

LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

2016



GOING FOR GOLD

CELEBRATES THE OLYMPICS



Conducted
By
Richard Cock

Rotary
Club of Wynberg



Saturday 19 March 20h00
Sunday 20 March 18h00

Cape Town City Hall

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

In line with our efforts to build an inclusive city, we aim to ensure that Cape Town is a place where we embrace our diversity and all cultures and where everyone feels a sense of belonging. Over the years Cape Town has built and celebrated a vibrant history and culture thanks to the efforts of organisations like the Rotary Club of Wynberg. The Rotary club has been an instrumental source of charity to those in need and has made great contributions to our mission to build a caring city.

The Rotary Club now celebrates another milestone with its 31st “Last Night of the Proms” in the Cape Town City Hall. This annual concert has grown to become one of the key attractions on the city’s events calendar and is a celebration of the great work being done by the Rotary Club of Wynberg.

On behalf of the City of Cape Town, I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Wynberg for its contributions to building a caring and inclusive city. Your efforts indeed show that we can make progress possible together.

I wish the organisers every success with the event and I am certain guests will enjoy a wonderful night of entertainment.

Patricia de Lille
Executive Mayor of Cape Town



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Promenaders

Welcome to the Wynberg Rotary Club's "Last Night of the PROMS" 2016 as we all celebrate the Spirit of the Olympics by "Going for Gold".

Tonight we celebrate once again the ever classic 'Last Night of the Proms' with soaring music, enthusiastic participation, balloons and streamers, and of course Mr Proms himself – our conductor Richard Cock.

As we celebrate this year, we are all too thankful for those people in our community who – though not Rotarians – embody the Rotary motto of Service above Self. This year, in exceptional circumstances, we have decided to change our focus. We have traditionally used the proceeds from The Proms to support various health services, but this year would like to dedicate the proceeds to the Volunteer Wildfire Services. These volunteers risk all to keep us safe. Through your contribution to The Proms, we are all helping to make a difference. Thank you!

On behalf of the club, I would like to thank all who have come together to make this 31st Proms the success I am sure it will be. This includes the Cape Town City Council, our conductor, the soloists, the orchestra, and the various choirs. We also have all the volunteers both in our club and other Rotary clubs, our Rotaract Clubs (for ages 18-30) and Interact clubs (high school).

So join us, enjoy the music, as we all celebrate "Going for Gold"!

Stephen Bredenkamp
President Rotary Club of Wynberg



CONDUCTOR RICHARD COCK

What the Proms means to me

Doing concerts in the Cape Town City Hall has a very special place in my heart as it was in this hall in 1972 that I first conducted an orchestra and since returning to South Africa in 1980 I must have done one or more concerts in the City Hall every year. It lends itself perfectly to the Last Night of the Proms and over the years we have seen many young soloists sing for the first time with an orchestra and go on to have successful careers in the music world.

Over the past 21 years that I have been doing the Proms we have had hundreds of choristers pass over the stage and help to entertain the audiences. You have no idea what a thrill it is to come onto the stage, see a full stage of performers and an absolute packed hall of expectant 'prommers'.

You all join in so spontaneously in the audience participation numbers and it's the sort of concert where everyone goes away feeling better about life, having had a couple of hours of undiluted pleasure and a glass or two of wine during the interval!!

It also makes me happy that we can use these occasions to raise much needed funds for the many charities that have been supported over the years, and when I tally up the amount over the years – it must amount to several million Rand.

Thank you to Wynberg Rotary for including me in this amazing initiative and I hope that I may continue to bring pleasure to audiences for many years to come.



SOLOISTS

Leah Gunter - soprano

Leah studied at the University of Stellenbosch, majoring in voice under Magdalena Oosthuizen, obtaining her BMus cum laude in 2013. In the same year, she attended master classes with the acclaimed tenor Kobie van Rensburg, and is currently enrolled as an MMus student under Prof. Virginia Davids, Prof. Hendrik Hofmeyr and Prof. Kamal Khan. She was awarded a number of bursaries as an undergraduate, and was the first first-year student to win the Mabel Quick Singing Competition. Leah was a finalist in the 2011 Muziqanto Singing Competition, the 2012 FMR/Pick 'n Pay Music Competition, and the 2012 National Grahamstown Music Competition, where she won overall second prize and won the award for Best Vocalist. In 2013, she achieved 90% in the UNISA Grade 8 Singing examination.

Since graduating Leah has performed in public on many occasions and in November 2014 won the Schock Foundation prize at UCT as the best female vocalist.

In May 2015 Leah sang the role of Violetta in *La Traviata* (Verdi) performed at the Artscape Opera House. In November Leah performed in the *Four:30 Operas made in South Africa*.



Stanislav Anguelov - accordion

After receiving his first accordion as a present from his parents at age five, Stanislav started formal accordion lessons at the age of eight in his native town Shumen (Bulgaria). At age ten he joined the Junior Accordion Orchestra. In 1984 he won a Gold Medal at the National Festival of Performing Arts in Bulgaria and in 1985 he was accepted at the Academy of Music and Dance in Plovdiv-Bulgaria, where he studied accordion with Prof. Peter Marinov and received a degree in accordion in 1991. He later taught at the "Constantine Preslavsky" University – Shumen. During this period Stanislav also took part in competitions and concerts in Bulgaria, France and Poland as a soloist or member of different ensembles or with the Accordion Orchestra.

In 1992 Stanislav moved to Cape Town, where he performs, records and teaches.

He has done recordings for the SABC, has been featured on the CDs of many South African artistes and released his solo album called "Stanislav" in 1997.

One of his many career highlights includes an invitation to perform at the Nelson Mandela 46664 concert held in the Green Point Stadium on 29 November 2003. He performed 2 songs "Say it is not true", where he accompanied Brian May and Roger Taylor from Queen and Dave Stewart and later in the program he played "Great Song of Indifference", where he accompanied Sir Bob Geldof. There were over 40 000 people in the stadium and the concert was broadcast to an estimated audience of three billion people, which made it the world's most widely distributed event.



ROTARY AT WORK

Norwegian Liaison Committee

The school project in Grassy Park/Lotus River, which works with 5 primary and 2 secondary schools, is now entering its 16th year. The goal of this project is to provide a better quality of education to thousands of learners on the Cape Flats.

Funds for the project come from the fundraising activities of the students and teachers of two Norwegian schools. All monies collected in Norway go directly to the schools via the Rotary Club of Wynberg.

This year R720 000 was given to more than 400 students from our schools in the form of bursaries, and we were also able to provide the schools with much-needed laptops and projectors.

To ensure the ongoing interest and enthusiasm of the donor schools, Wynberg Rotary each year hosts groups of teachers and learners from Norway. These representatives meet with our South African students and teachers and learn from first-hand experience what a difference their contributions make to the lives of others.



Lavender Hill High School

Wynberg Rotary Club is proud to continue its involvement with Lavender Hill High School. This has to be one of THE success stories of the Western Cape with vastly improved Matric and University pass rates.

During the past year we gave the school's sports fields a much needed boost, after they had been damaged during construction of the school hall. A revamped water pump, several new sprinklers and the fields are once again

looking good, used by many in the community.

We have also renewed our association with SeaHouses Rotary Club (England), one of the original sponsors of the school fields. They provided a grant for a computer and library books, and we have re-stocked the library with some much needed additions. At the same time we have been involved with modernising the school website, and training the media group in website development and maintenance. This will help provide work skills for school leavers.



Victoria Hospital

Victoria Hospital is a government hospital and has a very limited budget. Two Departments vital to rehabilitation that are so often overlooked on budgets, because they are seen as needing "small items" and often items called "non-essential", are the Physiotherapy Department and the Occupational Therapy Departments. This year we have assisted these two departments via a Rotary Global Grant in partnership with Nittedal Rotary club. We also supplied

the theatre with a number of surgical probes that were badly needed.

A "hands-on " project was also undertaken at Victoria Hospital last year. Our club was asked by the hospital's CEO, Dr. Melvin Moodley, to help brighten up the lives of the doctors and patients in the Psychiatry Department by sprucing up their very dreary, run-down office/interview accommodation.

Firstly, the walls of the department's three offices were prepared and painted a beautiful, "Georgian" green. Our WRC resident woodwork genius (when not wearing his other hat as our resident design genius!), John Vivian, hand-made two solid pine wall desks, shelving and a table with a "turned" leg! WRC also provided a couple of notice boards, four new office chairs on wheels, and cushions to brighten up their patient seating.

Happily the doctors and staff were delighted with the results!

Library Corner Project

This project, which the Wynberg Rotary Club initiated last year, has progressed at a rapid rate. Ten library corners have been delivered to Lotus River Primary School in the past five months.

Each installation, from Grade R to Grade 3, consists of a specially designed folding bookcase on wheels and a carpet or mat for learners to sit on, for each classroom. We have also provided about 100 age-appropriate books and puzzles per grade. The bookcase can be wheeled between the various grade classes to allow the teachers to rotate the books during the year.

The library corners are bright and colourful and the learners are encouraged by their teachers to read during break time, after school and during class time once they have completed their set assignments. As a result reading has become a prized reward.

This project is simple and can be easily replicated in other schools sowatch this space!!



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Cape Town Proms Orchestra
Symphony Choir of Cape Town
Cape Welsh Choir
Cape Town Male Voice Choir
UCT Choir
Pipes & Drums of the Cape Town Highlanders
CONDUCTOR: RICHARD COCK

PROGRAMME

Olympic Spirit	John Williams
SA National Anthem	C. Anthem Committee
Bahn frei	Edward Strauss (1875–1916)
Entry of the Gladiators	Julius Fučík (1872–1916)
Por una cabeza	SA Carlos Gardel
Chariots of Fire	Vangelis
Mein Herr Maquis	LG Johan Strauss
Gold & Silver Waltz	Franz Lehár
1916 Medley	C. Various arr R Gill

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THE OLYMPICS

LUCKY DRAW NO

Cape Town
19/20 March 2016

SA Stanislav Anguelov – accordion
LG Leah Gunter – soprano
C Choirs
B Bagpipes and Drums
O Orchestra

INTERVAL

The Craggs of Tumbledown B. James Riddell *arr M van Dijk*
Vilja LG Franz Lehar
With Pleasure – galop. Edward Strauss
La Cumparsita. SA Gerado Ronriquez
The Girl from Ipanema C. Various *arr R Gill*
Hallelujah Chorus C. G F Handel
Rule Britannia C. Thomas Arne *arr S Cock*
Jerusalem C. C H H Parry
Sailor's Hornpipe O. H Wood *arr Stephenson*
Pomp and Circumstance March No 1 . . . C Edward Elgar

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LUCKY DRAW!

See page 9 for your lucky draw number

We shall be drawing the numbers of 3 lucky winners just before the final song at both evening performances.

The Rotary Club of Wynberg extends a very big thank you to the four generous sponsors who have made this lucky draw possible by providing the following prizes:

2x R5000 gift vouchers

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2 x vouchers for 4 guests

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Volunteer Wildfire Services (VWS) has been combating dangerous and sometimes deadly runaway fires since its baptism through the devastating fires in 1999/2000 in Cape Town. With approximately 220 members at four stations (Newlands, Jonkershoek, South Peninsula and the newly developing Grabouw station), VWS is a highly organised Non-Profit Organisation, fully run and managed by volunteers. To date, VWS has achieved over 56 000 active firefighting hours between its members and stations.

We at the Rotary Club of Wynberg have chosen to support this incredible group of people, who fight wildfires on our behalf with small thought to life or limb, by naming them as the official beneficiaries of our "Last Night of the Proms" 2016 concerts. Thank you, Promenaders, for enabling us to help these brave people to keep fighting and to hopefully keep them safe.

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PACK UP YOUR TROUBLES

Pack up your troubles in your old kitbag
And smile, smile, smile.
While you've a Lucifer to light your fag
Smile boys, that's the style.
What's the use of worrying
It never was worthwhile
So pack up you troubles in your old kit bag
And smile, smile, smile

IT'S A LONG WAY TO TIPPERARY

It's a long way to Tipperary
It's a long way to go
It's a long way to Tipperary
To the sweetest girl I know!
Goodbye Piccadilly!
Farewell Leicester Square!
It's a long, long way to Tipperary
But my hearts right there

KEEP THE HOME FIRES BURNING

Keep the home fires burning
While your hearts are yearning
Though your lads are far away they dream
of home
There's a silver lining through the dark
clouds shining
Turn the dark cloud inside out
'til the boys come home.

WE ARE MARCHING TO PRETORIA

Jou kombers en my matras
En daar lê die ding
We are marching to Pretoria...



POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE: CHORUS LAND OF HOPE AND GLORY

Land of Hope and Glory,
Mother of the free
How shall we extol thee,
Who are born of thee?
Wider still and wider
Shall thy bounds be set;
God, who made thee mighty,
Make thee mightier yet.

JERUSALEM (SA words)

And did those feet in ancient times
walk upon Africa's green land?
And was the holy Lamb of God
In bushveld, vlei or mountains grand?
And did the countenance divine
appear within our stamping mill?
And was Jerusalem builded here
among our dry and dusty hills?
Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In Africa, our pleasant land.

THE TRADITION OF "PROMS"

The "Proms" were started in London in 1895. Concerts were expensive in those days and not many people could afford to attend. Most people were only able to hear good music when they went for walks in the public parks, where Promenade concerts were held with orchestras and bands playing on open-air bandstands.

Robert Newman, who at the time organized concerts in the famous Queen's Hall in London, decided to start a series of concerts which less wealthy people could attend. He wanted to start a series of "promenade concerts" in the hall (in French "se promener" means "to walk"). The idea was that people could have standing places at a reasonable cost, with seats for the people who could afford to pay more. To this day there are two places in the Royal Albert Hall to prom: downstairs in the arena and upstairs in the gallery, with a standing ticket costing just £5.

Robert Newman knew a very good young conductor named Henry Wood, who he invited to conduct the Proms.

The Queen's Hall was destroyed by bombs in 1941, after which the Proms concerts were moved to the Royal Albert Hall. Henry Wood conducted almost all of the Proms for fifty years, until just before his death in 1944.

There is now a Prom held every evening for two months during the summer, with the last night called the "Last Night of the Proms".

Over the years people attending the Last Night of the Proms have tended to dress up in outlandish clothing and carry flags etc. For our Cape Town version of these concerts most of the audience wear boater hats and celebrate the superb music with balloons, streamers and a street party at interval.



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