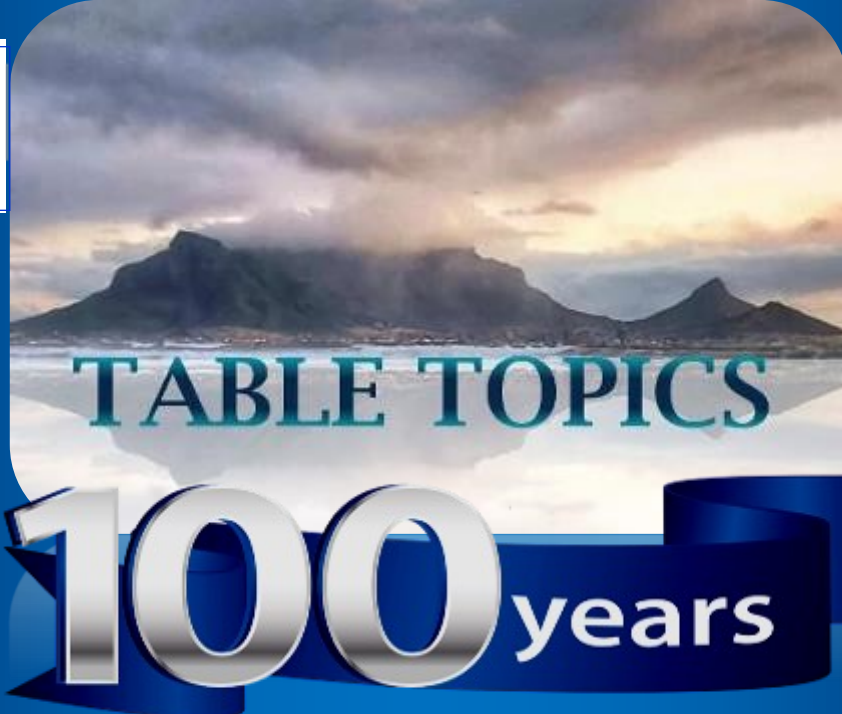




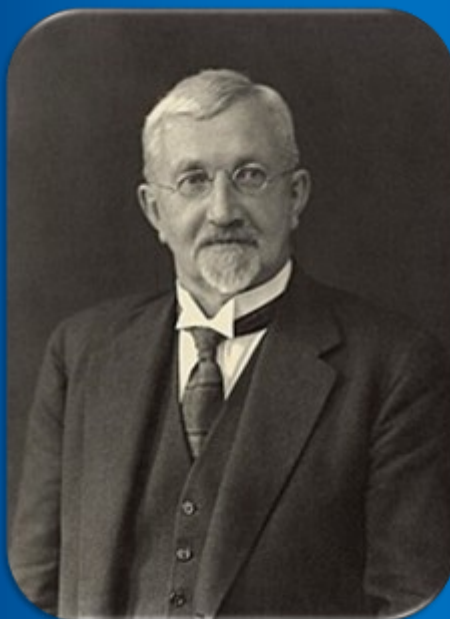
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Facing a new dawn — with new energy, ideas and challenges

OUR CHARTER PRESIDENT 1925

Sir J. Curruthers “Jock” Beattie
Principal of the University of Cape Town. The club had 70 members and it was the only Rotary club in the Western Cape until 1937. Our lunch meetings were held at the Opera House Restaurant .



OUR PRESIDENT 2025

STEVEN BOERS
Three times President. Director of many projects especially Adventurers into Citizenship. Meeting at Royal Cape Yacht Club.



Message from DG Stephen Young

All these positive vibes from District 9350 have reached Rotary International HQ in Chicago and prompted Rotary International President Elect Mario Cesar Martins de Camargo from Brazil to visit us. He will be arriving on 14 May with his wife Denise and RI Director Daniel Tanase and stays until 17 May when he moves on to visit District 9350 clubs in Angola. We are putting together a programme now which will include a mega celebration of the **Centenary of Cape Town Rotary Club on 15 May**. It will be affordable and open to all. Come and meet the next RI President in person and have more FUN! For more information: INTERNATIONAL CELEBRATES **DG Stephen Young**



TABLE TOPICS

25 MARCH 2025 President: STEVEN BOERS Mother Club of District 9350 Editor: Myra Goldenbaum



Where we meet ROYAL CAPE YACHT CLUB



PRESIDENT STEVEN BOERS

steven@archiba.co.za



TABLE TOPICS

Myra Goldenbaum

Please send your news pictures or enquiries to

myra.goldenbaum@newneon.co.za

Visitors please contact our secretary if you wish to join either the 2nd or 4th Tuesday of the month for particulars or link contact secretary.

Meets

2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Royal Cape Yacht Club
at 17.30 for 18.00

GPS COORDINATES

- South 33 o 55" 14'
East 18 o 28" 33'

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Club Secretary

Dr Pat Mayers

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**Message from
President Steven**

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**'Centenary
Chatter'**



100 years

Hello members, Rotarians and friends

We have enjoyed the company of several 'swallows' from Europe who ensured interesting, varied and lively bi-weekly meetings. As Europe is heading for spring some of these visitors will unfortunately be away for a while. We look forward to their return and thank for their visiting and adding to the fellowship. But note, you travellers, fellowship only it won't be as we intend to come up with proposals about forming partnerships with you and your Rotary Clubs.

One 'swallow' has in fact joined as Club member - welcome to Bernd Leckebusch! Bernd discovered Rotary and RC Cape Town at the recent Rotary expo held at the V&AW. We wish you pleasure and fulfilment as member!

An important announcement to be noted, is that the Rotary International President Elect Mario de Camargo will be visiting our District soon, in fact in mid-May.

This has led to replanning our own Centenary celebrations as follows:

We will participate in a 'Meet and Greet' cocktail event as organised by District and then, in say spring this year, we will have a special RC Cape Town celebration.

The details of this are still to be worked out. Please join in at the cocktail event once invitations are received.

Have a good week

Regards

Steven

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Seen here centre with
President Steven (Right)
and Dr Brinkmann (Left)





The 'Mouse's Click' from ... Myra

'This 'n That'

MARCH IS...

MARCH



REGISTER NOW FOR THE

DisCon 2025

Queries to :

juanita@worcesterrotarysa.org.za

Rotary International - District 9350

Angola - Namibia - South Africa



Rotary District 9350

DisCon 2025

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Worcester | 1-3 May

Welcome to the **Care Capital** of South Africa

Venue: Innovation for the Blind

HEIN WAGNER

REGISTER: To register for the DisCon 2025 on 2-3 May 2025

ACCOMMODATION: To find accommodation in Worcester

THINGS TO DO: Find things to do in the Breede Valley

ASSEMBLY GUEST SPEAKER

HEIN WAGNER

1 - 3 May 2025 - Worcester

Registration for Discon is now open - <https://www.worcesterrotarysa.org.za/discon-2025/>



Stephen Young
District Governor
District 9350

BLIND MAN WITH VISION– TURNING HUGH OBSTACLES INTO MAJOR OPPORTUNITIES.

He has been blind since birth... despite this Hein Wagner has many accomplishments to his name. He has completed the ABSA Cape Epic, ran the Antarctica Marathon, the Two Oceans and the New York Marathons. He completed full Ironman, completed the Cape to Rio Race, holds the World Blind Land Speed Record at 322.52km/h. Recently he received a 'Golden Key' from the University of Stellenbosch for his ongoing efforts towards social upliftment.

INSPIRING SPEAKER at
Assembly





TABLE TOPICS

Members welcomed visitors at the Royal Cape Yacht Club



President Steven inducting our newest member Bernd Leckebusch (centre) from Switzerland now living in Cape Town and Dr Rainer Brinkmann.

BELOW: President Steven pinning a special Rotary pin on Dr Rainer Brinkmann for introducing so many new members.



Dr Rainer Brinkmann fitting the Rotary pin with the help of Bernd's glasses



Dr Phil Janney & Dr Wendy Taylor



Dr Pat Mayers with Visiting Rotarian Petra van Schayik



Members welcomed visitors at our meeting at the Royal Cape Yacht Club



Exchanging Banners President Steven & Armin von Roggendorf from RC Berlin Gendarmenmarkt



Palle Bo from Denmark, Dr Rainer Brinkmann, Alp Yumuk from Istanbul, Turkey & Sasha Bausch originally from Germany but living in CT now



LEFT; Nadia Svensen previously involved the Rotary in Germiston and a friend of Denise Boers with-Armin von Roggendorf.



LEFT: Rotarians Margaret and Ian Trevette, regular visitors from RC Llandudo in Wales.



ABOVE: Armin previously from RC Am Kap winner of the raffled wine with President Steven sponsored by Petra & Frans Schayik

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OUR PROPERTY SINCE THE EARLY 40's.. 'YOUTH SOLUTIONS SA' operate on these premises with Director John Philmon.....

YOUTH SOLUTIONS SA OCCUPY OUR
They serve over a hundred meals twice a day , have an 'Aftercare' and Skills training programmes and have washing facilities for the homeless.

Our property since the early 40's and was rebuilt later. Our club has continuously upgraded the property.

This project was built and donated by Rotarian A. McCarthy in Salt River in the 40's. We still have these premises.

(Right) Old and below presently

SOME CLUB ACTIVITIES
HOUSES OF YOUTH



They now also have 'Wash Facilities' and toiletries are also donated to the homeless.

GLENCAIRN FACILITIES AND ACCOMMODATIONS



River Braai at Roberts Rotary Camp: Braai, with covered dining area for 50 people and basic indoor wash



HAPPY HAVEN (56 beds)

Happy Haven has a hall and kitchen in the centre with boys and girls sleeping facilities and ablutions leading from the facilities.

Our Renovated CONFERENCE CENTRE

Our conference venue can accommodate 70 people. All cutlery and crockery to be supplied by client.



ALLAN JEFFES



ALLAN JEFFES (3 x 10 sleeper cabins) including bathrooms

- Rotary Conference Venue
- Gordons Camp
- Roberts Rotary Camp
- Forest Walk & Venue
- Happy Haven
- Allan Jeffes Cabins
- Smuts Accommodation
- Hiking Trails - Else River
- Scout Tented Camping



SMUTS (68 beds) includes a hall and kitchen. Clients need to bring their own bedding, cutlery, crockery, and all consumables.

INTERESTING HISTORY OF OUR ROTARY GLENCAIRN YOUTH CAMP



Always
something
interesting
happening at our
Glencairn Camp

History of our Rotary Youth Camps GLENCAIRN— and still popular!

Some 70 years ago, the late William Haines, who was a member of the Rotary Club of Cape Town, put up the first hut on his Glencairn farm, for use as a youth camp. William Haines was a great physical culturist, a physical training teacher at the South African College School.

Haines had a great vision of training youth of all cultures in physical pursuits for the betterment of mind and body.

When William Haines died on 15 February 1942, he bequeathed in his will, that his Glencairn property should be left to two organizations with whom he had many years of association. The smaller portion closer to the Glencairn beach was left to the Gordons Missionary Society. The larger section was left to the Rotary Club of Cape Town, with the instruction that a body be formed by the Rotary Club of Cape Town to administer this property.

In 1948 the late General J.C.Smuts, then Prime Minister of South Africa, laid the foundation stone for the first Rotary Hostel which was named Smuts Hostel. This facility provides accommodation for 68 people.

Soldiers returning from World War 2, through the MOTH organization, generously developed a second hostel, known as Moth Happy Haven on the site in 1952. This hostel is slightly smaller, but fulfils a similar purpose. Some years ago this hostel was handed over to the Rotary Camp Organisation by the Moth organization.

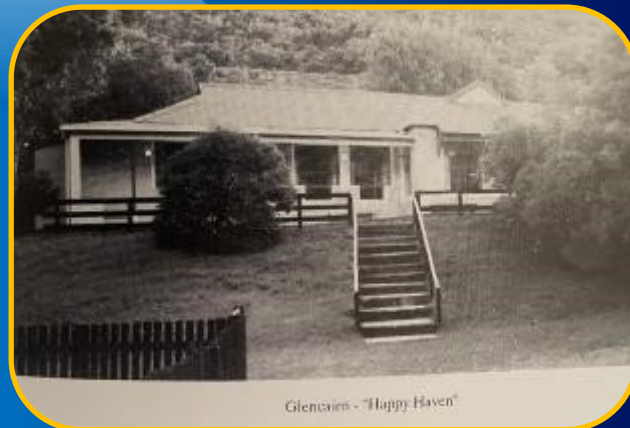
In recognition of William Haine's love of the outdoors, an open air camping ground, the Roberts Camp, was established. Here Scouts, Guides and similar users are able to pitch their tent or sleep in the open in a wooded area along the Else River. They have the use of toilets, showers and electric lights.

The most recent development was Allan Jeffes Camp, named after a well known Wynberg Rotary Club member and founder of the Wynberg Rotors Club. This facility caters for 30 people. It was completed in 1989.

The Rotary Camp Organisation of the Rotary Club of Cape Town manages the Rotary Youth Camps of Glencairn. The camp facilities are hired by Service Clubs, Welfare organisations, Youth Leadership group Religious groups, Schools, cultural groups and lately also groups catering for the handicapped.

Around 2007 it was decided to put a permanent fence around a certain section of the Rotary property. This area that was fenced in, was around the area in which the camps were situated.

A few years ago we acquired the GORDONS CAMP which is now part of the GLENCAIRN YOUTH CAMP. These facilities have all been upgraded and refurbished



Glencairn - "Happy Haven"

Happy Haven



The football field at Glencairn.

Old Soccer Field



AND NOWGORDONS CAMP

A covered dining area with full kitchen can seat 70 people. Ideal for birthday parties or any celebrations.



NADIA HAYES



SAMKELO

BUTHELEZI

OUR EDUCATION TRUST—Bursaries

Empowering Future Environmental Leaders

The **Koos Burger Bursary** supports outstanding students committed to environmental sustainability and social impact. Meet two of our dedicated recipients, **Nadia** and **Samkelo**, who are paving the way for a greener future.

Nadia – Stellenbosch University (Maties)

Degree: BA in Development and Environmental Studies
Institution: Stellenbosch University

Nadia is passionate about the intersection of **social development and environmental sustainability**. Her studies equip her with the tools to address critical challenges in **community development, environmental policy, and sustainable planning**. With a strong drive to contribute positively to society, she aspires to work in fields where environmental awareness meets social transformation, ensuring a balance between human progress and ecological preservation.

Samkelo – University of the Western Cape (UWC)

Degree: BSc in Environmental Studies

Institution: University of the Western Cape

Samkelo is a high-achieving student, recognized for his **excellent 2024 academic results**. Beyond his coursework, he finds inspiration in nature, whether hiking through forests or playing football. His love for the environment fuels his ambition to contribute to **environmental research, policy development, and conservation efforts**. With a deep-rooted passion and determination, Samkelo is eager to make a lasting impact in the field of environmental science.

A Shared Vision for a Sustainable Future

Both Nadia and Samkelo embody the values of the **Koos Burger Bursary**, combining academic excellence with a passion for meaningful change. Their dedication to **environmental sustainability, policy development, and community impact** positions them as future leaders who will drive positive change in South Africa and beyond.

Johan March



Rotary International News



THE KING AND I RI President STEPHANIE A. URCHICK *President, Rotary International*

What a magnificent evening at the Commonwealth Day Reception at Marlborough House, London, where I had the opportunity to meet Their Majesties King Charles and Queen Camilla. We spoke about Rotary's missions in basic education and literacy, and about preserving the environment, particularly with projects involving safeguarding and restoration of mangrove forests. Many thanks to Judith Diment, Rotary Representative to the Commonwealth, for arranging all the important events for Rotary during Commonwealth Week.

District News



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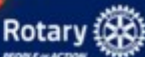


Join us on **30 March 2025**
 Ann... Competition
 ... Youth Camps, Glencairn
 ...500 per pot

Contact Mike Ochse directly to book your team
 avenuesaretaker@gmail.com
 082 8013517

Detailed information will be sent to you once your booking has been made.
 Any queries contact Mike Ochse: avenuesaretaker@gmail.com

Great prizes to be won!



DISTRICT 9350 News



The ICC Peace Forum at the Vineyard Hotel in Claremont will take place from 25 to 27 April and I encourage Rotarians to register and join the event.

There are world class speakers including the former President of Mozambique.

A great opportunity to mingle from all over the world who may be able to help with your Club's project. Don't miss out.

There are special lower prices for local attendees, below cost price in some cases, they can be found at:

<https://rotary-icc.org/event/second-africa-icc-peace-forum-cape-town/>

DG Stephen

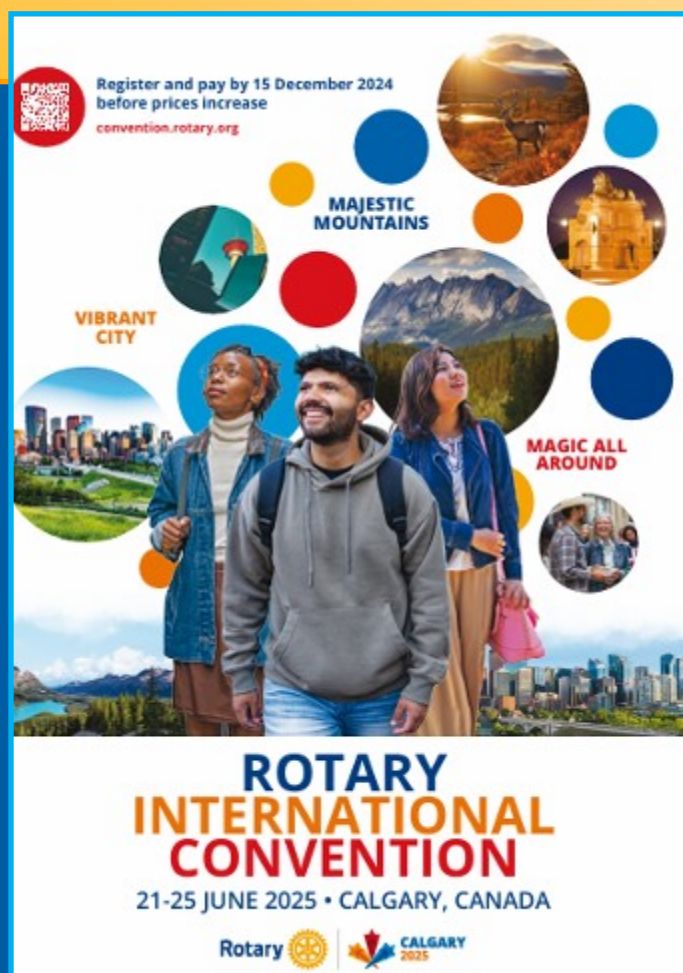


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Happy Birthdays

8 APRIL

Club Meeting

15 APRIL

Board Meeting

APRIL

MEMBERS: 1st—Graeme Smith

PARTNERS: 7—Tasneem Hendricks

Thoughts and
more thoughts !

For news, photos, jokes etc
PLEASE CONTACT ME ...Myra
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Anniversaries

Nil For Now

Humour or not so funny



I don't want
to party like
it's 1999...

I want to
grocery shop
like it's 1999.

LIES MY MOTHER TOLD ME

By I Might Be Funny

1. "It's illegal to drive with the overhead light on."
2. "If you swallow your gum, it will stay in your stomach for 7 years."
3. "Keep making that face & it'll freeze like that."
4. "I have eyes in the back of my head."
5. "You can't swim for 30 minutes after eating."
6. "Don't sit so close to the TV, you'll go blind."
7. "I don't have a favorite child."
8. "I'm just running into the store for one thing."
9. "A watermelon will grow in your stomach if you swallow the seeds."
10. "Maybe...I'll think about it."



Until next time