

# DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER



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## Message from the District Governor: Dr Stella Anyangwe

November has been a schizophrenic month: hot and cold, bone-dry and torrential rains, COVID-19 cases rising, falling and then rising again! It was a very busy Foundation month, and with decreased lockdown level (to level 1), I dared to visit and attend more club activities in person. And what fun this has been!

The month started with the "soft launch" of Rotary Family Health Days 2021, with a focus on persons with Disabilities, held in an informal settlement (Melusi) in Pretoria West. It was a brilliantly organized event that highlighted the partnership between Government, the UN, local and international NGOs and Rotary. Various club projects were showcased, and I was privileged to physically attend the Art Fair of RC Sandton, the opening of a Kangaroo Mother Care ward for premature babies (RC Boksburg), and the premiere of the award-winning film documentary, "Journey of Gogos", a project of the Rotary Sandton-Central Satellite club.



**Dr Stella Anyangwe**  
at the launch of  
Rotary Family Health Days 2021

Another highlight of the month was the charter ceremony of the ICC of Great Britain/Ireland and Southern Africa (Angola, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa). Now, the 3 Districts in Southern Africa have the possibility for fellowship and fruitful collaboration with the 10 Districts in Great Britain and Ireland. What a boon!

Club visits are practically over for this half of the Rotary Year. We look forward to the second half, during which it is hoped that some projects in each of the four countries in our District will be visited. We are hopeful, COVID-permitting.

Membership is growing in the district, and we are now over 1,280 from 1,166 on 1<sup>st</sup> July. Bravo, and let's keep on with the "each one, bring one" slogan! Let's strive to diversify membership with regards to race, gender, ability and occupation. And let's actively engage the new members and include them in committees and projects. Diversity without inclusion is futile. As a District, we are still struggling to meet Foundation giving targets. We can only continue to encourage Rotarians, as individuals and as clubs, to donate as much as they can to Foundation, in the variety of ways possible. The more we give, the more The Rotary Foundation can support in grants around the world. And of course, the closer we will get to eradicating Polio, a task that

## Mensagem Da Governadora Do Distrito: Dr Stella Anyangwe

Novembro foi um mês de agitação esquizofrénica: Quente e frio, de chuvas miúdas e torrenciais, com aumento do número de casos de COVID 19, seguido de uma redução e nova subida! Foi um mês intenso da Fundação, e com um nível de lockdown reduzido (para o nível 1) atrevi-me a visitar e presenciar mais actividades de clubes. E como foi divertido!

O mês começou com um "lançamento suave" dos Dias de Saúde Familiar do Rotary em 2021, com foco em pessoas com incapacidades, que teve lugar no bairro informal (Melusi) em Pretória Oeste. Foi um evento muito bem organizado que pôs em evidência a parceria entre o Governo, as NU, as ONGs locais e internacionais e o Rotary. Foram apresentados vários projectos do clube e tive o privilégio de participar na Feira de Arte do RC de Sandton, à abertura da Enfermaria Mãe Canguru para bebés prematuros (RC Boksburg), ao lançamento do premiado documentário filmado "Viagem dos Vovôs", um projecto do Rotary Club Satélite de Sandton.

Um outro destaque do mês foi a cerimónia de gemelagem do ICC da Grã Bretanha/Irlanda e a África Austral (Angola, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesoto, Moçambique, Namíbia e África do Sul). Agora, os três Distritos da África Austral têm a possibilidade de companheirismo e uma frutuosa colaboração com os 10 Distritos da Grã Bretanha e Irlanda. Que ganho!

As visitas aos clubes nesta metade do Ano Rotário estão praticamente terminadas. Estamos ansiosos em chegar à segunda metade, durante a qual se espera que alguns projectos em cada um dos quatro países do nosso Distrito possam ser visitados. Esperamos que o COVID permita.

O número de membros no Distrito está a crescer, e estamos agora em 1280 a partir dos 1.166 a 1 de Julho. Bravo, e vamos continuar com o slogan "cada um traz mais um"! Vamos esforçar-nos por diversificar os membros no que diz respeito a raça, género, habilidades e ocupação. E vamos engajar os novos membros de forma activa e inclui-los nas comissões e projectos. Diversidade sem inclusão é inútil. Como Distrito, ainda estamos a batalhar para atingir as metas de doação para a Fundação. Só podemos continuar a encorajar os Rotários, individualmente ou por clubes, para doarem o máximo que puderem para a Fundação, na variedade de formas possível. Quanto mais dermos, mais a Fundação Rotária pode apoiar grants no mundo. E certamente, mais próximos estaremos de erradicar a Pólio, uma tarefa

Rotary started and that it must finish! December is Disease Prevention and Treatment month, and containing COVI-19 through vaccination is vital. Polio eradication is still very much on the front burner too.

que o Rotary iniciou e deve terminar! Dezembro é o mês da Prevenção e Tratamento de Doenças, e prevenir a COVID 19 através da vacinação é vital. A erradicação da Pólio ainda nos vai consumir.

With nominations for District Governor Nominee-Designate (DGND) concluded, we look forward to the selection of a DGND by mid-December. Let's register en masse for the Maputo 2022 hybrid Presidential conference. We must impress RI President Shekhar by our attendance and commitment, and we must make the conference a memorable one, for him and for our District too. Yes, we can!



Remember to get vaccinated against COVID-19, and to continue with the COVID-prevention measures of social distancing, mask wearing and hand washing. It is our moral and social duty to do so, to protect ourselves and others. It is the truth; it is fair to all concerned; it will build goodwill and better friendship; it is beneficial to all concerned.

Com a submissão de propostas para Governador de Distrito Indicado-Designado (DGND) concluída, esperamos ter a selecção de um DGND em meados de Dezembro. Registemo-nos em massa para a Conferência Presidencial híbrida de Maputo 2022. Temos de impressionar o Presidente Shekhar do RI pela nossa presença e dedicação, e temos de fazer desta conferência algo memorável para ele e também para o nosso Distrito. Sim, somos capazes!

Lembrem-se de ser vacinados contra a COVID 19 e continuem a praticar as medidas de prevenção – uso de máscara e lavagem das mãos. É nossa responsabilidade moral e social fazê-lo para nos protegermos a nós próprios e aos outros. É a verdade; é justo para todos os interessados; vai criar boa vontade e melhores amizades; será benéfico para todos os interessados.

## DECEMBER is DISEASE PREVENTION and TREATMENT MONTH

Disease Prevention and Treatment is the Rotary International Theme for the Month of December.

Rotary's top priority is the eradication of polio, but our members take on far greater responsibilities to fight disease. They set up health camps and training facilities in undeveloped countries and in communities struggling with HIV/AIDS and malaria. They also design and build the infrastructure for doctors, nurses, governments, and partners to reach the one in six people in the world who can't afford to pay for healthcare. This is one of the Foundations Areas of Focus and one in which many of us would be aware of the numerous projects around the world supported by clubs and the Foundation. Look at your role in promoting improved health at home and abroad and supporting these vital programs that contribute not only to healthy communities but peaceful communities.

Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, from supporting studies to helping immunize people to improving drinking water and the sanitation infrastructure. The world relies on Rotary to tackle these global challenges, and to set an example for others to follow.



\$65 mil

in grants was given by Rotary to fight disease

99.9%

reduction in polio cases since our program started in 1985

The Rotary Foundation is changing the world by providing grants for projects and activities around the globe and in your own backyard. Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care. Rotary makes amazing things happen, like:

**Providing clean water:** Rotary has worked with partners to provide more than 80 percent of Ghana's people with clean water to fight Guinea worm disease.

**Reducing HIV infection:** In Liberia, Rotary members are helping women get tested for HIV early in their pregnancies. They used prenatal care to reduce new HIV infections in children by 95 percent over two years.

**Ending polio:** Rotary members have played a key role in bringing the world to the brink of polio eradication. Their efforts have not only ended polio in 122 countries but also created a system for tackling myriad other health priorities, such as Ebola.

# Rotary Family Health Day

celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> year of assisting thousands in need



This year Rotary Family Health Days (RFHD) celebrated its 10th year with a hybrid/[online event](#) on Friday the 5th of November 2021. Speakers at this Rotary Family Health Days event in South Africa included **Jennifer Jones** (2022/23 Rotary International President) and the South African Minister of Health, The Honourable **Dr Joe Phaahla**. During this [webinar](#), Dr Joe Phaahla also unveiled the World AIDS Day 2021 theme alongside messages of support by some of the RFHD partners: SANAC (South African National AIDS Council), RFHA, Civil Society, and the Disability Sector.

RFHD is the signature programme of the Rotary Action Group for Family Health and AIDS Prevention (RFHA) and is currently in its 10<sup>th</sup> year. This unique programme, which is currently active in nine countries, with at least three more countries set to launch in the next six months, provides comprehensive and preventative health programmes that build healthier communities.

With an estimated 3,5 billion people who don't have access to affordable healthcare, the vision of RFHA (Rotary Action Group for Family Health and AIDS Prevention) is clear: to save and improve lives around the world. Working across Africa and India, RFHA provides free preventative healthcare resources and services with a direct impact on strengthening the existing healthcare infrastructure at community level.



Key to its success are the public/private partnerships that RFHA builds between governments, the private sector, NGOs, the media, communities, and Rotary clubs and districts on the ground. By mobilising a network of hundreds of Rotary clubs across the various districts within each country, Rotary club members work towards the same goal; to bring healthcare services to hundreds of thousands of people from communities who otherwise can't access them.

Professional monitoring and evaluation have tracked the success of Rotary Family Health Days since its inception in 2011. To date, more than 5 million people have been reached and over 11 million free health services provided. These include educational and referral services for follow-up care, testing for a variety of diseases including HIV/AIDS, Malaria, Blood Pressure, TB, Hepatitis B and C, Diabetes, and some Cancers. Also provided are immunisations for Polio and Measles, Vitamin A supplements, deworming, hygiene packs, dental cleaning supplies, and male

and female condoms. Many locations have add-on services such as dental examinations, optometry, audiology, and mental health counselling. Furthermore, the programme stays abreast of global and local health regulations and challenges, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, and rights facing Civil Society and the Disability Sector.

"Rotary Family Health Day remains one of the most unique conduits to reach disadvantaged communities with quality health services, especially people with disabilities," said Dr Thembisile Xulu, CEO of the South African National AIDS Council (SANAC). "In remote areas, people with disabilities bear the brunt of the lack of adequate social, economic and health services and the advent of COVID-19 has exacerbated the situation. RFHD gives us an opportunity to change that narrative by ensuring that access to quality care, treatment and support is improved"



"Having a disability or being differently-abled should not hinder you from exercising or staying active," said Sinayo Mukume, an ambassador of the HER Voice Fund, a new Rotary Family Health Days programme partner. "I was a wheelchair basketball player, which helped me to stay active and healthy, but there are many things you can do to achieve this if you are a person with a disability. But remember, it is always best to consult a doctor or physician to make sure that you are not putting strain on your body."

Being educated, advised, and informed about your health and body is of utmost importance, not only for your own well-being, but for the sake of your loved ones. Rotary Family Health Day 2021 was livestreamed on Friday, November 2021 from 08h00 to 14h00. Watch the recording of the RFHD webinar [here](#).

<b>490</b> District grants	<b>339</b> Disaster response grants	<b>1 359</b> Global grants	<b>2,188</b> Total grants
<b>\$33,6m</b> Total funding	<b>\$8,4m</b> Total funding	<b>\$95,6m</b> Total funding	<b>\$137,6m</b> Total funding

Most of the global grants went to fighting disease. Rotary is at the forefront of the End Polio campaign, followed by the provision of clean water sanitation and hygiene, and growing local economies. In all, 57 global grants totalling \$2.7million went to promoting peace. So far, more than 200 peace fellow scholarships have been funded across the world by Rotary's Endowment Fund from named donations to the value of \$195 million. They provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts. Every year, Rotary awards up to 130 fully-funded scholarships for dedicated peace and development leaders from around the world to study at any of its seven peace centres. In just over 15 years, Rotary Peace Centres have trained over 1,300 people for careers in peacebuilding in more than 115 countries, and programme alumni serve as leaders in both governmental and non-governmental agencies, and international organisations.

One of these Rotary Peace Centres is in D9400's zone, Zone 22 and was established at Makerere University, in Uganda, in January 2020. It offers a year-long postgraduate certificate programme to a selected group of fellows with substantial experience in peacebuilding, conflict resolution, or development, and who are from or have worked in Africa to address the underlying challenges to peace in the region.

## THE ENDOWMENT FUND

- ✚ The **objective** is to provide a permanent and sustainable source of funding.
- ✚ The **original gift** amount is never spent. Contributions are invested in perpetuity and investment earnings are used to provide a permanent source of income to support Foundation programmes.
- ✚ The **long-term nature** of the Endowment dictates a bias toward equity investments because of the higher return potential in comparison to fixed income investments.
- ✚ The **fund earned** 30,5% in FY 2021
- ✚ It **grew** from \$483 million to \$623 million in the past 5 years with an average rate of return of 10,3%
- ✚ 85% of the fund is **invested** in assets expected to yield equity-like returns
- ✚ A **higher rate of return** is sought over a longer term compared to the Annual Fund, but with more year-on-year variability in returns

### Rotary Club of Mbabane



In Eswatini, the Rotary Club of Mbabane received a \$32,000 grant for waste-water treatment at Kudvumisa Clinic. The grant was funded partly by **District Designated Funds** and partly by the **World Fund**.

### Rotary Club of Sandton



The Rotary Club of Sandton received a \$62,415 grant to provide support material for Early Childhood Development teacher training. This was raised from club funds, **District Designated Funds** and the **World Fund**.

### e-Club of Southern Africa



The e-Club of SA received a \$110,000 grant for maternal and childcare in the Melusi informal settlement, west of Tshwane, in partnership with RC Edina Morningside and University of Pretoria's Community Oriented Primary Care. This grant was funded by **District Designated Funds**, **World Fund** and the **Endowment Fund**.

### Rotary Club of Gaborone



In Botswana, a grant of \$40,300 was made to the Rotary Club of Gaborone for the provision of wheelchairs. It also came from club funds, **District Designated Funds** and the **World Fund**.

# WILL YOUR LEGACY CHANGE THE WORLD?

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the The Rotary Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. With your help, Rotary can make lives better in your community and around the world. By including a commitment to [The Rotary Foundation](#) in your will or estate plan and take comfort in knowing that your charitable goals will be fulfilled for many years to come – changing the world. R104 G125 B144



Rotary International recognises donors to express our gratitude for your commitment, offering individual and club recognition as well as naming opportunities that enable you to honor a friend or family member with a named or endowed gift.

[Learn more](#) about the various levels of recognition for your generous contributions.

TRF helps Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

D9400 falls within Zone 22 which has 813 Major Donors. Of these, 27 are Arch C Klumph Society members and 104 are Bequest Society members. There are currently no Arch Klumph fellows in District 9400. Our first and only Arch Klumph fellow in South Africa, Dries Lötter of the Rotary Club of Flamingo-Welkom, passed away earlier this year due to COVID. Our district has just 12 Major Donors and 23 Bequest Society members. In the past Rotary year, the district contributed only \$104,907 to the Rotary Foundation and \$15,533 to the End Polio campaign. What this means is that we are getting considerably more out of the Foundation than we are putting in, especially compared to our counterparts elsewhere in Zone 22.

When you make a contribution to The Rotary Foundation, whether it be through the Annual Fund or the Endowment Fund, you are also contributing to the World Fund. Donations to the World Fund are not restricted and can be used where they are needed most, for instance, helping individuals and communities to thrive financially and socially. The World Fund is the primary funding source for global grants which support large international activities with sustainable, measurable outcomes in Rotary's areas of focus.

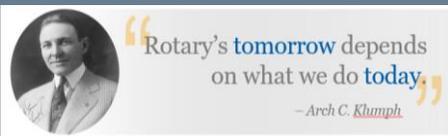
Your generous contributions to [The Rotary Foundation](#) are essential to securing and growing Rotary programs throughout the world. Typically, gifts to the Endowment take the form of commitments such as a provision in a person's will or other estate plan that names The Rotary Foundation Endowment as beneficiary. Once realised, gifts to Rotary's Endowment are invested and professionally managed to provide a stream of income that supports Rotary's local and global philanthropic work in perpetuity.

You can make an outright gift or a commitment to The Rotary Foundation Endowment in your long-term estate or financial plans. There are special naming opportunities for gifts or commitments of US\$25,000 or more. Your fund can bear your name or that of a loved one and carry on your Rotary Legacy with updates during your lifetime and reports available to your district each year so Rotarians of the future are aware of your generosity. Rotary sincerely appreciates your dedication to making a difference in a way that is unique to you and will provide ongoing stewardship to ensure that your charitable goals are fulfilled. Your Legacy is Rotary's promise.

## Choose how:

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## Donate Now to The Rotary Foundation



A \$25,000 gift made to the Endowment can yield approximately \$1,000 in spendable earnings for Rotary programmes every year. Imagine the impact of your legacy after more than 100 years of investment, not only in the markets but also in sustainable projects that change lives.

There are any number of ways to give. Open [My Rotary](#) and there's a [donate button](#) on the landing page. There are also links to the donation page from the Take Action drop down menu on My Rotary and the Rotary Foundation menu. There is also a [donation link on the End Polio](#) website. And if you're still not sure how to give you can speak to your club's Foundation officer, or any member of the District Foundation committee. Even the district's major donors should be able to point you in the right direction.



# D9400 **BIG** FOUNDATION CHALLENGE

## Annual Programmes Fund



TOTAL GIVING TO DATE  
**\$17,473.64**

Goal: \$120,000

**16/70**  
Clubs contributed

THE RACE IS ON! All 70 Rotary Clubs in District 9400 are encouraged to take part in the "Foundation Challenge".

Pledges will be met by 30 May 2022.



Challenge your club to exceed last year's contribution to the Annual Programme (APF) and PolioPlus Funds.



Challenge your neighbouring and partnering Rotary Clubs to meet or exceed your pledged amount



Challenge your fellow Rotarians to make any contribution to the APF and the PolioPlus fund

## PolioPlus Fund



TOTAL GIVING TO DATE  
**\$3,407.19**

Goal: \$12,000

**9/70**  
Clubs contributed

## e-Club of SA 9400 passes the 100-member mark

EACH ONE BRING ONE



In this centennial year of Rotary in Africa, D9400 has already achieved great milestones. Membership presently numbers 1 274 Rotarians in the four countries making up our district – South Africa, Botswana, Eswatini and Mozambique. One club in particular has excelled in growing its membership.

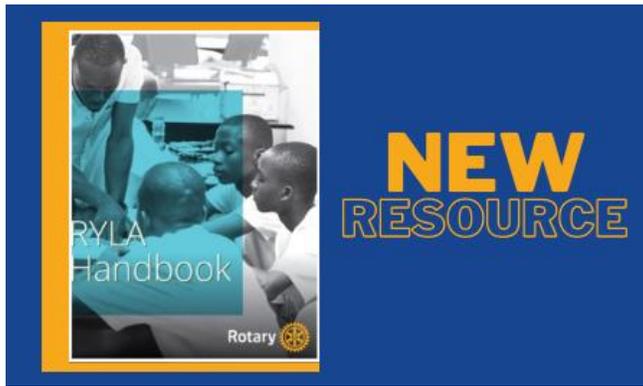
The Rotary e-Club of Southern Africa 9400 has passed the 100-member mark. A record number of [new members](#) have been inducted since the beginning of this Rotary year. The current membership, including the most recent inductions on 3<sup>rd</sup> November, stands at 101, with another 2 proposals awaiting consideration. The club has a female member distribution of 57,6% while D9400 (which comprises 70 clubs) stands at a distribution of 42,7% female. The members under age 40 make up 16% of the club.

### EACH ONE BRING ONE

Membership chair, Annemarie Mostert, and her Membership committee that does fire side talks, talk about all aspects of being a Rotarians and shares various documents about Rotary International. The e-Club has adopted a new model and 8 club members are now also HUB chairpersons; they coordinate a smaller group (10 to 20 members) within the club, geographically or by focus area, grouped together to ensure the members are fully engaged and give them a continued Rotary experience through friendship and fellowship with each other.

You can do it too! [Here](#) is how you can make the most of the benefits of Rotary membership to grow your Club.





## RYLA handbook now available

Each year, approximately 50,000 young leaders gain the knowledge and skills they need to make real change locally and globally through participation in a RYLA event!

To better support RYLA organizers, we are excited to announce the launch of a brand new RYLA Handbook, available now in English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, and Spanish. In this resource, you will find step-by-step guidance to support the development safe, meaningful, and fun RYLA programs for all participants.

Download it [here](#)

## Information Session on the Office of District Governor

Being a District Governor is like being the conductor of a huge orchestra. If you think you are up to the job of making beautiful music in D9400, listen [here](#). D9400 held a special information session where numerous aspects related to the District Governor position were described followed by a panel discussion in which various Past District Governors (PDGs) participated and shared their views as well as experiences. Areas covered included the understanding of:

- ✚ The structure of Rotary International and the District
- ✚ Governor duties, term of office, training and funding
- ✚ DG training on demand at the Rotary Learning Center
- ✚ Criteria and qualifications for nominating a member for DG, focusing on leadership, strategic thinking and other qualities of a Governor
- ✚ Other important issues such as support from the partner and club as well as the DG interview

Watch the special DG information session [here](#).

All Rotarians interested in filling their knowledge gaps about Rotary and building up the confidence to move forward in district leadership and eventually as district governor, will find every course most informative and enjoyable. As one potential DG said, "This online course is like a tutor on demand, a tutor with unlimited patience who walks through all the lessons with you when it is needed."

To help prepare future district governors for their year in office, Rotary has created a robust and highly recommend training plan in the Learning Center. Governors-nominee should start with [District Governor Basics](#) and aim to complete the courses before their training seminar. Governors-elect will benefit from taking the [District Governor Intermediate](#) courses before the governors-elect training seminar. They can also complete the optional [District Governor Advanced](#) training at any time before taking office.

## Are your projects on Rotary Showcase?

We need to showcase what we are doing for Empowering Girls in D9400. Please load all activities of your club and others across the district on RI Showcase under the Empowering Girls focus specifically girls up to the age of 18 years. Showcase and garner support for your projects focused on empowering girls by clicking [here](#).

Also examples ECDs, safe water, food security, Covid 19 support wash stations, masks, as well, handing out jerseys, beanies, blankets. Any focus also of clubs working together, ongoing, once off, giving mentorship, training, RYLA, support, collaborations, medical, education, menstrual health. etc. Please also include younger role players, e.g., Interact in community activities as well. Hope to see D9400 projects on [RI Showcase](#). You can include one photo per post.



## Nominate your outstanding Rotaract project

Every year, Rotary International recognizes the top Rotaract projects around the world in the Rotaract Outstanding Project Awards. One club and multi-club group receiving top honours will each be awarded US\$1000 to support their projects.

Nominations are now open through **1 February 2022**.

Learn more [here](#)



# Rotaract can participate in Rotary grants

The Rotary Foundation is offering a wonderful new opportunity and your club's Rotaract club can benefit from it. Beginning next Rotary year, Rotaract clubs can receive Rotary Foundation [district grant](#) funds or [global grants](#) to support their service efforts in their own communities or abroad. Starting in January, districts that are applying for their district grants can include Rotaract club activities in their spending plans. And in July, Rotaract clubs can apply for global grants.



It has been suggested that Rotaract clubs start with district grants and then, when they have some experience managing such a project and applying for and reporting on grants, consider applying for a global grant.

To be eligible to sponsor a global grant, a Rotaract club must have partnered previously with a Rotary club or district on a global grant-funded project and must be [qualified](#) to participate in global grants. Districts are responsible for tracking club qualification as well as previous Rotaract participation in grants. If the Rotaract club applies for a global grant as the international or host sponsor, the other sponsor needs to be a Rotary club.

## ROTARY CLUBS:

### How to prepare for this change:

- ✚ Invite Rotaractors to participate in grant management seminars so their clubs can become qualified to apply for global grants
- ✚ Appoint Rotaractors to committees or subcommittees
- ✚ Partner with Rotaract clubs on grant-funded projects
- ✚ Develop a system to track which Rotaract clubs have participated in global grant-funded projects
- ✚ Ask Rotaractors to help organize a fundraiser
- ✚ Consider changing the way the district distributes DDF to facilitate Rotaract involvement
- ✚ Invite Rotaract clubs to participate in project fairs
- ✚ Work with Rotaract clubs in your district to make sure that they have reported their current membership information to Rotary

## ROTARACT CLUBS:

### How to get ready:

- ✚ Learn about [Rotary grants](#)
- ✚ Participate in a grant management seminar and work with your district leaders to become qualified to apply for global grants
- ✚ Help conduct a community assessment
- ✚ Take an active role in implementing a project funded by a district or global grant
- ✚ Work with a Rotary club to organize a fundraiser
- ✚ Participate in public relations and advocacy efforts
- ✚ Contribute technical, cultural, or academic expertise to the development of a grant-funded activity
- ✚ Make sure that your club's current membership information has been reported to Rotary

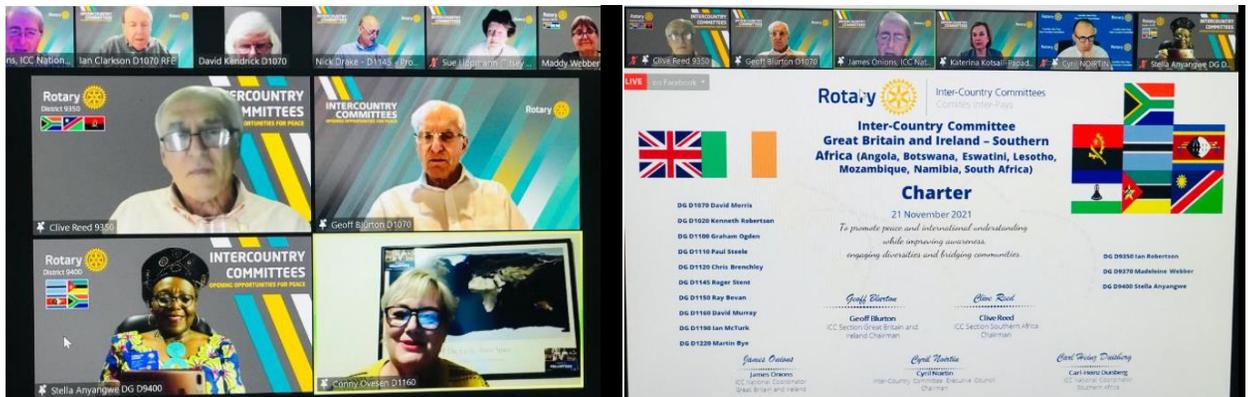
# Inter-Country Committee for Great Britain and Ireland-Southern Africa

The Inter-Country Committee (ICC) for Great Britain and Ireland-Southern Africa was chartered in a virtual ceremony on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021. This ICC brings together the 10 Districts in Great Britain and Ireland, and the 3 Districts (9350, 9370, 9400) representing 7 countries in Southern Africa - Angola, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Southern Mozambique, Namibia and South Africa.

You can see the [Charter Certificate](#) and the [Protocol](#) of the ICC for Great Britain and Ireland-Southern Africa.

Congratulations to all responsible for this successful new charter.

We look forward to a fruitful collaboration between all these districts, in our pursuit for the service of humanity.





# D9400 PEOPLE OF ACTION

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

Send your Club Newsletters to [admin@rotary9400.org.za](mailto:admin@rotary9400.org.za) to have them loaded onto the D9400 website!



The Rotary Club of Pretoria East presented Marba Visagie with a Service Award for her assistance with the successful training sessions in the Pretoria area to introduce the SOUNDS programme to fellow Rotarians, Friends of Rotary and teachers. Marba's ongoing support of the project has led to the successful training of 23 teachers from the Soshanguve Creche Forum and another 20 from the Lethabong Creche Forum. Altogether 624 SOUNDS sets and accompanying boards have been produced of which 368 sets have been distributed and a further 256 sets are currently held in stock.

SOUNDS recognises education and literacy projects that aims to teach toddlers to read and write. The SOUNDS project is managed by PP Robin Jones and is supported through a Rotary Foundation Global Grant. The SOUNDS project now forms part of the University of the North West's teaching programme curriculum.

## Rotary Club of Pretoria East

## Rotary Club of Springs Park

The Rotary Club of Springs Park joined forces with the local Department of Health on Thursday 11 November to hold a COVID-19 vaccination drive for all persons twelve years and older. The team was stationed at the taxi rank near the Springs Mall from 07h00 until 17h00. In addition, diabetes and high blood pressure screening was also available for the public.



The Sandton Rotary Club's first ever art show from 12 to 14 November was a memorable weekend for the artists, the sponsors, donors, musicians, Friends of Rotary, fellow Rotarians and of course, the art loving public. Visitors were spoilt for choice with the variety of art on show from both seasoned artists and those artists new to exhibitions. All funds raised will be distributed to the club's beneficiaries.

In 2022, the Rotary Club of Sandton will host their second Yards of Art. Please keep an eye on their Instagram page for the dates



## Rotary Club of Sandton

## Rotary Club of Boksburg



On Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of November was World Prematurity Day, the Rotary Club Boksburg launched their project, the refurbished 8-bed Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC) Unit at the Tambo Memorial Hospital in Boksburg.

D9400 DG Stella was present for this great event. The hospital CEO and leadership, as well as other supporting NGOs, are overjoyed with this project that reaches out to new mothers.



## JOURNEY OF GOGOS

On 18 and 19 November, the City of Joburg, Humble Smile Foundation, together with Rotary Sandton Central Satellite Club proudly screened the movie **Journey of Gogos (JOG)** to Alexandra Elderly Forum, Loding Gogo club and the Alex Men's Forum. At the premiere, guest speakers, including DG Stella Anyangwe, encouraged and inspired the Gogos to continue the important role they have in their communities.

JOG relates the experiences of three gogos going to Hamburg, Germany for the RI Convention 2019, where Humble Smile was invited by the RC Boksburg to share a stand in the House of Friendship and promote the "Gogos Give Smiles" project. The movie won Best International Documentary Feature at the USA Urban Mediamakers Festival, and was selected for four other international film festivals. Rotary clubs wishing to see the film should please contact Chairperson of Rotary Sandton Central satellite club, PDG [David Grant](#).

## Rotary Club of Sandton Central satellite club

## Rotary Club of Waterkloof

The community work of three members of the Waterkloof Rotary Club was recently recognised by Unisa which conferred honorary doctorates on George Senosha, Thabang Chiloane and Mmatapeng 'Moeder' Temane.

George Senosha, President of Rotary Waterkloof, received the degree in entrepreneurship (honoris causa). He was the first black person in SA to be awarded a Pick 'n Pay franchise and, throughout his business career, has used his skills to improve local communities. His initiatives have led to orphanages and homes being built for the needy. George was Tshwane Community Builder in 2018. His drive and enthusiasm for reaching communities has benefited his Rotary Club and D9400. He is also a driving force behind the Rotary Community Corps.



Thabang Chiloane received the Doctor of Business Administration (Honoris Causa). Dr Chiloane has worked in business and in government, helping to remodel departments, establish networks to improve professionalism and communication. He has also worked in the media and was responsible for remodelling departments and improving workflow in several banks and government portfolios. He was Africa journalist of the year in 1999.

Mmatapeng 'Moeder' Temane received the honorary doctorate community development. She is the founder, CEO and co-owner of the Glory Divine Children's Edu-Centre. The centre offers nursery and school readiness programmes up to Grade R. In addition, there are Saturday Kids' Clubs for Primary School children and youth. Moeder is also chair of the Waterkloof Club's Rotary Community Corps.



The Rotary Club of Johannesburg recently hosted a talk on Gender-Based Violence in South Africa. The talk aimed to encourage Rotarians to fight gender discrimination, sexism, misogyny, femicide, and patriarchy.

Follow the link [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aC\\_xzMqk\\_h0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aC_xzMqk_h0)

The #TotalShutdown movement was started by women concerned with the growing number of femicides and incidents of gender-based violence in South Africa. The Nationwide action against gender-based violence and femicide (GBVF) recalled the 1956 Women's March when women marched to the Union Buildings to protest against the carrying of passes. This year, women and gender non-conforming people took to the streets to protest against high femicide rates and gender-based violence in South Africa.

## Rotary Club of Johannesburg

## Rotary Club of Rosebank

The Rotary Club of Rosebank invited Dr Coenie Louw, executive director of Gateway Health Institute and Growth Life to present his current research and development project on socially, economically and environmentally sustainable sanitary pads made from natural fibres that are 100% compostable, breaking down to the soil in less than 180 days. This project is entering a clinical trial phase and awaits SAHPRA approval for the development of low-cost mobile technology platforms, using mostly USSD (Unstructured Supplementary Service Data) and PWAs (Progressive Web Apps) targeting a wide range of beneficiaries - mostly key populations such as Men who have Sex with Men (MSM), LGBTIQ+ refugees and asylum seekers and Adolescent Girls and Young Women (AGYW) in Africa.



You can become a member of the Rotary Action Group for Menstrual Health and Hygiene (RAGMHHG) which is in line with the Rotary International President's Empowering Girls program. The RAGMHHG mission is to: (1) enhance the dignity of girls and women and enable them to live a self-determined life; (2) enable girls and women to have access to education; (3) support for economic self-maintenance. For more information on the Rotary Action Group for Menstrual Health and Hygiene (RAGMHHG) go to [www.ragmhhg.org](http://www.ragmhhg.org).



## THE AFRICAN PEACE HOUR HAS BEEN LAUNCHED

Rotary    
**AFRICA PEACE HOUR**  
2nd & 4th SUNDAY of Every Month

The African Peace Hour aims to provide a platform for Peacebuilders, Peace Ambassadors, Peace Fellows and Rotarians to meet, address issues that pertain to peace in their respective regions, share projects and brainstorm to find solutions. The African Peace Hour comprises four regional leaders, Dalia Monsef (Egypt for North Africa); Pietro Macleo (Nigeria for West Africa); Anne Nkutu (Uganda for East Africa) and Grace van Zyl (South Africa) as well as Alison Sutherland (Wales), Past Chair of the Rotary Action Group for Peace (RAGFP).

The four leaders noted that the most immediate need for the African Peace Hour is to increase the number of Peacebuilder Clubs and encourage participation at the Institute of Economics and Peace (IEP) while aligning the eight Pillars of Positive Peace with Rotary's seven areas of focus. Increasing the number of Peacebuilder Clubs will eventually lead to establishing fully resourced regional chapters that will focus on regional peace issues. The African Peace Hour leaders will participate in the Rotary International Presidential Peace Conference to be held in Mozambique on 4 and 5 March in 2022 to share learnings and best practices with delegates and to find synergies and solutions that will afford the African Peace Hour to build on after the conference and beyond.

For more on the African Peace Hour or to become a Peacebuilder Club contact Grace van Zyl of D900 at [grace@gracevanzyl.com](mailto:grace@gracevanzyl.com)



# District 9400 EVENTS CALENDAR

**8** December  
2021

**Rotary Action Group Against Slavery** – 16h00 Wednesday. [Zoom call](#) to action for all Rotary SUPERHEROES to learn more about how to stop human trafficking and modern slavery in their community. Visit [www.ragas.online](http://www.ragas.online)

**23** February  
2022

**Rotary Showcase** – A live D9400-wide event for each club to showcase its projects

**4-5** March  
2022

**Presidential Conference** – [Maputo, Mozambique](#) on Economics and peace, Protecting the environment. See [video](#)

**18-20** March  
2022

**Presidential Conference** – [Venice, Italy](#) on Economy & Environment in Harmony

**10-14** April  
2022

**Council on Legislation** - Chicago, USA

**4-8** June  
2022

**Rotary International Convention**, Houston Texas, USA  
Register [here](#)

**16-19** June  
2022

**Hybrid D9400 Conference** - Forever Resorts, Bela Bela (Warmbaths), Limpopo

## 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?

## A Prova Quádrupla

Do que pensamos, dizemos ou fazemos:

1. É a VERDADE?
2. É JUSTO para todos os interessados?
3. Criará boa VONTADE e MELHORES AMIZADES?
4. Será BENÉFICO para todos os interessados?

**DISTRICT 9400**



To view the 4-Way Test in some of the other languages spoken in D9400, click [here](#)

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