

NORTHCLIFF ROTARY CLUB

Weekly information Sheet of the Northcliff Rotary Club
P.O. Box 35439 Northcliff 2115, Johannesburg



	25_Jan	01_Feb	08_Feb
Sergeant	Francis Callard	Jan Christoph Hadenfeldt	Lyn Clarke
Reception and Regalia	Vaughan Russell	Dave Woodhouse	Vaughan Russell
Grace	Laszlo Somody	Dean Gouden	Laszlo Somody
Welcome Visitors	George Beukes	Peter Jacobs	George Beukes
Swindle & Fines	Vaughan Russell	Tommy Stratten	Lylie Beukes
Peace Prayer	Francis Callard		
Rotary 90" Slot / Int. Toast	Paul Westcott	Lyn Clarke Somody	Sean Coleman
Introduce Speaker	Dean Gouden	Sean Coleman	Paul Westcott
Speaker	Sean Coleman	Gretchen Wilson Prangley	Project Planning
Topic	Bitcoins – The Future of Money?	Play Africa	and Discussion

Birthdays and Anniversaries:

25 : Laszlo Somody
31 : Peggie Mars – past member

President *Andrew Buttress* Club Secretary *Paul Westcott* Club Treasurer *Tommy Stratten* President Elect *Tommy Stratten*

25 January 2017

Diary of Forthcoming Events

10, 11 – 16 Feb. Rushmoor arrives
16 – 21 Feb. Kruger Park Rushmoor visit

Our speaker

George Beukes was our speaker and gave a most interesting talk on alternative energy. Enjoyed by all with a host of questions afterwards. We also welcomed Sue Vickers as a first time visitor.



Visitors

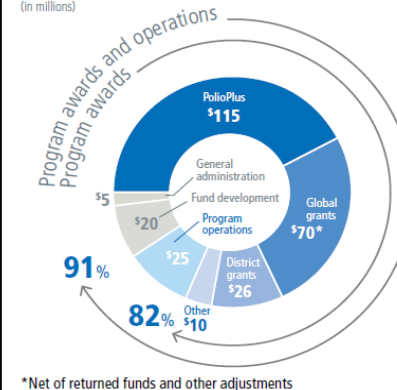
Tonight we welcome back Nick Bell from the Rotary Club of Holt together with his son and also visiting Rtn Dipesh Mehta from India district 3051, Gujarat Ahmedabad.

Foundation Expenditure

A breakdown from the 2015-16 Annual report.

Help this arm of Rotary to “do good in the world”

Foundation expenditures (in millions)



Dinaledi House

Ansie had a meeting with Fr. Laszlo and discussed the assistance Northcliff Rotary Club can possibly offer them during the forthcoming year. Summarising:

The good news is the largest and most worrying problem has already been solved by Dave Woodhouse. The roof is in perfect condition and even during the heaviest rainfalls not a single drop of water made its way inside the house. Fr. Laszlo is intensely grateful for this miracle.

Future projects: - the 'hardware' of the project.

1. **Kitchen:** This remains high on the list. The cupboards are rotting and the tilework needs help. Fr. Laszlo feels it is no longer a hygienic and suitable place to prepare food. Kitchen renovations are expensive and it may be an idea to put a plea on the Facebook sites of our area to ask kitchen companies to come to the rescue. Perhaps there are extra cupboards or other bits and pieces that can be donated. With a bit of luck there may be a company out there in need of BEE points. Is this an option to pursue? Other suggestions?

2. **Dormitories:** There are 3 rooms where the boys sleep. None of them have proper fitted doors. Can we manage 3 doors plus the handyman to fit them?

3. **Main gate:** We have already looked at this. The gate derails easily. Any ideas?

The above is the 'hardware' of the project.

The 'software' is the wellbeing of the boys.

Academic: It is abundantly clear that day that they desperately need someone to assist them with homework. Ansie suggested to Fr. Laszlo that he contacts the Education Department at UJ to enquire if there are students in the education department that would be prepared to help the boys with homework after school. Fr. Laszlo will contact the university in this regard and give feedback.

Jenny Roberts may be able to introduce them to a Study Skills programme.

Buthle has a passion and natural skill for the culinary arts. Fr. Laszlo has appointed him (for a tiny stipend of R200 per month) to do the cooking for the boys since their housekeeper has left. Their funds for food are extremely limited. Can we find a course that teaches basic cooking to teach Buhle to cook healthy and interesting food on a small budget? Could we consider sponsoring this?

Any other ideas on their academic development?

Social: To enable the kids to function in the world it is important that they broaden their experiences. If we could arrange some 'outing' for them and preferably accompany them it will be fantastic. A visit to a botanical garden?

Input to our project discussion meeting

POLIO - EVANSTON, Ill. (17 January 2017) — Rotary today announced **\$35 million in grants to support the global effort to end polio, bringing the humanitarian service organization's contribution to \$140 million since January 2016.**

Nearly half of the funds Rotary announced today (\$16.15 million) will support the emergency response campaigns in Nigeria and the Lake Chad Basin (Chad, northern Cameroon, southern Niger and Central African Republic).

Four cases of polio were detected in Nigeria in 2016, which had previously not seen a case since July 2014. With these cases, funding is needed to support rapid response plans in Nigeria and surrounding countries to stop the outbreak.

While significant strides have been made against the paralyzing disease, **with just 35 cases reported in 2016**, polio remains a threat in hard-to-reach and underserved areas, and conflict zones. **To sustain this progress, and protect all children from polio, experts say \$1.5 billion is needed.**

Humour Corner

Roger, 85, married Jenny, a lovely 25 year old.

Since her new husband is so old, Jenny decides that after their wedding she and Roger should have separate bedrooms, because she is concerned that her new but aged husband may over-exert himself if they spend the entire night together.

After the wedding festivities Jenny prepares herself for bed and the expected knock on the door. Sure enough the knock comes, the door opens and there is Roger, her 85 year old groom, ready for action. They unite as one. All goes well, Roger takes leave of his bride, and she prepares to go to sleep.

After a few minutes, Jenny hears another knock on her bedroom door, and it's Roger. Again he is ready for more 'action'. Somewhat surprised, Jenny consents for more coupling. When the newly-weds are done,

Roger kisses his bride, bids her a fond good night and leaves.

She is set to go to sleep again, but, aha, you guessed it— Roger is back again, rapping on the door and is as fresh as a 25-year-old, ready for more 'action'. And, once more they enjoy each other.

But as Roger gets set to leave again, his young bride says to him, 'I am thoroughly impressed that at your age you can perform so well and so often. I have been with guys less than a third of your age who were only good once. You are truly a great lover, Roger.'

Roger, somewhat embarrassed, turns to Jenny and says: 'You mean I was here already?'

The moral of the story:

Don't be afraid of getting old, Alzheimer's has its advantages.

PS.. Have I sent this to you already?