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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

15 January 2026 – Club Meeting – 12H45 for 13H00
Next Board Meeting to be announced
29 January 2026 – Club Meeting – 12H45 for 13H00

Duties:

President: Mary-Anne Daubermann
Sergeant: Johann Aucamp
Grace & TP: Johan Cronjé
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

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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.

JANUARY – ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME – VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

*For January, Rotary International's focus is **Vocational Service Month**, highlighting the importance of Rotarians using their professional skills and high ethical standards to serve their communities, mentor others, and promote integrity in business and professions. This month encourages members to apply their expertise for positive change, aligning with Rotary's core mission to do good through their everyday work.*

Key Aspects of Vocational Service Month:

- **Ethical Standards:** Promoting honesty, fairness, and high ethical practices in all business and professional dealings.
- **Worthiness of Occupations:** Recognizing the value and dignity of all useful work.
- **Mentorship:** Guiding young people in career choices and skill development.
- **Community Impact:** Using professional talents to solve local and global problems.

Activities often include:

- Distributing the [Four-Way Test](#).
- Hosting career guidance seminars.
- Recognizing outstanding individuals with vocational awards.

A Short History Lesson - honour, integrity, and trustworthiness in business.

Originally only one representative from each business or profession was invited to join a club. Paul Harris felt that if several members of the same profession were to join, they would either sit together and “talk shop” or compete against each other for other members’ business. The idea of “trade-boosting” was gradually eliminated and by 1912, Rotarians were no longer required to exchange business with one another.

The Forgotten Avenue of Service

Of Rotary’s five Avenues of Service* – Club, Vocational, Community, and International – Vocational is difficult to define, so it is sometimes called the “Forgotten Avenue of Service”. One reason is Club, Community, International and Youth Service activities usually involve groups of Rotarians. They enjoy the fellowship of Club Service, the satisfaction of serving the needs of their communities, and the hope that their International Service promotes world peace and understanding. But Vocational Service – the second Avenue of Service -- is generally conducted by individual members.

Service Above Self

Rotary’s early leaders often cited the [Golden Rule](#) – “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you” – as the guiding principle of Rotary’s Vocational Service. By the time the National Association of Rotary Clubs held its first convention in 1910, the networking emphasis had begun to shift. The majority of clubs told the new Civic Committee that Rotary should move from being a booster club to improving their communities. The concept of “he profits most who serves his fellows best” became “he profits most who serves best”. This idea morphed into “Service, not Self” and finally, it became the Rotary slogan we know today -- “Service Above Self”.

In 1940, Rotary International defined the Object of Vocational Service “to encourage and foster: high ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society.” Today’s Rotarians still pride themselves on being able to use their professional stature and knowledge to make things happen worldwide, wherever there is a need for change.

The Rotary Code of Ethics

Back in 1912, when Glenn Mead succeeded Paul Harris as President of Rotary International, he recommended a code of business ethics be formulated to contribute to the advancement of business morality. At that time, there were no consumer protection laws or truth-in-advertising statutes. Fraudulent and deceptive business practices were the norm. The unwritten law was caveat emptor, "Let the buyer beware." Since the adoption of the Rotary Code of Ethics in 1915, at least 145 national industrial codes of conduct practice have been adopted as a direct result of the influence of Rotarians.

The Four-Way Test

Rotary's current code of ethical conduct – The Four-Way Test – was developed during the Great Depression, by a Rotarian, Herb Taylor, from the United States, as a four-part ethical guideline that helped him rescue a beleaguered business. The code's four points are simple and direct –

"Of all the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"**

The Four-Way Test was officially adopted by Rotary in 1943 and has been translated into the languages of over 100 countries. It appears on highway billboards, in schoolrooms and on the walls of businesses, in labour contracts, courtrooms and halls of government. It's even on the moon, in the form of a Four-Way Test pin planted on the surface by astronaut Buzz Aldrin!

The Heart of Rotary

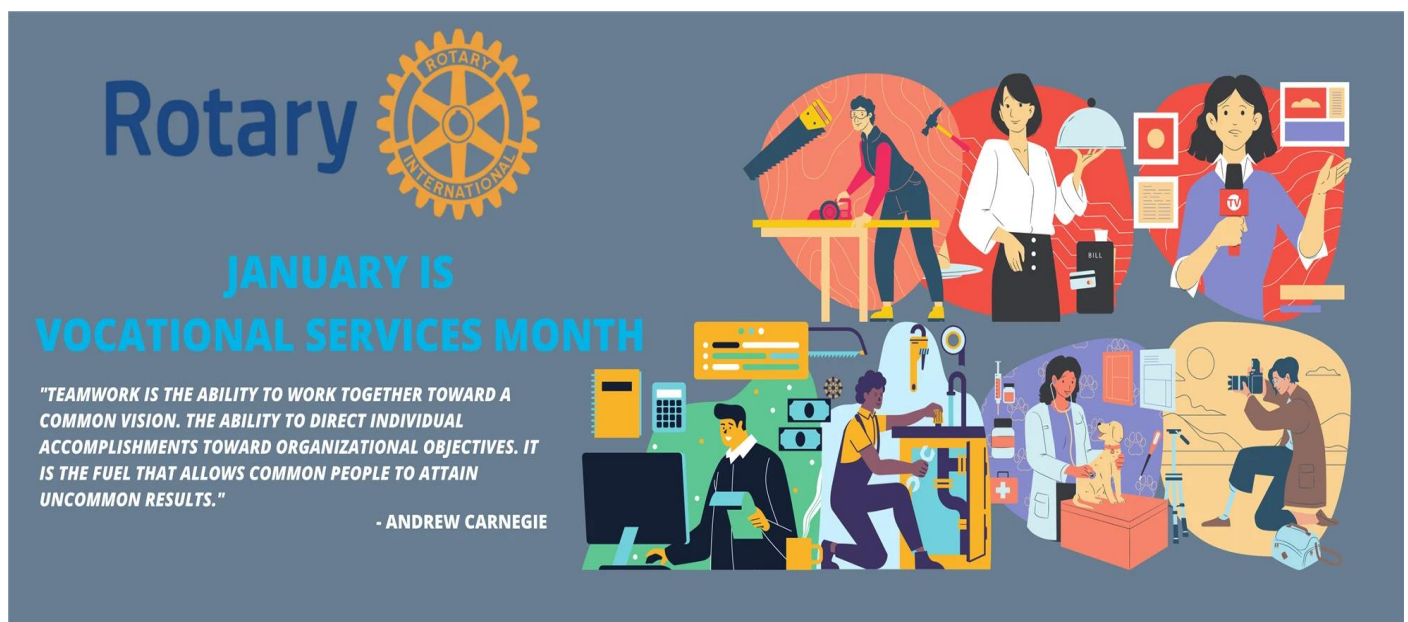
Vocational Service remains at the heart of Rotary. In 1987-88, RI President Charles C. Keller reinvigorated the Avenue by appointing the first Vocational Service Committee in 50 years. The committee redefined how clubs could more effectively participate in Vocational Service and drafted the new Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions.

Today, with over 1.2 million members in more than 35,000 clubs in nearly 200 countries, Rotary provides humanitarian service, promotes high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build international understanding, goodwill and peace.

Your affirmation as a Rotarian is to serve humanity through your vocation/profession and to do good in the world.

When you have the right attitude, you can do the remarkable!

Ian E. Lancaster RN, CPN, CHPCN(C)



VOCATIONAL AWARDS



INTERACTORS – WELCOMED BY PRESIDENT MARY-ANNE DAUBERMANN AND TEACHER WENDY PEINE.



**INTERACTORS BUSY WITH COMMUNITY
IMPACT.**

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

MENTORSHIP AND COMMUNITY IMPACT



Collecting clothes and distribute it amongs the needy.



Staff Members of the Univercity of Sol Plaatje at an information session on student registration and training with Johann Aucamp on the left and President Mary-Anne Daubermann third from right.



Stallward Rotarians – Sam Goldblatt and Pam Rodger, both turning 100 years old this year.



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



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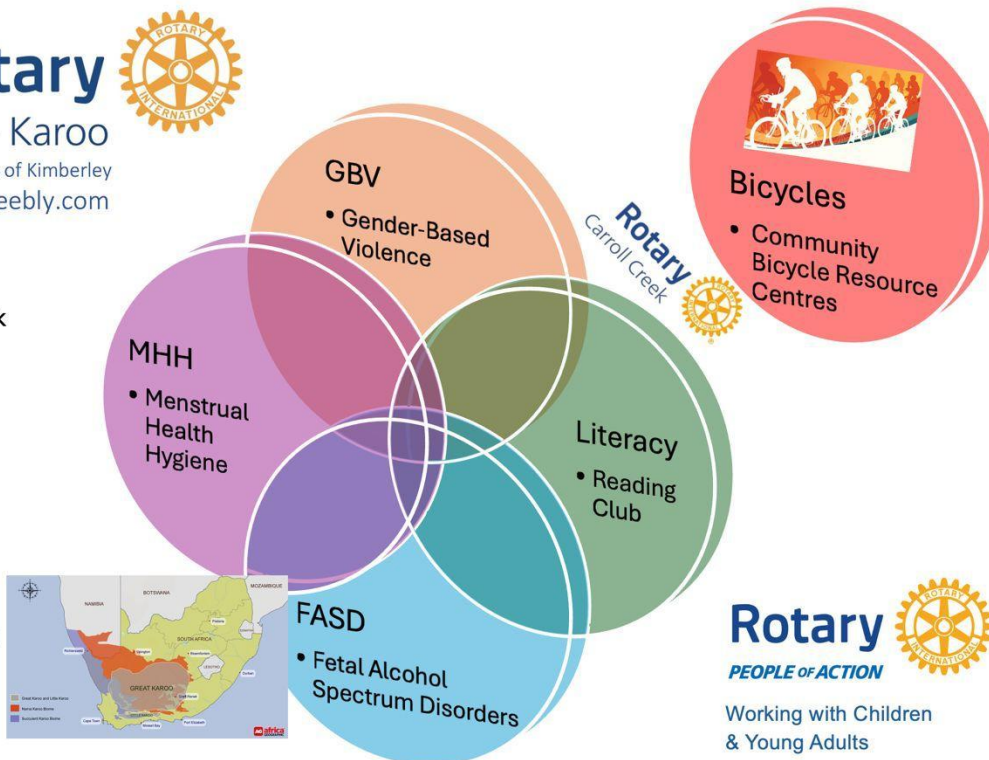
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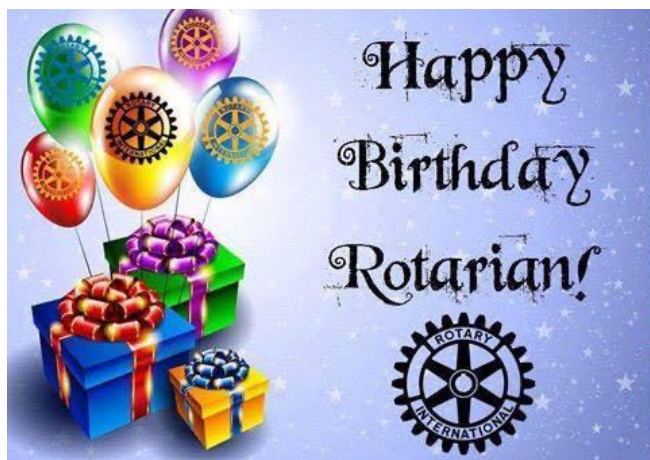
Club Themes 2025-26

Working in partnership with the Galeshewe Youth Network and Families South Africa, projects with children and young adults are being successfully implemented in South Africa's Karoo region.

Since its establishment in 2022, the Rotary Satellite E-Club of Kimberley - The Karoo, has gratefully received project sponsorship from the Rotary Club of Carroll Creek in Frederick, MD USA.



Richard Foot



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
15 January – Maryna Thomas	08 January – Richard and Zuki Jones 22 January – Ken and Gill Quinn
COFFEE CLUB BIRTHDAYS	INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES
07 January – Dave Thomas 13 January – Jannie Jacobs	27 January 2012 – Richard Jones



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