



# NORTHCLIFF ROTARY CLUB

Weekly Information Sheet of the Northcliff Rotary Club  
 P O Box 35439 Northcliff, 2115 Johannesburg



**18 March 2015**

## Diary of Forthcoming Events MARCH : Water and Sanitation

24 May - District Assembly  
 6 - 9 June - International Convention - Sao Paulo  
 18 - 21 June - District Conference - White River  
 4 September - Night at the Races  
 24 October - Rushmoor RC 30th Anniversary

	18-Mar	25-Mar	01-Apr
<b>Sergeant</b>	Francis Callard	Andrew Buttress	
<b>Reception and Regalia</b>	Hans Mostert	John Turner	NO
<b>Grace</b>	Ansie Hibberd	Ian Goldsmith	RANDPARK
<b>Welcome visitors</b>	Dave Woodhouse	Francis Callard	MEETING
<b>Swindle &amp; Fines</b>	Janet Glover	Peter Jacob	
<b>Rotary 90 sec Slot</b>	Dave Woodhouse	Vaughan Russell	JHB NORTH CENTRAL
<b>Peace Prayer</b>	Pauline Goldsmith		
<b>Toast to Anns</b>	Barnaby Barnsley		SOWETO RC
<b>Introduce Speaker</b>	Ansie Hibberd	<b>Andrew Buttress</b>	<b>RAID</b>
<b>Speaker</b>	Elma Coetzee	<b>Barnaby and Janet</b>	<b>MARKS PARK</b>
<b>Topic</b>	Northcliff Hill - Eco Park and renovation of pathway	<b>Lions Rock Big Cat Sanctuary</b>	

**Birthdays and Anniversaries :** Mar 24 : Shirly Thurtell,  
 Mar 25 - Mariam Jacobs, Pillay Anniversary  
**NRC FELLOWSHIP Trophy** is with Dean Gounden ( 20 October)

<b>President</b> Paul Westcott	<b>Club Secretary</b> Andrew Buttress	<b>Treasurer</b> Vaughan Russell	<b>President Elect</b> Francis Callard
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President Paul Westcott thanks Darnell Human for presenting his Literacy Program..

**CLUB SERVICES : Speaker Programme:** Members need to help to organise speakers. ALL members to provide a contact for a speaker or be prepared to put a topic forward that they are willing to talk about. If any reader of this bulletin would like to address the Club please contact Paul Westcott.

**Apologies:** Please email [pwestcott99@gmail.com](mailto:pwestcott99@gmail.com) or SMS 0827728863 before **24h00 on Monday** before the meeting.

**CLUB WEBSITE :** [www.northcliffrotary.co.za](http://www.northcliffrotary.co.za)

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**DISTRICT 9400 WEBSITE** [www.rotary9400.co.za/](http://www.rotary9400.co.za/)

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL** [www..Rotary.org](http://www.Rotary.org)



## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY MARCH 8 - TIMELINE OF WOMEN IN ROTARY

1950 An enactment to delete the word "male" from the Standard Rotary Club Constitution is proposed by a Rotary club in India for the Council on Legislation meeting at the 1950 RI Convention.

1964 The Council on Legislation agenda contains an enactment proposed by a Rotary club in Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) to permit the admission of women into Rotary clubs. Delegates vote that it be withdrawn. Two other proposals to allow women to be eligible for honorary membership are also withdrawn.

1972 As more women begin reaching higher positions in their professions, more clubs begin lobbying for female members. A U.S. Rotary club proposes admitting women into Rotary at the 1972 Council on Legislation.

1977 Three separate proposals to admit women into membership are submitted to the Council on Legislation for consideration at the 1977 RI Convention. A Brazilian club makes a different proposal to admit women as honorary members. The Rotary Club of Duarte, California, USA, admits women as members in violation of the RI Constitution and Standard Rotary Club Constitution. Because of this violation, the club's membership in Rotary International is terminated in March 1978. (The club was reinstated in September 1986.)

1980 The RI Board of Directors and Rotary clubs in India, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United States propose an enactment to remove from the RI and club constitutions and bylaws all references to members as "male persons."

1983-86 In a lawsuit filed by the Duarte club, the California Superior Court in 1983 rules in favor of Rotary International, upholding gender-based qualification for membership in California Rotary clubs. In 1986, the California Court of Appeals reverses the lower court's decision, preventing the enforcement of the provision in California. The California Supreme Court refuses to hear the case, and it is appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

1987 On 4 May, the U.S. Supreme Court rules that Rotary clubs may not exclude women from membership on the basis of gender. Rotary issues a policy statement that any Rotary club in the United States can admit qualified women into membership. The Rotary Club of Marin Sunrise, California (formerly Larkspur Landing), is chartered on 28 May. It becomes the first club after the U.S. Supreme Court ruling to have women as charter members. Sylvia Whitlock, of the Rotary Club of Duarte, California, becomes the first female Rotary club president.

1988 In November, the RI Board of Directors issues a policy statement recognizing the right of Rotary clubs in Canada to admit female members based on a Canadian law similar to that upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

1989 At its first meeting after the 1987 U.S. Supreme Court decision, the Council on Legislation votes to eliminate the requirement in the RI Constitution that membership in Rotary clubs be limited to men. Women are welcomed into Rotary clubs around the world.

1990 As of June, there are about 20,200 female Rotarians worldwide. The Rotarian runs a feature on women in Rotary.



The Caro House wheelchair ramp progresses - start of installation of railings.

### **Public Relations:**

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with any articles and photos that you have taken to promote Rotary and the NRC in the Community, and to keep our Website ( [www.northcliffrotary.co.za](http://www.northcliffrotary.co.za)) up to date!