



# Bay Breezes

Doing good in and around Hout Bay



**Meeting Time:** Tues 5.30pm for 6pm & on Zoom  
**Location:** Atlantic Boat Club, Hout Bay Harbour  
**Attendance officer:** Carolyn Herrick 076 012 2440

**President:** Alison Rice 083 6335694  
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**Secretary:** Harriet Purser 072 779 5489

## APRIL 2022

### INTRODUCING THE STUDENTS

The club meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> February was introduced by three new students from the Student Support Scheme, who commenced their studies in 2021 and Zanethemba who graduated last year. Mentors Carmen, Dettha, Marianne and Kevin were also present in addition to Rotarian mentors.

It is true to say that everyone present was impressed with the maturity of each student, who had been invited to give a short, 5 minute introduction on themselves, talk about their studies and aspirations for the future.

Yonela, studying for a degree in Social Sciences at University of Cape Town (UCT), Nicky at Stellenbosch University doing International Studies, and Sisipho at Varsity

College wishing to become a teacher, all excelled themselves in their enthusiasm for their chosen subjects. Sadly Thembelihle, studying at KZN (Durban) medical school to become a doctor and Zoe-Leigh at UCT also studying Social Sciences, could not be with us that evening.

As is usual when students graduate, Zanethemba was presented with a Parker pen set by Alison. Zanethemba passed all her exams and graduated with a Diploma in Real Estate from Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT).

We are very proud of the achievements of all of our Student Support Scheme (SSS) students! Well done!



Sisipho giving her presentation



Zanethemba presenting



Nicky at the lectern



Alison presenting Zanethemba with her graduation gift.

## District Entrepreneurship Mentoring Program 8 February 2022

At the 8 February 2022 RCHB meeting, the District Entrepreneurship Mentoring Program (“DEMP”) was presented by Newlands Rotarian John Stevenson, who is District Entrepreneurship Director and member of the District E3 (Entrepreneurship, Education, and Employment) Committee, and Abe Oliver, Program Manager of the False Bay College Center for Entrepreneur Rapid Incubation. John explained that in South Africa, where 50% of the population is under age 25 and 60% are unemployed, job creation urgently has to come either from 1) government and big business or 2) small business entrepreneurs and partnerships. DEMP focuses on the latter category to create employment by starting new small businesses. The program was developed by Newlands RC and False Bay College to mentor entrepreneurs from False Bay College using Newlands RC members as the mentors. Both mentors and mentees undergo extensive training to ensure a successful process. The program employs some impressive technology, including the Growth Wheel which divides the small business development process into 4 quadrants: 1) Business Concept, 2) Customer Relations, 3) Profitable Operations, and 4) Strong Organization. The 4 quadrants are further divided into 20 focus areas, which are used as the basis for focused mentor-mentee monthly meetings to assist in problem solving, decision-making, and action planning. The program with False Bay College has been ongoing for 6-7 years. The future plan is to extend the program further via pilots with both the Western Cape Education Department and the City of Cape Town. Newlands RC is looking for Rotarians from other clubs to join the pilot programs as mentors.

## Ludwig Ruckdeschel



On 15 February 2022 we welcomed the Rotarian Ludwig Ruckdeschel from the Rotary Club of Vilshofen, Bavaria, Germany as a new member of our Club. Ludwig will spend many months during the year in Hout Bay as well as in Bavaria.

In his personal introduction he shared with us that after studying church music and concert organ he became the first organist in one of Germany’s most famous places of pilgrimage, in Altötting/Bavaria.

His highlight as organist was the appointment as cathedral organist in the Passau Cathedral. This organ is one of the world’s most famous organs and one of the largest. He explained the technical parameters of this organ and we listened to some recordings playing the 5 consoles of the 1928 built organ.

As he also has a technical streak, related to the mechanics of organ, he became an organ consultant currently supervising the restoration of the Passau Cathedral pipe organ.

But that’s not all. A few years ago Ludwig became interested in buying and selling real estate in Germany and will now explore and build up this activity in South Africa. Ludwig has contributed to many social projects in his former Club and would like to get involved with Hout Bay community projects.

# NEW MEMBERS

On 1 March Tina Irvin and Marianne Marsh were inducted as new members. On 5 April Ingrid Kupper was inducted. Welcome Tina, Marianne and Ingrid!

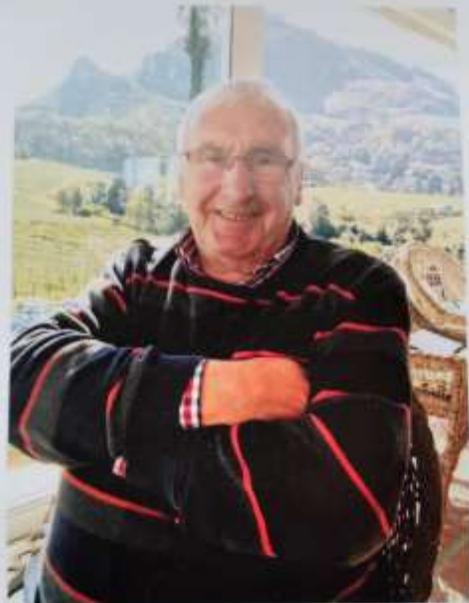




On 22 March, DG Ian Robertson spoke to RCHB at Atlantic Boat Club. DG Ian was very complimentary of our Club's achievements particularly our work with youth. Ian praised our work in Hout Bay as a club "in the community, for the community and with the community". Examples cited were the Skate Park, Student Support Scheme, Vision Project, and Cycle Tour Marshalling with IY Team to name a few. RCHB is helping to change the lives of young people in Hout Bay.

Our strong membership growth in a relatively short period of time was noted, with 9 new members in less than a year. Across the District, membership has grown about 10%, with new clubs organized in Riebeeck Valley and Langebaan, plus two more to come in Greyton and Delft.

Ian encouraged RCHB to take advantage of the multiplier effect of Global Grants, where for every dollar contributed from South Africa to the Foundation or the Grant, \$10 is returned from other sources to help with the project. D9350 is benefiting from R16 million worth of Global Grant funds annually. District is committed to doing their best to get money into our area to fund the work we are doing to support the future of young people.



David Walker 13.01.1943 - 18.02.2022  
In Loving Memory  
of our Father and Friend

### Past Rotarian - David Walker

*Rotarians, past and present, joined with family and friends in saying farewell to David Walker at a Memorial gathering at the Hout Bay Manor Hotel on February 25.*

*David's two daughters Tanya and Hayley were the hosts and Rotarian Don Peters was the Masters of Ceremonies. Throughout the event a background slideshow of photo of David's life, his happy marriage to Margaret, the family in the UK, in the then Transvaal where David was in the aircraft building sector and finally his retirement in the Cape. David had been a member of the RCHB since 2006 Various friends gave tales of their memory of David, including and entertaining one by past Rotarian Bill Kilbride.*

*It was a happy social event which David would have enjoyed which included his favourite - gin and tonic.*

**Don Peters really pulled this out of his hat – he was notified on Tuesday for the race on Sunday that the other RC had pulled out of marshalling for the Peninsula Marathon which took place on Sun 20 Feb – Below is an email from Don .....**



Hi everyone

We, Rotary Hout Bay and the IY Team were glad we could assist when a group of marshals were unable to be available for the race. Let me start this missive with some accolades. Firstly it was good to meet the Celtic Team, secondly Owen who was great. My many phone calls were so well understood by him and his calm way of answering just magic. There were some pointers which I will mention and not criticize because I do understand that the lead time was very short. But the lack of a map of the runners route that we could mark Marshals positions did make things a little difficult. Of course time made it impossible for an in-depth inspection of the route. We had to rely on our bus drivers doing many things at the same time. Enough said your restraints of time for a new team of marshals must have made life a challenge. Accolades are much nicer parts for me to mention. Firstly as I have said it was good to have contact with you and Celtic and particularly Owen who was really special. The Metro and Traffic Officers were excellent and they also found the lack of map a little problem. Going up to an Officer at Golden Acre on Adderley St. and asking where the runners were and receiving a reply which showed a degree of puzzlement was interesting and as he said quite clearly "I wish I knew". But at every time we approached the Metro and Traffic Team members they made a great effort to help us.

The successful positioning of our marshals was a 'challenge' but completed and they carried out their tasks well. It may surprise you but there were a couple of times we could help the Officers.

At the departure time we all felt relaxed and well satisfied with our efforts, we do hope you feel the same way. May I just add a few lines of interest. The IY Team IY = Imuzamu Yethu of the township adjacent to Hout Bay. The IY Team was formed a number of years ago to help the Rotary Club of Hout Bay with marshalling and, to help improve relations between two very different communities. The approach was welcomed and the project has been a success. There is one major difference; Rotarians are not individually paid for work, rewards go to the Club. The IY Team are paid as individuals and as a result funds are absorbed into the community of many less privileged than ourselves. It has been an exciting and very rewarding "liaison between differing communities" and also it has created many very special friendships. The IY team is 45 strong with an equal share of women and men over the age of 18.

Lastly just a short story about the "good" this liaison between "us haves" and the "have nots" Two years ago the night prior to the Cape Argus Cycle race there was a large fire in the IY Township resulting in many homes being completely burned. One of the lady IY Members had lost her house, but she called her sister and asked her to take her place in the IY Team to marshal the cycle race while she recovered what she could. When the Hout Bay Rotary Club heard the story they spoke to the lady and asked what they could help with. Her biggest wish was to have a small fridge - she was given one together with thanks. That thoughtfulness will never be forgotten.

So to end my missive, the race was a great involvement of Celtic with Rotary Hout Bay and especially the IY Team. We, the IY Team and the Hout Bay Rotary Club say "thank you" (even if it did mean a 3am start).

Regards

Don Peters

Hout Bay Rotary Club

# The 2022 Cape Town Cycle Tour 13 March 2022



Despite a very wet, cold start, this year's cycle tour went off really well. As usual, Keith's excellent leadership, supported by Adele and Ralph, meant that the race went off faultlessly in our sector. Huge thanks go to all the marshals who made sure that the day was fun and safe !



## Induction of RCHB President 2022/23

On 29 March, we celebrated the induction of Carolyn Herrick as President of RC Hout Bay for 2022/23 with a dinner at Hout Bay Manor. Her term will start on 1 July.

The first part of the evening was devoted to recognising our club's accomplishments over the past year. Carolyn Herrick, Marcelo Andrade, Joelle Searle, Keith Bull and Harriet Purser received awards from President Ali Rice for their outstanding service.

In addition, Denise Hopkins was presented with the prestigious Paul Harris Award for her outstanding dedication to her role as Treasurer over the past six years.

Carolyn thanked members for giving her the opportunity to serve, and spoke about her goals for our club in the coming Rotary year. She stated that we will continue with our existing core programmes focused on Youth, and would like to see our Interact and EarlyAct clubs revitalized, as well as build further collaboration with the Hout Bay Rotaract club. Funding for our youth programmes continues to be a concern and Carolyn indicated that we will need to identify new ways to raise ongoing sustainable funding for these programmes.

Thank you to the Organising Committee for a making it wonderful evening – Keith as MC and Adele, Harriet and Denise for managing RSVP's and arrangements with Hout Bay Manor.



Denise being presented with  
The Paul Harris Award by Ali



New board for 2022/23



## VISION

- **Vision:** “To develop and empower young people holistically with life skills that will help them to make conscious decisions, be able to unleashed their potential and live life to the fullest”



**Sakhisizwe** means “We Build A life”

We the HBRC were treated to the most memorable presentation on the evening of 12th April.

Mhinti is the founder and managing director of Sakhisizwe, and much more! She was accompanied by two of her colleagues, Lihle and Lelo.

With huge energy and commitment to the youth of Imizamo Yethu, Mhinti has built an organization that facilitates delivery of a wide range of life skills to teenagers and young adults.

Pivotal to Mhinti and her teams’ dreams and focussed activities for the youth they serve, is the sobering unemployed statistic of over 50% of South Africans aged 15-24.

The main pillars that support the vision “To Develop & Empower Life Skills” are Sporting, Life Skills, and Spiritual.

These “pillars” are driven by programs in academia, parenting coaching, running, swimming (every person must learn to swim

Mhinti says), camps (very popular), and the well-attended creative workshops and gatherings that they hold every Friday evening. Including Rotary, funding comes from a variety of sources, NGOs, commercial e.g. some supermarkets, individuals etc, but such is Mhinti and her teams’ entrepreneurial nature that they arrange tours, sell goods and make money from recycling.

Where can we as HBRC contribute further?.....

Well certainly as individual Rotarians we can help with donations of used sporting goods and sporting apparel, unwanted second-hand clothes that can be resold, recycle material that they will collect from your home, office equipment...it’s pretty broad; anything of value for resale or use in their sporting or academic programs. And think about making a dinner for about 60 of them every now and again!

Finally, I think I can say on behalf of everyone who was at the presentation, that it is enormously inspiring to see an organization in IY ‘For the People, By the People’ so driven and committed.

Sakhisizwe passes the Rotary Four Way Test plus!!



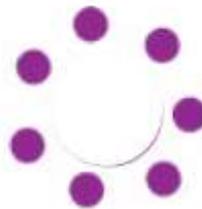
# IMAGINE ROTARY

## Behind the **THEME**

"I believe there will be many ways for people to interpret the design and that's perfect – there's lots of positive imagery and no right or wrong way to explain it," said Rotary President-Elect Jennifer Jones. The theme has a link to the 2023 Melbourne convention logo and was designed by Australian artist, Riki Salam, an aboriginal indigenous artist with deep ties to the people of the land.



In aboriginal culture, the circle signifies our connections to one another.



The dots around it represent people - there are seven because of our areas of focus.



The circle and the dots become a navigation star and it is our guiding light.



The green line is what is referred to as a digging stick and it is used when doing hard work. For us, as people of action – it represents a tool for getting things done.

There are several ways to interpret the colours and quite easily they could mean:

**PURPLE** for polio

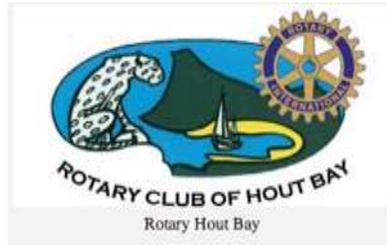
**GREEN** for the environment

**WHITE** for peace

They are also the colours of the women's movement and a subtle nod from Jones to this history.

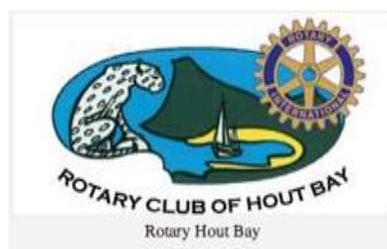
# YOU DON'T IMAGINE YESTERDAY YOU IMAGINE TOMORROW

# MAY CALENDAR



<i>Wk</i>	<i>May 2022</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Sergeant at Arms</i>
2	13th	FRIDAY COFFEE @10:30	Delish Café	
3	17th	Mr. Faseeg Manie, High School Principal @ 18:00 at ABC	Keys to Success at Silikamva HS and Plans for Hout Bay High	Noori
4	24th	FELLOWSHIP TBC	ABC room is unavailable on this date	
4	27th	FRIDAY COFFEE @10:30	Delish Café	
4	29th	POTJIEKOS COMPETITION	Hosted by RC Pinelands at Glencairn Rotary Youth Camp	
5	31st	HB & Silikamva High School Students @ 18:00 at ABC	Report on RYLA Leadership Camp	Ingrid

# JUNE CALENDAR



**Note Changes:**  
**14 June meeting at ABC**  
**21<sup>st</sup> June is ZOOM only**

**JUNE 16 IS YOUTH DAY!**  
**Plan on donating your time to a youth service project with the Hout Bay Rotaract Club. Details to follow.**

<i>Wk</i>	<i>June 2022</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Sergeant at Arms</i>
1	7th	Azola Nyoka, President @18:00 at ABC	Hout Bay Rotaract Update	TBC
	10th	FRIDAY COFFEE @10:30	Delish Café	
2	14th	CLUB ASSEMBLY @18:00 at ABC	Report on Projects, Vote on Club Fees & Food Arrangements for 2022/23	TBC
2	16th	YOUTH DAY SERVICE PROJECT with HB Rotaract Club	Details to be confirmed	
3	21st	BOARD MEETING @4:30 via ZOOM		
3	21st	Rtn. Colin Sutherland @18:00 via ZOOM	Camping with the Romans in Scotland	TBC
4	24th	FRIDAY COFFEE @10:30	Delish Café	
4	28th	Gordon Aeschliman @ 18:00 at ABC	What's New at Love in a Bowl	TBC