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ROTA VIEWS

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The Weekly Newsletter of the Rotary Club CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

JUNE is Rotary Fellowships Month



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SCHOOL IN A BAG (SIAB) comes to South Africa.

Our guest speaker, **Luke Simon**, began by sharing how he and his brother, Piers were on holiday in Indonesia in 2004 when the Tsunami struck the island, and sadly, Piers was lost. However, thanks to the huge efforts of the locals to find missing tourists, Piers' body was recovered, and Luke was able to repatriate him home to Yeovil in England, where Luke still resides.



In deep gratitude, Luke felt a need to give back to the community and chose to focus on the children's education, which gave rise to the mammoth project of "School in a Bag" as we know it today. Realising the limitations of shipping school bags already filled, SIAB started the "in Country" project which enables them to get school bags to children anywhere in the world as long as they have a reliable partner who will source the stock, distribute the bags to the identified school children, and report back to SIAB HQ in the UK.

Luke is himself a Rotarian of the RC Yeovil in D1200.

It was agreed that our Rotary Club will liaise with Rotarians in the Garden Route area, and specifically the RC Plettenberg Bay for the first project because funds have already been donated for a school in that area.

<https://schoolinabag.org>

SOLUTION: Contents enable a child to write, draw, colour, calculate, express themselves, eat, drink, wash, clean themselves and above all learn.



-  A rucksack with a front pocket, two bottle pockets, a reflective strip and an internal sleeve
-  Plain/Lined/Square Exercise Books
-  12 Colouring Pencils
-  12 Pencils
-  Pencil case with Biro's
-  Math Set with a Sharpener
-  30cm Ruler
-  LunchBox with Spork
-  Water Bottle
-  Water Filter
-  Flannel + Face Mask
-  Toothbrush + Toothpaste
-  Wash Bag and Soap

EQUALITY:

- * Contents are always brand new
- * Every SchoolBag is the same



CLUB /DISTRICT NEWS

UPDATE on President Koos

NEWS on Sunday evening 20 June 2021 – PE Gillian Anderson reports:

'I have just spoken to Antoinette. She is getting over 500 calls a day and sounds very tired. She says: *"There is nothing new to report as things remain the same. Koos is still in Constantiaberg Mediclinic, he is sedated, on a ventilator and 100% Oxygen. When there is a positive change in Koos' condition, I will let you know."* Antoinette is also in touch with DG Carl- Heinz and keeping him informed.



WILL ALL ROTARIANS and FRIENDS PLEASE NOTE:

PE Gillian respectfully thanks everyone for their show of concern for our much-loved President Koos and asks that we please all respect Antoinette's wishes that we DO NOT contact her directly, but rather liaise with Gillian on WhatsApp as your primary and only option and give her the respect and support she needs to keep her own strength up. Gillian will relay all our messages to Antoinette. Please continue to keep them in your prayers and positive thoughts, which is the trusting way to go. We thank you!

**Presidential induction planned for Saturday 26 JUNE
has been postponed.**



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of Good Hope

After careful consideration and consultation, President Elect Gillian Anderson has decided that in deference to President Koos Burger and the Covid-19 third wave we are experiencing, that the pragmatic and correct decision is to reschedule a date in the future when this important occasion will be able to be enjoyed by everyone in a joyous and relaxed manner.

On 1 July, President Gillian and her Board will take over the running of our Club in their new capacities. Rotarian Terry Spreeth begins her legitimate journey as a Rotarian of our Club, and we welcome her into the warm family of the Rotary Club Cape of Good Hope and Rotary International. Both induction ceremonies will take place in the future – at a date to be confirmed.

Note: Any costs for the event already paid to the Rotary Club will be held in trust for the future date. Any queries and comments may be expressed at the ASSEMBLY Zoom meeting on Tuesday evening .

DISTRICT & INTERNATIONAL NEWS



This is a Rally – not a race and is planned to be a fun event starting on **Sunday 27 June 2021**, in the V&A Waterfront and ending in Darling.

The RC of Waterfront are looking for Rally teams for a fun-filled family adventure, a scenic drive with a purpose, a chance to enjoy the day with friends, family, colleagues, and enjoy a day of motorsport adventure.

You will need to follow some signs, answer some questions, donate a can of food, and cross the finish line in Darling. There you can wander the streets and explore their wonderful restaurants. Read <http://www.waterfrontrotary.org/Rota-Rally.html>

Be a Super-hero for Air Mercy Services and the hungry. R300 per CAR. Prizes to be won.

Our Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) webinar series

You can find links below to five of the recordings, along with comments from participants:

Our six-part webinar series that explores diversity, equity, and inclusion has attracted more than 3,000 attendees so far from all over the world.

- [Design an Inclusive Plan for Your Organization](#). “Equity is a choice because it’s about systems and processes. In Rotary, we need to make sure our systems offer fair treatment and equal opportunity.”
- [The Power of Connection with Diverse Communities](#). “Excellent topic, which is complex and requires understanding. Brilliant and knowledgeable speakers. I learnt a lot.”
- [Exploring the Black Experience in Rotary](#). “Having the discussion about inclusion and racial issues [is] long overdue. So to combat inequalities, you have to make individuals feel uncomfortable to get the ball moving.”
- [Building Strong Intergenerational Relationships](#). “We are sometimes not aware of our bias until someone else points it out or you are exposed to others’ experiences. I know intergenerational bias is one that flies under the radar too often.”
- [Building a Welcoming Community for People with Disabilities](#). “I learned that I know very little, and that I need to ask and question what we do. As president of my club, I will make watching this video a personal request of our members so we can start a meaningful discussion and planning on how to be inclusive of the disabled community in our club, because we are not right now.”

The final webinar in this series, **planning for an Inclusive Future**, will take place in July. More details are coming soon!



Click for [full list of breakout sessions](#)
See you all online !!

Connect with members of the Rotary family from around the world during our second online convention. The 2021 Rotary Virtual Convention, taking place 12-16 June, offers you the opportunity to network in virtual lounges, meet new partners in service, and participate in fun activities.

You will also learn about innovative ways to engage and attract members. Breakout session topics include growing membership and encouraging diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). Plan to attend one or all of these sessions:

- Alumni: A Hidden Gem for Membership and Service, on 12 June
- Innovative Ideas to Start a New Rotary Club, on 12 June
- Grow Rotary Through Engagement, on 14 June
- Expanding Club Visibility to a Non-Rotarian Audience, on 15 June
- Mission Inclusion: Accelerating DEI in Rotary, on 16 June

Click here for a [full list of breakout sessions](#) and look again often for updates.

Club Meeting & Speaker June to July 2021

	Tuesday 22 June	Zoom	CLUB ASSEMBLY – PE Gillian presents to Club	
POSTPONED	Saturday 26 June		INDUCTION Pres Gillian	9.30am
	Monday 28 June	Zoom	Induction of PE Geraldine Nicol – Newlands RC	
Club Meeting	Tuesday 29 June	Zoom	Speaker meeting TBC	7pm
	Saturday 3 July		Induction of PE June Webber – Waterfront RC	
	Tuesday 6 July	Zoom	Induction of Heinrich Wolvaardt– CapeTown RC	7pm
BOARD MEETING	Monday 12 July	Zoom	BOARD MEETING – President Gillian	7pm
Club Meeting	Tuesday 13 July	Zoom	BUSINESS MEETING	7pm
CLUB RAID	Tuesday 20 July	Zoom	Induction of Peter Rogers– Constantia RC	7pm
Club Meeting	Tuesday 27 July		TBC	

CLUB MEETING - DUTY ROSTER

	Tuesday 22 June	Tuesday 29 June
WELCOME	PE Gillian Anderson	President Gillian Anderson
TOAST to Rotary International & Toast to overseas Club	Marge Upfold	Irene Butterworth
LOYAL TOAST to South AFRICA	Peter Gray	Barbara Hurwitz
TOAST to Frontline Workers	Christine Mueller	Susan O'Hagan Ward
SECRETARIAL NOTICES	Bev Frieslich	Bev Frieslich
Introduce Speaker	CLUB ASSEMBLY	
SPEAKER & TOPIC	PE Gillian presents her plans for the next year to the Club	TBC
SERGEANT/ ROTARY FOUNDATION GIVING	Alan Ferguson	Peter Gray
FOUR WAY TEST	Kirti Patel	Jean Smythe
THANK YOU & GOODBYE	PE Gillian Anderson	PE Gillian Anderson