



## in District 9320

Monthly Newsletter

June 2007

For the last time,

from the Desk of this DG: ?

With this Rotary year almost at a close, there is only one thing left for me to say, to all the clubs and to every Rotarian in D9320:

### Thank you

Thank you, for the truly extraordinary opportunity which has been mine, for affording me the rare privilege of **Leading the Way** in D9320 in this year.

There are no two clubs that are the same in the District, each with its own special style of operation and leadership, but all having one thing in common, the willingness and the commitment to Service Above Self, to making a difference to the lives of others.

51 clubs; at least two, with a probable third, new clubs on the road to charter; a new Rotaract Club; new Interact Clubs; new Earlyact Clubs.

Of special significance is the recognition that clubs and Rotarians in our District are receiving for their achievements. More than half of our clubs have achieved Citations, and for the outstanding ROMEX project, the Rotary Club of Arcadia will receive the Significant Achievement Award. The Rotary Foundation has recognised two of our Rotarians to become recipients of the highest TRF Awards, viz 'The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service', to PDG Mel Smethurst, and, the highest award available, 'The Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award' to PDG Trevor Long. When I add that the Citation for Meritorious Service has been

received by only three other Rotarians in our District, viz PDGs Bev Radue, Fred Roberts and Trevor Long, and the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award by only one other 9320 Rtn, PDG Bev Radue, the significance of this will be appreciated. A nomination was submitted for one club for the PR Award, but we have not yet heard if that has been successful. Citations have been sent to AGs for their clubs, but other awards will be presented at Conference.

With the successes of our clubs, it is a great concern that Membership is not showing any increase. It is hoped that incoming presidents will adopt this as a major challenge for their term of office.

While the quantity may have been lacking in terms of membership, the quality cannot be questioned. Well done, and thank you, to every club, every Rotarian in D9320.

Yours in Rotary



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District Governor Nominee Anne Botha and Rtn Herman Botha, both members of the Rotary Club of Orkney. Congratulations to Anne and our best wishes to her as she prepares for her year in office, 2009-2010.

**ANNS' CORNER**

Hello to all the Rotary Anns and Inner Wheel members,

It is great, once again, to communicate with you all.

POETS has come and gone, but, not without wonderful reports of a weekend filled with fun, fellowship and also, most important of all, an insight into our wonderful world of Rotary. I am sure that all of you ladies who attended, especially the incoming Presidents, are feeling more enthusiastic and confident after this training session.

This is the final newsletter from DG Ethne, and it seems as if this year has truly flown. As you are aware the District Conference is to be held in Maseru over the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September. As the Lesotho Rotarians do not have any Rotary Ann or Inner Wheel clubs, the Rotary Anns of Ladybrand have been asked to arrange our Ladies' Day, that is, the Anns' Conference on the Saturday.

This is quite an undertaking for a small group, but, luckily they are filled with "gees" and enthusiasm for the task ahead. Please support this day by attending. I can assure you that you will not be disappointed!

Remember to also start assembling your entries for the Val Saunders' trophy. Should you need details, any of the PDG Anns will be able to advise you.

You will recall that no Toni award will be handed out this year – so get your ideas all planned and organised for next year!

The four PDG Anns who are coordinating this year all have Certificates of Merit available.

They cost R60 each and all profits are credited to The Rotary Foundation in your club's name. Please support this project, and although you are almost certainly computer literate enough to generate a similar certificate to give out, you are defeating the purpose of these fund raisers for the Foundation. Please do support this worthy cause.

On a sad note, we would like to send our sincere condolences to the President of the Bothaville Rotary Anns, Madeleine Muller, on the sudden passing of her

husband, Willem, President of the R. C. of Bothaville. Ons dink aan jou, Madelein, en onthou jou in ons gebede.

I know that you are all busy on your various projects, and would like to once again remind you that no matter how trivial your attempts may seem to be, they are very important to the recipients. That is what SERVICE is all about.

In closing my thanks go to all the hardworking Anns and IW members, the Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers, who go the extra mile, and a big Thank you to DG Ethne and Wes for all their input into the District. Good luck to DGE Ann Maureen Heath for her year.

My love and best wishes to you all.

Melodene.

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Dear Anns and members of Inner Wheel,

I would like to thank D.G. Ethne for her leadership this past year and wish her and Wes a well deserved rest.

I'm sure the other coordinators join me in giving a very big thank you to all the presidents and their clubs for all the effort, hard work and fun that was put into their projects during the year. A special thank you to the clubs in the Southern part of the district - P.E., Uitenhage, Grahamstown and Jeffery's Bay area for their warm invitations to attend their meetings, I so enjoyed being with you all.

Last but not least I would like to wish D.G.'s Ann Maureen Heath and all the incoming presidents a very prosperous and enjoyable year ahead.

Fond regards,

Cathy.

*From all in D9320, sincere thanks to Sheila, Cathy, Melodene and Lynne for all their work with the Anns and Inner Wheel Clubs this year.*

ROTARY DISTRICT 9320 ATTENDANCE RECORD 2006-2007											
CLUB	FEB			MAR			APR			Avg Yr-to-Date Att	Ranking
	%	Mem	Mtg	%	Mem	Mtg	%	Mem	Mtg		
Algoa Bay	75.6	62	4	77.5	62	4	68.4	62	4	80.4	20
Aliwal North	85.4	12	4	85.8	12	3	88.9	12	3	80.3	21
Arcadia	89.8	39	4	84.0	39	4	82.0	39	3	86.0	6
Beacon Bay	73.1	27	4	76.8	28	5	72.9	27	4	71.5	37
Bethlehem	94.0	13	4	78.0	16	5	60.0	16	4	61.2	48
Bloemfontein	86.6	13	4	85.6	13	5	73.1	13	2	68.6	43
Bonza Bay	77.5	27	5	86.7	26	4	80.8	29	4	85.2	8
Bothaville	75.0	8	4	79.0	8	5	62.0	7	3	75.4	29
Colesberg	96.0	9	3	94.4	9	4	91.6	9	4	90.0	3
Cradock	93.5	11	3	92.5	11	3	98.0	11	4	85.8	7
De Aar	80.0	8	4	80.0	8	4	85.0	8	4	85.2	8
East London	79.0	55	4	78.7	55	5	80.9	55	2	79.3	23
Ficksburg	78.6	12	4	74.1	10	5	71.4	8	4	73.4	32
Flamingo	86.4	22	4	80.7	22	4	76.1	22	4	78.7	24
Gately	83.0	39	4	72.0	44	4	70.0	45	4	72.8	33
Goldfields Sunset	72.0	25	4	94.6	24	4	86.5	24	3	88.5	4
Gonubie	79.0	26	4	71.0	26	4	68.0	26	4	73.7	31
Graaf Reinet	100.0	7	4	100.0	7	4	100.0	7	4	100.0	1
Grahamstown	76.5	35	4	66.0	36	4	65.9	35	4	68.3	44
Grahamstown Sunset	72.0	35	4	66.0	36	4	73.0	37	3	68.7	42
Harrismith	95.0	11	4	65.8	14	5	90.7	14	3	83.1	16
Imperani	62.5	12	4	62.5	14	4	69.1	14	3	69.1	39
Jeffreys Bay	94.0	13	4	74.0	13	4	90.0	13	3	84.3	14
Kimberley	71.3	20	4	60.0	20	3	73.0	20	3	72.6	34
Kimberley South	77.5	30	4	77.3	30	5	71.7	30	2	76.1	28
King Williams Town	76.1	23	5	63.6	23	4	72.7	23	4	68.9	40
Klerksdorp	94.7	40	4	86.0	40	5	75.0	46	3	82.1	17
Kroonstad	81.3	21	4	87.5	21	4	93.8	21	4	83.2	15
Ladybrand	86.9	21	4	73.3	21	5	84.5	21	4	85.0	11
Lukhanji Sunset	82.3	17	4	82.3	17	4	69.1	17	4	76.9	27
Maloti	73.0	27	4	57.0	27	4	80.0	29	4	72.0	35
Maseru	54.3	20	4	55.0	20	3	39.0	20	4	50.6	51
Odendaalsrus	72.0	12	4	74.0	13	5	77.0	13	4	71.6	36
Orkney	67.0	18	4	71.0	18	4	53.0	17	4	65.7	46
Parys	75.0	8	4	62.5	8	4	75.0	8	4	78.7	24
PE East	63.0	17	4	66.0	17	4	63.0	16	4	67.1	45
PE South	75.0	17	4	73.0	17	4	78.8	13	4	78.4	26
PE Sunrise	70.8	18	4	68.9	18	5	50.0	17	2	70.9	38
PE West	88.0	27	4	81.0	26	5	79.0	26	2	81.2	18
Port Alfred	81.6	34	4	85.4	36	4	70.8	36	4	80.5	19
Port Elizabeth	69.0	50	4	60.0	50	5	52.0	50	4	60.6	49
Potchefstroom	66.6	35	4	55.6	35	5	50.7	34	4	57.6	50
Potchefstroom Mooi	81.9	18	4	90.5	21	4	82.9	20	4	84.6	12
Queenstown	72.2	29	4	65.3	28	4	62.7	27	4	68.8	41
Raadzaal	83.3	14	4	69.7	12	4	86.7	12	3	74.3	30
Stutterheim	98.0	14	4	100.0	14	5	98.2	14	4	96.2	2
Uitenhage	68.8	12	4	70.0	10	3	67.5	10	4	62.5	47
Uitenhage South	83.3	30	4	82.5	30	4	86.7	30	3	84.6	12
Viljoenskroon	100.0	30	4	89.3	30	4	79.5	30	4	87.8	5
Vryburg	90.0	10	4	80.0	10	4	57.5	10	4	79.4	22
Welkom	86.0	11	4	82.0	11	5	85.0	11	2	85.1	10
Total		1144			1156			1154			



### **D9320 GSE team to the USA**

Kerry-Lynn Thomson, Carl Haller, Jack Adam, Ferdi van Wijk, Jaap Steyn.

### **GSE Leaders for 2007-2008**

**Rtn Gay Best of the Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth West** will lead the team to District 7770 South Carolina from 8<sup>th</sup> March to 12<sup>th</sup> April 2008.

**Andy Crowe of the Rotary Club of Port Elizabeth East** will lead the team to District 5450 Denver, Colorado in April 2008.

Congratulations to them both.

Final dates to be announced later.

### **D9320 Rotarian to undertake TRF task**

Congratulations to Bev Radue, who has been invited by The Rotary Foundation to undertake what is known as a "Post Project Site Visit" to a completed 3H grant in Nairobi, Kenya. The purpose of the visit will be to undertake a final inspection of the project and to report to the Foundation on a whole list of issues that they need to satisfy the requirements of the tax laws of the state of Illinois as they are applicable to the Foundation. This is planned to be done in the first week of August as it suits the host club.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

D9320 is very proud to have two Scholars this year, an Ambassadorial scholar, and a Peace Scholar.

Lara van Lelyveld is a Zimbabwean-born, South African-bred Rhodes University alumnus and has been awarded the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. She will be reading her Masters in International Economics and Politics at Univerzita Karlova.

Catherine Bollaert, a BSc graduate of the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg will be reading for a Masters degree in Peace Studies at the University of Bradford, in the UK

### **Message from PDG Mel and Desray**

Desray and Mel Smethurst would like to express grateful thanks to all Rotarians in our District who extended sympathy and kind words of comfort on the occasion of the passing of our eldest son Haydn"  
Mel & Desray

