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#### WELCOME

Sarah van Heerden - Editor in Chief

This issue traditionally fills me with joy, it marks the end of a long year and the start of a period of rest. But today, I am uncertain about what I feel. Joy, relief and perhaps some nostalgia. Why? I am not sure, perhaps it is the weather outside; it's cold and gloomy here, more like the initial teases of winter than the nearing arrival of summer.

Or perhaps, it is THE WEATHER (in general)... yet again, high rainfall in South Africa has led to flooding and homelessness, lower than usual rainfall in Kenya has killed thousands of wild animals. What is scary is that we have been talking about the environment, changing climates and so forth literally for decades... but here we are. We were warned, but far too many were far too smart and arrogant. So, here we are... and unless we, as communities and nations, start taking this more seriously, I fear things may become worse.

Which is why I have given this edition a dual theme. Traditionally, I try to look at giving and philanthropy at this time of year, which I have done in this issue, but I have also included an informative and inspiring article about some phenomenal work being done by an organisation to remove plastic from the ocean. And not just a few bags here and there, The Ocean Cleanup has removed more than 100 000 kilogrammes of plastic from the Pacific Ocean Garbage Patch and is also stopping more plastic entering the oceans from some of the world's worst polluted rivers.

I always judge the quality of an article by the number of new things I learn and, while it is perfectly logical, I was surprised to learn that there are five garbage patches in our oceans! It's probably because we so often hear about the one in the Pacific, that I never thought about the rest of the world. Either way, I learnt a few things and was awed at what is being done... I guess you could say that the good news chased the blues away!

Anyway, this is it for 2022 and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### Hope for fighting a global scourge



Rotary President Jennifer Jones visits Zambia in August to showcase the work of Partners for a Malaria-Free Zambia, Rotary's first Programmes of Scale grant recipient. Malaria is a leading cause of illness and death in Zambia and it disproportionately affects people in rural areas. With the grant, Partners for a Malaria-Free Zambia aims to reduce cases of the disease by 90 percent in targeted areas. The programme is also providing medicine and supplies for effective diagnosis, treatment and data reporting.

While sitting with a group of Rotary leaders outside of Lusaka, Zambia, I ask a question: "How many of you have ever had malaria?" Every hand in the room goes up. They even begin to tell me about the first, second or third time they experienced the disease, one of the main causes of death and sickness in many developing countries.

They are fortunate. They have access to medical treatment and lifesaving medicines. For the people of rural Zambia, their story is very different.

On a wooden bench in a small village, I sit with Timothy and his young son Nathan. With a camera crew capturing our conversation, he tells me of the time Nathan showed signs of malaria. He brought the boy to the nearby home of a community health worker, where Nathan quickly received medicines that saved his life.

Calmly, Timothy tells me about his other son's bout with the disease a few years earlier. He had to race that son to a medical clinic more than five miles away. Riding a bike and carrying his child on his back, he tells me, he could feel his son's legs turn cold and then his little body go limp. As he finally entered the clinic, he screamed for help, but it was too late. The camera stops rolling and we sit in silence. He begins to weep and I hold him tightly. "I lost my son, I lost my son," he says.

This story is all too familiar for the families we meet over the next few days. And yet there is hope. Partners for a Malaria-Free Zambia is Rotary's first Programmes of Scale grant recipient and it is saving lives. Across two provinces of Zambia, 2 500 volunteer health workers have been selected by their communities. They are trained to bring medical care closer to those who need it and they are able to diagnose and treat malaria and other ailments.

#### JENNIFER JONES

President, Rotary International





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Showcase to find proposed projects to join and contact project creators directly.

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#### **ART IS ALL AROUND**

2023 Rotary International Convention Countdown

Public art is a staple in Melbourne and exploring the city's outdoor installations and lanes filled with graffiti and murals is one way to experience its beauty and creativity when you're in town for the 2023 Rotary International Convention 27-31 May.

Walk through the central business district to see a variety of favourite street art spots. The cobblestone Hosier Lane, one of the most famous displays, explodes with colour from art that changes overnight as people continually paint over the city-sanctioned graffiti. A few blocks away, gaze at portraits of legendary rockers from the hard-charging band that gives narrow AC/DC Lane its name. Turn the corner to take in the gritty vibes of the street art that envelopes sophisticated restaurants along Duckboard Place.

Presgrave Place offers a twist on the typical graffiti lane. The road has become an outdoor gallery lined with an eclectic accumulation of framed art, pasted-up posters and sculptural mini-installations.

In a park along the Yara River, which cuts through the heart of Melbourne, you can walk among the Federation Bells. The government commissioned the 39 upturned bells for the 2001 centennial of when the continent's six British colonies became a nation. The brass bells on pedestals and poles play music from various composers three times a day.

Look for sculptures all around the city. You might see a cluster of giant golden bees outside a skyscraper, a fragment of what looks like a library building jutting out of the sidewalk and an upside-down cow in a tree.



#### **Foundation Trustee Chair**

Ian HS Risely

We all make hundreds if not thousands of decisions daily. Whenever I need to make an important decision, I remember the words of Roy Disney, who co-founded what became the Walt Disney Co: "It's easy to make decisions when you know what your values are."

Each of us brings a set of personal values into our clubs. Rotary also unites by a set of core values - service, fellowship, diversity, integrity and leadership - that guide our decisions and galvanise us to take action and, by doing so, change the world.

Another value is inextricable to Rotary: our giving spirit. From the club members who volunteer their time for service projects to the Rotary leaders in the Arch Klumph Society who sustain our Foundation, Rotary members are among the most generous people I have ever met.

Combining our personal generosity with the countless ways Rotary affords us to give back, makes us a global force for good.

In Rotary, we take it a step further. We also value good stewardship, planning and sustainability. Not only do we give, but in Rotary we also give smart. We know that building sustainability into our projects means their impact will be felt over the long term.

In short, through the Foundation, your gifts keep on giving.

This is why donating to The Rotary Foundation is one of the most intelligent decisions you can make. You know that your gift will align with those values you hold dear and that it will be administered by your fellow Rotarians, who share those values.

It is quite an understatement to say that in giving to Rotary, we also receive. As someone who has been privileged to visit hundreds of Foundation projects around the world, I can tell you that the gift we get in return is priceless.

I hope you, too, will be as lucky I have been, to see the look of amazement on the face of a person at an eye clinic in Chennai, India, who now sees clearly. The proud smiles of Guatemalan children who learned to read thanks to Rotary. Or the grateful tears of a parent in Pakistan whose child has received two drops of polio vaccine. Then you will understand what I'm talking about. We are so fortunate to be able to serve humanity by supporting our Rotary Foundation.

During this season of giving, I thank you for your generosity to The Rotary Foundation and for all the ways you give to our great organisation. Juliet and I extend our warmest holiday greetings to you all.





## Just imagine

#### DR PATRICK COLEMAN ROTARY FOUNDATION MAJOR GIFT ADVISOR

#### A GOOD IMAGINATION NEEDED

Thomas Edison said; "To invent, you need a good imagination and a pile of junk."

What a profound, yet curious, comment from the man who 'failed' 10 000 times but said "I have not failed 10 000 times - I've successfully found 10 000 ways that will not work."

Thomas Edison held 1 093 patents for different inventions. Many of them, like the light bulb, the phonograph and the motion picture camera, were brilliant creations that have a huge influence on our everyday life. However, not everything he created was a success; he also had many failures.

One concept that failed initially was using cement to build things. He formed the Edison Portland Cement Co in 1899 and made everything from cabinets (for phonographs) to pianos and houses. Unfortunately, at the time, concrete was too expensive and the idea was not accepted then. The cement business was not a total failure, though. His company was hired to build Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, New York City.

Rotary International President Jennifer Jones has asked Rotarians around the world to "Imagine a world that deserves our best." That challenge includes the seven avenues of service, encouraging people who are not 'like us' to be a part of our Rotary family and to think outside the box when it comes to projects, plans and participation.

December's Rotary theme is "Disease Prevention and Treatment." The old theme for December was "The Rotary Family Month." Don't shoot me, but I still like the old theme because December is a time for friends and family to come together for various holiday celebrations.

It is also a great time to examine our Rotary goals set six or seven months ago during the excitement of a new Rotary Year and the challenges set before us.

Let's have a look...

- Membership Goals: Are we there? Have we expanded our outreach to areas not included in our membership thus far? Are we close? What obstacles are in our way?
- The Rotary Foundation: Have we completed the projects? Are we following the plan of our projects? Have we made our personal giving target? Are we close? If not... Why not?
- Public Image: Is our club having an impact in our community? When people hear the word "Rotary" do they smile with appreciation or have we become spectators?
- Our Environment: Have we worked to decrease our carbon footprint? Are we making the air and water in our community safer for our children, grandchildren and their children?

It is not a coincidence that I mentioned these four topics. These are the emphases targeted by Rotary Director Patrick Chisanga and his host organising committee for the Rotary Institute in Lusaka, Zambia, next September.

RID Patrick has set an outlandish goal of seeing

60 000 Rotarians in Africa by the end of his term of office in June 2024. To do this, we need to reverse the trend in southern Africa of shrinking clubs and consolidating shrinking districts.

According to our Rotary office in Zürich, as of this writing, we have 1 784 Clubs with a total membership of 46 175. Interestingly enough, we have 1 340 Rotaract clubs and 21 993 members. RID Patrick's goal of 60 000 Rotarians is well within our reach. Within our ranks we have some incredible members who are recognised as Africa's Agents of Change: https://www.rotary.org/en/africas-agents-change. Check it out!

One of those Agents of Change is Patience Rusare in Zimbabwe. She says, "I want my children to grow

up in an environment where all people love each other regardless of the ethnic groups they belong to. They will know that we are all diverse, but we are all one." She reminds me of Martin Luther King Jr's dream of nearly 60 years ago.

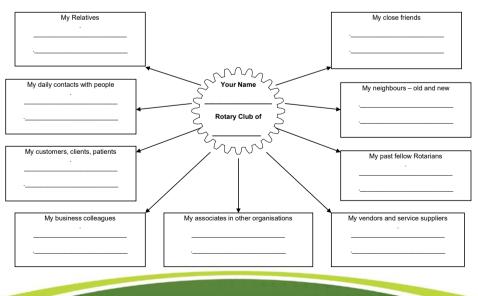
Sadly, there are still areas of discrimination and bigotry, but we can be the changemakers in our own community. Again, Jennifer Jones asks each of us to "Imagine, a world that deserves our best where we get up each day knowing that we can make a difference."

To help you with club growth, see the star chart below and let's finish this Rotary year putting our plans into action, to create the kind of world that Patience Rusare imagines.

## Need some help?

Is your club on track to meeting its membership goals for the year? If not, perhaps this exercise will help members identify potential Rotarians. The best way to find new members is to ask people to join us! I don't know about you, but I find writing things down, often simplifies the way forward. Good luck!

#### **PROSPECT STAR CHART**





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G. Viviana Santa Cruz Mérida Bolivia, District 4690

#### **Cadre title:**

Cadre Adviser for Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

#### Occupation:

Civil engineer specializing in water and sanitation

#### What are Rotary members saying about Viviana?

"Viviana's contribution has been fundamental for Rotary members in our district to be trained on water and sanitation projects being planned, structured, sustained, and based on the needs of the community."

Livio Zozzoli, district Rotary Foundation chair and district governor-elect for District 4690 (Bolivia)

There are hundreds of experts standing by to help you plan or enhance your Rotary project!



More people across the globe donated money to charity and helped a stranger last year than in any year of the previous decade, according to the Charities Aid Foundation's World Giving Index (WGI) 2022. However, in South Africa there were significant declines in scores between 2017 and 2021 in two of the three giving behaviours.

According to the 2022 CAF World Giving Index, three in five South Africans (62%) reported helping a stranger in 2021, down from 65% in 2020, and 72% in 2017. Volunteering fell to 28% in 2021 from 31% in 2020, and 34% in 2017. Added to this, the proportion of people who donated money fell by 12 percentage points, from 28% in 2020 to 16% in 2021, returning to the levels of donating money that were recorded in 2017.

This has resulted in South Africa's overall World Giving Index score and global ranking falling in 2021. South Africa now has an index score of 35%, a decrease of 6 percentage points, ranking #87 from #21 in 2020.

Gill Bates, Chief Executive of the Charities Aid Foundation Southern Africa, said: "While the World Giving Index 2022 figures for South Africa are certainly disheartening, they're not wholly surprising. The resilient, generous spirit of South Africans can still be felt in our country. However we believe that the immense economic and social pressures felt throughout the population has had an impact on our giving behaviours.

"With the incredibly high unemployment rate in South Africa, as well as increased interest rates and living costs, we have seen a rise in poverty, as well as a shrinking of our middle class. There have also been violent protests and natural disasters in

Countries which have seen the largest increases or decreases in their World Giving Index score over the past five years and reported a score for at least four out of the last five years are included in the analysis (2017 to 2021). They are ranked from the largest score increase to the largest score decrease over that time.

#### **BIGGEST RISERS**

	1 Czech Republic 29% 🔺
•	2 China 28% 🛦
:	3 Serbia 28% ▲
:	4 Russia 26% 🛦
:	5 Paraguay 24% ▲
:	6 Bulgaria 23% 🛦
:	7 Venezuela 22% 🔺
•	8 Poland 21% 🛦
	9 Lithuania 21% 🛦
:	10 Vietnam 21% 🛦

#### BIGGEST FALLERS

1	Myanmar 13% 🔻	
2	Afghanistan 8% ▼	
3	South Africa 8% ▼	
4	Lebanon <b>7%</b> ▼	
5	Hong Kong 6% ▼	
6	Mauritius 5% ▼	
7	Netherlands 5% ▼	
8	Japan 5% ▼	
9	Ireland 5% ▼	
10	Germany 4% ▼	

parts of the country, and the COVID-19 safety protocols also put restrictions on inperson volunteering. The fact is that while the needs have increased, fewer South Africans have had the financial means or capacity to donate or volunteer."

The WGI 2022 reveals that around the world, three billion people helped someone they didn't know last year, increasing by approximately half a billion since the pandemic. Around 200 million more people also donated money to charity worldwide, with donations rising by 10% in high-income economies.

The World Giving Index is one of the biggest surveys into giving ever produced with nearly two million people interviewed since 2009. This year's Index includes data from 119 countries, representing more than 90% of the global adult population. People around the world are asked three questions: have they helped a stranger, given money or volunteered for a good cause over the past month? Produced by CAF, the World Giving Index will launch during the 77th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, at an event in New York to discuss the role of the private sector in achieving the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.

For the fifth year in a row, the world's most generous country is Indonesia, followed by Kenya in second place. Many high-income countries returned to the top 10, having seen a steep decline in volunteering and giving since 2018 which got worse during the pandemic. In addition to the United States in third place, Australia (fourth), New Zealand (fifth) and Canada (eighth) join the world's most generous countries.

The United Kingdom ranks 17th overall, up from 22nd in 2020, largely due to many lower-income countries also increasing their scores and raising the Index.

Ukraine came out 10th in the Index, rising from 20th in the previous year, and is the only European country occupying a place in the top 10. The high score from data collected prior to the 2022 conflict reflects the new ways to engage with charity which emerged in Ukraine, along with an increase in living standards and the need that was created by the pandemic.

HELPING A STRANGER COUNTRY AND RANKIN	PEOPLE (%)	
Sierra Leone	1	83%
Venezuela	2	82%
Jamaica	3	80%
United States of America	4	80%
Nigeria	5	79%
Costa Rica	6	78%
Kenya	7	77%
Uganda	8	77%
Colombia	9	76%
Mexico	10	76%

Helping a stranger remained the most widespread giving behaviour and reached record levels. Five of the top 10 countries where the most people helped a stranger were located in South and Central America. The effects of the pandemic and economic hardships likely led to higher levels of charitable engagement in developing countries, as first shown in last year's World Giving Index.

HELPING A STRANGER COUNTRY AND RANKING		PEOPLE (%)
Malta	110	48%
Kazakhstan	111	47%
Afghanistan	112	44%
Italy	113	44%
Netherlands	114	43%
Switzerland	115	40%
France	116	38%
Lao People's Democratic Republic	117	36%
Japan	118	24%
Cambodia	119	23%

Cambodia and Japan were the countries with the lowest proportion of people who reported helping a stranger (23% and 24% respectively). Half of the countries found in the bottom ten are high-income European countries (France, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Italy, Malta). This is likely due in large part to the function of the welfare state, and the strong social safety nets that are in place in European countries.

Neil Heslop OBE, Chief Executive of the Charities Aid Foundation, said:

"Giving takes different forms around the globe, and even the definitions of what constitutes charity and generosity differ across cultures. Our World Giving Index aims to measure generosity as expressed through three human behaviours. Encouragingly, the overall Index score has increased, indicating that people around the world have been engaging more in generous actions than during the previous year. Against an uncertain economic, social and political backdrop, the World

Giving Index improves our understanding about global giving. Covid-19 has affected the world's poorest and vulnerable the most, which has also disrupted progress towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

"Private donors and businesses are likely to be called upon to fill funding gaps and charities will need to work out how best to direct their limited funding for the greatest impact. However, in the wake of two difficult years and with further challenges likely to come, we continue to see great instances of global generosity."

DONATING MONEY COUNTRY AND RANKI	PEOPLE (%)	DONATING MONEY COUNTRY AND RANKING		PEOPLE (%)	
Indonesia	1	84%	Malawi	110	14%
Myanmar	2	73%	Jordan	111	14%
Netherlands	3	68%	Namibia	112	13%
Iceland	4	67%	Gabon	113	11%
United Kingdom	5	65%	Zimbabwe	114	10%
Australia	6	64%	Tunisia	115	9%
Malta	7	64%	Egypt	116	7%
Thailand	8	62%	Afghanistan	117	7%
United States of America	9	61%	Morocco	118	7%
New Zealand	10	61%	Georgia	119	3%

All countries in the bottom 10 for donating money were low and middle-income. Georgia had the lowest proportion of people who donated money to a charity (3%). Seven out of the 10 bottom countries are in Africa.

VOLUNTEERED TIME COUNTRY AND RANKING		PEOPLE (%)	VOLUNTEERED TIM COUNTRY AND RANK		PEOPLE (%)
Indonesia	1	63%	Bosnia and Herzegovina	110	10%
Kenya	2	52%	Pakistan	111	10%
Sierra Leone	3	44%	Latvia	112	10%
Zambia	4	43%	Portugal	113	10%
Tajikistan	5	43%	Cambodia	114	10%
Philippines	6	39%	Jordan	115	9%
United States of America	7	37%	Serbia	116	9%
Sri Lanka	8	37%	Lebanon	117	9%
Jamaica	9	36%	Albania	118	8%
Dominican Republic	10	36%	Egypt	119	4%

Volunteering time saw a small increase from 19% to 23%, returning to pre-pandemic levels, in a similar trend to the other two measures. Despite the barriers produced by the pandemic, this is the highest rate of volunteering reported since 2009.



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In July, an extraordinary environmental operation in the Pacific Ocean reached an exciting milestone: The Ocean Cleanup had officially removed more than 100 000 kgs of plastic from the Great Pacific Garbage Patch (GPGP).

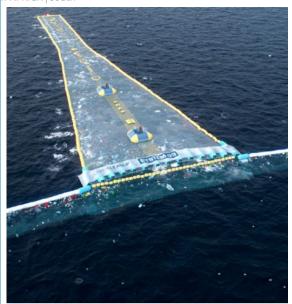
The Ocean Cleanup develops and scales technologies to rid the oceans of plastic. To achieve this, it focused its initial ocean cleaning efforts where it achieves maximum impact. The Great Pacific Garbage Patch (or GPGP), located between California and Hawaii, was where its first experimental large-scale cleaning solution, System 002 (or as it is more affectionately known, Jenny), began harvesting plastic throughout its 2021 and 2022 test campaigns.

Since deployment in August 2021, Jenny has now collected 101 353 kgs of plastic in more than 45 extractions, sweeping over 3 000km² of ocean (an area about the size of Luxembourg). Added to the 7 173 kgs of plastic captured by its previous prototype systems, The Ocean Cleanup has removed 108 526 kgs of plastic from the GPGP – more than the combined weight of two and a half Boeing 737-800s or the dry weight of a space shuttle! The catch reporting follows DNV's (an independent global expert in assurance and risk management) Chain of Custody standard which guarantees that every single kilogram of plastic came from the ocean.

"According to our 2018 study in which we mapped the patch, the total amount of accumulated plastic is 79 000 000 kgs or, if we include the Outer GPGP, 100 000 000 kgs. Thus, if we repeat this 100 000 kgs haul 1 000 times – the Great Pacific Garbage Patch will be gone," says Boyan Slat, the founder and CEO of The Ocean Cleanup.

With the ocean cleaning technology now validated, consistent removal of plastic from the GPGP is now a reality. The next step is to transition toward a system large and efficient enough to clean the entire GPGP.

"I'm proud of The Ocean Cleanup team for crossing this milestone, which is all the more remarkable considering System 002 is still an experimental system. Now our technology is validated, we are ready to move on to our new and expanded System 03, which is expected to capture plastic at a rate potentially 10 times higher than System 002 through a combination of increased size, improved efficiency and increased uptime. Our transition to System 03 is starting soon," says Slat.



System 002 extraction zone hauled on deck for emptying and (below) being emptied.





System 03, which is three times the size of Jenny, will capture more plastic at a lower cost per kilogramme, which The Ocean Cleanup believes will result in a system that is ten times as effective as its predecessor.

"To rid the oceans of plastic, we need a clean-up approach that can match the immense size of the problem. By increasing size, optimising operational performance (i.e. less downtime) and increasing capture efficiency, we aim to produce a much more efficient system that will become the blueprint for our fleet. In simple terms: using bigger systems makes cleaning the ocean more economical."

#### **PLASTIC AND FISHING**

Published research by The Ocean Cleanup has found that the Great Pacific Garbage Patch (GPGP) is largely composed of fishing-related plastic waste, with 75% to 86% of all plastic waste in the GPGP identified as coming from offshore fishing activity.

Analysis of over 6 000 plastic objects also found that major industrialised fishing nations (including the United States, China, Japan and Korea) are the principal producers of the fishing waste found in the GPGP, an area three times the size of France and the world's largest accumulation of floating ocean plastic.

At a global level, emissions from rivers remain by far the largest source of plastic pollution into the oceans. However, specifically for the GPGP, this is not the case and this confirms that the GPGP requires an approach not only involving clean up and interception; this 'other source' of GPGP pollution - ie, plastic originating from fishing activities - must also be tackled.

The Ocean Cleanup conducted the research on plastic objects and fragments captured in the GPGP during cleaning operations of its System



Boyan Slat, CEO and founder of The Ocean Cleanup unveils the Interceptor, the first scalable river clean up technology in Rotterdam (October 26, 2019).

#### The man behind the project

In 2018, Boyan Slat, founder and CEO of The Ocean Cleanup, received the 44th Leonardo da Vinci International Award for the work the Dutch inventor and entrepreneur has done through The Ocean Cleanup to develop the advanced systems to make the oceans plastic-free. This prize is an initiative of 11 European Rotary clubs and is intended for a young, promising person who is active in one of the many work areas of Leonardo da Vinci. Slat receiving this prize helped inspire 15 Amsterdam Rotary clubs to start their current End Plastic Soup campaign. The Premio Leonardo da Vinci was started in 1975 by the Rotary Club of Florence in collaboration with the Rotary Clubs of Athens, Tours and Wein-Ring. Today 11 Rotary clubs participate in this award that recognises the outstanding achievement of young people in the sciences, technology, literature and the arts.



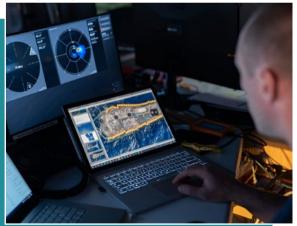
001/B solution in 2019. Researchers painstakingly investigated the origins, sources and ages of these objects to create the most comprehensive picture of GPGP plastic so far presented, building on The Ocean Cleanup's previous research, conducted in 2018.

"This research significantly expands our understanding of the Great Pacific Garbage Patch," said Matthias Egger, the Ocean Plastic Researcher at The Ocean Cleanup. 'In order to solve this problem, we need to understand it and identifying

the origins of GPGP plastic is essential to our cleanup efforts and the efforts of other organisations, to reduce this other source of pollution."

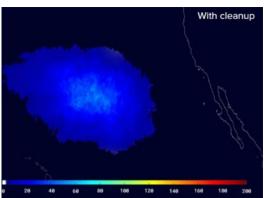
"To stop the inflow of plastic into our oceans, addressing river emissions - the largest source - must remain core priority" said Slat. "However, to ensure our work to clean up the GPGP is truly sustainable, fishing gear inputs must also be stopped. We hope our latest study will enable organisations and the fishing industry itself to address this other source of plastic pollution to the GPGP."

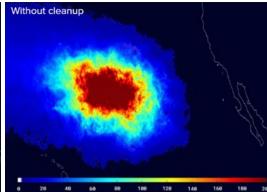
Computational models predict the plastic hotspots in the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. The Ocean Cleanup approach involves as much software as hardware. Its advanced computational modelling has proved highly effective in helping identify and predict areas of high-density plastic and drive the steering strategy accordingly, to further increase efficiency and lower clean-up costs.





A rendering comparing a System 03 deployment to a System 002 (centre) deployment. With the increased scale and optimised overall efficiency of System 03, modelling suggests it's possible to clean the entire GPGP with as few as 10 systems.

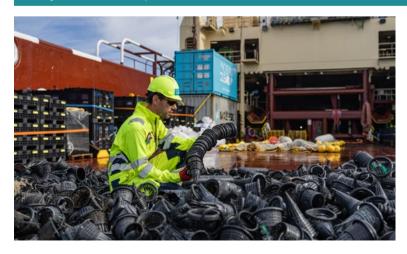




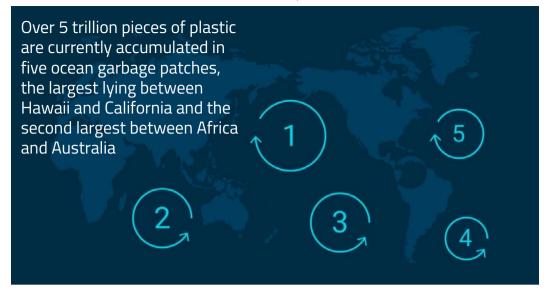
Great Pacific Garbage Patch in 2030 with and without clean up. [scale: kg/km2]

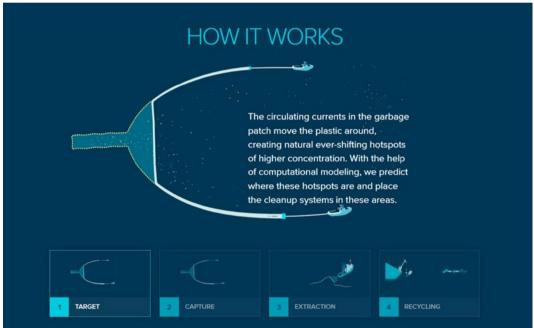


Ocean team members during the 'hothouse' problem-solving sessions to solve the overtopping issue. The issue of overtopping is when plastic that rides the waves over System 002 floats and evades capture. Overtopping results in only a small amount of plastic lost, but every kilogram lost reduces capture efficiency and solving the problem would therefore reduce the cost per kilogram removed. This marathon of brainstorming resulted in five optimisation concepts, some of which will be tested in real-life conditions during the transition to System 03.



Plastic extraction from System 002, The Ocean Cleanup's ocean system cleaning the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. Items often found in large quantities are eel traps (left), used for catching hagfish.





#### 1000 RIVERS

In 2021, The Ocean Cleanup presented the results of its updated global river pollution model in the peer-reviewed journal Science Advances. The publication shed new light on where and how much plastic flows into the oceans via rivers.

With the help of new measurements and modelling, the study showed that 1000 rivers, representing 1% of all rivers globally, shed almost 80% of plastic emissions. This number is 100 times more than the 10 rivers that were previously thought to be responsible for most of the pollution.

The study was conducted in collaboration with researchers from Wageningen University, Delft University of Technology, Utrecht University and the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research.

The plastic waste that flows into the oceans is not only determined by the amount of plastic generated in a river basin – which is primarily driven by a combination of population concentration, economic development and waste management quality – but also by the probability of plastic waste being mobilised and transported through the river and into the ocean. The main drivers for the likelihood of plastic waste reaching the ocean are:



The top 1000 rivers emit 20 million 240-litre garbage bins each year. That's on average 20 000 bins per river.

- Precipitation and wind (to mobilise the waste)
- Land use and terrain slope (the 'resistance' for plastic waste to be transported)
- The distance to the nearest river and to the ocean (the longer the travel distance of plastic waste, the lower the probability of it reaching a river or ocean)

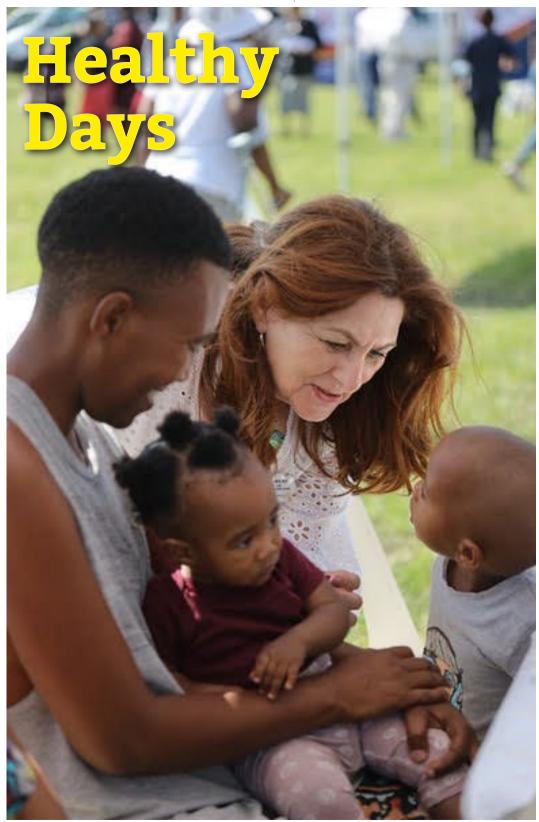
By considering these probabilities in detail, the research team created a global picture of where and how much plastic reaches the oceans. The study takes these extra factors into account and shows a shift in understanding which rivers emit more plastic. While previous studies ranked the world's largest rivers as the top contributors to the problem, the centre of gravity has shifted to smaller rivers that flow through coastal cities in emerging economies.

> Source: The Ocean Cleanup. Photos and illustrations: The Ocean Cleanup.



Interceptor 007, Ballona Creek, Los Angeles County (November, 2022)





Rotary Action Group For Family Health and AIDS Prevention (RFHA) in partnership with the South African National Department of Health (NDoH), SANAC and other partners launched the 11th annual Rotary Family Health Day (RFHD) programme in South Africa on November 15. The launch site was hosted by Rotary District 9370.

The programme kicked off at C Section, KwaMashu Ground 6 and 7, with a focus on bringing health services to the informal settlements farmworker communities especially in the flood damaged areas. "It is always an honour to be a part of this massive humanitarian-driven initiative. RFHD 2022 will focus on the intensification of integrated health and wellness services to communities that were hit by the floods earlier this year. We know that the KwaMashu community was one of them and we want to ensure that you are not left behind in our pursuit to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic," said Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo, the deputy minister of Health.

Free preventative health services were provided to almost a thousand beneficiaries visiting the site that day. "A vital component behind the success of the Rotary Family Health Days is the work performed by the dedicated Rotarians to execute and facilitate on the ground. I would like to add that the RFHD should not be viewed as just an annual event, but rather as an ongoing process of strengthening preventative healthcare in all the countries in which we operate," said Sue Paget, RFHA Inc CEO.

This three-day programme is held throughout the country at selected sites and health services are usually delivered in an outreach manner to ensure that communities that struggle to get to public healthcare are able to access free services. "The recent outbreaks of polio and measles has confirmed that we need to be constantly vigilant and intensify our efforts for routine immunisation. We



RFHA CEO Sue Paget, with RFHA Southern Africa Director Greg Cryer and DG Gavin Jepson (D9370) observing as a nurse weighs a toddler



South African Deputy Minister of Health, Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo.



During the day, 986 people registered and received 3 349 services from 231 volunteers and medical professionals who represented 11 NGOs and service providers.



need to be the eyes and the ears in the community to know what is happening with our health," added Sue.

To date, the programme has reached over 230 000 people from communities in all nine provinces in South Africa, providing free access to approximately 750 000 free health services. It has also been rolled out in numerous countries in Africa and South Asia.

Wilma Lig, public image and site co-coordinator, for Rotary District 9370, said, "This is my second time hosting the RFHD launch in South Africa and the needs and challenges were bigger this time. The KZN area is reeling in the aftermath of the severe floods and people are in dire need of urgent medical attention. RFHDs gives them the opportunity to address these health issues, and get the required medical attention and counselling."

"But the one thing that remains constant for me is the joy I feel being at the site, seeing people getting health services and helping them get the medical attention they need. The interactions are priceless and motivating for me," said Wilma.

Some other focal points of the programme were: A call to action for a measles vaccination roll out, as well as a disability specific focus by including people with disabilities in all activities and ensuring that those with special needs were not excluded.

The South African Deputy Minister of Health, Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo, used the event to unveil the 2022 theme for World AIDS Day 2022, "The partnership with RFHA is in line with the strategic objective of the NDoH and that of the South African Government to achieve a long and healthy life for all South Africans. And it is my pleasure to launch the theme of this year's WAD, which is "Equalise and Integrate To End AIDS".

The 2022 South African theme is based on the global theme 'Equalise'. The roll out of the RFHDs and the site locations will be announced soon.

## Coming up...

#### **22 JANUARY 2023**

**ROTARY CLUB OF PAARL (D9350)** Entries are open for the club's Winelands Cycle Race (102 kilometres) which is a seeding race for the Cape Town Cycle Tour. There is also a 52 kilometre race for less experienced riders. The race starts and ends at Hugenote Primary School where there will be refreshment stalls, a bike park and a lucky draw. **Enter at:** www.winelandscyclerace.co.za.

#### 21 APRIL 2023

**ROTARY CLUB OF WORCESTER (D9350)** The GiGi Classic Golf Day golf tournament for women who CANNOT play golf. Sign up for a day filled with loads of prizes and lots of laughs. **Contact:** Juanita Wilkinson at juanitaw@breede.co.za.

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#### Water for PE schools

Joining hands amid an ongoing water crisis in Nelson Mandela Bay, Volkswagen Group South Africa (VWSA) partnered with the Rotary Club of Algoa Bay (D9370) and various organisations to assist 15 schools in the metro.

VWSA recently installed 30 water tanks at 15 schools in Kariega and Despatch, in partnership with Old Mutual. Each company sponsored 15 tanks with a capacity of 5 000 litres each, and ensured the tanks were fitted with taps and connected to roof gutters at the schools.

Further support came from Gift of the Givers, which supplied potable water for all the tanks. The Rotary Club of Algoa Bay provided water purification sachets for all the schools.

In addition to the tanks, VWSA also assisted in alleviating the water crisis by fixing leaks and replacing plumbing, including toilets, taps and pipes, at 19 schools in Nelson Mandela Bay.

This project forms part of the Nelson Mandela Bay Business Chamber's Adopt a School initiative, which challenges local businesses to assist with water preservation at local schools. VWSA has supported this initiative for over a year, donating 30 water tanks to 15 schools and performing plumbing repairs at five KwaNobuhle schools as part of this initiative in August 2021.

VWSA remains committed to reducing its environmental impact and has done its part to minimise the use of resources, including water. Between 2010 and 2021 the company reduced its use of water by 65% and installed an on-site wastewater recycling facility to reuse water for production processes and reduce the Kariega plant's freshwater consumption.

The company continues to investigate further ways to ensure the efficient and responsible use of natural resources.

"As a manufacturer, VWSA prides itself on environmentally responsible processes; as a corporate citizen, we aim to empower and uplift the communities where we operate," said Nonkqubela Maliza, Corporate and Government Affairs Director at VWSA.

"These two priorities meet in this initiative. Through providing better access to water for learners, we are also supporting their educational journeys, in line with the Community Trust's continued belief that a quality education is the key to a bright future."

## Masked ball

On Saturday 29 October, the End Polio Rotaract Event Committee, led by Rex IP Omameh, a dual member of the Rotary and Rotaract Clubs of Blouberg (D9350), hosted the annual End Polio Masquerade Ball at the Fountains Hotel, Cape Town.

More than 150 guests attended in support of raising funds for the End Polio Campaign and enjoyed the programme that showcased a variety of entertainment. End Polio Now Coordinator for Region 28, PDG Dr Stella Anyangwe (D9400), was at the event and spoke passionately about polio eradication.

The event began with a contemporary dance by Nosipho Tsengwa, live music by Zine Gwija, a keynote address by Marlene le Roux, Artscape CEO and polio survivor and ended with an auction by John Muir. Henry Cole Davids was the MC.

A highlight of the evening was when District Governor Tracey Wilson, on behalf of Rex IP Omameh, presented a Paul Harris Fellowship recognition to Sisipho Khwatshube.

The ball raised R27 350 in auction bids, which Artscape CEO Marlene le Roux matched to R30 000.



The cake and table settings.



Marlene le Roux, the CEO of ArtScape with organiser Rex IP Omameh.



During the event, Sisipho Khwatshube was recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow.





This year's potjie competition had Rotarians cooking up a storm of Mexican themed food.

### Potjie cookers compete

In October, the Rotary Club of Pietersburg 100 (D9400) held its annual potjie competition. The event, first held in 1989, has been staged 31 times.

This year, five teams of avid 'Potjie Cookers' from various Rotary clubs assembled at Marlo Farms near Polokwane to do culinary battle in the annual potjie competition. Strict rules were in place that 'everything must be prepared on site' and 'on a wood fire'.

The Mexican theme was embraced with colourfully decorated tables and many contestants wearing fancy dress and sombreros.

District 9400 Governor Koekie Makunayane-Quashie joined the event and the difficult task of judging and comparing the numerous culinary delights was undertaken by Kelly and Darnell from the Limpopo Chefs Academy.

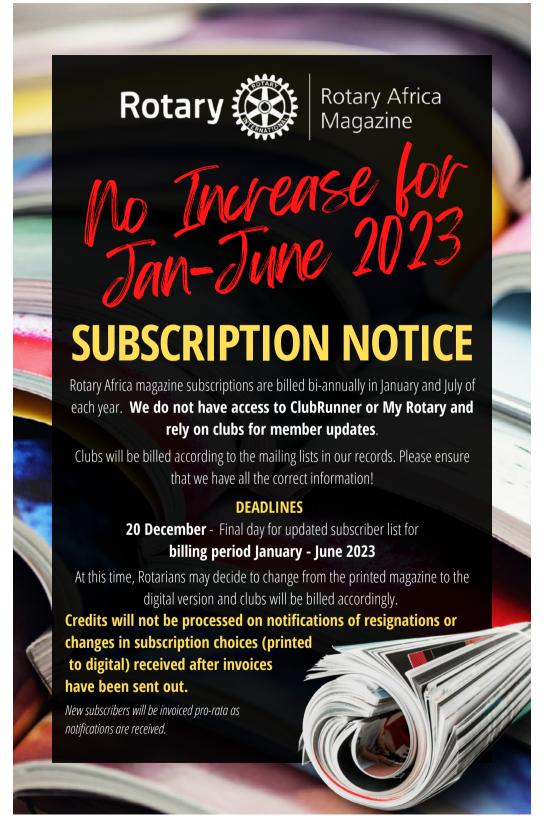
After much serious deliberation, the Pietersburg 100 team, led by Naas Vorster, won by three points and was awarded the 2022 trophy.

President Fred de Wit presided over the function and thanked the host, congratulated the winners and commiserated with those who did not win.

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## Attention Rotary clubs!

Attention Rotary members! An Empowering Girls tab has been added to Rotary Showcase. Project champions are encouraged to log into My Rotary and upload their empowering girls projects. This will allow you and other Rotary clubs to collaborate, showcase and inspire more projects through a single platform!





Interact Training Day 2022 – Interactors, teachers and Rotarians.

## 60 years of Inter-ACTION!

The first Interact club was started by Rotary at a high school in Melbourne Beach in Florida, USA in 1962. Since then it has spread all over the world and there are more than 343 000 members of Interact at 15 000 clubs in 145 countries. Every year, World Interact Day is celebrated on 5 November to commemorate the founding of the first Interact club.

The aim of Interact is to empower youth to serve their communities locally and develop leadership skills while practising teamwork. Interactors are also encouraged to connect with clubs outside of their countries, with the special aim of promoting goodwill and international understanding.

Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide mentorship and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting. Club membership varies greatly. Clubs can be single or mixed gender and sizes vary from large to small. They can draw from the student body of a single school or from two or more schools in the same community.

#### INTERACT IN KNYSNA

The Rotary Club of Knysna (D9350) has seven fully

functioning Interact clubs. The first was chartered at Knysna Sekonder in 1989, Oakhill School's was chartered in 1995 and was followed shortly after by the chartering of a club at Knysna High School, also in 1995. Percy Mdala High School chartered its club in 1999, Knysna Montessori School started in 2004 and Keurbosch School (formerly Heatherhill) in 2013. The newest club is at Concordia High School, chartered in 2014. In total there are about 160 Interact members in the Knysna community.

These clubs are supported by a team of Knysna Rotarians. The impact that they have through their selected projects on local communities is immense and cannot be underestimated. Clubs help at retirement homes, preschools, soup kitchens and animal welfare, clean beaches and rivers and help when homes have burnt down.

Some notable projects include the Knysna Montessori club cleaning the town cemetery, the Knysna Sekonder club painting its whole school when it looked shabby, the Knysna High club facilitating blood transfusion services at its school

and the Concordia Interactors acting as chairside assistants at Rotary Dent, an initiative that offers dental care to local children.

Lesley Satchel, the Rotary Club of Knysna's Youth Committee member, says her club "salutes all Interact presidents and members in our town who make our world better for others, and the educators at every school who guide and support them."

#### **INTERACT TRAINING DAY 2022**

One of the tasks of the Rotary Club of Knysna's Youth Committee is to organise the annual Interact Training Day for new and incoming Interact presidents and office bearers. This programme gives the leaders of all the clubs a chance to meet with each other and share ideas; creating a larger pool of commonality and opportunities to collaborate with each other.

After a two year hiatus due to the COVID-19 lockdown, Training Day returned in 2022 and took place at the end of August.

Apart from the learning aspect of the day, the main emphasis was to have loads of fun! This was achieved by the Rotary Club of Knysna's inhouse 'party guy' and 2023/24 President-Elect, Herb Hunter, who soon had Interactors 'interacting' with each other through a variety of games and challenges, from playing balloon netball to turning a fellow Interactor into a mummy, with a single roll of toilet paper.

On the more serious side the teams were tasked with setting goals and shared ideas around ongoing and prospective projects for their clubs.

To mark the 60th anniversary of Interact all 7 Interact clubs were presented with a token amount of R60, with the challenge of growing it into a larger amount to enable them to embark on a bigger project.

Youth Committee Chair, Butch Coetzee, explains, "The honesty and enthusiasm displayed by those at the Training Day bodes well for Interact, not just here in Knysna but also on a much wider scale, when these young leaders leave school and enter the working world." He added, "We encourage our local community to support the young and energetic members of our Interact clubs as they move amongst us to better our world."

The 2022/23 Interact
Presidents at a
recent Rotary lunch
meeting, where
they were presented
with certificates
recognising each
club's contribution
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the lives of people in
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A group of girls receiving the FemKits made by the global grant project.

## Life changing global grant in Limpopo

Using a global grant worth R1.7 million, the Rotary Club of Haenertsburg (D9400) has launched its FemKit project, which makes and distributes reusable sanitary pads in rural areas of Limpopo.

The club partnered with Blessman International for the project which aims to teach 50 women sewing and entrepreneurial skills, while paying them to make and distribute 10 000 kits to girls in Limpopo.

Blessman International has assisted with the training, quality control and the distribution of the kits. One of the sewing groups is based in Tzaneen and works for Anivileni and Stop. They have a little factory and the women who sew, all of whom have been rescued from prostitution, make the pad kits, do two weekly distribution talks at schools and a Mozambican refugee camp. The talks are on human trafficking and how women can care for themselves.

So far, about 3 000 FemKits have been distributed and the project was recognised as the best Empowering Girls project in 2021/22 at the recent D9400 district conference.



The grant trains women to sew and produce feminine hygiene kits for young girls who cannot afford sanitary pads.





The EarlyActors getting ready for handover

## Active young citizens

The EarlyAct Club of Outeniqua Primary School concluded its latest community service project. The club is sponsored by the Rotary Club of George (D9350) to provide young learners with opportunities to be active citizens in a culturally diverse democratic society in an interdependent world.

Danielle Barnard, educator and EarlyAct coordinator at Outeniqua Primary, explains "We wanted to do something special for these children. Our EarlyActors proved to be more than up to the task."

Môreson traces its roots back to 1917. Based in Denneoord, George, it provides care for approximately 100 children between three and 18 years of age who are sent there by the courts and come from backgrounds of emotional or physical abuse or neglect. At Môreson they are allocated to one of the eight houses on the premises in accordance with their developmental phases.

A multi-disciplinary team focuses on the physical, emotional, social and educational needs of each child.

The EarlyActors, assisted by their parents, supplied fruit. balls and crayons to the children. After handing over the donation, they played with the pre-schoolers.

"Part of our mission as a value-driven school is assisting and empowering learners to make a positive contribution in our society", says Dr Nico Venter, principal of Outeniqua Primary, "and EarlyAct for us provides a forum for answering this responsibility.

"We are so proud to be associated with the Outeniqua Primary EarlyActors," enthuses President Di Kershaw of the Rotary Club of George, "Their initiatives embody the leadership, compassion and community spirit our country's needs."



Club members with DG Koekie Makunyane-Quashie and PDG Annemarie Mostert.



## Journey to charter

It began as a satellite club of the Rotary E-Club of Southern Africa D9400, chartered on 12 March 2020 with just nine members. On 29 October, the Rotary E-Club of Baobab was chartered with 20 members, from the Limpopo and Gauteng provinces and even other countries.

Members are culturally diverse, of different ages and represent a multitude of professions, making the club accessible to all individuals who want to make a difference in their communities. Ultimately, the club is part of the global Rotary family with one goal in mind: Service above Self.

Over the last two years, the club has been involved in many projects including: distributing face masks at schools during the COVID-19 pandemic; distributing fortified rice meals to pre-schools; schools and needy families, annual blanket; clothing and knitted goods distributions; book distributions during Literacy month and the donation and planting of trees on World Environment Day, as well as Mandela Day, projects.



## Paarl wine auction a hit

The Rotary Club of Paarl (D9350) Wine & Good Taste Auction made its comeback with a bang in October. Three clubs (the Rotary Clubs of Paarl, Riebeek Valley and Drakenstein and Franschhoek Valley) collected the donations of wine, hospitality and art items to be auctioned and shared the proceeds.

The auction, which was cancelled for two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic, was held at Laborie Wine Estate and closed with a dazzling bid of R100 000. This high offer was attracted by an auction lot that included wine, two Air Mauritius air tickets and 6 days' accommodation for two people at the luxurious La Pirogue Sun Resort. Celebrity TV host and auctioneer Dan Nicholl was at his witty best, keeping guests entertained and laughing throughout the day.

The turnover from the auction was more than R600 000. This was the best return in the history of the auction, which was first launched 20 years ago to raise funds for club projects.



The Rotary Club of Paarl (D9350) sponsored reading glasses for 102 learners from Ihlumelo High School. With two of the happy learners are (from left) optician Richard Mathivha of Eye Save, principal Luleka Bhunguzana and President Deon Erasmus.

#### AFRICA IN BRIEF





Empowering girls holds a special place in the hearts of members of the Rotary Club of Vanderbijlpark (D9400). A recent project saw Past President Jackie van Waveren, her daughter and Rotarian Chantelle Bosch and Rotarian Zandile Keshwa arrange a project to give girls dignity packs. The girls also received lifestyle education that included becoming more confident, loving themselves and performing chores at home. The topic of sexuality with the emphasis on the detrimental effect of teenage pregnancy on a girl's future concluded the information session. President Celeste Lance assisted in the handover of the packs.



The Rotary Club of Flamingo-Welkom (D9370) celebrated global hand washing day with the foundation phase of the Dunamis Christian School.





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The Rotary Club of Haenertsburg (D9400) held its Plunge Marathon and Whisky Tasting in November. The Magoebaskloof Plunge included the 42.2 and 17 kilometre runs from Haenertsburg to Tzaneen with a total ascent +472 metres and a descent of 1013 metres. After a two-kilometre warm-up around the village the route joined the R71 eastbound starting with a three-kilometre climb.

After a further eight kilometres of ups and downs, the course descends from Magoebaskloof for six kilometres to the Lowveld where runners have to tackle a nine-kilometre stretch that undulates as much as the mountain route. Although the climbs eased off for the remaining 14 kilometres, it was still taxing when combined with the Lowveld summer temperature and humidity.

At the Whisky Tasting, the club hosted 42 people to a five-course meal that was paired with five fine whiskeys. The club used the opportunity to speak about what Rotary does and auctioned a few bottles of donated whiskey.





The Rotary Club of Algoa Bay (D9370) held wellness days at Booysen Park and Seaview. On the Wednesday, the Department of Health provided a mobile clinic, dental truck, dieticians and nursing services to do health checks, tests and screenings in Booysen Park. On the Thursday, the university also provided the following services in Seaview: Lovelife, HIV and STI testing, family planning and sponsored sanitary pads. More than 100 people were served each day and received oranges, apples and sandwiches.



The Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth (D9370) donated shoes that were collected by members of the Interact Club of Collegiate to the learners of Zanolwazi High School in Despatch.



The Rotary Club of Flamingo-Welkom (D9370) held a polio awareness campaign at a mall. AG Doreen Cloete, Gerry Cloete, Vicki Harrison, President Evert Demmer, Zack Lombard and Jill Lombard took part in the campaign.



The Rotary Club of Chatsworth (D9370) held its World Polio Day Bingo Fundraiser in October.



The Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth (D9370) has chartered a new Interact club at the Walmer High School. Interact President Aphiwe Ndlovu is one of the members who helps children at a Homework Club, which is the recipient of the Port Elizabeth club's district grant.



Youth Services Director Thiru Govender of the Rotary Club of Chatsworth (D9370), with Jadey Naidu of Kharwastan Secondary, President Morgan and Linda Moodley and Bronwyn Ramsudh at the presentation of their youth leadership course certificates.



The Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth (D9370) gave a wheelchair to Phylis Ntsangani of New Brighton. With her is Usen Obot (second from left), the club's project director.



Felix Kibet received a prosthetic hand from the Rotary Club of Nairobi-Utumishi (D9212). Also at the presentation are District Governor Azeb Asrat and DGE Leonard Ithau.



Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Paarl (D9350) visited Merweville and Prince Albert to distribute educational toys to five schools in the area. The Early Childhood Development units at Merweville Primary School, George Fredericks Primary School, the Prince Albert POP Centre, Prince Albert Primary School and Wildekrans Pre-school Centre received Eduboxes. The boxes contained different toys to promote numeracy and fine motor skills.

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#### WALL OF HONOUR



Past President Jill Lombard and AG Doreen Cloete, of the Rotary Club of Flamingo-Welkom (D9370) receiving the club's presidential citation and changemaker award.



Danielle Barnard was recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Club of George (D9350).



Claudio Marangoni received a Vocational Service award from the Rotary Club of Rosebank (D9400).



In October, the Rotary Club of George (D9350) recognised Leon van Wyk, Elzeth Grobler, Jan Seegmuller and Dave Weldon as Paul Harris Fellows. With them is President Di Kershaw (centre) and DG Tracey Wilson (second from right).



A long-service membership award was presented to Vaughan Giles (joined 1970) by the Rotary Club of Algoa Bay (D9370).



Ruth Stubbs received a Vocational Service award from the Rotary Club of Rosebank (D9400).



Matseke Nkadimeng received a Vocational Service award from the Rotary Club of Rosebank (D9400).



A long-service membership award was presented to Arthur Ahlschlager (joined 1980) by the Rotary Club of Algoa Bay (D9370).



Past President Tommy Bornman of the Rotary Club of Algoa Bay (D9370) received a citation for his year in office.

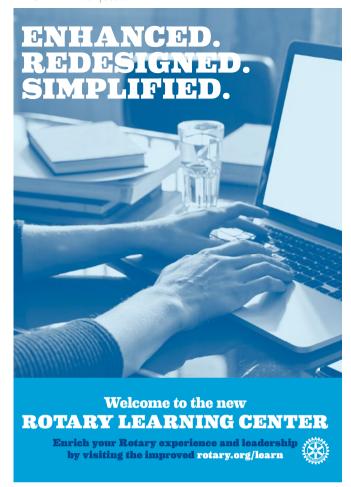
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