



OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF KIMBERLEY – 20 AUGUST 2026
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District 9370, Northern Cape, South Africa: **Chartered - 20 August 1951: ID 17458**

					
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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

20 August 2026 – Club Meeting – 12H45 for 13H00
20 August 2026 – 75th Anniversary – 18H00
03 September 2026 – Club Meeting – 12H45 for 13H00
17 September 2026 – Club Meeting – 12H45 for 13H00

Duties:

President: Mary-Anne Daubermann
Sergeant:
Grace & TP:
Setup & Welcome: Vernon Daubermann & Lorraine Thompson
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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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.



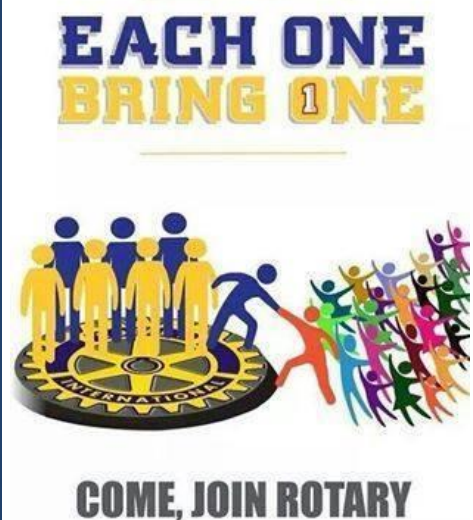
Our mission: We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

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.

AUGUST – ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME – MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Rotary International designates **August** as **Membership and New Club Development Month**. It is a special time for clubs worldwide to focus on growing their membership, celebrating current members, and starting new clubs.



Goals for Membership Month

- **Invite new people:** Encourage members to bring guests to meetings and service projects.
- **Build strong clubs:** Focus on keeping current members active and engaged.
- **Start new clubs:** Expand Rotary's reach by creating new local chapters.
- **Share stories:** Post updates online to show the positive impact of local service.

Rotary is built on people who are passionate about creating positive change. This month, we celebrate the power of growing our Rotary family, welcoming new members, and supporting the development of vibrant, inclusive clubs that strengthen our communities.



Consider Becoming a Rotarian....Today

Potential club members are everywhere. But to get them to join Rotary, clubs must use creativity and imagination, says Past RI President Cliff Dochterman.



Rotary is a worldwide network of more than 1.2 million people of action who tackle the most persistent problems in our communities while building professional and leadership skills through meaningful connections.

MORE THAN JUST A BADGE: THE DEEP MEANING OF THE ROTARY PIN

“Wearing the Rotary pin is far more than just displaying a badge. It means proudly representing the values that unite us...”



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OUR CORE VALUES

The foundational pillars represented by every pin, guiding our actions around the world.



SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Dedication to the community.

“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.”

— Mahatma Gandhi



FELLOWSHIP

Fostering strong relationships.

“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.”

— Helen Keller



DIVERSITY AND GLOBAL UNDERSTANDING

Respect for all cultures.

“In diversity there is beauty and there is strength.”

— Maya Angelou



LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

Inspiring positive change.

“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”

— John Quincy Adams



INTEGRITY

Commitment to ethics.

“Integrity is doing the right thing, even when no one is watching.”

— C.S. Lewis

What does Rotary mean to you? Rotary members have pushed polio to the brink of eradication, delivered clean water to those in need, improved their local communities, provided scholarships to the next generation of peacemakers, and continued to do good in the world.

WICUS GROVE - Celebrating 75 Years of Service

1951 - 2026 | 75 YEARS

On 20 August 2026, our club will celebrate 75 years since it was chartered on 20 August 1951 - three-quarters of a century of fellowship, leadership and service to the people of Kimberley and beyond.

Seventy-five years is more than simply a number.

It represents generations of Rotarians who attended meetings, raised funds, identified needs, built partnerships and gave their time and professional skills in service to others. It represents members who are still with us, members who have moved on and those whose names may no longer be familiar to us - but whose contribution helped build the club we have today.

The world has changed enormously since 1951. Kimberley has changed. Rotary has changed. The needs of our communities have changed. Yet the central principle has remained constant:

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

The value of a Rotary club is not measured merely by how long it has existed, but by what it has done with those years.

Today, the Rotary Club of Kimberley continues to support projects involving wheelchairs, wellness days, old-age homes, the Tree of Joy, Platfontein, the Lesedi Trust, Ebenezer, Hospice and Helen Bishop.

Recent activities recorded in the bulletin show that the spirit of service remains very much alive.

The Northern Cape High School Interact learners collected clothing and shoes and provided soup and buns to people in need. The club visited the new Platfontein Early Childhood Development Centre and identified further equipment needs. Rotarians also supported St Theresa's Hospice, while Rotary partners continue important education and leadership work through the Skillz Together FASD project.

These are not isolated activities. They form part of a 75-year continuum of service.

Every project completed today becomes part of the history that future Rotarians will celebrate. Every person assisted, every young leader encouraged and every partnership created adds another chapter to the story of this club.

August is also Rotary's Membership and New Club Development Month, making this anniversary particularly meaningful. As we celebrate the members who built and sustained the club, we must also ask who will carry it forward for the next 25, 50 or 75 years.

Our responsibility is therefore twofold:

- **To honour the legacy entrusted to us.**
- **To leave the club stronger for those who will follow us.**

To our long-serving Rotarians, thank you for preserving the traditions, knowledge and fellowship of the club.

To our newer members, thank you for bringing renewed energy, fresh ideas and new possibilities.

And to every member: thank you for contributing your time, experience and goodwill to a club that has served its community since 1951.

As we approach the official anniversary on 20 August, may we celebrate not only the age of the Rotary Club of Kimberley, but also its continuing relevance and its ability to bring people together to create lasting change.

May the next 75 years be characterised by the same courage, fellowship, integrity and commitment to service.

**Congratulations to the Rotary Club of Kimberley on its diamond anniversary 75 years of existence,
75 years of fellowship and, most importantly,
75 years of Service Above Self.**





The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and 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?

What makes The Four-Way Test unique?

Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor created 'The Four-Way Test' in 1932 and Rotary International adopted the test in 1943.

"It doesn't bark orders at you; it asks questions. It invites us to search for our own answers and constantly examine our own behavior. It's also broad and inclusive, highlighting values of truth and fairness that resonate across every culture and religion." - Haresh L. Ramchandani

The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do is a test used by [Rotarians](#) world-wide as a [moral code](#) for personal and business relationships. The test can be applied to almost any aspect of life.



Jani Louw: Demonstrating Some Stone Tools

Bringing unique collection of archaeological artefacts from the Kimberley Area to Rotary Club.

Object-Based Learning: Bringing Archaeology to Life

As part of teaching Grade 8 History and Archaeology, I recently introduced pupils to object-based learning through a unique collection of archaeological artefacts from the Kimberley area. Through an arrangement with the museum, I was able to bring the Van Eck Collection to the classroom—a collection originally curated by a local farmer and now available for study rather than museum display.

The collection includes Early, Middle and Later Stone Age artefacts, including hand axes, blades and Middle Stone Age points, as well as smaller Later Stone Age tools. I also brought a modern obsidian arrowhead to allow the Rotarians to compare ancient technology with more recent examples.

The experience demonstrates how handling and studying real objects can make archaeology tangible and meaningful for pupils. These artefacts provide an opportunity to explore technological development, human ingenuity and the history of the Khoesan, while encouraging pupils to connect directly with the heritage of their own region.

By bringing the collection to a Rotary lunch, I also hoped to highlight the importance of protecting, studying and making our local heritage accessible to young people. When pupils can hold history in their hands, the past becomes far more than something they simply read about in a textbook.

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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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Satellite clubs

Satellite clubs offer members and prospective members a way to create a new club experience together, as a smaller group supported by an established local club. This club type needs fewer members to get started and helps people get exactly what they want out of Rotary.

All satellite clubs begin as an offshoot of one or more Rotary or Rotaract clubs.

They have a sponsor club that serves as the governing body of the satellite club. Some satellite clubs eventually become independent Rotary or Rotaract clubs, while others enjoy the support of their sponsor club and prefer to remain a satellite club.

WHY START A SATELLITE CLUB?

Just like launching any Rotary or Rotaract club, forming a satellite club brings community members together to have fun and grow personally and professionally while serving their communities. Satellite clubs are often formed by current members who want a club experience that differs from what their local Rotary or Rotaract clubs offer.

A Rotary satellite club can form with just eight members, and a Rotaract satellite club can form with at least four. Satellite clubs also don't need approval from the governor.

The environment that a satellite club provides often varies from that of the nearby Rotary or Rotaract clubs. It can appeal to those who prefer another meeting format or want a different club culture than what they find at other clubs.

Satellite clubs offer the chance to concentrate service efforts on a particular cause or broaden the project possibilities, depending on the group's interests.

A satellite club can bring Rotary to areas that might not have a club. It can also increase the impact and visibility of Rotary in the community.

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

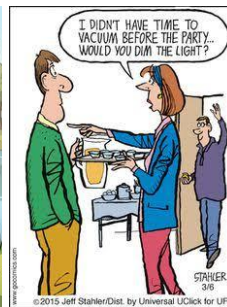
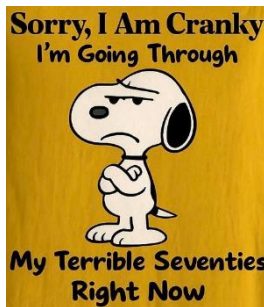


BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



BIRTHDAYS	WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
04 August – Dan Dowel 13 August – Richard Jones 30 August – Elize von Bezing 20 August 1951 – Rotary Club of Kimberley	04 August 2012 – Troy Cambell & Laura Arnold 13 August 1983 – Des & Wendy Peine
COFFEE CLUB BIRTHDAYS	INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES
08 August – Derek Preece	12 August 2011 – Sam Goldblatt 18 August 2017 – Johann Aucamp 26 August 2011 – Ivan & Ronelle Steenkamp

I'm good at multitasking: I can waste time, be unproductive, and procrastinate all at once.



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