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Ren's Ramblings

ACTION !! There is a lot going on in the club. After last night's meeting everybody's diary should be full for quite some time:

23rd February: Fundinjobo Interact Club Induction.

28th February: Handing out walking canes to needy people at the Pension Pay-Out

2nd March: Manning a waterpoint at a Cycle Race at Klipkopje dam

3rd March: International Lunch with Exchange Students at the Barnyard

9th March: Training Seminar open to all Rotarians at Ingwenyama

From now till early April: **Selling tickets for the Wine Show** at the Casino. For this we really need everybody's help, but if Ticket Selling is not your strength, we plan to have tables at the Shopping centers, so it will be a combined effort.

Have a look at the new Google Calendar, which Michael Wagner kindly installed; all the events will be on there.

Have a great week!

Ren

President Renate Bowers

Meeting: 18 February

- **Guests:** Raymond Lenrick and Britt-Marie from Sweden – welcome back! Monika Stadelman from Switzerland.
- We have been asked to man a watering point at a cycle race on Saturday the 2nd March at Klipkoppie dam. A great opportunity to make our presence known, as well as a team-building opportunity. We need to set up at 06h45. Please volunteer – it will be great fun! (see below for more info on the race)

- Renate reminded everyone about Discon again – please register.
- Erik has received the Wine Show tickets. Special cost for ticket purchased through Rotary is R150 – tickets normally sell for R200, a great incentive to sell!
- YEX International Lunch at the Barnyard on Sunday 3 March – for catering purposes let Judy know if you'd like to attend.
- Albie will be attending PETS this coming weekend. He has urged Rotarians to sign up for the District Training Seminar taking place at Ingwenyama on Sat 9th. Please register online.
- Hitesh has a stock of walking sticks in his shop for distribution. It was decided that, as a Community project, we will approach pensioners on pension day and hand out the walking sticks to those that need it. Warren will co-ordinate.
- Michael Wagner has kindly set up a Google Calendar with all of the Club's happenings. Everyone should have received an invitation email from Michael – please accept the invitation, and sign up to googlegroups.com. It is very easy, just a couple of clicks, but if you need any assistance give Michael a call. It will also make it easier to email the whole Club should you need to, as the email addresses have all been added. Embrace technology – it is there to make life easier 😊
- Don attended a meeting at the Hoedspruit Club. He brought back 5 boxes of fortified rice for distribution. Unfortunately this will probably be the last consignment as Inland Revenue are charging quite a large import fee.
- Brian informed everyone that CHOC will not be able to help with children for Camp Quality this year, as the September dates are the same time as another camp in Gauteng. But - we are definitely still going ahead with CQ, we will just have to work extra hard to get children to sign up via other sources.
- Raymond told us a little about himself – he was born in Acornhoek, educated at White River Primary, Treverton and Lowveld High. He studied medicine in Johannesburg for 3 years, but completed his studies in Sweden, where his family is from. Both he and Britt-Marie love Africa, and are members of the Rotary Club of Jonkoping East in Sweden.
- Monika is from Switzerland. She first came to South Africa last year to do volunteer work with the CMDA. She is back this year through Liz's business, to establish a connection between Mpumalanga education and Lucerne University.

SERGEANT Mike Lewis

WINE DRAW won by Warren

Charlie the Happy Rands Pig

Money collected goes towards
Rotary's End Polio campaign



Raymond had the honour of taking the pig around this evening.

- Huffy is happy he is back in the house he was born in.
- Hitesh is happy to be back after a few weeks' absence.



Next meeting 25th February:

Partners' Evening: Speaker will be Nicky Manson, and she will speak about social media

Organiser: Nic van Zyl

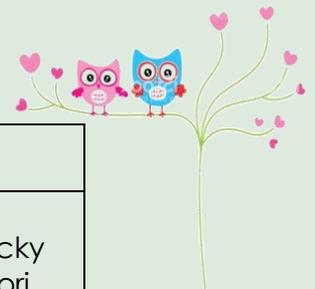
Grace & Fellowship: Erik Howland

Sergeant: Anns

Birthdays & Anniversaries



| <i>Birthdays</i> | <i>Anniversaries</i> |
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| 24 Feb – Mary Sinclair 03 Mar – Adrian Newton 15 Mar – Gerard le Roux 19 Mar – Jackie Robson 21 Mar – Leon van Zyl 29 Mar – Gavin Sinclair | 20 Feb – Patrick & Jacky 14 Mar – Michael & Lori |



RI Official Exchange Rate:

February: \$1.00 = R13.80

Some background information on the cycle race we will be working at:

New Demacon Max Wax MTB Series in Mpumalanga

Previously known as the Mopani MTB series, this popular annual event has a new title sponsor on board – Demacon and Max Wax. The series will feature four races, which cyclists can enter as single events or a minimum of three races in order to qualify for a win in the series.

The 2019 series will introduce cyclists to two new locations: MTO Trails' epic forest tracks at Pull Scar in White River and the thrilling, cosmos-lined routes surrounding Dullstroom.

Distance

55 km

Date

02 Mar 2019



Sell those wine show tickets!

Only R150 instead of R200 – bargain!

My bargain is winning the wine tonight – I don't need tickets!



See what our Club gets up to!



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