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#### **EDITORIAL**

### **Submitted by Dave Barnard**

I have decided to share with you all, this message from the Polyoak Packaging Managing Director, Jeremy Mackintosh (with his permission). It was written as a message to the circa 2500 employees on his cellphone and sent to us all at 05h45 on Wednesday 24 February 2016. I am very proud to work for a world class organization that tells an unbelievable story of what is possible with the right attitude. We have, and will, continue to grow our business through the toughest of times led by a strongly positive message and have been blessed by very capable leaders. I trust you will feel inspired to be positive about our future, knowing that it is up to each one of us to be part of the future of our nation.

#### Good morning ...

Hope that you took time out to have a look at our beautiful African full moon.

In Britain's darkest hour they had Winston Churchill. He rallied the British nation together to be resolute and brave in the face of the World War 2 - And they were.

In South Africa we had Nelson Mandela who dedicated his life to the struggle and to the ideal of a free South Africa where everyone would be equal before the law.

Today many people feel abandoned and betrayed by our president who has failed to uphold the constitution and, in one way and another, has been a great disappointment.

It is time to put those feelings behind us now. Ask yourself the question " So how big are my problems on the scale of 0 to 10 where death is 10? ". I will bet the answer for most is a really small number, right?

We have a great constitution. Sometimes what happens in Parliament looks like a circus but it is democracy at work and it will work. We have great people who are going to do the right thing. Pravin Gordhan, Cyril Ramaphosa, Thuli Madonsela and Mmusi Maimane to name just a few stand out as leaders we can trust.

It's time to put colour behind us and to celebrate each human being for what they contribute in terms of excellence, integrity and work ethic. On Sunday we were able to watch the Proteas give the English team a proper lesson in cricket. AB de Villiers, Hashim Amla and Kagiso Rabada stood out as 3 players to be proud of. Loving their work, their Country and each other. - They did it properly.- It felt good, .....the crowd loved it too, flags waving in the bright sunshine.

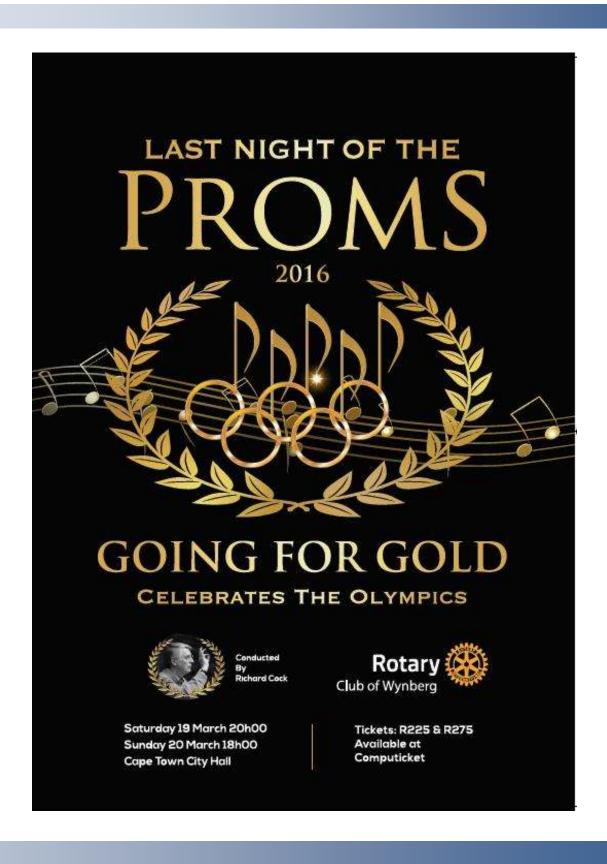
Open your eyes - people in this country are amazing- getting up early to get to work - to put food on the table- to educate themselves and their children- to build a better future.

Count your blessings, our problems are small, we really are fortunate in so many ways.

The future is in our hands - know this - believe this - live this, at home and at work and you will be amazed as to positive impact it will have on your life.

Starting today - right now - let's pull together!

Thank you.



## Minutes

# 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016

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|-----------------------|---|--|--|
|                       | Compiled by Keela van Niekerk   |  |  |
| Attendance            | 15 WRC including make ups = 68%   |  |  |
|                       | Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Ray Klinginsmith, RI Director Peter Offer PDG Andrew Jaeger, Our RI Director Safak Alpay and his wife Denise Alpay RF Grants Officer Sadaf Ajani, Elizabeth Lamberti  |  |  |
| Visitors              | Guests from other International clubs; Justine Mazhandu , Celestin Tangamo , Anne Thompson , Gabriel Chipara, Goliath Mungonge  |  |  |
|                       | District Governor Geraldine Nicol , District Governor Elect Ian Pursch<br>Monique Bayes , Jean Crous, Sanmari Crous   |  |  |
| Fellowship            | /   |  |  |
| From the<br>President | President Stephen- welcomed everyone to South Africa and to the best Rotary club of the Western Cape  Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day; show him how to catch fish, and you feed him for a lifetime.   |  |  |
| Slots                 | Wynberg Rotaract fun day postponed to 5 March Rotary fun day: 3 April - Blue Train - need help with manning  Are has not been well and was in hospital again (Constantiaberg)   |  |  |
| Guest Speaker         | Introduced the speaker; John Speaker; Roche van Wyk  Spoke about the philosophy of development.  Poverty is a plural term and there are many aspects that add to poverty, not only income. (Human scale development approach) There are 10 basic human needs to every human being, each satisfied in different ways. Issue of unemployment in South Africa - people unable to remain employed (SA has a revolving door around employment). Discussed his business's Learn to Earn's mission and Vision. Challenges of economic development in South Africa; misunderstanding of what an entrepreneur is, replication versus innovation, limitation of worldview limits market understanding, competitiveness with/out reprisal, cultural and custom clashes sight business norms and ethics, philanthropy of the poor, political, legal and economic framework. Definition of social enterprise Spoke about the 'Ground Up' coffee project. Business is about people and you can't ignore that. |  |  |
| Swindle               | Ian Pursch was picked, he selected the 5 of Clubs – it was close but not quite the 8 of clubs he needed, Justin won the attendance prize of R23.  |  |  |

### **Duty Roster**

|                              | Mar          |               |             |         |
|------------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|---------|
|                              | 3 (Business) | 10            | 17          | 24      |
| Sergeant                     | Cleveland    | Hovstad       | Murphy      |         |
| Wynpress Editorial           | Bird         | Gowdy         | Hovstad     |         |
| Wynpress Minutes             | Howard       | Maunder       | Howard      |         |
| Door Duty                    | Gowdy        | Howard        | Jackson     | No      |
| Grace                        | Smith        | K van Niekerk | Van Wyk     | Meeting |
| Loyal Toast                  | Howard       | James         | Lidgley     |         |
| International Toast          | Danckwerts   | Bird          | Cleveland   |         |
| Speaker Intro                | N/A          | Barnard       | Vivian      |         |
| Speaker Thanks               | N/A          | Murphy        | Schonegevel |         |
|                              | Barnard,     |               |             |         |
| <b>Entertainment for the</b> | Dessington,  |               |             |         |
| month                        | Jackson,     |               |             |         |
|                              | Maunder,     |               |             |         |

## **Going Forward**

| Dates To Diarise |  |  |  |  |
|------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 26/27 Feb        | RI Economic Conference (Kelvin Grove)                  |  |  |  |
| 27 Feb           | Wynberg Rotaract fun day (Constantia Primary - Jackie) |  |  |  |
| 3 Mar            | Business meeting                                       |  |  |  |
| 5 Mar            | Cape Welsh Choir at Bergvliet HS                       |  |  |  |
| 6 Mar            | Cycle Tour (String)                                    |  |  |  |
| 10 Mar           | Normal meeting   |  |  |  |
| 13 Mar           | HIKEFOR - Liesbeek River trail                         |  |  |  |
| 17 Mar           | Raid by Melkbos Rotary Club                            |  |  |  |
| 19/20 Mar        | Last Night of the Proms (see attached flier)           |  |  |  |

| 24 Mar      | No Meeting                                  |
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| 31 Mar      | 5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday Social??           |
| 3 April     | Rotary Family Fun Day, Sea Point            |
| 28 April    | District POETS (Training for club officers) |
| 29/30 April | District Conference                         |





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