



# ROTARY GRIQUA

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**The Rotary Club of Kimberley**  
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## Meeting Report - 1 July

**Rotary District  
9370**

**RI President**  
Ron Burton

**District 9370  
Governor**  
Greg Cryer

**Assistant  
Governor for  
Kimberley  
& Bloemfontein**  
Gill Quinn

**Club President**  
Janine Snyders

**Club Board**  
Pete van Zyl  
Corlia v Tonder  
Ken Quinn  
André Oberholzer  
Amanda van Zyl  
Philip Maritz  
Peter Thomas

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

**Bulletin Editor**  
Barry Downs

Amanda was on fellowship duty and did an outstanding job of handing out our Rotary name tags. So, if nothing else, we all knew who we were.

Corporal Lizanne opened the meeting with grace, the Four Way Test and a toast to South Africa.

President Janine, for her first meeting as our revered leader, had decided to forego the presidential privilege of sitting in solitary splendour at the top table and instead joined some of her loyal subjects at one of the minions' tables. From her lowly throne, Janine welcomed our guests—Maryna (Peter T's boss), and two guests of André's—Ella and Hendrick. She continued with some announcements:

- her first board meeting will be on Monday 8 July
- a Spring Dance is being considered
- Dwayne Evans volunteered to edit and produce the Griqua—a refreshing change to be looked forward to after too many years of tedium
- the Kimberley Club wants to move our (and Kimberley South's) meetings and lunches into the Billiard Room. Only time will tell how satisfactory, or otherwise, this will prove to be. In the meantime enquiries into alternatives will be made.

Sergeant Gill reminded us of forthcoming Dates & Duties. DG Greg Cryer is planning to visit both Kimberley clubs on 7-8 September, and our Golf Day is (provisionally?) scheduled for 28 September.

Attendance Officer Ken reported a number of apologies, and put today's attendance at 14/22 for 63.6%.

Lizanne helped us to swell Foundation's coffers with anecdotes involving Italians and Irish blondes, and then closed Janine's inaugural meeting with a tailpiece quotation from Albert Einstein:  
*"Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile."*

**Last meeting's attendance—64%**

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A Profile of  
**Greg Cryer**

District 9370's first Governor for 2013-14



Greg & Lindsay have been married for 18 years and have 5 children collectively who, in turn, to date, have produced 10 grand children.

They both enjoy the outdoors, camping, scuba diving, cycling, playing the odd game of golf and spending time at their Game Lodge. Until recently Greg enjoyed flying and qualified for his Private Pilot license in 1972.

Lindsay is a qualified Architectural Technician and Greg, although originally trained and studied in the engineering field, has been in the Property Development market for the past 25 years.

Greg, a Paul Harris fellow (2), has been a Rotarian for 17 years, first joining the Durban Umgeni Club where he served on the Board and in various committees as well as President. Whilst at Umgeni he was involved with chartering of the Mt Edgecombe Probus Club as well as the Mt Edgecombe Rotary Club in 2004 of which he became a charter member. Lindsay joined Rotary in 2004 as a charter member at Mt Edgecombe.

Greg was President of the Mt Edgecombe Club in 2008 and has served on the club's various committees as well as on the Board. He currently serves on various District committees and has been Group E's Assistant Governor for the past three years.

Together they have created many wonderful memories of Rotary over the past 17 years -hosting Exchange students and friendship exchange Rotarians, going on a friendship exchange to Canada & the USA and joining PDG Natty on a Polio immunization mission to India which they claim "was a life changing experience". Greg was privileged to be on the local bid committee that secured the RI Conference for Durban in 2019.

### **A message from DG Greg**

I would like to congratulate both DG Dave Briggs & DG Richard Brooks for the way they have led both their Districts 9320 & 9270 in the last year of an historic era.

Both Districts are in a very healthy situation as we merge into 9370.

I have no doubt that there will be some post-natal problems after the birth of 9370, but like a good Doctor would, I have total confidence in the new District leadership to make sure that any symptoms requiring attention will be rectified with typical Rotarian efficiency.

Thank you so much for affording me the privilege of leading the District in this our first year.

To quote a Kaljan Banerjee (Past RI President) philosophy:

*"Don't try to change the world in a year, but rather lay the foundation for change that may only mature years after the initiation."*

Lindsay and I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible during the 2013-14 year.

Meet the Rotary International president for 2013-14

## **Ron D. Burton**



Ron D. Burton retired as president of the University of Oklahoma Foundation Inc. in 2007. He is a member of the U.S. Supreme Court Bar, the Oklahoma Bar Association, and the Cleveland County Bar Association. He is also a member of the American Bar Association, the ABA Section of Taxation Exempt Organizations Committee, and the ABA Section of Real Property, Probate, and Trust Committee on Charitable Organizations. He was vice president of the Last Frontier Council of the Boy Scouts of America and received the Silver Beaver Award. He also received the Norman United Way and Junior League Volunteer of the Year Civic Award.

His extensive service to The Rotary Foundation includes vice chair and member of the Foundation Trustees, vice chair of the Future Vision Committee, and member of the International PolioPlus Committee and PolioPlus Speakers Bureau. Other service includes national adviser for the Permanent Fund Initiative, member of Permanent Fund Leadership Team, and consultant to the Development Committee. In addition, he has served as a regional Rotary Foundation coordinator and moderator of the regional Rotary Foundation coordinator training program.

Burton has received the RI Service Above Self Award and the Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service, Distinguished Service Award, and International Service Award for a Polio-Free World. He and his wife, Jetta, are Paul Harris Fellows, Benefactors, Major Donors, and members of the Paul Harris, Bequest, and Arch C. Klumph Societies.



# Kimberley Rotary Club Calendar

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



## July—No Rotary designation

8 Board Meeting

## August—Membership and Extension Month

3 Club Officers' training in Bloemfontein

## September—New Generations Month

7-8 DG Greg Cryer's official club visit  
28 Golf Day @ MMGC

## October—Vocational Service Month

## November—Rotary Foundation Month

### 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.

Jul 8 Peter Thomas & Lizanne van Niekerk  
Jul 15 Corlia van Tonder & Amanda van Zyl  
Jul 22 Pete van Zyl & Barry Downs  
Jul 29 Andries Erasmus & Sharon Erasmus

### Corporal

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

Jul 8 Corlia van Tonder  
Jul 15 Amanda van Zyl  
Jul 22 Peter Thomas for Pete van Zyl  
Jul 29 Barry Downs

### Birthday Greetings

Jul 24 Dries van Tonder  
Aug 18 Div Pretorius  
Aug 20 RC Kimberley (1951)  
Sep 15 Ona Louw

### Wedding Anniversaries

Jul 16 Gordon & Shirley Dally (Honorary)  
Aug 7 Royden & Judy Morrison  
Aug 13 Anton & Suzette Rautenbach  
Aug 29 Mike & Beryl Bradnum (Honorary)

### Induction Anniversaries

Jul 27 Pete van Zyl 2009  
Sep 3 Allison Fletcher 2007  
Sep 7 Lizanne van Niekerk 2009  
Oct 18 Div Pretorius 2004

### Coffee Club



10:00 at the "Hole in the Wall"

Jul 9 Pete van Zyl  
Jul 16 Barry Downs  
Jul 23 Dwayne Evans  
Jul 30 Jannie Jacobs

### Coffee Club Birthday Greetings

Changes—please advise Barry Downs

Jul 15 Mark Harding  
Aug 8 Derek Preece  
Aug 23 Bernard Haye  
Sep 10 Dennis Sparrow

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### Griqua Goodies

Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power.  
*Abraham Lincoln*