

## BELLVILLE CHIMES

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### ***From the President's Pen***

I am always amazed at how individuals can be highly successful against all odds whether it being physical or social handicaps. On the other hand we have the huge problem of others not being able to be self sufficient for what ever reason – these are the ones that we need to uplift to the point where they can help themselves. Unfortunately we, as a small group of Rotarians are not able to meet those needs in it's entirety – we need more “able and willing” members.

This is an ongoing problem as we all know - an extremely serious problem the world over.

Unfortunately we, as the Rotary Club of Bellville, have not been able to do much during our membership month so we are planning a Rotary Information Evening in October where all the clubs in our immediate area will participate – Bellville, Goodwood, Tygerberg, Durbanville and Oostenberg.

We have six weeks to plan so while a planning committee is being set up I would like appeal to all the members to make a concerted effort to name and invite prospective members to this information evening. The date and venue will be decided this week. We will have six weeks to work on those invites. Time to ring those bells.

One to One went off with great success on the Bellville stand as well as the controls that were put in place by the Bellville members. I believe, considering the feedback from other organisations, that The Rotary Club of Bellville has extended the ongoing success of the project. Thanks to all concerned.

Food distribution – I estimate that over the last few weeks we have distributed in excess of R2 mil. to other Rotary Clubs and needy organisations – thanks to Vic and Johann for their efforts.

The District Governor's visit went well and he was suitable impressed by our plans for the future – thanks to all the members and partners – you made the evening a memorable one.

Let us get out there and make a difference, no matter how big or small, and remember to

**“Ring the changes for the good of the community we serve”**

## **Malcolm**

## Bellville Club Calender

### Birthdays

14 September	Gavin Brereton
14 September	Peter de la Cornillere
15 September	Liz de la Cornillere
19 September	Ina Gordon
21 September	Annalie Orlandini
26 September	Riaan Boshoff
29 September	Christine Duncan

### Anniversaries

03 September	Tappy and Annette Tappenden
05 September	Des and Nora Hyland

### Club Diary

17 September	Malmesbury RC Bowls Day
2 October	LOA Mountain Bike Challenge
12 March 2012	Argus Pick 'n Pay Cycle Tour
29 March 2012	Bellville Rotary Golf Day

## The Month that Was

### One to One Day

One to One day was held in the Goodhope Centre on 14 August. This is an event which all club members look forward to as it gives us an opportunity to do something for those members of our community who are physical and mental challenged. The Club's role was changed this year as we were asked to provide much needed entrance control to the Centre. This could have posed a manpower problem but we were fortunate to have the help of the Bellville Rotoractors. Malmesbury Rotary club members also helped and it is hard to think of a One to One day with out them! This change of our role made the event run a lot more smoothly, a fact that was favorably commented on by other stall holders.

A big thank you to all the Rotarians, friends, Rotoractors and our Ambassadorial Student, Brandon, for all their help in making the event a success. A very special thank you Hans and Joan Neusch who, once again, played a major role in the organising of the event and arranging and collecting the donations used as our handouts.



Before the rush



Some of the Rotoractors and Brandon. It is amazing how he was always surrounded by girls!!



Our President, the traffic cop, about to put his foot down to prevent the wrong people entering



The Malmesbury gang seem to be looking to the heavens for inspiration



Gavin - The one that got away was this big?



Some of our guests and their helpers

## Visit of DG Deon van Zyl to the Rotary of Bellville

On Tuesday evening 23 August we had a visit from our District Governor, Deon van Zyl. With 60 club visits to do and with clubs stretching all the way from Plettenburg Bay in the East to Luanda (Angola) in the north, I doubt if he will be spending a lot of time at home. heavier! Our Assistant Governor, Tommy Freeborough, was also at the meeting. Fortunately his work load is not as big so, I am sure, we can look forward to seeing him at our club quite often during the year.

During his speech, Deon presented David Hotzhausen with a Paul Harris Sapphire pin for all the work he has put in to help District 9350 as their trainer and in charge of RYLA camps for the past few years.



AG Tommy, Malcolm and DG Deon smile for the camera



David Receives his Sapphire pin from DG Deon

## Burton is choice for 2013-14 RI president



Ron D. Burton, a member of the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, USA, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in 2013-14. Burton will become the president-nominee on 1 October if there are no challenging candidates.

Burton retired as president of the University of Oklahoma Foundation Inc. in 2007. He is a member of the American Bar Association, as well as the bar associations of Cleveland County and the state of Oklahoma. He is admitted to practice in Oklahoma and before the U.S. Supreme Court.

"This is an exciting time to be a Rotarian," Burton says. "I believe we are well poised to capitalize on our strengths as we embrace the [RI] Strategic Plan and the Future Vision Plan. My vision is to have every Rotarian appreciate what it means to be a Rotarian. With these two tools, we can make that happen."

Active in his community, Burton is a founder and past president of the Norman Public School Foundation, and founder and past board member of the Norman Community Foundation. A recipient of the Silver Beaver Award, he is a past vice president of the Last Frontier Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Burton believes that Rotary's promotion of high ethical standards is one of the qualities that sets it apart from other organizations.

"It assures those dealing with us that we can be trusted," he says. "Most of us are in a business or profession that already has a code of ethics. Vocational service in Rotary just adds to that responsibility. We have an obligation to go above and beyond to make sure that all our actions are above reproach."

A Rotarian since 1979, Burton is vice chair of the Future Vision Committee and a member of the Polio Eradication Advocacy Task Force for the United States. He has served RI as director; Rotary Foundation trustee and trustee vice chair; International Assembly moderator, assistant moderator, and group discussion leader; and district governor.

His other service to Rotary includes chair of the 2011 New Orleans Convention Committee, vice chair of the Investment Advisory Committee, liaison trustee of the Vocational Service Committee, Permanent Fund national adviser, and regional Rotary Foundation coordinator. He was aide to 2006-07 RI President William B. Boyd.

Burton has received the RI Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service, Distinguished Service Award, and International Service Award for a Polio-Free World.

Burton and his wife, Jetta, have two children and three grandchildren.

## Rotary clubs make changes to attract younger members

By Megan Ferringer

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When Rotarians in Walnut Creek, California, USA, found it difficult to attract young professionals to the area's morning and afternoon clubs, they set out to establish a new club that would accommodate busy, on-the-go schedules.

The Rotary Club of Diablo View (Walnut Creek), chartered in 2009, meets in a local brewery at 5:30 p.m. every Thursday. Club president Jennifer Beeman says the club sets aside time each week for socializing before turning to club business, and that the relaxed atmosphere appeals to younger members.

Beeman was only 24 years old when she became a charter member of the club, and she's now one of the youngest female club presidents in Rotary. The club has 26 members, 90 percent of them between the ages of 25 and 40.

"Because we have younger members, our attitude is different. People have told us how refreshing it is to have young faces behind Rotary," Beeman says.

She says the club carries out many projects in the community so that members have an opportunity to do hands-on service. Every month, for instance, it plans an outdoor project, such as cleaning up nature trails. Younger Rotarians usually have more time than cash at their disposal, she says, so they tend to contribute by volunteering.

The club recruits new members through social media like Twitter and Facebook, and it has a mentoring program to help with retention. All new members are assigned a mentor, who spends extra time with them outside regular meetings.

"The modifications we've made have helped our club appeal to younger professionals and retain them," Beeman says. "They've created a high-energy club."

Beeman says clubs must be willing to make a few changes to attract younger members. Here are some examples of what other clubs are doing:

- Through a student membership initiative, the Rotary Club of Hope Island, Queensland, Australia, invites college-age students to meetings and subsidizes the cost to bring a youthful perspective to the club.
- The Rotary Club of Las Vegas, Nevada, USA, has created the 25 Club, a club-within-a-club. The members hold additional meetings, sponsor regular social gatherings, and carry out a number of service projects. The inductees are generally younger, and after a year, they transition into the parent Rotary club.
- The Rotary Club of Crawley, Western Australia, Australia, started a mentoring program that helps new members transition into the club. The club's average age is now in the 30s.
- The Rotary Club of Bricktown Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, USA, meets in a tavern. First-time guests are treated to two free beverages, compliments of the club. [Read more.](#)
- The Rotary Club of South Metro Minneapolis Evenings, Minnesota, USA, meets in the evenings and lowers costs by not having meals. The third meeting of the month is a happy hour/networking event at different locations in the city. The fourth meeting is a volunteering opportunity.

August is Membership Month.

## An Irish Joke

Murphy, a furniture dealer from Dublin, decided to expand the line of furniture in his store, so he decided to go to Paris to see what he could find. After arriving in Paris, he visited with some manufacturers and selected a line that he thought would sell well back home. To celebrate the new acquisition, he decided to visit a small bistro and have a glass of wine.

As he sat enjoying his wine, he noticed that the small place was quite crowded, and that the other chair at his table was the only vacant seat in the house. Before long, a very beautiful young Parisian girl came to his table, asked him something in French (which Murphy could not understand), so he motioned to the vacant chair and invited her to sit down. He tried to speak to her in English, but she did not speak his language.

After a couple of minutes of trying to communicate with her, he took a napkin and drew a picture of a wine glass and showed it to her. She nodded, so he ordered a glass of wine for her.

After sitting together at the table for a while, he took another napkin, and drew a picture of a plate with food on it, and she nodded. They left the bistro and found a quiet cafe that featured a small group playing romantic music.

They ordered dinner, after which he took another napkin and drew a picture of a couple dancing. She nodded, and they got up to dance. They danced until the cafe closed and the band was packing up.

Back at their table, the young lady took a napkin and drew a picture of a four-poster bed. To this day, Murphy has no idea how she figured out he was in the furniture business!

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### An old but good one



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An applicant was filling out a job application. When he came to the question, "Have you ever been arrested?" He answered, "No."

The next question, intended for people who had answered in the affirmative to the last one, was "Why?" The applicant answered it anyway: "Never got caught."

## Rotary Club of Bellville Attendance Statistics for July 2011

	05/07	12/07	19/07	26/07	Mth	Ytd
Boshoff, Marli	A	P	P	A	50%	50%
Boshoff, Riaan	A	P	P	A	50%	50%
Brereton, Gavin	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Claassen, Johann	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Daly, Richard	P	P	A	P	75%	75%
De La Cornillere, P	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
du Plessis, Jimmy	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Evans, Barry	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Gordon, George	A	P	P	P	75%	75%
Holtzhausen, David	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Leerkamp, Jan	A	A	A	A	0%	0%
Neumann, Marlene	P	P	P	A	75%	75%
Neusch, Hans	P	P	A	A	50%	50%
Neusch, Joan	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Orlandini, Annalie	A	P	P	A	50%	50%
Orlandini, Gerald	A	P	P	A	50%	50%
Phillips, Sylvia	A	A	A	A	0%	0%
Poole, Chris	P	A	P	P	75%	75%
Rawbone, Dave	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Richie, Chris	P	P	A	P	75%	75%
Rosewall, Mike	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Saunders, Malcolm	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Shone, Dudley	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Spies, Johan	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Spies, Rina	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Storkey, Vic	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Tappenden, Tappy	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
Taylor, Brian	P	P	P	A	75%	75%
Wilson, Bill	P	P	P	P	100%	100%
	76%	90%	83%	69%		