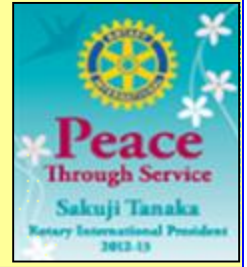


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Meeting Report - 3 September

Rotary District 9320

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Club Meetings
Kimberley Club
Monday
12:45 for 13:00

Bulletin Editor
Barry Downs

Corporal Barry began the meeting with grace, the Four Way Test and toasts to the USA and South Africa.

President Pete welcome our numerous guests. PDG Ethne and Wes Papenfus; the GSE Team from D5180 in the USA (northern California), comprising team leader PDG Steve Lemmon and team members Rachel Ostwald, Stacie Wagner, Julius Austin and Michael Marion; guest speaker Dave Rowley and Wendy Maxwell, and a large number of visitors who had come especially to listen to our guest speaker.

Pete invited the GSE team leader Steve Lemmon to talk briefly about their exchange, which he duly did. Steve asked his four team members to introduce themselves. Unfortunately time did not permit more than a brief introduction by each of the team. However, fortunately some of us had attended their formal presentation to the RC Kimberley South on the previous Saturday, so had learnt a lot there about the team, about District 5180 and about the team’s experiences in South Africa. Rotarians going to the District Conference in East London towards the end of September will be able to see the team’s final presentation before they return to the USA.

After apologizing for neglecting to toast the UK along with the USA and South Africa, Barry introduced our guest speaker—Dave Rowley. Dave is the Education Programme Director for the UK based Bloodhound Supersonic Car project.

Dave explained that the ultimate goal of the project is to build a jet engine and rocket propelled car that will break the 1000mph (1600kph) barrier—at the Hakskeen Pan in the Northern Cape. This site for the attempt was chosen only after very carefully considering numerous potential sites around the world—including famous sites of earlier record successes in the USA and Australia. Dave explained that probably the most



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Last meeting’s attendance—Very Good!

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A message from DG Dave's September Newsletter.

There is still time to book for the District Conference in East London on 20th to 22nd September.

There are some excellent guest speakers and entertaining events in store for those attending the District Conference in less than two weeks time.

The full programme is on our District Web-Page. We've speakers on:-

- The Foundation,
- The Family of Rotary including Youth Exchange and Ambassadorial Scholars,
- What Will Happen After Polio,
- Basic Education and Literacy,
- What's Happening to Rotary in Africa,
- Rotary Awareness of Our Environment,
- Rotary and Health in Africa, and
- the Group Study Exchange Programme.

Fun events will include **Home Fellowship**, the **Drakensberg Choir**, and the **Formal Banquet**.

East London's seven Rotary Clubs are waiting to spoil you at the Guild Theatre from Thursday evening 20th September at 17h30.....**See you there!**

Dave's Dispatch

DG Dave Briggs' September newsletter

As discussed at an earlier meeting, and in the interests of "going green", instead of being printed by Peter T and distributed at lunch (whereby any Rotarians absent from that lunch don't see it), DG Dave's latest newsletter was emailed to everybody on 7 September (and as always, it's well worth reading). If anybody didn't receive it, or was unable to read it, please contact Barry.

Next month, instead of emailing it to everyone, I am considering simply emailing a download link for it. That way, instead of it going through your email box, you will be able to download it as you would any other web-based document. If anybody has any thoughts on the matter, or objections, or better ideas, please contact Barry.

A Message from Honorary Rotarians Mike & Beryl Bradnum.

Dear Barry

Would you please thank all the Rotarians most sincerely for the delightful card received for our Silver Wedding Anniversary - it came as a great surprise and was very much appreciated.

Our sincere thanks to you all.

Fond regards
Mike and Beryl

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important aspect of the Bloodhound project was that of education—the promotion of science and technology as potential careers for the young generation now in primary and senior schools.

Dave showed some very impressive presentations and videos that graphically illustrated the magnitude of the project, not to mention what 1000mph would look like. Surely fascinating stuff even for the non-petrol-heads in the audience. One interesting snippet was that the car will make use of a Cosworth F1 car engine (used to power Formula One cars at speeds in excess of 300kph). However, that engine will be used solely as a pump to help fuel the main rocket engine!

At the moment there is a team of some 300 men working on the Hakskeen pan to clear the track of debris. They are clearing a strip 19km long by about 1100m wide of all debris—stones, pebbles etc. It is estimated that some 6,000,000 kg of stones will be removed—and this can only be done by hand!

Dave was thanked by our very own petrol-head, Peter Thomas.

In closing the meeting, Corporal Barry admitted that Dave’s talk was an impossible act to follow, so there was no tail piece.

The GSE Team from District 5180—California, USA



Back Row:

Rachel Ostwald	Age 24	Assistant Farm Manager
Steve Lemmon	Age 61	Attorney, PDG and Team Leader
Stacie Wagner	Age 29	Substitute Teacher

Front Row:

Julius Austin	Age 25	Educator
Michael Marion	Age 33	Dean of Student Services



Kimberley Rotary Club Calendar

(Meetings: 12:45 Monday lunchtime at the Kimberley Club—unless otherwise stated)



September—New Generations Month

20-23 District Conference in East London

October—Vocational Service Month

- 12 Mountain Bike Night Cycle race
- 13 Nomads' Bowls competition
- 19 Yonder Fête

November—Rotary Foundation Month

- 29 Thursday—Official Club Visit by DG Dave Briggs

December—Family Month

January—Rotary Awareness Month

Duties & Dates

If you are unable to perform a duty, **it is your own responsibility** to find a replacement.

Fellowship

12:30 *Welcome Rotarians & Guests, see that Rotarians wear their nametags and that guests have a drink.*

- Sep 10 Ken Quinn & Suzette Rautenbach
- Sep 17 Janine Snyders & Peter Thomas
- Sep 24 Lizanne van Niekerk & Nanine van Olmen
- Oct 1 Corlia van Tonder & Amanda van Zyl

Corporal

Grace, 4-Way Test, Toast to SA – Fines – Tailpiece.

- Sep 10 Frieda du Preez
- Sep 17 Andries Erasmus
- Sep 24 Sharon Erasmus
- Oct 1 Allison Fletcher

Birthday Greetings

- Sep 15 Ona Louw
- Sep 22 Gill Quinn
- Sep 23 Gordon Dally (Honorary)
- Sep 24 Anton Rautenbach

Wedding Anniversaries

- Sep 20 Obe & Nanine Olmen Philips
- Sep 23 Peter & Charlene Daubney (Honorary)
- Sep 27 Dries & Corlia van Tonder
- Oct 8 André & Annine Oberholzer

Induction Anniversaries

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| Oct 18 | Div Pretorius | 2004 |
| Nov 14 | Peter Thomas | 1991 |
| Nov 14 | Nanine van Olmen Philips | 2011 |
| Nov 14 | Chris Louw | 2011 |

Coffee Club



10:00 at the "Hole in the Wall"

- Sep 11 Hugh McGibbon
- Sep 18 Janine Snyders
- Sep 25 Peter Thomas
- Oct 2 Nanine van Olmen

Coffee Club Birthday Greetings

Changes—please advise Barry Downs

- Sep 10 Dennis Sparrow
- Sep 25 Don Munro
- Oct 4 Jack Ward
- Oct 13 Peter Gibbs

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Griqua Goodies

America believes in education: the average professor earns more money in a year than a professional athlete earns in a whole week.

—Evan Esar