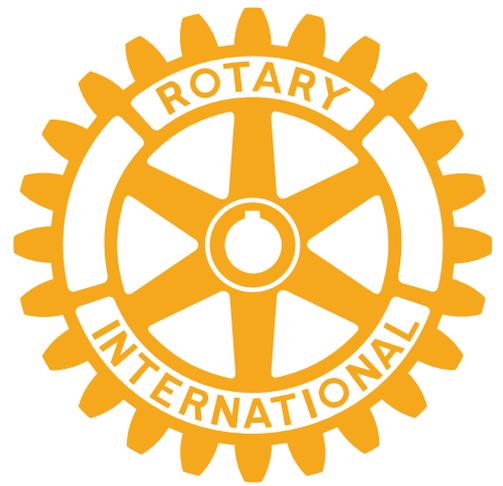


# ROTARY GRIQUA



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THE ROTARY CLUB OF KIMBERLEY  
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Mondays  
12:45 for  
13:00

## Meeting Report: 08 December 2014

(By Barry Downs)

President André invited (nay, commanded) Corporal Janine to open the meeting with grace, the Four Way Test and a toast to South Africa. He welcomed Maddy, our American Exchange Student.

Attendance Officer Ken first tackled the matter of our Christmas holidays. It was agreed that Monday 15 December would be our final meeting for 2014, after which some of us will be heading off to the coast, some to the mountains and some to the deserts. The remaining lucky ones would be enjoying a couple of dark (and possibly dry) weeks in Kimberley. With everyone safely back home after the festivities, we will open 2015 with our first meeting on 12 January. That done, Ken announced our attendance as 82.4%.

Sergeant Gill took over and reminded us of forthcoming duties, birthdays and anniversaries. She asked about Coffee Club meetings over the Christmas holiday. It was decided that after the CC's annual breakfast on

9 December, our attendance at their meetings would be able to resume only once we were all back at our respective coal faces – namely, on 13 January.

Corporal Janine regaled us with a rather convoluted matter (if you'll pardon the legal pun), culminating with the revelation that the average South African achieves some 24km per litre. [No, your scribe didn't make a note of the details, but it was very funny at the time.]



Hugh, having waved his magic Eskom wand and summoned the power to come back on, treated us to a fascinating travelogue (enhanced by a selection of great photographs) about his 2010 trip to Brazil.

Finally, Corporal Janine closed the meeting with not just one, but two tailpieces:-

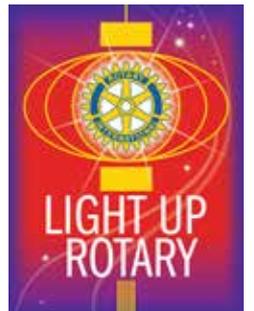
“Mondays are the root of all evil. People who are happy on Mondays are twice as evil and must be slapped.”

“The best and most beautiful things in life cannot be seen or touched. They must be felt with the heart.” – Helen Keller.

During the break Maddy will be continuing with CrossFit. She will also be going on holiday to the coast with the Fletchers. On her return she will take up residence with the Evans's

Visit Maddy's blog at: <http://maddyinsa.wordpress.com>

Maddy's  
Corner



**Sincere apologies for the lack of the Rotary Griqua the last few weeks. I will do my best to have it ready on time, every time. Hope you have a fantastically festive Christmas. Wishing you all the very best for the New Year! - Dwayne**

## Meeting Report: 01 December 2014

(By Peter T)

Corporal Gill Quinn opened the meeting with the Rotary Grace, the 4-Way Test and a toast to South Africa and the U.S.A.

President André welcomed our guests – Linda Westmoreland, Lucas Westmoreland, Marie Barton (all from the USA), Beverley Theron and Exchange Student Maddy Lykken.

After the meal, Pres. André announced that the Adamantia High School interactive white board project was going ahead and the board had been ordered.

Sergeant Gill Quinn announced the upcoming week's duties and celebrations. Please note that the last meeting of the year will be on 15 December and that the meetings will resume on 5 January.

Attendance officer Ken was next on the agenda. He announced apologies from Jannie Jacobs and Johnny van Niekerk, as well as Dwayne and Liesel on Leave of Absence. The attendance was reported at 88.9%.

Corporal Gill told a story that had a moral to it – if life throws dirt on you, shake it off and take a step up. Rotary Foundation benefitted from the fines collected.

With a few minutes of fellowship in hand, Barry Downs informed us that the Exchange Student was reported as telling friends at a party: "I live with two old people"! Despite furious denials from Maddy's direction, the general consensus was that it was not fair to reprimand her for telling the truth.

In a similar vein, Ken Quinn closed the meeting with the tailpiece (also heard from an exchange student): "Rotarians might be old, but they are still people"!

## Meeting Report: 24 November 2014

(By Gill Quinn)

President Andre opened the meeting at 13:00 and welcomed all present, including the speaker and Mr Gareth Thomas.

Ken stepped in as corporal for the day and proceeded to offer the Rotary prayer.

Lawrie Shuttleworth then stood up and thanked Rotary and the Rotarians who had worked together to make his 100th birthday a memorable affair.

It was only a pleasure for the club to put together the occasion to honour this dignified and much admired gentleman.

Corporal Ken announced that there were 15 out of 18 members present at the meeting for 83.3%.

Pres Andre also thanked those who had assisted at Lawrie's celebration.

After consulting with the members Pres Andre announced that the last meeting of the present year would be on 15 December and that meetings would resume on Monday 12 January.

Sergeant Gill read out the duties for next week's meeting.

Rtn Colleen introduced Laurence van Heerden who spoke on People with Disabilities. Very little is done to equip such people for the workplace and his ideal is to equip those in our area by offering, in the first phase, skills development, career guidance and developmental programmes. These all require the input and support of those who are able to do so. Peter Thomas mentioned the Rotary-administered Education Trust which, under the right conditions, might be able to assist with the programme, or specific students.

Laurence can be contacted on 083 5616121.

Pres Andre thanked Laurence for the interesting address and asked Corporal Ken to give the tailpiece.

We're all young at heart but slightly older in other parts.

A collection of Christmas cracker jokes... Some are funny, and some are... well... not really.

Q: What do you call an elf who sings?  
A: a wrapper!

Q: Why is Christmas just like your job?  
A: You do all the work and the fat guy with the suit gets all the credit.

Q: Why is Santa so jolly? A: Because he knows where all the naughty girls live.

Q: Why doesn't Santa have any kids?  
A: He only comes once a year.

Q: Whats the difference between the Christmas alphabet and the ordinary alphabet? A: The Christmas alphabet has Noel.

Q: What do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus? A: Claustrophobic.

Q: Why the Christmas tree can't stand up? A: It doesn't have legs. What do you call an obnoxious reindeer? RUDEolph.

Q: Why was Santa's little helper depressed? A: Because he had low elf esteem. What do you call a can wearing a Christmas hat? A Merry Can (American)

Q: What's the difference between snowmen and snowladies? A: Snowballs.

Q: What nationality is Santa Claus? A: North Polish.

Q: What do you call a kid who doesn't believe in Santa? A rebel without a Claus.

Q: How does a Jew celebrate Christmas? A: He installs a parking meter on the roof.

Q: What do you call Santa's helpers? A: Subordinate clauses

The 4 stages of life:

1. You believe in Santa Claus
2. You don't believe in Santa Claus
3. You dress up as Santa Claus
4. You look like Santa Claus

For Christmas I want Santa's list of naughty girls.

Last year, I asked Santa for the sexiest person ever for Christmas. He gave me a mirror.

The awkward moment when Santa Claus has the same wrapping paper as your parents.

A song told me to Deck the Halls...so I did. Mr.and Mrs. Hall are not very happy.

Dear Santa, I was framed.

This holiday season, in lieu of gifts, I've decided to give everyone my opinion.

I try to be unusually kind and compassionate to those around me during the Holidays, because I never know who will end up being my Secret Santa.

What do they sing at a snowman's birthday party? Freeze a jolly good fellow

Why does Santa have three gardens? So he can 'ho ho ho'!

Knock, knock

Who's there?

Arthur

Arthur who?

Arthur any mince pies left?

What do vampires sing on New Year's Eve? Auld Fang Syne

Why did Santa's helper see the doctor? Because he had a low "elf" esteem!

What happened to the man who stole an Advent Calendar? He got 25 days!

What kind of motorbike does Santa ride? A Holly Davidson!

What do you get if you cross Santa with a duck? A Christmas Quacker!

What is the best Christmas present in the world? A broken drum, you just can't beat it!

How did Scrooge win the football game?

The ghost of Christmas passed!

Who delivers presents to baby sharks at Christmas? Santa Jaws

Who is Santa's favorite singer? Elf-is Presley!

What do Santa's little helpers learn at school? The elf-abet!

What did Santa say to the smoker? Please don't smoke, it's bad for my elf!

What do reindeer hang on their Christmas trees? Horn-aments!

Why are Christmas trees so bad at sewing? They always drop their needles!

Did Rudolph go to school? No. He was Elf-taught!

Why did the turkey join the band? Because it had the drumsticks!

What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire? Frostbite!

What do snowmen wear on their heads? Ice caps!

How do snowmen get around? They ride an icicle!

What song do you sing at a snowman's birthday party? Freeze a jolly good fellow!

How does Good King Wenceslas like his pizzas? One that's deep pan, crisp and even!

Who hides in the bakery at Christmas? A mince spy!

What do you call a cat in the desert? Sandy Claws!

What does Santa do with fat elves? He sends them to an Elf Farm!

What did Adam say to his wife on the day before Christmas? It's Christmas, Eve!

How many letters are in the Christmas alphabet? 25. There's "no EL"!

What carol is heard in the desert? O camel ye faithful!

What do angry mice send to each other at Christmas? Cross Mouse Cards!

What athlete is warmest in winter? A long jumper!

What do you get if you eat Christmas decorations? Tinsilitis!

What's the most popular Christmas wine? 'I don't like Brussels sprouts!'

What did the beaver say to the Christmas Tree? Nice gnawing you!

Why are Christmas Trees like bad knitters? They keep loosing their needles!

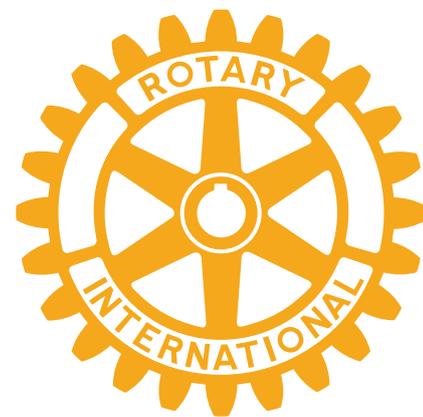
What do you get if you cross a bell with a skunk? Jingle Smells!

Why is it getting harder to buy Advent calendars? Because their days are numbered!

Remember, Christmas isn't about how big the tree is, or what's under it. It's about who's around it...

**Merry Christmas Everyone!**

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"If you don't build your dreams, someone will hire you to help build theirs." - Tony Gaskin

## Upcoming Events

### December

15 Last meeting for the year

### January - Rotary Awareness Month

12 First meeting for 2016

24 FASD Conference

If you are unable to perform a duty, please make sure you arrange a replacement.

Please advise Dwayne by email or SMS of any changes:  
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## Fellowship

Dec 15 Sharon Erasmus & Jannie Jacobs

Jan 12 Philip Maritz & Gill Quinn

## Corporal

Dec 15 Janine Snyders

Jan 12 Peter Thomas

## Birthday Greetings

Dec 27 Sharon Erasmus

Dec 27 Nikki Stewart (Peter H) (Honorary)

Jan 05 Annine Oberholzer

Jan 07 Ryan Snyders

Jan 15 Maryna Thomas

Jan 22 Amanda van Zyl

## Induction Anniversaries

Dec 02 Barry Downs 1982

Dec 02 Bennita Dauberman 2013

Feb 08 André Oberholzer 2010

Feb 13 Hugh McGibbon 2012

## Wedding Anniversaries

Jan 12 Peter & Maryna Thomas

Jan 22 Ken & Gill Quinn

Feb 01 Hugh & Maureen McGibbon

Mar 26 Pete & Amanda van Zyl



## Coffee Club

Dec 09 Peter Thomas

Jan 13 Corlia van Tonder

## Coffee Club - Birthday Greetings

Dec 04 George Lehman

Dec 20 Alec Woodrow

Dec 27 Chris Marnitz

Jan 07 Dave Thomas

Jan 9 John Barret

Jan 10 Tiny Lewen

Jan 13 Jannie Jacobs

Jan 16 John Paton

## Maddy for Dinner (week ending)

Dec 19 Sharon & Andries Erasmus