





**Rotary Club of Umhlanga - District 9370** 

### October 2019

# The Rotary Club of Umhlanga's Oyster Box Project continues to deliver linen to the needy





*(above)* The Oyster Box Project continues to deliver quality linen and towels to Dundee District Community members through the partnership with The Rotary Club of Dundee...



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### Granny Griff's meet and greet...







Active Rotarians Susan van der Merwe and Vanessa Champion, recently visited Granny Griff's in Durban North, to scout for opportunities for Rotary to assist with this worthy fundraising project that falls under the umbrella of Highway Hospice, in memory of Wally Griffiths. They have since received assistance from Project 10 team members, who have been busy with painting and renovating... *(see following page)...* 



Wheelchair Delivery Rotarians Flicka Goslett *(left)* and Vanessa Champion recently delivered a wheelchair to a diabetes patient in Phoenix and another one to Rotary Club of Verulam. The wheelchairs were obtained from the Rotary Club of Northcliff and transported to Durban by Club President Barry Roberts. The club also thanks Dischem for their continued support of discounted wheelchairs and mobility aids as and when required. PROJECT 10 VOLUNTEERS The latest group of volunteers have arrived and are already busy in local schools teaching children life skills. Seen here busy painting at Granny Griffs, and will soon be assisting Rotarian Susie van der Merwe with the sanitary towel project, the club wishes them a happy and productive time in South Africa.





Past Club President Mbali Ismail, was recently interviewed on SABC national TV. Mbali who farms in the Inanda region, has been a long term promoter of the Clubs farming projects, presented to the nation the work of the Sukuma'nenze Co-Operative. At the recent visit by DG Jaco Stander, Mbali tasked one of their young project farmers to present her personal experience that the project has had on uplifting the lives of community members and in building a sustainable dignified legacy.



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The Oyster Box Project continues to deliver through the efforts of Rotarian Rob Hay and his links with the Rotary Club of Dundee. They recently delivered large quantities of linen and towels to Maria Ratschits Catholic Mission in Biggarsberg. The Trappist Mission was built in 1888 and has been restored over the last 20 years, the current facility is presently an Aids Hospice, School, retirement home for nuns and a peaceful retreat. Both Club's join to thank the Oyster Box Hotel for their continued support for this vital project, and also wish current General Manger Wayne Coetzee all the best in his upcoming transfer to Cape Town...





Members of the Interact Club of Tongaat Secondary celebrated Older Persons Week, on 15 October, by pampering the residents of Tongaat Pensioners Cottage. Over 150 community guests joined club members to bring cheer to the pensioners, with dance, standup comedy and 30 cash prizes. Goodie bags and saris were also presented to honor and recognize the older generation...

...Barry's blog, Page 5



### **Club Presidents message....**

Greetings fellow Rotarians, it is now almost six months since my amazing Presidential induction, backed by an amazing organization that has stood the test of time, that has been instrumental in ridding the world of 99,9% of the Polio epidemic. Our own club continues to be involved in many projects, showcased recently during the visit of DG Jaco and his wife Lisa. We continue with the farming project, our association with Project 10, Mandela Day at Twilanga and TAFTA, eighteen short term exchange students who presented the club their towns and local eats. We help Philly with her Waterloo feeding project, assist our nine Rotaract, Interact and Earlyact Clubs with their projects *(new club to be chartered soon...)*, we continue to supply Good Luck Foods with potatoes, Oyster Box Project distribution, Wheelchair Project, TAFTA sewing Project, The Peace Scholarship, and the School Toilet Project at Boys/Girls Town that is being planned for 2020.

We raise funds for global grants, through the bacon bash and the 45<sup>th</sup> running of our annual Rotary Golf Day, *(that raised R151.000!)* 

Our financial position is sound, we are kept abreast of current affairs with a variety of talented speakers each week, as well as our in house pool of dedicated club members and family of Rotary, that will soon be swelled with the induction of a further two members. We have also been awarded a peace scholarship grant from the USA.

We remember the passing this year of both Charter Member Henry Cooper and Club Stalwart Joop De Veer, May their souls rest in peace...

I thank all club members for all that you do to keep the wheels turning. Kevin will stand in whilst I recover from my illness, kindly support him in his efforts. To all of our greater family of Rotary, the board and I, wish you a great festive season and an even better 2020.

Yours in Rotary, Club President 2019-20, Barry Roberts..."Service above self"

Pages 6 & 7, Calendar and club events...

| November 2019                | <b>Rotary Foundation Month</b>           | Venue                |  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------------|--|
| Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> @14h00  | Soccer Club meet & Christmas Party       | Meet Umdloti         |  |
|                              |  | N2 off ramp          |  |
| Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> @09h00  | Diabetes Day with Sr Sue & Sandy Smith   | Foodlovers           |  |
|                              |  | @La LuciaMall        |  |
| December 2019                | Disease Prevention and Treatment Month   | Venue                |  |
| Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> @18h00  | Club Assembly                            | <b>Gateway Hotel</b> |  |
| Sat 7th                      | Club Christmas Dinner Party              | <b>Rolling Hills</b> |  |
| Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> @18h00 | Twilanga Christmas Gift Giving & Meeting | Twilanga             |  |
| January 2020                 | Vocational Services Month                | Venue                |  |
| Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> @18h00 | First Committee Meeting 2020             | <b>Gateway Hotel</b> |  |

### CONGRATULATIONS

| 19-Nov-Andrew Campbell, 20 Nov-Jeanette Ehlers, 20 Nov-Jamica Jordan, |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| 21 Nov-Connie Oehley, 30 Nov-Shirley Duncan, 2 Dec-Roger Downes,      |  |  |  |  |
| 07 Dec-Justin Le Roux, 10 Dec-Gareth Donkin, 14 Dec-Tanya Coetzer,    |  |  |  |  |
| 19 Dec-Renay Campbell, 25 Dec-Zeenat Khoyratti, 25 Dec-Brenda Haynes  |  |  |  |  |
| WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES   |  |  |  |  |
| 26 Nov-George & Pat Wootton, 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

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

| DATE          | 26 November      | 03 December   | 10 December        |
|---------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
|               | Gateway Hotel    | Gateway Hotel | Twilanga Home      |
| ATTENDANCE    | Sandy &          | -             | -                  |
|               | Flicka           |               |                    |
| GREETER/      | Marcia           | -             | -                  |
| REGALIA       |                  |               |                    |
| 4WT / GRACE   | Peter            | -             | -                  |
| EVENT OR      | Rotaract Verulam |               | Twilanga Visit     |
| SPEAKER       | Nick Alcott      | Club Assembly | with dinner in the |
|               |                  |               | dining room        |
| INTRO SPEAKER | Cohan            | -             | -                  |
| THANK SPEAKER | Susie            | -             | -                  |
| FINES MASTER  | Roger            | -             | -                  |
| CARD DRAW     | Rob              | -             | -                  |
| DATE          | 14 January       | 21 January    | 28 January         |
|               | Gateway Hotel    | Gateway Hotel | Gateway Hotel      |
| ATTENDANCE    | Flicka &         | Anna &        | Kevin &            |
|               | Greg             | Cohan         | Jenny              |
| GREETER/      | Nettie           | Marcia        | Carolanne          |
| REGALIA       |                  |               |                    |
| 4WT / GRACE   | Andrew           | John          | Mbali              |
| EVENT OR      | Club Committee   | ТВА           | ТВА                |
| SPEAKER       | Meetings         |               |                    |
| INTRO SPEAKER | -                | ТВА           | ТВА                |
| THANK SPEAKER | -                | ТВА           | ТВА                |
| FINES MASTER  | Vanessa          | Roger         | Susan              |
| CARD DRAW     | Carolanne        | Bertie        | Alan               |

\*Kindly arrive at the venue by 17h45 if you are on attendance or greeting visitors.

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

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

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

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

"the tail end"

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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The Rotary Club of uMhlanga is a Public Benefit Organisation PBO No. 930004288, Chartered on 9<sup>th</sup> April 1973. Members meet every Tuesday at 18h00 for 18H30 at the Gateway Hotel, Centenary Boulevard, uMhlanga, and have the option of enjoying a meal with fellowship after the meeting in the hotel dining room. POSTAL ADDRESS, PO Box 151, Umhlanga Rocks, 4320, KwaZulu Natal, South Africa. District Governor 2019-20 Jaco Stander Club President 2019-20 – Barry Roberts, 083 259 3693, barry@proprint.co.za Club Treasurer - Bertie van Niekerk, 082 784 7763, bertievn@live.co.za Club Secretary – Sandra Smith, 031 502 3426/083 292 0392, griffi@iafrica.com

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