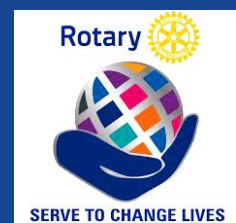


DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES
SERVIR PARA
TRANSFORMAR VIDAS

July
2021

Message from the District Governor: Dr Stella Anyangwe

"Serve to change lives" is the clarion call that we, the CHANGE-MAKER team of Rotary leaders for 2021-22, received from our team leader, RI President Shekhar Mehta. So, on 1st July 2021, we hit the ground running in District 9400, with the Change-Maker team of District Chairs, AGs, Club Officials and all Rotarians, to answer that clarion call.



DG D9400 Dr Stella Anyangwe and Carl

Our District goals are no different from RI goals for this year: grow membership, give more to the Rotary Foundation, improve service. The catchy phrases to remind us of these goals are:

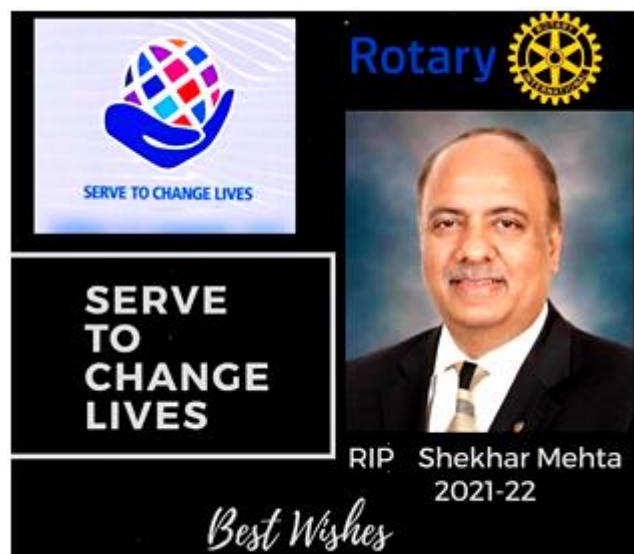
- ✚ "Each one, bring one"
- ✚ "Give more, grow more"
- ✚ "Grow more to do more"
- ✚ "We have the power and the magic to change lives"

Our District's and my goals for the year are the following"

- ✚ Grow our membership to at least 1,300 members
- ✚ Ensure that ALL CLUBS donate to the Rotary Foundation (Annual Fund and PolioPlus), so that

Mensagem Da Governadora Do Distrito: Dr Stella Anyangwe

"Servir para transformar vidas" é o chamamento que nós, equipa de líderes de 2021-2022 apostados em fazer a diferença, recebemos do nosso líder, o Presidente do RI Shekhar Mehta. Por isso, a 1 de Julho de 2021, assumimos a direcção do Distrito 9400, com a equipa de mudança de Responsáveis Distritais, AGs, Oficiais dos Clubes e todos os Rotários, com a finalidade de responder a esse chamamento.



As nossas metas distritais não diferem das metas do RI para este ano: aumentar os membros, doar mais para a Fundação Rotária e melhorar os serviços. Frases atractivas para nos lembrarmos destas metas são:

- ✚ "Cada um traga mais um"
- ✚ "Dar mais, crescer mais"
- ✚ "Crescer mais para fazer mais"
- ✚ "Temos o poder e a capacidade de mudar vidas"

As metas do nosso Distrito e as minhas para este ano são as seguintes:

- ✚ Aumentar o número de membros até pelo menos 1.300

- there are NO NON-GIVING CLUBS in our District.
- ✚ Enthuse clubs and Rotarians to serve with joy and mirth: "Enjoy Rotary!".

The RI President's Initiatives for the year 2021-22 are the following:

- ✚ Empowerment of Girls
- ✚ Rotary Days
- ✚ Presidential Conferences

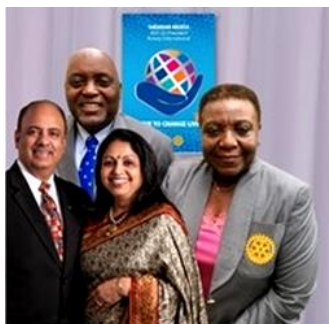
Our very own IPDG, Annemarie Mostert, has been selected by President Shekhar to be the Ambassador for the Empowerment of Girls initiative for Region 28 (7 Districts) of Rotary Zone 22. Hearty congratulations to her, and we look forward to details on how our District will support her in carrying out this initiative.

My wish is that all clubs use 23rd Feb 2022, the Rotary anniversary, to carry out Rotary awareness in our communities, in all ways possible. The District must showcase Rotary this year, as "Rotary Days".

We are also proud to announce that our District was selected to host one of the six Presidential conferences this Rotary Year. Maputo, Mozambique is the venue for the Presidential Conference, on 5-6 March, 2022, and whose theme is "Environment, Economy and Peace". PDG Kobla Quashie (RC Manzini) is the Convener of that conference, for which a Local Organizing Committee is already hard at work.

My visits to Clubs have started full-swing, albeit virtually, due to COVID-19 restrictions. How we long for the time when we can once again have physical visits. Our heartfelt condolences go to Clubs and families that have lost loved ones to COVID. Stay well and safe!

DGE Koekie Makunyane-Quashie: Special Aide
DGA Marilyn Rautenbach: DG Ann
PDG Shirley Downey: Chair Discon 2022
PAG Alice Meyer: District Secretary



**WE WILL MAKE A
FORMIDABLE
TEAM
TOGETHER!**

- ✚ Assegurar que TODOS OS CLUBES fazem doações à Fundação Rotária (Fundo Anual e Polio Plus), de forma que no nosso distrito NÃO haja CLUBES NÃO DOADORES
- ✚ Entusiasmar clubes e Rotários para servir com alegria e júbilo: "Viver o Rotary"

As iniciativas do President do RI para o ano 2021-2022 são as seguintes:

- ✚ Empoderamento de Raparigas
- ✚ Dias Rotários
- ✚ Conferências Presidenciais

A nossa IPDG, Annemarie Mostert, foi indicada pelo Presidente Shekhar para ser a Embaixadora da Iniciativa das Raparigas na Região 28 (7 Distritos) da Zona 22 do Rotary. Endereçamos-lhe as nossas calorosas felicitações e aguardamos os detalhes de como o nosso Distrito pode apoiá-la na implementação desta iniciativa.

O meu desejo é de que todos os clubes usem o 23 de Fev de 2022, aniversário do Rotary, para, de todas as formas possíveis, criar consciência sobre o Rotary nas nossas comunidades. Este ano, o Distrito deve levar a cabo demonstrações sobre o Rotary, nos "Dias do Rotary".

Anunciamos com orgulho que o nosso Distrito foi seleccionado para acolher umas das seis Conferências Presidenciais no corrente Ano Rotário. Maputo, em Moçambique, é o local da Conferência Presidencial, de 5-6 de Março de 2022, e cujo tema é "Meio Ambiente, Economia e Paz". O PDG Kobla Quashie (RC Manzini) é Organizador dessa conferência, em relação à qual um Comité Organizador Local já está a desenvolver sério.

As minhas visitas aos clubes já estão em curso, ainda que virtualmente, devido às restrições do COVID-19. Como sonhamos com o tempo em que podemos voltar a ter visitas físicas! As nossas profundas condolências aos Clubes e famílias que perderam entes queridos devido ao COVID. Fiquem bem e cuidem-se!

A minha equipa:

DGE Koekie Makunyane-Quashie: Apoio Especial
DGA Marilyn Rautenbach: DG Ann
PDG Shirley Downie: Chair Discon 2022
PAG Alice Meyer: Secretária do Distrito



AUGUST is MEMBERSHIP and NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

It's time to celebrate your Rotary club, your members, and the good you do in your community and around the world. There are many ways to join in the celebration, but here are a few activities to get you started:

- **Say it loud, say it proud!** Let everyone in your social network know that you are a proud member by changing your Twitter and Facebook profile to the [I'm a Proud Member](#), [I'm a Proud Rotaractor](#), or [I'm a Proud Interactor](#) graphic. Copy and save the graphic as your profile picture for August.
- **Exchange ideas.** Do you have successful membership strategies that have worked well in your community? Share them on the [Membership Best Practices Discussion Group](#).
- **Watch and share.** Download RI President Gary C.K. Huang's video on membership from [Rotary's Vimeo page](#). Watch it at your next meeting or club event to highlight the vital role membership plays in maintaining a strong and active club.
- **Making a difference.** Rotary clubs are known for the high-impact service projects they undertake locally and globally. Share stories about your service projects and how they improve lives on [Rotary Showcase](#). Check [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) to see what Rotary members around the world are doing to celebrate Membership Month.



- **We Are Rotary.** Using the hashtag #WeAreRotary, [post photos](#) to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, of your club members at work in your community or abroad to show how Rotary makes a positive impact in the world.
- **It's Now or Never.** Discuss innovative ways of thinking about increasing membership.
- **What does Rotary mean to you?** Rotary members have pushed polio to the brink of eradication, delivered clean water to those in need, improved their local communities, provided scholarships to the next generation of peacemakers, and continued to do good in the world.

100 Years of Rotary in Africa

April 25 1921, a moment in time 45 signatures to form the first Rotary Club on the African Continent were submitted to the International Association of Rotary Clubs (now Rotary International).



Charter 976 was granted on **1 July 1921** to the Rotary Club of Johannesburg, and the Rotary Wheel started to turn on the African Continent.

These two black and white photographs below show the 45 charter members of the club with Edward C Fischer and other guests in attendance.



100 Years later the Rotary Club of Johannesburg is still creating lasting change Dr Angela Long was inducted as the 101st president for the Rotary Club of Johannesburg on the 4th of July. The following Rotarians received a Service Above Self recognition: Thembeke Mkhize; Angela Long; Clifford Alexander; Jean Mboulé; and IPP of the Interact Club James Lowman. Rotarian Nick Wood was named Rotarian of the year.

**Which Club
Meets Today?**

The [directory for 2021-22](#) is now available to Rotarians and will be updated as clubs advise [Rotary Africa](#) of changes.

Council on Legislation

PDG Annie Steijn, D9400's Council on Legislation Representative (COL) for the period 2017/2023, has notified Club Presidents that we reached the deadline for Resolutions on 30 June 2021.

The upcoming COL is scheduled for 10-14 April 2022, in Chicago, USA. We are following communication by the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the US Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on any changes that we might have to make to the schedule of the meeting.

Updates will be provided through the D9400 club and newsletter channels.

Women in Rotary features DG Stella Anyangwe

Women in Rotary is a **Global Rotary Radio** (GRR) programme that showcases Female Rotarians to the world. This is an avenue for them to share their Rotary stories and much more inspiring stories.

DG Stella Anyangwe was featured on 24 July. Listen to Dr Stella's interview [here](#).

Join GRR on Saturdays, at 20h00 You can download the app on android and IOS from Google Playstore or Apple App Store Or listen on the web: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.global.rotaryradio>

DG Ann Newsletter

This is the start of my term as DGA for 2021/22 and I would like to take this opportunity to share my theme, a few ideas, our good work and contact details for Anns in the [Rotary Anns Newsletter](#) with you.



The ROTARY Theme for the 2021-2022 year is 'SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES', with 'Each One Bring One', 'Give more, Grow more' and 'Empowerment of Girls' amongst the RI Presidential goals.

Our ROTARY ANNS Theme for the year is 'GO GREEN – TO KEEP IT CLEAN'. This ties in with the ROTARY 7TH area of focus, Protecting the Environment.



DGA Marilyn Rautenbach

As we emerge battered and bruised from a year of Covid 19 lockdowns and regulations, we can look back with a sense of gratitude for so many blessings: our health, our families, food on the table, and a roof over our heads - so many things we previously took for granted!



Anns are feeding child-headed families and informal settlements. Blankets and toys are also donated and Teddies and beanies handed over to brighten up the lives of children



International initiative on MANDELA DAY

2021



#MANDELA DAY
TAKE ACTION
INSPIRE CHANGE
MAKE EVERY DAY A MANDELA DAY

The Rotary Club of Calcutta New Town in association with the Rotary Club of Johannesburg, the Rotary Club of Claremont and the Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth presented the Mandela Day Celebration to commemorate the ideals of Nelson Mandela and Objectives of Rotary - Service above Self. Rotary International President, Shekhar Mehta was the chief guest alongside guests of honour Rtn Prabir Chatterjee, DG Stella Anyangwe (D9400), DG Ian Robertson (D9350) and DG Maddy Webber (D9370).

DG Dr Stella Anyangwe presented on African Rotary Community Meditation Initiative (ARCoM): Empowering Communities to Resolve Disputes. Please find the presentation [here](#).

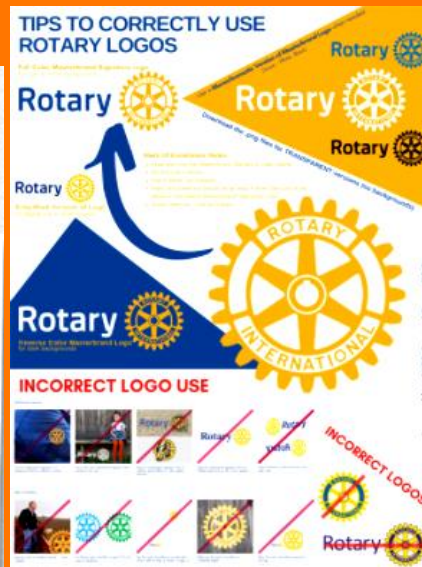
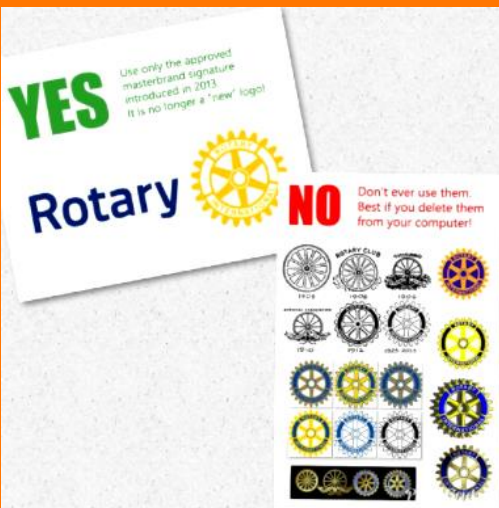
Our newly elected DG, Dr Anyangwe, further encouraged Rotarians in the District to take heed of the 2021 theme: EACH ONE, FEED ONE. "Let's all feed at least one individual or one family this weekend," she said.

ANNUAL COMPETITION: Club Newsletter & Blog

In June, at the close of every Rotary year, D9400 runs a competition amongst Rotary clubs in the district to determine the best newsletter or news blog. Editors should be aware of the criteria that are used to judge these vitally important communication tools. All newsletters/news blogs should be accessible on the D9400 website so that the panel of judges can easily view them.

It is very important that all communication material adhere to the RI guidelines for official Rotary promotional materials, especially the newsletters/news blogs. Here is how you can compete:

If you are not sure, check out the [RI brand center](#).



Other criteria are as follows:

1. Projects with pictures reported
2. RI updated news/announcements
3. Rotary month shared
4. Discon promoted
5. Training courses: incoming leaders; Membership; media; Foundation
6. RI Convention promoted
7. News of the individuals in the club like anniversaries or birthdays
8. Youth events (where applicable) – Rotaract, Interact, YEX, RYLA
9. President's message
10. Any other news related to club and community matters

More Rotary Community Corps established

On Youth Day 16 June 2021, the Rotary Club of Waterkloof celebrated the induction of nine new members who had been inspired by belonging to our [Rotary Community Corps](#) (RCC). The 2020/2021 president George Senosha inducted the incumbent president, Rtn Ellen Kotze, handing over the Chain of Office and the Presidential Badge to her. With the power thus vested in her, President Ellen Kotze inducted the nine (9) new RCC members. The first 'generation' RCC members was inducted in January 2021 – Judith Masango, Mmatepeng, Moeder Temane and Aletta Mashigo.



Bishop Moses Magerman



Modiehi Tsele



Dieketseng Diale



Dr Julia Mashele



Isaac Boshomane



Mmatepeng Moeder Temane



Celeste Diale



Thabang Chiloane



Lukie Mzekandaba

The club also chartered three (3) more new Rotary Community Corps and inducted the Presidents to take charge. Kroondal Marikana RCC, President is Rtn Mmatepeng "Moeder" Temane assisted by Rtn Tryphina Dube; RCC Kraaifontein, Scottsdene Western Cape, Presidents Rtn Moses Magerman assisted by Rtn Jacqueline van Wyk and RCC member Myrtle Filander; and RCC Soshanguve South, President inducted is Mr Charly Marobela assisted by Dr Julia Mashele.

This has been a real milestone and history in the making, not only for our Club but for our region and Rotary International as a whole.

New D9400 training officer

District 9400 now has a new training officer – Wendy Damons of Rotary Club of Ermelo, Phoenix took over from Heidi Tucker at the beginning of July. [Read more](#) about Wendy's Rotary journey.



Wendy Damons and her husband, Brendan, with their three daughters, Nikita, Zoë, and Jamie

Another Major Donor in D9400

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.
Wise words from none other than Winston Churchill.



Juanette McCrindle

Giving is the key to success, fulfilment and a life of prosperity. The world needs more people who go into the world and give their all to aid in the betterment of society.

Juanette McCrindle of the Rotary Club of Rosebank is the third Major Donor reaching Donor Level 2 in D9400. She stands alongside the other two major donors, Dr Jim Blessman and PDG Francis Callard. Through Rotary she stood up and gave value to people's lives by being of service and living selflessly.

Empowering GIRLS

Rotary International President, Shekhar Mehta, has three special initiatives for the 2021-22 Rotary year aimed at increasing our impact through service and expanding our reach by introducing new members to Rotary. One of these is **Empowering girls**.

To address the inequities that girls face worldwide, members will be encouraged to launch a club-based initiative or be part of a district or global grant that improves the health, well-being, education, and economic security of girls in their communities and ensures their access to resources.

IPDG Annemarie Mostert says our call to action is to leave no girl behind. Every Rotary Club should implement at least one [Empowering Girls](#) project this year. Set up a Global Grant by focusing on **Health, Education or Economic Independence**. Partner a Rotary Action group, share best practices, collaborate with other clubs and civil society. Showcase and share their story. Take that first step for the future of our girls today.

Share information, opportunities and collaboration with Zone22, Region 28 **Ambassador** for **Empowering Girls**, IPDG [Annemarie Mostert](#)



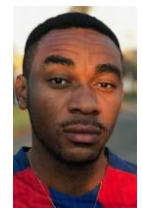
NEW GENERATIONS

Duncan Agar, an Interact student from St Sthithians Boys College, was the master of ceremonies at the virtual induction of the Rotary Club of Johannesburg on the 4th of July. This is in keeping with a long tradition.

Benjamin Scher was inducted as president of the St Sthithians Boys College Interact Club along with his Vice President Ethan Gondo. Renaldy Beyeme was inducted as president of the Rotaract Club of Johannesburg.



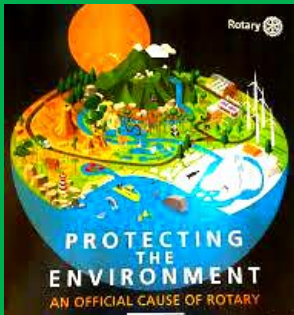
Benjamin Scher



Renaldy Beyeme

Rotary shares an interest in protecting our common legacy

THE ENVIRONMENT



Rotary is committed to supporting activities that strengthen the conservation and protection of natural resources, advance ecological sustainability, and foster harmony between communities and the environment. The [D9400 Environmental Committee](#) will guide clubs to empower communities to access grants and other resources, embrace local solutions, and spur innovation in an effort to address the causes and reduce the effects of climate change and environmental degradation.

The Rotary Foundation will enable our members and their community allies to take action in these ways:

- Protecting and restoring land, coastal, marine, and freshwater resources
- Enhancing the capacity of communities to support natural resource management and conservation
- Supporting sustainable agriculture, fishing, and aquaculture practices
- Addressing the cause of climate change by reducing the emission of greenhouse gases
- Strengthening ecosystems and communities affected by climate change
- Supporting education initiatives that promote behaviour that protects the environment
- Advocating for sustainable consumption to build an economy that uses resources more efficiently
- Addressing environmental justice issues and public health concerns



D9400 PEOPLE OF ACTION

Click [here](#) to view Club newsletters and stories online!

Send your Club Newsletters to admin@rotary9400.org.za to have them loaded onto the D9400 website!

Rotary Club of Benoni Aurora

Wheelchair Gives a Child Greater Access to Society

A child with a disability and without a wheelchair is not able to socialise with the world around them. Travelling with them becomes a challenge. Most would be bed-bound or have to find their way around by crawling, as it was with 5-year-old Martha Makhuloane. Little Martha was born deformed and unlike her peers, had to crawl or be carried around. This was a feat as her mother Emily is diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and finds it difficult to carry her as she gets tired frequently. Martha relied heavily on her grandmother who is challenged as she has to take care of an additional 10 children.

The impact that not having a wheelchair on children like little Martha has, is that they are not able to access health care systems and education without the assistance of a wheelchair which renders them immobile. Click [here](#) for more on this story.

Martha Makhulane and her mother, Emily



The SOUNDS package, letters, bag, board, teacher manual, and books from Books in Homes

Take Up the SOUNDS Challenge

The SOUNDS project, run by the Rotary Club of Pretoria East (RCPE), has placed over a hundred SOUNDS sets in crèches in Gauteng, Limpopo, Mpumalanga, KZN, Mozambique, and Eswatini.

We are now calling on all clubs in D9400 to help us to reach another 100 crèches by taking up the challenge just like the Rotary Club of Centurion who have introduced the SOUNDS project into a crèche adjacent to Diepsloot.

SOUNDS is a simple literacy programme that can be introduced to disadvantaged crèches with great effect by Rotary clubs. [Read more](#) on how to take up the challenge...

Rotary Club of Pretoria East

Rotary Club of Benoni Aurora

Usizo Lwethu Brings Help to Most Vulnerable

Usizo Lwethu School is a special needs school in Daveyton, Johannesburg that caters to 420 children living with Down Syndrome and Autism. To support their educational needs, the school needs to provide special learning aids which they are not able to afford.

The Club visited the school and learned of its highly successful vegetable garden that the children are involved in, to support the school's feed scheme. This is when it was realised that there is a need to get involved by supplying more than food.

The club has since delivered furniture, stationery, paint, learning aids, garden equipment, and shade cloth, all donated by Rotary Club of Benoni Aurora and Dis-Chem. [Read more](#) about Usizo Lwethu.

Rotary Club of Benoni Aurora calls for assistance that will enable them to support the school. Contact Gail Wilson on +27 82 564 7244



FLTR: Larry Hyde, Butch Wilson and Gail Wilson (all from Rotary Club of Benoni Aurora); Krystle Smith, the Dietitian; Mariam Choonara, Speech and Hearing therapist; Uvira Mohangi, Occupational Therapist and Precious Masia, Occupational Therapist.



The Blanket Drive Serves to Change Lives

Denise Cruickshank of the Rotary Club of Morningside, has done wonderful work marketing the Collaborative Clubs Blanket Drive over the past 13 years. She now hands over the baton to Debbie Hopewell, who will be supported by her club, as she hits the ground running. Denise, known as Deni, is a gem to Rotary and has been the epitome of what it means to Serve to Change Lives. Read more about What Is Happening at Rotary Club of Morningside


The Collaborative Clubs Blanket Drive is managed by Steve Margo of Fourways Main Reef (Chairman), Brenda McCallum of Fourways Man Reef (Treasurer) Deni Cruickshank of Morningside (Secretary).

Rotary Club of Morningside

Rotary Club of Johannesburg

Expand Your Network Initiative

Are you struggling to make international connections with other Rotary Clubs for twinning, funding partners, friendship, and/or more? **OR**, are you struggling to find exciting topics to keep your members interested and engaged? The Rotary Club of Johannesburg has found the solution to [expand your network](#)! On the first Tuesday of every month, they host an International Rotary Club and a Rotary Club from our Zone or District.



Rotary
Club of Johannesburg

EXPAND YOUR NETWORK

Join us for an international meeting
where we help you expand
YOUR NETWORK

**The 1st
Tuesday of the
month
18h45 GMT+2**

Breakout rooms after the presentations with
professionals from all over the world...

Featuring:



Each of these clubs will have 10 minutes to present the demographics of their clubs, their projects; fundraisers; challenges and successes.

After the presentations, there will be a 10-minute break-out session where you will be able to connect in smaller groups (maximum 10) with Rotarians and Professionals from all over the globe!

This is also an excellent way to attract young professionals to your club.

You can view a recording of the episodes on [\(9\) Rotary Club of Johannesburg - YouTube](#)



District 9400 EVENTS CALENDAR

31-1

July/August
2021

CANCELLED - RLI training in Ermelo, Mpumalanga

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August
2021

Expand your network - International meeting @ 18h45



[ID: 864 2178 7906](#); Password: JHB

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August
2021

Clem Sunter: *Thinking the Future: New Perspectives from the Shoulders of Giants*. The link to this virtual event will be sent to you on email when you book your ticket on [Quicket](#) at R100 per login.

Fundraiser by the Rotary Club of Rosebank

14-16

October
2021

D9400
Rotary Family Health Days

4-5

March
2022

Presidential Conference on Economics and peace,
Protecting the environment - Maputo, Mozambique

10-14

April
2022

Council on Legislation in Chicago, USA

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, Say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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