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Weekly News bulletin of the

Rotary Club Cape of Good Hope

*We meet on Tuesday evenings near the tip of the Cape Peninsula
at the St James Hotel, Main Road, St James
@ 19:00 - Visitors are always most welcome
Excellent meal served*



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

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Report on the first meeting of the New Year, thanks to President Marge, Cheryl Reum and pictures from Andy Rumbelow

We had a bumper turnout of 25 Rotarians, spouses and including Dr Ray White who visited with us before his return to America, Tony Raylor and Carol, Antoinette Burger and Fred.

Hans said there was to be a display of vintage cars and bikes at Timor Hall this weekend. Andy mentioned that they intend building a new school in Vrygrond/Capricorn where the Learning in Reach ladies want to get involved.

We had a full programme of excellent fellowship and a few interesting related holiday stories from the recess. The meal was delicious as always. Lemon meringue the well favoured pudding for sweets.

Members were reminded what an interesting place Cape Town is, and the excellent value of the famous topless red tour bus trip around the City. A few scamming stories also related, fortunately with happy endings.

(see picture bottom left below with Cheryl, Janet, Dr Ray White, Kirti and Dr Alan).

Photos below depict more of the members and partners present who enjoyed our first evening.



Love your Guide Dog
 Fund-raising dinner
 16 Feb 2018 7:30pm
 R175 per person
 Fish Hoek Civic Centre
 Bookings: <http://tinyurl.com/LYGD2018>

ROTARY D 9350 - NEWS

January is VOCATIONAL Month

How can YOU use your Vocation and skills to *Make a Difference?*



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL - NEWS

Barry Rassin, a member of the **Rotary Club of East Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas**, is the **Rotary International President Elect for 2018-2019**, having taken the spot vacated by the **sad and untimely death of RI PE Sam Owari**. **Barry Rassin** laid out his vision for the future of Rotary, calling on all leaders to work for a sustainable future and to inspire our Rotarians and their communities at large.

He unveiled the 2018-19 presidential theme, **Be the Inspiration**, to incoming District Governors (including our own Casper Kruger) at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. "I want you to inspire in your clubs, your Rotarians, that desire for something greater. The drive to do more, to be more, to create something that will live beyond each of us." 2018-19 RI President Barry Rassin announces his presidential theme, Be the Inspiration, at Rotary's International Assembly.

He stressed the power of **Rotary's new vision statement**:

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves", saying that this describes the Rotary that all our Rotary leaders must help build.

To achieve this vision, the President-Elect said, Rotarians must take care of the organisation:

"We are a membership organization first. And if we want to be able to serve, if we want to succeed in our goals — we have to take care of our members first."

He asked the incoming DG's to **"inspire the Club Presidents, and the Rotarians in their Districts (read D9350) , to want to change -to want to do more and to want to reach their own potential,** saying, **" It's your job to motivate them — and help them find their own way forward."**

Progress on **Polio Eradication**, he noted, is one source of inspiration of what has been Rotary's work. He described the **incredible progress made over the past three decades**. In 1988, an estimated 350,000 people were paralyzed by the Wild Polio Virus and just **20 cases were reported in 2017 as of 27 December**. "We are at an incredibly exciting time for Polio eradication," he said, "a point at which each new case of Polio could very well be the last."

Sustaining the environment is something that Rotary has focused on heavily in its humanitarian work in recent years. Now, Rassin said, Rotarians must acknowledge some hard realities about **Pollution, Environmental degradation, and Climate change**.

He noted that 80 percent of his own country is within one meter of sea level. With sea levels projected to rise two meters by 2100, he said, "my country is going to be gone in 50 years, along with most of the islands in the Caribbean and coastal cities and low-lying areas all over the world, regardless of product or

CELEBRATION CORNER - JANUARY

BIRTHDAYS – Happy Birthday

5 – Alan Walters, Neil Rockliffe 8 – Janet Holwill 9 - Claire Rockliffe 20 - Jill Rumbelow
 23 – Kylie Zwets 27 – Neil Butterworth 30 - Luise Rouessart

ANNIVERSARIES – Congratulations 30 Tom & Norma Rockliffe

MEETING AGENDA	ON DUTY 23 JANUARY	ON DUTY 30 JANUARY
Reception & Greeting Guests	Norma Rockliffe	Norma Rockliffe
General Welcome	President Marge Upfold	President Marge Upfold
Welcome to Visitors	Norma Rockliffe	Norma Rockliffe
Toast to RI and South Africa	Gillean Arnott	Irene Butterworth
Secretarial Spot	Susan O’Hagan Ward	Susan O’Hagan Ward
Spots from the floor		
Grace	Ursula McCabe	Christine Mueller
DINNER		
SPEAKER	Koos Burger	Flo Borchers
TOPIC	Introduction/Ice Breaker	Friends of Child Protection
INTRODUCE Speaker	President Marge Upfold	President Marge Upfold
THANK Speaker	President Marge Upfold	Koos Burger
Sergeant at Arms	Jean Smythe	Alan Walters
Closing remarks & Thanks	President Marge Upfold	President Marge Upfold
Four Way Test	Di Williams	Hans Zwets

Event	Date	Venue	Details	Time/ Cost
	23 January	St James Hotel	Koos Burger – Ice Breaker talk	7pm
	30 January	St James Hotel	Flo Borchers – Child Protection Unit	7pm
Board Meeting	5 February	Galley Restaurant	Board Meeting	5:30pm
Business Meeting	6 February	St James Hotel	Business Meeting	7pm
	13 February	St James Hotel	TBA	7pm

THE VALUE OF A GOOD VOCABULARY

I called an old classmate and asked what he was doing.

He replied that he was working on "Aqua-thermal treatment of ceramics, aluminium and steel under a constrained environment."

I was impressed... Upon further inquiring, I learned that he was washing dishes with hot water under his wife's supervision