



# ROTARY GRIQUA

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## 2019 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION

The 2019 Council on Legislation made several decisions that will shape Rotary's future.

Every three years, representatives from Rotary districts around the world meet in Chicago to consider changes to the constitutional documents that govern Rotary International. This year's Council considered more than 100 proposals.

Among the most important, the Council elevated the status of Rotaract clubs. The change broadens the definition of membership in Rotary International to include Rotaract clubs. The change is intended to increase the support that Rotaract clubs receive from RI and to enhance their ability to serve.

In many ways, the Rotaract experience will not change. Rotary clubs will still charter and sponsor Rotaract clubs. Rotaract clubs will still have their own standard constitution and their own unique club experience. Members of a Rotaract club will not be called Rotarians. And Rotaract clubs will not immediately pay dues or receive other benefits, such as the official magazine that Rotary members receive. The Board will determine a dues structure over time. The measure simply expands the definition of membership in Rotary International to include both Rotary and Rotaract clubs.

As for dues, the Council approved a modest increase of \$1 a year for each of three years, beginning in 2020-21. The previous Council set dues for 2019-20 at \$34 per half year.

With the increase, the dues that clubs pay to RI per member will increase to \$34.50 per half year in 2020-21, \$35 per half year in 2021-22, and \$35.50 per half year in 2022-23. The dues will not be raised again until a future Council votes to change it.

The Council also changed the name of the General Surplus Fund to RI Reserve, because that more accurately reflects the purpose of the fund. In another vote, the Council approved calling the general secretary a chief executive officer (CEO) in circles outside Rotary, to increase his stature in dealings with other intergovernmental organizations.

A seemingly small but intensely debated action will reduce the number of non-voting members at future Councils, by removing past RI presidents and allowing only one RI Board director to attend but not vote.

But in some respects, the Council defined itself as much by what it did not do.

This year's representatives resisted pressure to limit some of the flexibility that the 2016 Council granted clubs, rejecting several measures that would have placed restrictions on clubs. One unsuccessful measure would have required clubs to meet at least 40 times each year.

Many clubs have been using the innovative and flexible club formats to attract new members and meet their current members' needs.

Representatives also rejected proposals to make it optional for members to subscribe to an official Rotary magazine and to reduce the size of the Council by half and have it meet every two years.

**ROTARY CLUB OF KIMBERLEY**  
**2018-2019**  
 Chartered 20 August 1951  
 Rotary District 9370  
**RI President:** Barry Rassin  
**District Gov:** Gianna Doubell  
**Asst Gov:** Barry Downs  
**Club Pres:** Corlia v.Tonder  
**Secretary:** Gill Quinn  
**Club Board:**  
 Barry Downs  
 Colleen Fairweather  
 Ken Quinn  
 Peter Thomas  
 Amanda van Zyl  
**Bulletin Editor:** Peter Thomas  
**Club Meetings:**  
 Kimberley Club  
 Mondays 12:45 for 13:00  
**INFO:** 082 898 3805

### Remember: 9-11 May - District Conference



# CALENDAR & DUTIES

## MAY

### Youth Service Month

- 6 May: Social Meeting 12:45 for 13:00  
8 May: NATIONAL ELECTION (Wednesday)  
9-11 May: DISTRICT 9370 CONFERENCE  
13 May: Business Meeting 12:45 for 13:00  
20 May: Social Meeting 12:45 for 13:00  
27 May: BOARD MEETING 12:45 for 13:00

*The Board Meeting scheduled for 27 May will be attended by incoming Assistant Governor Rob Gibson. He would like an opportunity to meet up with us in advance of taking over as our A.G. on 1 July.*

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## DUTIES

*If you are unable to do a duty, please make arrangements for a substitute.*

### WEEK OF 6 MAY

FELLOWSHIP: Ken Quinn  
CORPORAL: Peter Thomas  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: Corlia van Tonder

### WEEK OF 13 MAY

FELLOWSHIP: Peter Thomas  
CORPORAL: Willem Badenhorst  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: Willem Badenhorst

### WEEK OF 20 MAY

FELLOWSHIP: Willem Badenhorst  
CORPORAL: Brenda Booth  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: Brenda Booth

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## JUNE

### Rotary Fellowships Month

- 3 Jun: Social Meeting 12:45 for 13:00  
10 Jun: Business Meeting 12:45 for 13:00  
16 Jun: YOUTH DAY (Sunday)  
17 Jun: YOUTH DAY HOLIDAY (Monday)  
17 Jun: NO ROTARY MEETING  
24 Jun: NO ROTARY MEETING

*President's Induction – Date to be advised.*

## CELEBRATIONS

### BIRTHDAYS

- 08 May Ken Quinn  
16 May Barry Downs  
14 Jun Hanlie Louw  
08 Jul Shirley Dally (Honorary)  
24 Jul Dries van Tonder

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 17 May Philip & Shirley Maritz  
16 Jun Peter & Charlene Daubney (Honorary)  
28 Jun Barry & Gill Downs

### INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

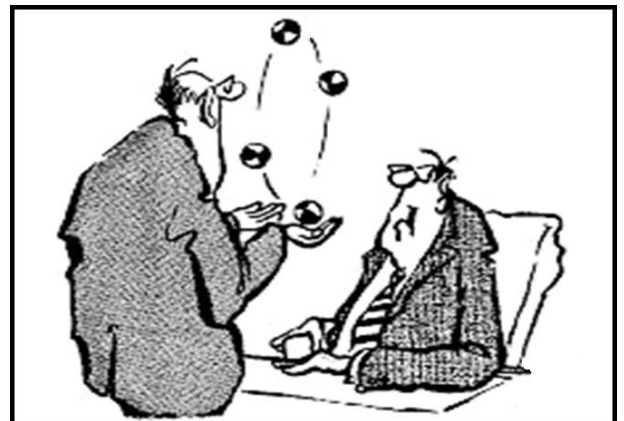
- 21 May 2018 Hein Knoke  
06 Jun 2005 Gill Quinn

### COFFEE CLUB BIRTHDAYS

- 25 May Bill Fair  
13 Jun Jock Robey  
14 Jun Piet V.D. Merwe



## LAST LAUGH



"You seem to have the qualifications we're looking for in a bookkeeper."