

NORTHCLIFF ROTARY CLUB





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

Details	17-May	24-May	31-May
Sergeant Reception and Regalia Grace Welcome visitors	Ansie Hibberd Paul Westcott Jennifer Roberts Sean Coleman	Vaughan Russell Jennifer Roberts Paul Westcott Peter Jacobs	5th Wednesday Meal at
Swindle & Fines Rotary 90" Slot / Int. Toast Introduce Speaker Speaker Topic	Jan Christoph Hadenfeldt Tommy Stratten Assembly Meeting	Dave Woodhouse Ansie Hibberd Jan Christoph Hadenfeldt TBC	"Flavours of Asia

President
Andrew Buttress
Club Secretary
Paul Westcott
Club Treasurer
Tommy Stratten
President Elect
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Last Week

- Had a wonderful meeting with only 9 members present. John was a sterling Sergeant who entertained us with his story of flying around Africa and the use of a broken toilet as well as his meal on a wheel!
- Francis played a video featuring John Hewko, General Secretary of Rotary International, where 3 main achievements of Rotary and goals over the next year were noted namely:
- ♣ In 2014, The Rotary Foundation earned a top rating of four stars from Charity Navigator, one of the leading rating agencies for U.S.-based charities.
- ♣ Membership internationally and goals for 2017/18
- ♣ Over the past two years R I have introduced a number of new tools and completed several new undertakings: the new grant-making model (what was known as Future Vision); the comprehensive Rotary brand strengthening initiative and our new visual identity; a new website; Rotary Club Central; Showcase; the Ideas platform; a more robust social media presence.





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Diary of Forthcoming Events

20 May - Blanket Drive at German School bazaar DISCON 22 - 25 June in Polokwane (register by 31 May) 16 May is NRCs 44th birthday (Ansie will bring cake on 17th May to celebrate)

Rotary Corner

2009

I have often been asked, and I am sure you as well "What is Rotary?" Here is the answer in just 31 words:

"Rotary is an organization of business and professional persons united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world."

This definition of Rotary has been created in 1976 by the Rotary International Public Relations Committee and was accepted by the Rotary International Board of Directors in the same year. Is it not strange that our great organization needed 71 years to define itself? But then, how do you describe an organization called "ROTARY"? Rotary is now 104 years old and has changed so much from its beginnings to today. Rotary International is proud to see itself as a "Grassroots-Organization" which means Rotary is a basis-orientated organization - all humanitarian activities, all service projects are created on club level. There are so many characteristics of a Rotary club as well as the activities of more than a million Rotarians. There are the features of service, internationality, fellowship, classifications of each vocation, development of goodwill and world understanding, the emphasis of high ethical standards, concern for other people, and many more.

2016

ROTARY FOUNDATION NAMED WORLD'S OUTSTANDING FOUNDATION FOR 2016

The Association of Fundraising Professionals recognized The Rotary Foundation with its annual Award for Outstanding Foundation at its 2017 conference in San Francisco.

The award honours organizations that show philanthropic commitment and leadership through financial support, innovation, encouragement of others, and involvement in public affairs. Some

of the boldest names in American giving — Kellogg, Komen, and MacArthur, among others — are past honourees.

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair-elect Paul Netzel accepts the Award for Outstanding Foundation, on Rotary's behalf, at the Association of Fundraising Professionals 2017 conference.

The announcement came on 15 November, known to industry professionals since the 1980s as National Philanthropy Day. The award was presented 2 May at the AFP's annual conference. Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair-elect Paul Netzel accepted the award on Rotary's behalf, and Eric Schmelling, Rotary's chief philanthropy officer, also attended the conference. The event drew more than 3,400 senior-level fundraising professionals from 33 countries.

"In our Centennial year, we are deeply honored to receive this recognition from the Association of Fundraising Professionals," said Netzel.

AFP's committee of judges cited Rotary's comprehensive campaign to eradicate polio as a major driver of the selection.

"With the generous support of our members and partners, we've taken on some of the toughest humanitarian challenges in the world, none more so than the devastating disease of polio," said Netzel. "We will defeat polio, and it will be a landmark achievement for global public health." The committee also mentioned that Rotary applies a methodical, purposeful approach to support a wide variety of causes, from providing clean water to educating the next generation of peace professionals.

"This award helps to spread our belief that service to humankind truly changes our world, and for that reason, it is the greatest work of life," said Netzel.