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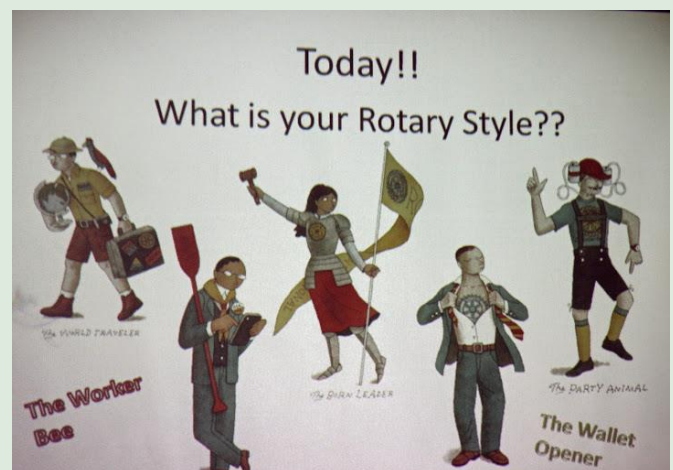
Albie's Rambles

Although I am not wildly enthusiastic about any sport, I found myself glued to the screen during the introduction of our World Cup rugby players. The overall opinion seems to be that they have a good chance of bringing the cup back home. Let's hope it's not false optimism!

So, how come rugby makes an appearance in a Rotary club bulletin? Well, I can see a connection. One of Rotary's ideals is world peace and understanding – something we are in dire need of in our own country, never mind the rest of the world, and this is where a sport such as rugby can play a role. Just look at how integration of our rugby and cricket teams has resulted in the population mix and shared enthusiasm we now see among the spectators sitting peacefully side by side. What a powerful instrument sport can be in unifying people.

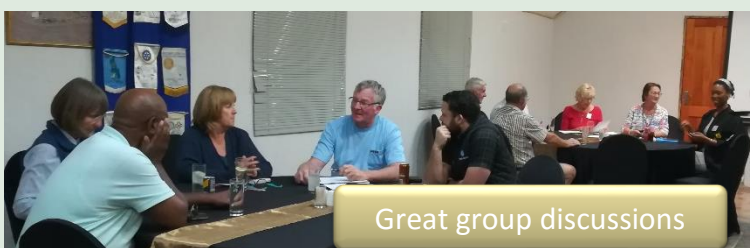
We know that music can play a similar role – a topic for another day. This has set me thinking. Is this not a way to draw people of other ethnic groups and cultures into Rotary and into our club – by reaching out in some way or another on common ground, by sharing a common passion such as for sport or music?

President Albie van de Venter



Meeting: 02 September

- Guest: Sertorio Mshothola.
- Erik reported that the Rotary Family Health Day has secured a venue at the Nkomati Plaza. It is well placed next to a taxi rank, so we will have easy access to people.
- Instead of breaking into Committee groups for today, we broke up into working groups to discuss "**What can we do to make Rotary more accessible?**". This resulted in lively discussions and we look forward to hearing the results next week.



- Sergeant tonight was Ricky, who, in true Ricky fashion, instituted fines in the form of a quiz on the Kruger Park.
- Wine draw won by Hitesh.

RI Official Exchange Rate:

August: \$1.00 = R15.35

Next meeting 09 September

Information and report back meeting

Organiser: Debbie

Grace & Fellowship: Warren

Sergeant: Renate

Upcoming Events

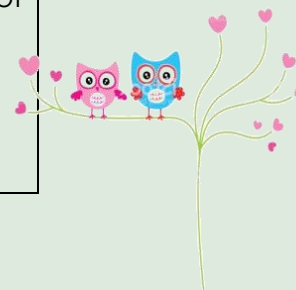
UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 12 th September	Rotary Public Speaking competition @ Uplands Prep
Wed 2 nd – Fri 4 th October	Rotary Family Health Day
Monday 7 th October	DG's visit

Birthdays & Anniversaries



<i>Birthdays</i>	<i>Anniversaries</i>
11 th Sep – Lorna Donaldson 13 th Sep – Luiza Ferreira 20 th Sep – Marie Lewis 24 th Sep – Hilda Maluka 24 th Sep – Neha Motiram 29 th Sep – Hitesh Motiram 30 th Sep – Brian Hyson	There were no weddings in September, only the birth of babies!



WHAT IS ROTARY?



What do YOU want from Rotary?
How can we get your friends to join?

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month in the Rotary Calendar

Some of the projects Rotary White River is involved in:

- Rotary Inter-Schools Speech Competition (local Primary Schools)
- Flamboyant School bursary fund
- Tertiary Education bursary fund
- Assistance to various rural schools currently and in the past
- Books in Homes project was started by our Club
 - Lego donation to various rural schools
 - The Anns supply sandwiches to underprivileged children at White River Primary
 - Library at White River Nursery School was started by our Club



Did you know that you can join various **Rotary discussion groups** if you are a Rotarian? These will connect you with Rotarians worldwide with similar interests. One of the groups is a Literacy group – click on this link (once you've signed into My Rotary of course):

<https://my.rotary.org/en/exchange-ideas/groups/cadre-basic-education-and-literacy-bel>

These are some of the interest groups: golf, farming, tourism, women, palmwine, gardening, alternative healing, the list is long....

If you want to be a leader, you have to read. If you want to develop leaders, you have to provide a place for young people to read.

The words of Margaret Fuller, a 19th century American journalist and women's rights advocate

See what our Club gets up to!



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