

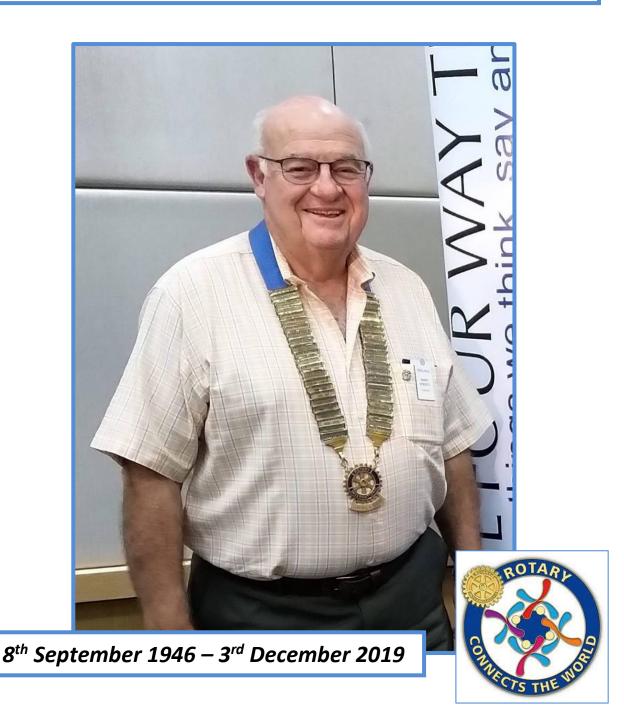
# The Lighthouse Helping local communities for over 40 years



**Rotary Club of Umhlanga - District 9370** 

**November 2019** 

The Rotary Club of Umhlanga mourns the passing of current Club President Barry Roberts



# **Rest in Peace President Barry**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> of December saw the passing of one of our Clubs most staunch advocates of the Rotary ethos, "service above self", our current President, Barry Roberts. Born Ernst Barry Roberts on 8th September 1946, Barry was a family man, businessman, humanitarian, a man amongst men. Barry's greatest gift was his compassion for the needy and his desire to build a better world for those less fortunate. Having completed two previous terms as Club President, Barry took on a third term of office for the 2019-20 Rotary year. In November he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and undertook an operation on Thursday 28 November to remove the growth. Sadly, despite initial optimism, he took a turn for the worse and passed on the morning of 3<sup>rd</sup> December. True to his dedication for the welfare of the needy, the day before the operation, Barry was organizing the regular donation of potatoes to Good Luck Foods and the distribution of toys through Rotary Africa. His motivation to raise funds over the years is seen in the ongoing success of the annual Rotary Golf Day, under Barry's guidance, this year's event raised R156,000 despite tough economic times. Barry's association with Expro, once again resulted in the collection of over 1600 toys that will be distributed by our club over the festive season to bring joy to a needy child. Barry has never missed an opportunity to be first on the scene in giving aid, during flood damage this year, he was instrumental in assisting Gift Of The Givers, to supply and deliver much needed bedding and essential items to those that lost their homes to flood devastation. Barry's final official duty was to induct two new members into the ranks of Rotary Club of Umhlanga, to further build upon the club that was so dear to his heart. Club members join with friends, the staff of Pro-Print and all those who were blessed to know Barry, in sending condolences to Barry's wife Daria, daughters Renay, Yvette, Geralyn, grandchildren and family members. We feel your loss and ask that you take comfort that Barry touched the lives of so many people over the years...

Barry, may your soul rest in peace, our dear and loyal friend....





45th Rotary Golf Day gets a hole in one for charity

This year's golf day at Mount Edgecombe Country Club saw sunny but windy conditions, after a week of rain and storms. The ever popular event was well attended through the efforts of Club President Barry Roberts and the team of Rotarians on the day. Despite tough and adverse economic conditions, the event managed to raise R156000 for the Club to continue its humanitarian work amongst our local communities, and continues to be the clubs biggest single annual fund raising event.







# **Expro Toy Collection Lunch 2019**

Greyville racecourse was once again the venue for this year's Expro Lunch, where 800 patrons donated 1600 toys for needy children. Club President Barry Roberts invited a team of Rotarians to assist with the packing and collection of the toys to be sorted for distribution by Rotary. The event has seen the donation of over 40000 toys since its inception in 1996...











# Two New Members for Rotary Club of Umhlanga





Newly inducted Rotarian Glenda
Finegan (left), being introduced to
the club by husband, Kevin, before
being inducted by Club President
Barry Roberts. After being active in
the club and community over the
years at Kevin's side, Glenda has
taken the step to join our ranks...
We wish her many fruitful years of
club service...

The second induction of the evening, saw Ursula de Beer being inducted into the ranks of the Rotary Club of Umhlanga by Club President Barry Roberts.

Having been involved with numerous club activities though her partner,
Rotarian Greg Donkin, Ursula has now become a fully-fledged club member. We wish her many years of "Service above self"...











# **Toy Story 2019**

Following the collection of toys from Expro, Rotarians met at Club President Barry Roberts business, Pro-Print, to sort and pack the 1600 toys that were donated for distribution to needy children in the Durban area. Various charities and club functions will distribute the toys amongst the community.







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## **Waterloo Christmas Parties**

The soccer club children and friends in Waterloo were treated to a party with food, games, fun and toys to bring in the Christmas spirit. Club members led by Rotarians Peter Harmsen and Carolanne Lipschitz, spent the afternoon in Waterloo with the children..."service above self"







Rotarian Philisiwe Mthembu, who runs we Izethembiso
Soup Kitchen Project for local children, was assisted by Rotarians, Peter, Carolann and John, to have a party to distribute toys and clothing to the projects children...







Mobility Aids Distribution

A walker and wheelchair were among items distributed to community members recently.

Rotarians Peter and Carolann pictured at the handover of a wheelchair to community member Premalal Gobin (below),



Rotary Exchange Students Jet Off
The clubs exchange students left for their short term exchange trips, taking with them "Travelling Pebbles" to present to the host clubs as a symbol of goodwill and friendship from our club. We look forward to the safe return of our youth and the sharing of new experiences...



Rotaract Club of Verulam Turns Ten

Members from Rotary Club of Umhlanga
joined Rotaract Club President Kajal
Rugubhir, Rotaract members and friends, to
celebrate the tenth anniversary of the club
being chartered.

At a recent RCU meeting, President Kajal (right), showed a short video highlighting the many works of charity that the Rotaract Club perform in the community of Verulum...











Speaker Rassigan Naidoo, from Durban Youth Council, gave a presentation on the works and aims of the council. DYC is made up of Grade 11 students that dedicate a year to community work and projects in the Durban area. Rassigan is seen receiving the Rotary 4 way test from Rotarian Roger.



Speaker Nick Alcock gave a thought provoking talk on the problem of providing effective water sanitation in the world today. Given the erosion of many services, alternative ways to provide clean water to the community is being given priority by many organisations including The Gates Foundation. Nick (right) is involved in pilot projects within the KZN region and heads Khanyisa Projects...





Rotary Foundation visitors
Professor Chris Buckley
and Nick Alcock visited
Rotary Club of Umhlanga.
Seen here with Rotarians
Andre Hattingh, Alethea
Duncan-Brown and Club
President Barry Roberts...

Guide Dogs Association
member, Anne Roux, recently
brought "Daisy" for an
interactive presentation to club
members on the work and aims
of the popular guide dog
association. Rotarian Cohan
Arjoona is seen presenting Anne
and Daisy with the Rotary 4 way
test...







Speaker Arianne Hayes-Hill gave a presentation into the work of her project, The Seed Fund, in transforming the lives of the Malacca Road informal community, through creating a life of purpose. Arianne is seen receiving the 4 way test from Rotarian Andrew Campbell...

(left), another packed weekly meeting of Rotarians held at The Gateway Hotel. All are welcome, meeting starts at 18H30, followed by dinner...



December 2019	<b>Disease Prevention and Treatment Month</b>	Venue
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> @18h00	uMhlanga Carols Under The Stars	Granada
		Square
January 2020	Vocational Services Month	Venue
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> @18h00	First Committee Meeting 2020	<b>Gateway Hotel</b>
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> @18h00	Club A.G.M.	<b>Gateway Hotel</b>

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 07 Dec-Justin Le Roux, 10 Dec-Gareth Donkin, 14 Dec-Tanya Coetzer,
- 19 Dec-Renay Campbell, 25 Dec-Brenda Haynes,
- 03 Jan-Kagi Mosaka, 08 Jan-Halima Jordan, 08 Jan-Luke Hoekstra,
- 17 Jan-Emma Duncan-Brown, 21 Jan-Meredith Papanicolaou,
- 24 Jan-Olivia Campbell

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- 14 Dec-Mike & Vivienne Kuttner, 18 Dec-Teddy & Priscilla Achary,
- 20 Dec-Leon & Jeanette Ehlers, 23 Dec-Glen & Lorna Comins

#### **ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 31 Dec 2004-Willemine Starrenburg, 31 Dec 2005-Margaret Dennis,
- 31 Dec 2005-Jeanette Ehlers, 14 Dec 2009-Mbali Ismail,
- 14 Dec 2009-Kagi Mosaka, 10 Jan 2009-Ronald Perumal,
- 31 Jan 2018-Cohan Aroona, 31 Jan 2018-Marque & Susan Dalais

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## **DUTY ROSTER/MEETING INFORMATION DEC 2019 & JAN/FEB 2020**

DATE	CHRISTMAS	14 January	21 January
	HOLIDAY BREAK	Gateway Hotel	Gateway Hotel
ATTENDANCE		Flicka &	Anna &
		Greg	Cohan
GREETER/		Nettie	Marcia
REGALIA			
4WT / GRACE		Andrew	John
<b>EVENT OR</b>	The Rotary Club of		Speaker
SPEAKER	Umhlanga wishes you a	<b>Club Committee</b>	Rotarian
	blessed Christmas and	Meetings	Andre Hattingh
	a prosperous New Year		
INTRO SPEAKER		-	ТВА
THANK SPEAKER		-	TBA
FINES MASTER		Vanessa	Roger
CARD DRAW		Carolanne	Bertie
DATE	28 January	04 February	11 February
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<sup>\*</sup>Kindly arrive at the venue by 17h45 if you are on attendance or greeting visitors.

<sup>\*</sup>If you are unable to do a duty, it is your responsibility to find a substitute & inform Club Secretary, Sandra Smith 083 292 0392

<sup>\*</sup>Kindly contact Jenny Cartwright if you have a good speaker for our meetings.

<sup>\*</sup>The Greeter to assist in setting up & putting away banners, regalia and equipment.

<sup>\*</sup>Kindly contact a fellow Rotarian to make apologies on your behalf if you are ill, out of town or unable to attend meetings.

The Rotary Four Way Test of the things we think, say & do
\*is it the truth?
\*is it fair to all concerned?

\*will it build goodwill and better friendships?

\*will it be beneficial to all concerned?

#### **Three Rotary Graces**

\*For food, fellowship and family we thank you, O Lord. Keep us ever mindful of the needs of others. AMEN

\*We thank you O Lord for this food and those who prepare and serve it.

Help us to meet the deeper needs of our community. AMEN

\*We praise you Lord for the enrichment of our lives through the fellowship of Rotary.

As we have so freely received, may we generously give of ourselves in

the service of others. AMEN

# UMHLANGA ROCKS



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after the meeting in the hotel dining room.

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