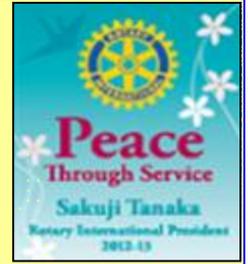


# ROTARY GRIQUA

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

**Bulletin Editor**  
Barry Downs

## Meeting Report - 4 February

Corporal Nanine opened the proceedings with Grace, the Four Way Test and a toast to South Africa.

President Pete welcomed us all, especially Liesel Evans and young Master Evans (attending his first Rotary function).

Serjeant Gill dutifully dispatched the Dates and Duties, after which a number of forthcoming attractions were presented to us:-

- Congratulations to Gill, who has been appointed as an Assistant Governor to DGE Greg Cryer for Kimberley and Bloemfontein, starting on 1 July.
- POETS (Presidents and Officers Elect Training Seminar) will be in Durban on 1-2 March, and in Colesberg on 8-10 March.
- Our "Night at the Races" with the Kimberley Club is provisionally booked for 15 March. It is possible that PP Tom McGhee will join us in an advisory capacity.
- Our Golf day as scheduled for 11 May at MMGC.
- Resulting from our recent "Start of 2013" supper/dance (thanks to President Pete, Amanda and their helpers), Amanda has received several requests for a repeat performance, and will be organizing one.
- 23 March is ear-marked as D9320's "Peace Day".
- Amanda asked if we could subsidise the NCHS Interact Club's entry into CANSA's *Relay for Life* on 15-16 March. The board's decision is awaited.
- NCHS is likely to send 10 children to the next RYLA camp, including some Interact members.
- Our recent supper/dance showed a surplus in excess of R2100.
- Another 'fellowship breakfast/walk' is proposed at the Erasmi farm on 23 February.
- A combined event with Kimberley South is planned for 9-11 May to mark Family Health Day.
- On 25 February our speaker will be PDG Ethne Papefus talking about her recent cruise which took in part of Antarctica.

Ken had received apologies from Sharon, Judy, Div and Peter T, along with one make-up. Our attendance was recorded as 20/23 for 87.0%.

Barry asked whether we would be entering a club team into CANSA's Relay for Life. It was agreed that we would, and Gill offered to coordinate the team. Barry also reported that sadly RI had rejected D9270's bid to host the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Durban. [See page 2 for further details]

Corporal Nanine emptied our wallets in favour of TRF by relating identifying characteristics of various races and nationalities.

**Last meeting's attendance—87%**

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## 2019 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - DURBAN

*On 2 February 2013 the following communication was received by DG Dave Briggs. It comes from Rotary Coordinator - Zone 20A South and International Training leader (2013), PDG Nick Phillips in Eshowe, District 9270.*

*PDG Nick was instrumental in the bid to have the 2019 RI Convention hosted in Durban.*

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Dear Colleagues,

You may recall that I recently returned from the Rotary International Assembly in San Diego where I attempted to lobby the directors of Rotary International with a view to overcoming the difficulties that Rotary perceives with our bid for the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Durban.

Because of this we were able to have the matter put back on the agenda for the January board meeting and I have now received [from Mr L. J. Williams] the results that, I am sad to say, are not favourable.

In short, Rotary feels that the Durban facilities at present would require that the convention be staged on a limited attendance basis and the Board is not prepared to make that concession while there are other venues that can accommodate their requirements unrestricted.

The two issues that need to be overcome are:-

### **ACCOMMODATION**

Mr Williams has stated in a previous email that, "I strongly stand by the RI requirement that a city's hotel block be 40% or less of a city's total hotel room inventory". This means that the city needs to be able to offer at least 17,500 hotel rooms of which 7,000 hotel rooms must be pre-contracted in line with Rotary requirements.

In the case of Durban, a concession was made to include time-share accommodation in the equation but bed and breakfast accommodation remains outside the equation and can only be treated as alternative accommodation.

### **VENUE**

The venue was always a challenge in terms of housing a convention of 19,000 people in one contiguous area for all functions and this was further complicated by the space allocation difficulties presented by the main plenary sessions as well as the rehearsal requirements. Nevertheless I have no doubt, and that is also Mr Williams' view, that the venue issues could have been addressed as long as the accommodation requirements were in order.

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Sadly I think we have to accept that we cannot further this project until Durban can come up with solutions to these problems, especially accommodation.

Many people [Rotarians and non-Rotarians] have worked tirelessly since this process commenced, [including] incoming Rotary Governor Greg Cryer and the members of the Host Organising Committee who have spent many hours in pursuit of this dream.

I would also like to recognise the enthusiastic support of Rotarians from across the African continent and abroad who have stood shoulder to shoulder with us.

Of course this is a great personal disappointment for me but I do feel that we can take great pride in the professional way that the exercise has been undertaken. Many people at the highest levels of Rotary have commented on this and I know that they are viewing our city and province with new respect and admiration.

I would also like to echo Mr Williams' sentiments and say that I hope that this exercise and the lessons learned will, at least, have contributed to our ability to stage conventions in future.

All the more technical descriptions of the issues that I have summarised above have been made available and I am always happy to elaborate further.

Kind regards,  
Nick Phillips  
Rotary Coordinator - Zone 20A South  
International Training leader (2013)  
ESHOWE  
South Africa

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[griqua@rotarykimberley.org.za](mailto:griqua@rotarykimberley.org.za)

The Griqua is emailed as a pdf file (typically 200-300kb). This means that it is accessible to anybody regardless of what hardware and software they're using. All you need is Acrobat Reader—which program everybody should already have—otherwise it's freely available from the Internet. Or from Barry.



# Kimberley Rotary Club Calendar

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



## February—World Understanding Month

- 23 Fellowship walk/breakfast on the Erasmi farm
- 25 Guest speaker—PDG Ethne Papenfus in Antarctica

## March—Literacy Month

- 8-10 POETS in Colesberg for incoming Presidents, Secretaries & Treasurers
- 15 “Night at the Races” with the Kimberley Club (provisional date)
- 15-16 CANSA’s Relay for Life
- 23 District 9320’s “Peace Through Service” day

## April—Magazine Month

## May—No Rotary designation

- 9-11 Family Health Day function with Kimberley South

## Dates & Duties

If you are unable to perform a duty, please make sure you arrange a replacement.  
*(and please advise Barry by email or SMS of any changes)*

### Fellowship

12:30 Welcome Rotarians & Guests. See that Rotarians wear their name tags and that guests are welcomed.

- Feb 11 Chris Louw & Philip Maritz
- Feb 18 Hugh McGibbon & Judy Morrison
- Feb 25 André Oberholzer & Div Pretorius
- Mar 4 Gill Quinn & Ken Quinn

### Corporal

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

- Feb 11 Corlia van Tonder
- Feb 18 Amanda van Zyl
- Feb 25 Barry Downs
- Mar 4 Andries Erasmus

### Birthday Greetings

- Feb 21 Maureen McGibbon
- Feb 23 RI (1905)
- Mar 29 Andries Erasmus
- Apr 9 Philip Maritz

### Wedding Anniversaries

- Mar 26 Pete & Amanda van Zyl
- Apr 26 Hentie & Lizanne van Niekerk
- May 17 Philip & Shirley Maritz
- Jun 28 Barry & Gill Downs

### Induction Anniversaries

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| Feb 13 | Hugh McGibbon       | 2012 |
| Feb 21 | Suzette Rautenbach  | 2011 |
| Mar 5  | Amanda van Zyl      | 2008 |
| Apr 5  | Lawrie Shuttleworth | 1952 |

### Coffee Club



10:00 at the “Hole in the Wall”

- Feb 12 Barry Downs
- Feb 19 Hugh McGibbon
- Feb 26 Peter Thomas
- Mar 5 Nanine van Olmen

### Coffee Club Birthday Greetings

Changes—please advise Barry Downs

- Feb 26 Rob Hollings
- Feb 28 Sam Goldblatt
- Mar 28 George Lodder
- May 10 Ron Wilson

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## Griqua Goodies

The big difference between sex for money and sex for free is that sex for money usually costs a lot less.  
—Brendan Behan