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The Rotary Club of Newlands

The Club that Appeals



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Apologies before 10:00 on a Monday to Melinda Stapleton, please.

COMMENT: TODAY in HISTORY (Wendy Goddard)

October 25 has seen quite a few significant births and deaths, and lots of military stuff, no remarkable animals though (unless you include King Alexander's pet monkey, and that would depend on how you felt about King Alexander).

- 1400** Geoffrey Chaucer died.
b. 1340. English poet, Canterbury Tales (1387)
- 1415** Battle of Agincourt
The English win a major victory in the 100 Years' War (1337-1453) when Henry V of England, outnumbered 13,000 to 50,000, defeats the French and advances to Calais.
- 1760** King George II died.
b. 1683. King of Great Britain and Ireland (1727-60).
- 1825** Johann Strauss II born
d. 1899. Austrian composer, "The Waltz King."
- 1854** Charge of the Light Brigade
In an event alternately described as one of the most heroic or disastrous episodes in British military history, Lord James Cardigan leads a charge of the Light Brigade cavalry against well-defended Russian artillery during the Crimean War.
- 1881** Pablo Ruiz Picasso born
d. 1973. Spanish artist, considered the greatest artist of the 20th century. His last words were "Drink to me," which Paul McCartney used in a song about his death.

1919 SAA inaugurated

Air services were inaugurated in South Africa with the amalgamation of a London-based company, the South African Aerial Navigation Company and the SA-based South African Aerial Transports Ltd company, under the name of the latter. The headquarters of the service was at Baragwanath airport, near Johannesburg.

1920 King Alexander I Died from Pet Monkey Bite

b. 1893. King of Greece (1917-20). Alexander died at the age of 27 of blood poisoning after being bitten by a pet monkey.

1940 First Black U.S. Army Brigadier General appointed

Benjamin Oliver Davis is appointed. He served in the military for fifty years.

1960 First Mass-Produced Electronic Wristwatch

Bulova's Accutron goes on sale.

1972 First Female FBI Agents

The first female FBI agents, Susan Roley Malone and Joanne Pierce, graduate from the FBI training course.

1978 The movie *Halloween* premiered

It was directed and scored by John Carpenter and starred Donald Pleasence and Jamie Lee Curtis in her film debut. Made for \$300,000, it grossed more than \$65 million in its initial release, making it one of the most successful independent films of all time.

1988 The movie, *The Last Temptation of Christ* is banned in South Africa

The Board of Censors prohibits the screening of the controversial film on the life of Christ.

MINUTES of the MEETING on ZOOM (19TH OCTOBER, 2020; 19h00)

Scribe: Melinda Stapleton

President	Chris Beech (Acting President)
Sergeant	Henry Campbell
Grace and Loyal Toast	Wybe Meinesz
Peace Candle and Quote	Graham Finlayson
Four-Way Test	Shân Biesman-Simons
Wine Draw	Wine kindly supplied by Richard Burnett: Lisa Lombard....again.
Wooden Spoon	Jana Forester.

Our meeting was opened with a short silence for Paul de Groot, who sadly passed away last week.

Instead of a speaker we had two interviews with current members.

Ian Pursch interviewed one of our quieter members who works away in the background and does not draw much attention to himself, Richard House.

Richard was born in Salisbury, Rhodesia from British-born parents. His father was a flight instructor and his Mum came out to visit a cousin, met his Dad and stayed for 30 years. He is the eldest of three children and two of his siblings are still in Zimbabwe. Richard was educated in Harare, went to university in KZN, studying a BSC in Chemistry. One was a social year! He returned to Zimbabwe to do his national service, which was not a happy experience.

He worked for Olivine Industries for 30 years, first as a management trainee and became a Director of Manufacturing in 1999 and sadly left in 2009 due to the hyperinflation and corruption in Zim. His wife was the victim of a nasty armed robbery, which resulted in her developing Bipolar disorder. He and his family moved to Cape Town in 2009.

The family settled in Pinelands and Richard had always wanted to be an entrepreneur, so started his own business by buying a franchise in an energy business, called Holistic Energy, which proved to be hard-going until he joined up with another two companies doing energy management consulting and has been reasonably successful ever since. He is now thinking of retiring and involving himself more with Rotary and with mentoring entrepreneurs.

He has a son and daughter who live in Cape Town. Sadly, no grandchildren yet! His son is in the hospitality industry and his daughter has just been awarded her PhD from UCT in Archaeology. He is a very proud Dad.

When he is not working he watches a lot of sports on TV and hikes when he can. His wife died in 2014 sadly, but he has met another woman with whom he has a wonderful relationship and they great companions.

He is a founder member of the Newrots Friday Pub Group!

Jeannine Ibbotson interviewed one of our newest members Lisa Lombard.

Jeannine asked Lisa about her current position working for Zappi, a UK Market Research company, where she currently holds many hats in recruiting, HR and does their social media. She looks after the Cape Town platform for the UK company. She is a qualified reflexologist and as this was not earning her a great deal of money, she decided to concentrate on Zappi,

Her mother is from Oudtshoorn and her father from Poland. She grew up in Plumstead and matriculated at Westerford High School in 1988. She has a brother and her Mum is still alive. She has extended family in different parts of the world. She is married to Riaan, who is a carpenter in Stellenbosch. They met in the UK and have been together ever since. They dated for nine years before they married and they now have two children aged 16 and 12.

Lisa has done many different and varied studies, including estate agency course, counselling and coaching diploma, tour guide, various business courses and her passions are reflexology and Shiatsu massage.

They are a close family and on weekends they can be found in Muizenberg swimming, walking and having coffee. They also spend a lot of time in Pringle Bay.

Her Rotary journey is just beginning, so she is still deciding on her path.

SPOTS:

- Richard Burnett: The wine auction was held on Wednesday 14 October. It was facilitated by Claremart Auction House. R65 000 was raised and although not fantastic they are able to have another auction as there are quite a few lots not sold. It was a learning curve.
- Tony Davidson: The Bracelet project started on Sunday. The influencers should get their bracelets in a week or so. They will take pictures and send a message on social media to go the relate.org.za website to buy their bracelets to celebrate the Rotary's 7th Area of Focus. The bracelets will be launched to the District in early November.
- Janey Ball: Zoom reordered the screen, so we should all appear alphabetically which to the amusement of some it doesn't.
- President Chris: He thanked the speakers and after that my writing deteriorated to such an extent that I've no idea what he said (my apologies). There was something about the Rotary Foundation, ECD and opera.

HAPPY RANDS:

- Ian Pursch: Delighted that Marmite is being made again.
- Geraldine: There was an excellent webinar about the Rotary Family Health Days.
- Jeannine: She and her husband, Peter, visited Glencairn to see TSIBA students volunteering at Glencairn where they learned a lot about the environment and had an exceptional experience with Koos and Annette.

Meeting closed.

NEWLANDS ROTARY CLUB NEWS

Newlands Rotarians who attended Saturday's Mini-Conference will have found four fellow-Newrots hard at work during presentations to the large, standing-room only, group which assembled on Zoom. Thank you Geraldine, Jeannine, Ian and Shelley for your hard work.



Further thanks are due to one of our newest Newrots, Jeremy Opperman, whose positive contribution gave the lunch-break crowd pause for thought.

But while the Rotary minds of those attending Mini-Conference were being filled by news of the new, the incredible and the downright amazing, Terry and Jenny Lancaster, Brian and Jane Pickup were among the hoards visiting the Kruger National Park. Terry, reporting on WhatsApp, sent this pic of a chaotically busy scene at Skukuza Rest Camp.

MORE ROTARY NEWS

You will all have received notification of the Memorial Service for Paul de Groot being held on Wednesday 28th October, 2020 at Marsh Memorial Homes Chapel. Unfortunately, due to the size of the chapel and COVID-19 regulations, attendance has been restricted to very close family and friends. However, with the help of the Cape Town Cycle Tour Trust (CTCTT), the service will be live-streamed on YouTube, [here](#).



FORTHCOMING EVENTS



The Rotary Club of Knysna is a partner in presenting this comic opera in one act, by Puccini. The libretto is based on an incident from Dante's Divine Comedy and this performance features the CTMVC's Lonwabo Mose as Maestro Spinelloccio.

RCN FUTURE FIXTURES (Online, for now.)

OCTOBER - ECONOMIC and COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

26 Q is for Quiz, with Quizmaster Chris Beech

NOVEMBER – ROTARY FOUNDATION

- 2 Partners Meeting *Speaker: Tracey Gilmore ([The Clothing Bank](#))*
- 9 Ordinary Meeting *Speaker: Andre du Toit ([The Economics of Positivity](#))*
- 16 Ordinary Meeting *Speaker: Andrew Baxter ([Cape Town Cycle Tour CEO](#))*
- 18 Board Meeting
- 23 DG's Carl-Heinz Duisberg Visit
- 30 Business Meeting and AGM

DECEMBER – DISEASE PREVENTION and TREATMENT

- 7 Partners Meeting *Speaker: Carole Goodman, [iZinto](#)*
- 14 Ordinary Meeting
- 21 Annual Break

UMPIRES and SCORERS

	26 October 2020 Business / Quiz	2 November 2020 Partners	9 November 2020 Ordinary
Acting-President	Johan Beukman	Terry Lancaster	
Sergeant	John Stephenson	Johan Beukman	Vanessa Rousseau
Four-Way Test / Object	Graham Lowden	Geraldine Nicol	Johan Taljaard
Grace and Loyal Toast	Richard House	Bill Holland	Jeremy Opperman
Peace Candle and Quote	Nora See	Janey Ball	Lisa Lombard
Minutes	Michael Walwyn	Heidi Andersson	Chris Beech
Intro speaker		Lew Botha	Henry Campbell
Thank speaker		Wendy Goddard	Terry Lancaster
Comment	Pieter van Aswegen	Jeannine Ibbotson	Wybe Meinesz

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BIRTHDAYS	27 th October	Melinda Stapleton
ANNIVERSARIES		
JOINED ROTARY	1 November 2000	Andy Ismay
WOODEN SPOON		Jana Forrester

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Vanessa Rosseau



Graham Finlayson



Shelley Finch

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AND the LAST WORD

Now hear this! Now hear this!

Stepping up to the presidential plate on Monday, will be Charter President, Johan Beukman, who will doubtless run a fine meeting. After all, he did that fine a job in 1993 that he was elected for a second term.

With almost as impressive a Rotary record as Johan's (and his cohort of six current Charter Members), Andy Ismay, this week, clocks up close to 20 years of Rotary service. Andy! Wow. You've done some long yards for Newlands. (Actually, Liz may have done longer yards but we haven't seen her quite as much.) Thank you both for all you've done for Newlands Rotary.

And tomorrow night, dear members, you'll need your wits about you for it's *Quiz Night*, this time with a different spin; that of PP Chris Beech who has put a huge amount of effort into this show.

Be alert.... be very alert for :

- 1 There are five separate topics of ten questions, each;
- 2 After each topic, Chris will provide the correct answers;
- 3 You need to keep your scores for each topic and
- 4 At the end of the quiz, Chris will ask you to tally your total;
- 5 You may use the scoring sheet attached;
- 6 You must apply the Four-Way Test.

See you on the moro,