



District Governor Newsletter 2019 - 2020

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Dear Rotarians and Rotary Family,

Here we are in the last month of the calendar year, and half way through the Rotary year already. It is worth looking at back on the past six months and forward to the final stretch.

For Chrisna and myself the connecting with Rotarians, Ann's and the club visits in our District have been a wonderful experience and will hold special memories for us for many years to come. We would also like to thank everyone who has offered such great hospitality and shown truly amazing friendship.

We have visited 60 clubs so far, and by the end of December, this will be 64 of the total of 74 in our District.

Looking towards 2020 we all need to interrogate our plans and goals and make any adjustments that may be necessary. During December, clubs and District will be looking at leadership for the year to come. I encourage each individual Rotarian to look at their own leadership skills and those in their clubs. Our organisation need leaders on all levels. Club presidents, committee chairs, Assistant Governors and District Governors.

There is a unique opportunity knocking to connect with Rotarians beyond club and District level. I am referring to the International Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii at which 21 members from our District have already registered. Those Rotarians who would like to engage with our truly global family, please make use of the early bird registration which is available until the end of this month.

Closer to home and hearts is of course our Maputo DISCON 2020. Registration is open and beware - there are limited seats available, so don't snooze, as you will surely lose if you don't book well in advance. Remember to count all the prawns lurking in full view or in the shadows of the Newsletters since July. You could be the lucky winner of a mystery prize in Maputo!

To close, Chrisna and myself wish you much happiness and peace at this time of year. Warm festive greetings to each and every one of you.

Be safe, happy and take time to rejuvenate.



DG Maurice Stander and DG Ann Chrisna Stander

ALOHA ROTARY

6-10 June 2020 | Honolulu, Hawaii, USA
Register today at riconvention.org
#Rotary20

Rotary HONOLULU HAWAII 2020

REGISTER BY 15 DECEMBER 2019 OR BY 31 MARCH 2020 AND SAVE ON THE REGISTRATION FEE. VISIT THE CONVENTION WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS OR DOWNLOAD THE PROMOTION KIT [HERE](#).

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DECEMBER DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MONTH

"By recognizing that infectious disease is not some faraway exotic issue but a global problem, and by sharing the responsibility for its prevention, diagnosis, and control, the whole world will be a lot safer."
Seth Berkley

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Did you know that December is designated as Disease prevention and Treatment Month?
At Rotary, we aim to improve and expand access to low-cost and free health care. Our members educate and mobilize communities to help prevent the spread of major diseases such as polio, HIV/AIDS, and malaria. Discover [here](#) how Rotary projects provide low-cost health care.





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CELEBRATING CONNECTIONS AT DISCON MAPUTO (26 - 28 JUNE 2020)



JUMP ON THE PARTY BUS...

Special rates on luxury coaches have been arranged from major centres to Maputo and return. Just sit back, enjoy how the time disappears while CONNECTING with fellow Rotarians and watch the beautiful landscape outside your window. Pricing from +/- R 950 per person return. Please join us on the luxury coach and contact Peter Oudhof on splashpool@vodamail.co.za



REGISTER NOW FOR DISCON 2020

Registration is now open! Please download your registration form. Once completed, please email it to Linda Stokes at linda@aircelsius.co.za and make sure to include your proof of payment. If Linda did not receive your proof of payment by the end of February, your reservation will be cancelled. This is available on the district website under EVENTS (click on Maputo, Mozambique)



PASSPORT AND VISAS

Passport valid at least 60 days from entry with two blank pages. SADC citizens may enter for 30 days without a visa for HOLIDAY purposes. Non SADC passport holders need to obtain a visa and should obtain further info from their nearest Mozambican Embassy. There is no embassy in Johannesburg, but you can make use of the Consulate General in Oxford Road. Remember to obtain an invitation from the Hotel you are staying at in Maputo (thank you PDG Jankees for this information!)



COMMUNICATION

If you want to stay in contact bring your cell phone as there is wide cell phone coverage in Mozambique. International roaming can be expensive, so rather buy a local sim card cheaply in Maputo or at the border. With a local sim card, and some data loaded, you will still have access to your WhatsApp account. South African cell phone provider Vodacom has wide coverage in Mozambique. The Southern Sun and the Stay Easy Maputo has fast and free WiFi for residents



CURRENCY

The currency of Mozambique is the Metical, but the US dollar and the South African Rand are widely accepted. Traveller's cheques are hard to convert in Mozambique and it would be better to carry some cash in Metical. Visa cards are one of the best cards to have with you as many places in Mozambique do not accept Mastercard.



**FRIDAY,
26TH JUNE
2020**

Arrival at your accommodation (Friday or even earlier in the week ...)

10:00 to 15:00 registration at Southern Sun Maputo Conference Centre

16:00 Welcome Dinner on the Ballroom Terrace at the Polana Serena Hotel. *You will be transported via busses to this cool and gracious old lady - no further driving today!*

**SATURDAY,
27TH JUNE
2020**

8:00 - 13:00 Conference and Fellowship Lunch at Southern Sun Maputo

14:00 till late Experience Maputo and Celebrate D9400 10th Birthday. *Nobody is to be left behind as we hop on the busses to Experience Maputo with fellowship and fun. Some surprises along the road ... enjoy local places of interest and delicacies, sundowners and dinner to celebrate the 10th Birthday of our District 9400. We will have you back safely before pumpkin time.*

**SUNDAY,
28TH JUNE
2020**

8:00 - 13:00 Conference, Induction of new DG and DGA and Farewell Lunch at Southern Sun Maputo

Rotary Friends that are staying on, please join us for an afternoon of fellowship at the Hotel Cardoso at your own cost

For more information please visit the District 9400 website rotary9400npc.org.za/events
Thank you for being part of Celebrating Connections at Discon Maputo 2020 and see you soon!

