RCC President Dr Isaac Boshomane donated an office at his Kgabo Cars Service and Training Centre, while the office furniture was donated DGN George Senosha and Waterkloof President Mmatepeng 'Muda' Temane.



Rotary Club of Pretoria West

The RC Pretoria West (RCPW) partnered with the RC Pretoria East to introduce the SOUNDS reading and literacy programme.

On Saturday, 27 August 2022, RCPW brought the Premier Hotel on board to participate in their SOUNDS training at Shalom Christian College in Silverton, which serves 350 learners from Grades 1 to 7.

"The support for our education and literacy at our school by RCPW has led to immense improvement in the reading abilities of our learners. This has led to greater comprehension of their subjects since the programme was initiated at our school" says Deliwe Jele, the Principal at Shalom Christian College.





District 9400 EVENTS CALENDAR

2	September 2022	Virtual Africa Peace Concert, Friday 2 September from 18h00
5-10	September 2022	4 th All Africa Rotary Institute, Abidjan
10	September 2022	Training - Foundation: District & Global Grants, Stewardship, Grants of Scale
11-17	September 2022	Joint service week - Rotary International activities together with Kiwanis International, Lions Clubs International, and Optimist International
17-18	September 2022	RLI Training R250/person/course/day. Twickenham Guest House, Auckland Park 08h00 – 15h30 Saturday 17 th RLI Certificate Part 1; Sunday 18 th RLI Certificate Part 2
8	October 2022	Training - Foundation: Stewardship, Paul Harris Fellowship, PH, Benefactors and Major Donors (Repeat of 13 August)
12-14	October 2022	Rotary Family Health Day South Africa
22	October 2022	Training – Foundation (Repeat of 10 September)
24	October 2022	World Polio Day
27-30	April 2023	D9400 District Conference – Eswatini
27-31	May 2023	2023 Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, Australia. Learn more at convention.rotary.org .

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4. Será BENÉFICO para todos os interessados?

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To view the 4-Way Test in some of the other languages spoken in D9400, click [here](#)

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