

# ROTARY GRIQUA



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Mondays  
12:45 for  
13:00

### Meeting Report: 30 November 2015

by Barry Downs

President Andre invited Corporal Dwayne to open the proceedings with the Rotary Grace, the Four Way Test, and a toast to South Africa, the USA (for Exchange Student Ahna) and Germany (where Corlia's daughter, Bronwynn, has gone as a Rotary STEP student for a couple of months).

Serjeant Brenda reminded us that our final meeting for 2015 will be on 14 December, and the first of the New Year will be on 11 January 2016. She went on to remind us all of forthcoming duties and dates. She asked that outstanding presents for our Tree-of-Joy project be handed in as soon as possible.

Attendance Office Ken recorded a couple of apologies, and recorded our attendance as 16 out of 21 for 76.2%.

Corporal Dwayne helped swell TRF's coffers by means of amusing us with a selection of newspaper reports, and continued with his tail piece whilst he had the floor to himself.

President Andre announced that he and Bettina had had a meeting with one of the ladies from "Ethel". Some of you may recall that Faith Marks from "Ethel" (Ebenezer Training House for Early

Learning) spoke to us on 28 September about their organisation. They propose to identify suitable potential beneficiaries of our Rotary Education Trust.

On that note, President Andre closed the meeting, leaving us a few minutes of fellowship time.

### Cyclists Raise Nearly \$3 Million In "Miles To End Polio" Ride

The fight to eradicate polio got a major financial boost from the annual Miles to End Polio bike ride that took place 21 November in Arizona, USA. Rotary General Secretary John Hewko and a team of eight RI staff members helped raise \$2.9 million. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will match the funds 2-to-1, bringing the total contribution to PolioPlus to nearly \$9 million.

This is the fourth year in a row that Hewko has biked in the 104-mile (167 km) El Tour de Tucson ride, one of the country's top cycling events. More than 100 Rotary members from Arizona and around the world hit the pavement with the Evanston team.

The RI staff riders have been training together since September. "In the beginning, riding 104 miles seemed impossible," says Jean Stanula, Rotary's Global Events supervisor. "But we came together early Saturday mornings and rode 20, 40, 60, and 80 miles. After a while, it felt like we could do anything."

Contributions of District Designated Funds (DDFs) were a big part in this year's fundraising effort, with more than \$1.4 million collected. Districts can continue to donate DDFs to support the fundraiser through 30 November. President-elect John Germ will visit the district that donates the most DDFs, and the top five contributing districts will be recognized onstage at the 2016 Rotary Convention in Seoul.

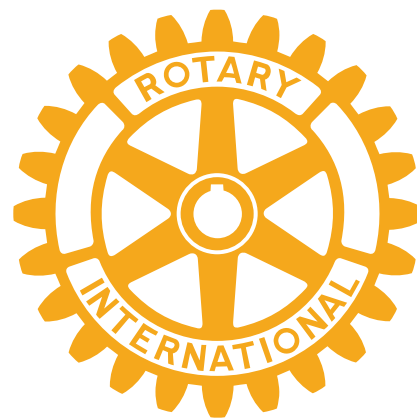
Rotary members have taken part in the ride since 2009, when the End Polio Now campaign was designated an official beneficiary of the race, allowing Rotary cyclists to gather pledges for the campaign. In the first year, 27 cyclists raised \$35,000. The number has grown exponentially ever since.



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"We cannot become what we need to be by remaining what we are." - Max de Pree

## Upcoming Events

### December - No Rotary designation

- 07 Bettina: Global Challenge Expedition
- 14 Last meeting for 2015

### January - Rotary Awareness Month

- 11 First meeting for 2016

### February—World Understanding Month Fellowship

- Dec 07 Brenda Booth & Clayton Daubermann
- Dec 14 JJ & Luzan Hoffman
- Jan 11 Barry Downs & Dwayne Evans

### Corporal

- Dec 07 Liesel Evans
- Dec 14 Jannie Jacobs
- Jan 11 Philip Maritz

### Birthday Greetings

- Dec 06 Jannie Jacobs
- Dec 09 Shirley Maritz
- Dec 27 Sharon Erasmus

### Induction Anniversaries

- Feb 08 André Oberholzer 2010
- Mar 05 Amanda van Zyl 2008
- Mar 18 Jannie Jacobs 2013

### Meeting Reports (email them to: [dwaynemevans@gmail.com](mailto:dwaynemevans@gmail.com))

- Dec 07 Liesel Evans
- Dec 14 Dwayne Evans
- Jan 11 Jannie Jacobs

### Rotating Dinner

- Nov 23 - Dec 13 Allison Fletcher

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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### Wedding Anniversaries

- Nov 29 Andries & Sharon Erasmus
- Dec 11 Mark & Allison Fletcher
- Jan 12 Peter & Maryna Thomas

### Coffee Club

- Dec 08 Pete van Zyl
- Dec 15 Dwayne Evans
- Dec 22 Barry Downs

### Coffee Club - Birthday Greetings

- Dec 20 Alec Woodrow
- Dec 27 Chris Marnitz
- Jan 07 Dave Thomas
- Jan 09 John Barret

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