



# ROTARY GRIQUA

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## NIGERIA REACHES POLIO MILESTONE

It's been three years since the last reported case of polio caused by the wild poliovirus in Nigeria.

The milestone, reached on 21 August, means that it's possible for the entire World Health Organization (WHO) African region to be certified wild poliovirus-free next year.

Nigeria's success is the result of several sustained efforts, including domestic and international financing, the commitment of thousands of health workers, and strategies to immunize children who previously couldn't be reached because of a lack of security in the country's northern states.

"Rotary, its Global Polio Eradication Initiative partners, and the Nigerian government have strengthened immunization and disease detection systems," says Michael K. McGovern, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. He adds: "We are now reaching more children than ever in some of the hardest-to-reach places in Nigeria."

McGovern says Rotary members in Nigeria play an important role in ridding the country of the disease. "Rotarians have been hard at work raising awareness for polio eradication, advocating with the government, and addressing

other basic health needs to complement polio eradication efforts, like providing clean water to vulnerable communities."

Nigeria is the last country in Africa where polio is endemic. Once Africa is certified as free of the wild poliovirus, five of the WHO's six regions will be free of wild polio. Polio remains endemic in Afghanistan and Pakistan, which means transmission of the virus has never been stopped.

Dr. Tunji Funsho (chair of Rotary's Nigeria National PolioPlus Committee) says, "It's paramount that we ensure all doors are locked to the re-entry of the wild poliovirus into our country," says Funsho. To achieve this, Rotary needs to maintain strong advocacy efforts, continue to increase awareness of immunization campaigns, and ensure members raise necessary funds.

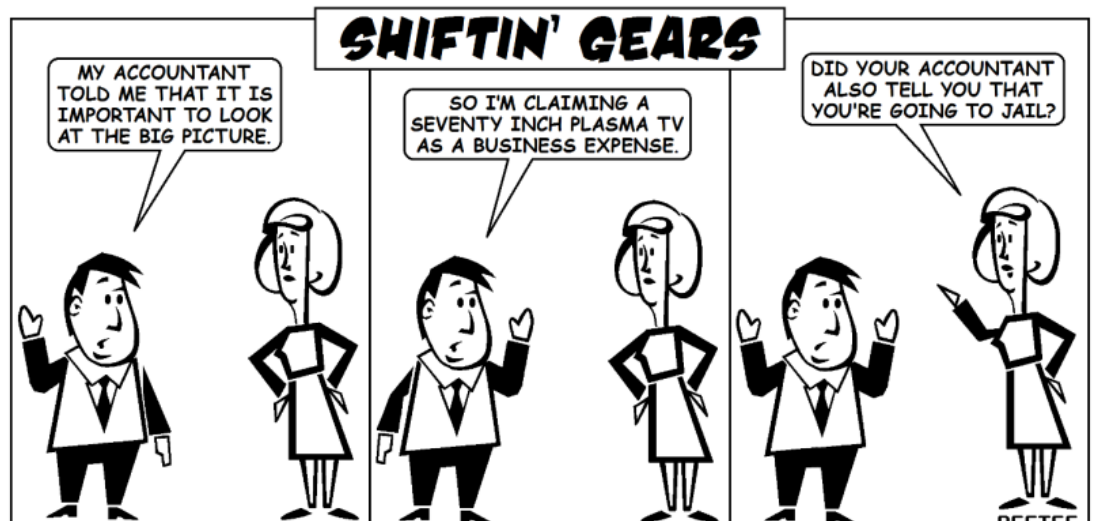
"As the first organization to dream of a polio-free world, Rotary is committed to fulfilling our promise," says McGovern. "Our progress in Nigeria is a big step toward that goal, but we need to maintain momentum so that Pakistan and Afghanistan see the same level of progress."

Ack: <https://www.rotary.org/en/news-features>

## Many thanks to everyone who was involved in the Rotary Health Program

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### DIARISE: 18 October: ROTARY NIGHT CYCLE RACE



# CALENDAR & DUTIES

## OCTOBER

### Rotary Alumni Month

- 7 Oct: SOCIAL MEETING - 12:45 for 13:00  
*Guest Speakers: VW Sales Team*
- 14 Oct: NO LUNCH – Club Walk-About  
*Tour of the Synagogue - Details to follow*
- 18 Oct: ROTARY MTB RACE - *Details to follow*
- 21 Oct: BUSINESS MEETING - 12:45 for 13:00
- 24 Oct: WORLD POLIO DAY
- 28 Oct: NO ROTARY LUNCH MEETING

## NOVEMBER

### Rotary Foundation Month

- 4 Nov: SOCIAL MEETING - 12:45 for 13:00  
*Guest Speaker to be Confirmed*
- 11 Nov: NO LUNCH – Club Walk-About  
*Destiny House Project - Details to follow*
- 18 Nov: BUSINESS MEETING - 12:45 for 13:00
- 25 Nov: NO ROTARY LUNCH MEETING

## DECEMBER

### Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

- 2 Dec: SOCIAL MEETING - 12:45 for 13:00  
*Guest Speaker to be Confirmed*
- 9 Dec: NO LUNCH – Club Walk-About  
*Diamond Cutting Works - Details to follow*
- 16 Dec: NO ROTARY LUNCH MEETING
- 23 Dec: FELLOWSHIP LUNCH - 12:45 for 13:00  
*Details to follow*
- 30 Dec: NO ROTARY LUNCH MEETING

## DUTIES

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

### WEEK OF 7 OCTOBER (Social Meeting)

FELLOWSHIP: Barry Downs  
CORPORAL: Colleen Fairweather  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: Brenda Booth

### WEEK OF 14 OCTOBER

CLUB WALK-ABOUT – No Duties  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: NO DUTY

### WEEK OF 21 OCT. (Business Meeting)

FELLOWSHIP: Colleen Fairweather  
CORPORAL: Hein Knoke  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: Barry Downs

### WEEK OF 28 OCTOBER

NO LUNCH MEETING – No Duties  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: NO DUTY

### WEEK OF 4 NOVEMBER (Social Meeting)

FELLOWSHIP: Hein Knoke  
CORPORAL: Philip Maritz  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: Peter Thomas

### WEEK OF 11 NOVEMBER

CLUB WALK-ABOUT – No Duties  
TUES COFFEE CLUB: NO DUTY

## CELEBRATIONS

### BIRTHDAYS

- 13 Oct. Pete Van Zyl  
14 Oct. Colleen Fairweather  
24 Oct. Corlia Van Tonder  
27 Oct. Kevin Fairweather  
02 Nov Beryl Bradnum (Honorary)  
04 Nov Mike Bradnum (Honorary)  
11 Nov Hein Knoke  
17 Nov Charlene Daubney (Honorary)  
26 Nov Peter Daubney (Honorary)

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 14 Oct. Colleen & Kevin Fairweather  
01 Nov Hein & Frances Knoke

### INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

- 14 Nov 1991 Peter Thomas

### COFFEE CLUB BIRTHDAYS

- 13 Oct. Peter Gibbs  
5 Nov. Pem Rodger  
21 Nov. Danie Theron

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