

**OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF KIMBERLEY – 04 DECEMBER 2025**  
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**District 9370, Northern Cape, South Africa: Chartered - 20 August 1951: ID 17458**

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| <b>President:</b><br>Mary-Anne Daubermann                                         | <b>Secretary:</b><br>Vacant / Acting Johann Aucamp                                | <b>Treasurer:</b><br>Ken Quinn                                                    | <b>Assistant Governor:</b><br>Ivan Steenkamp                                       | <b>District Governor:</b><br>Steven Shone                                           | <b>RI President:</b><br>Francesco Arezzo                                            |
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**FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**04 December 2025 – Club Meeting – 12H45 for 13H00**  
**Next Board Meeting to be announced**

**Duties:**

**President:** Mary-Anne Daubermann  
**Sergeant:** Vernon Daubermann  
**Grace & TP:** Helen Hugo  
**Setup & Welcome:** Johann Aucamp & Vernon Daubermann  
**Fetch Meal:** Ken Quinn

**Club Meetings:** The Blanckenberg Hall, Memorial Road - Thursdays 12H45 for 13H00 **INFO:** 083 340 1257

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Wheelchair Project / Rotary Wellness Days / Old Age Homes / Tree of Joy / Platfontein / Lesedi Trust / Ebenezer / Hospice / Helen Bishop

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| <b>Richard Jones</b><br><b>Secretary</b><br>066 232 8144                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Kenneth Niewenhuis</b><br><b>Chairperson</b>                                       |

**Rotary District 9370:**

The Rotary Club of Kimberley is a member of Rotary International - District 9370:  
District 9370 encompasses the entire South African provinces of KwaZulu-Natal, the Eastern Cape and the Free State, parts of the Northern Cape and North West provinces and the entire Mountain Kingdom of Lesotho.

**Our mission:** We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

**Vision statement:** Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:** As a global network that strives to build a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change, Rotary values diversity and celebrates the contributions of people of all backgrounds, regardless of their age, ethnicity, race, colour, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

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**NOVEMBER – ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME – ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH**  
**December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month**

Since 1917, The Rotary Foundation has been the engine that drives Rotary International's mission to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Through the generosity of Rotarians and friends worldwide, the Foundation funds life-changing projects that promote peace, save the environment, fight disease, provide clean water, support education, save mothers and children, and grow local economies.

**Rotary International's theme for November is The Rotary Foundation Month. This month focuses on the foundation's mission to fund projects that improve health, support education, protect the environment, and alleviate poverty around the world. It's a time to highlight the impact of the foundation and encourage support for its programs.**

- **Focus:** November is dedicated to highlighting the work of The Rotary Foundation.
- **Purpose:** The foundation's projects promote peace, save the environment, fight disease, provide clean water, support education, and grow local economies.
- **Call to action:** It's an opportunity for clubs to focus on the foundation's role and encourage donations and participation in its initiatives.

**December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month**

Rotary is dedicated to fighting and preventing disease. Disease Prevention and Treatment is one of Rotary's Seven Area of Focus. Disease and illness result in pain and injury. Prolonged severe illness may result in loss of employment and income. It affects families. It affects quality of life.



This November, as we celebrate The Rotary Foundation, I invite you to consider not only what we give but why we give. The Foundation is more than a fund for projects. It is the beating heart of our promise that service, rooted in trust and friendship, can create lasting change.

Our Action Plan calls us to increase our impact, and the Foundation is how we make this vision real. Since 1988, Rotary and our partners have immunized nearly 3 billion children against polio. We have committed more than \$2.6 billion to this cause, and last year alone we directed \$146 million toward the final push for eradication. These numbers are significant, but the true impact is not in statistics — it is in the lives of children who will never again fear polio. It is in the hope restored to families and the peace built in communities once defined by disease.

**Francesco Arezzo – RI President 2025-26**

## DECEMBER – ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME – DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MONTH

As we enter the festive season and wrap up another impactful year, we are reminded of one of Rotary's most vital areas of focus: **Disease Prevention and Treatment**. December gives us the opportunity to highlight the many ways Rotary creates healthier communities — from supporting local clinics and health education to global initiatives like the eradication of polio.

Let us continue to champion access to healthcare, promote wellness in our communities, and support those living with illness. Even the smallest act of service can have a life-changing impact.

**We believe good health care is everyone's right. Yet 400 million people in the world can't afford or don't have access to basic health care.**

Disease results in misery, pain, and poverty for millions of people worldwide. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to us. We lead efforts both large and small. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together.

Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care.

### ***Rotary makes amazing things happen, like:***

**Providing clean water:** Rotary has worked with partners to provide more than 80 percent of Ghana's people with clean water to fight Guinea worm disease.

**Reducing HIV infection:** In Liberia, Rotary members are helping women get tested for HIV early in their pregnancies. They used prenatal care to reduce new HIV infections in children by 95 percent over two years.

**Ending polio:** Rotary members have played a key role in bringing the world to the brink of [polio eradication](#). Their efforts have not only ended polio in 122 countries but also created a system for tackling myriad other health priorities, such as Ebola.

**Rotary is dedicated to causes that build international relationships, improve lives, and create a better world to support our peace efforts and end polio forever.**



### **Ending polio forever**

Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for over 35 years, and our goal of ridding the earth of this disease is in sight. We started in 1979 with vaccinations for 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, Afghanistan and Pakistan are the only countries where polio remains endemic.

#### **Current Status**

Since 1988, we've seen a worldwide reduction in polio cases of 99.9%. Only two countries remain polio-endemic: Afghanistan and Pakistan.

The **mission** of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Rotary Club guiding principles include the Four-way Test (Truth, Fairness, Goodwill, and Friendship). Other principles involve Rotary's commitment to Service above Self, Rotary's motto, which is channeled through the Five Avenues of Service: Club, Vocational, Community, International, and New Generations.

**ROTARY CLUB OF KIMBERLEY**  
**DISTRICT GOVERNOR VISIT - 21 NOVEMBER 2025**



**DG Steve Shone**

**Opening Speech by DG Steve Shone:**

My congratulations to you president Mary-Anne for taking on the reins of the club and guiding your members to what I am sure is going to be another great year. To the other office bearers and members, my congratulations to you as well as I know that you all have a special role to play.

Thank you for showing me your two flagship projects this afternoon, Ebenezer care facility for young children and the bicycle project that is part of the Galeshewe Youth Network, both of which have made a positive impact on the local community and indeed the bicycle project has earned two members of this club Rotary International's Service Above Self Award at a ceremony held in Durban in September. Congratulations to you, Ivan Steenkamp and Richard Jones.

Visiting the Ebenezer care facility for young children, accompanied by

AG Ivan Steenkamp  
President Mary-Anne Daubermann  
And Colleen Fairweather, one of the project managers.



Visiting the Bicycle Project that is part of the Galeshewe Youth Network, accompanied by the Karoo eClub Members:  
Chairperson Kenneth Niewenhuis  
AG Ivan Steenkamp  
Secretary Richard Jones



**ACTS OF GOODWILL**  
**RECOGNITION TO THE INTERACTORS FOR ALL THE GOOD WORK THEY ARE DOING**



Interactors Awarded



Wendy Peine

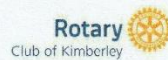


Debbie Smit

Many thanks to all the people involved to make this evening a very special occasion:



**PROGRAMME**



**Please switch off all cell phones**

- Welcome by the MC** ~ Helen Hugo
- 4-Way Test and The Object of Rotary** ~ Lillian Motshewa Khapa
- Toast to Rotary International** ~ Wendy Peine
- Grace** ~ Violet Meza
- Starter**
- Toast to Rotary District 9370** ~ Ivan Steenkamp
- Toast to South Africa** ~ Debbie Smit
- Main Course**
- Introduction of the DG** ~ Pres Mary Anne Daubermann
- Address by District Governor** ~ Steve Shone
- Thanks to the DG** ~ Vernon Daubermann
- Presentations and Awards** ~ Mary-anne Daubermann , Steve Shone, Richard Jones
- Dessert & Coffee**
- Sergeant at Arms** ~ Pem Rogers
- Closure and Vote of Thanks** ~ Johan Aucamp

Hi Mary-Anne, Vernon and your wonderful team of Rotarians,

Thank you for what has got to be one of the highlight visits of my DG year! From the sprightly 90-plus year old Pem Rodger, who set the dance pace, to the youthful Interactors, who participated with enthusiasm and intent, your club is able to set a standard not easily matched by any other club in our district.

Thank you for sharing your flagship projects with Marita and I and for giving us the insight into the special understanding that you have of your community needs and your positive response thereto.

Marita and I thoroughly enjoyed sharing the afternoon and evening with you. Thank you also for the amazing painting that we received as a gift from Johan Aucamp on behalf of the club. It will enjoy a special place in our home!

Warm regards  
DG Steve



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A Rotary e-club with local and international membership, with a geographical focus on the Karoo Region of South Africa.



**Kenneth Niewenhuis**  
**Chairperson**  
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### DG Steve Shone visiting the Bicycle Project



Joel Setlhabi accepting the award on Kenny's behalf from Richard Jones.

At the DGs Diner with Steve Shone we were very pleased to be able to present our club Chairperson , Kenny with an **award for service above self**.

We honour Kenneth Niewenhuis with an award for "Service Above Self".

A proud son of Galeshewe, Kenny has dedicated his life to community upliftment – as Chairperson of the Galeshewe Youth Network, Managing Director of Teemaneng Arts & Tourism Organisation, and founder member of the Greater Kapa Bokone Community Trust.

He is a successful entrepreneur and community leader. Armed with qualifications in marketing, business management, and agriculture. Kenny brings boundless energy and vision to every project.

Since joining the Rotary Karoo E-Club in 2023 and stepping up as our Chairperson this year, his commitment to service has inspired us all.

## ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians:

**As a Rotarian, I will**

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
4. Avoid behaviour that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
5. Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment

These principles have been developed over the years to provide Rotarians with a strong, common purpose and direction. They serve as a foundation for our relationships with each other and the action we take in the world.

### Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

**FIRST:** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

**SECOND:** High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

**THIRD:** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

**FOURTH:** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## CELEBRATIONS



### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



| BIRTHDAYS                                                                                                                                                                                                               | WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES             |
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| 01 December – Des Peine<br>09 December – Shirley Maritz<br>16 December – Kenneth Niewenhuis<br>16 December – Zuki Jones<br>19 December – Jonathan Warner<br>23 December – Joel Setlhabi<br>27 December – Sharon Erasmus | 18 December – Pierre & Helen Hugo |
| COFFEE CLUB BIRTHDAYS                                                                                                                                                                                                   | INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES           |
| 02 December – George Astley<br>20 December – Alec Woodrow<br>27 December – Chris Marnitz                                                                                                                                | 02 December 1982 – Barry Downs    |



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Johann Aucamp



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