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Editorial

JEU FEDERER!

By Mike Schreiber

As you read this editorial, you will no doubt be looking forward to our talk by Christoph Schmock, of the Roger Federation Foundation. I am sure this will be very interesting indeed.

However, in the spirit of the silly season which is now fast approaching, I thought that I'd be a bit..well...silly!

So join me now as we experience this great man's epic tennis journey from an entirely different angle. Share in the trials and tribulations of THE FEDS hard working Nike tennis shoes (aka Nik and Nikey) as they get "down and dirty" – quite literally. And please do of course spare a thought for the long suffering and constantly battered Willy, his trusty racquet.....

Nikey can you see where we are yet? No of course I can't Nik, it's pitch dark in here!

At that moment the familiar sound of the zipper opening echoed above them and the pair were pulled from their dark, stuffy prison and dropped onto the gleaming tiles of the change room.

"Thank goodness", Nik exclaimed. I know I should be used to it by now, but I just always feel very claustrophobic in there.

"They make it worse though", exclaimed Nikey, glaring at Sally and Sam who had been placed next to them. Surely with all the money he's made this year he can afford to change his socks regularly?

Forget about them, where are we this time? Ask Willy, said Nikey, maybe he knows. “I not talking to him now”, replied Nick. He’s still very highly strung after the incident at the airport. You would also be highly strung if an over zealous customs official tried to chop you up to search for drugs. Yes, good point but I’m very sure he’ll be on the rebound quite soon!

“Can you hear the crowds outside in the stadium?”, said Nikey excitedly. We are not talking run of the mill ATP circuit here. This one’s MAJOR.

“Okay well it could be Melbourne, mate! Yes, but maybe it’s time for our annual treat of strawberries and cream”, said Nikey (bearing in mind of course that the way to any gal’s heart is often dessert).

“Anyway it can’t be the big Apple, because I know the sounds of NYC and the taxi cabs! And **Mirka** spending his hard earned money on 5th Avenue”, Nik grumbled. “Listen here, exclaimed Nikey ,you would also want to go out shopping with two sets of twins! Cut her some slack please”.

“Let’s not fight! Here come his famous size 9’s. Hold fast. Laces tied...and we’re all SET for action!”

“Look who is over there! It’s the “zapato’s” of **RAFA**. Yes, it’s so hard to believe we are from the same shoe family – just ignore them dear. They made me see RED when they insulted our flag last week and they are so judgmental.” “Don’t worry about them honey, you look like \$140 – well \$70 certainly!”

Madame et Mousiers....

“Oh dear”, Nikey exclaimed “Roland Garros..... it’s such a shame to think we’ve been so nicely cleaned and now we need to go offroading!”

“Don’t let it get you down Nikey”, shouted Nik enthusiastically.... “ **just do it gal!**”

Duty Roster

	November			December
	26	3	10 (Business mtg)	17
Sergeant	Barnard		Cleveland	
Wynpress Editorial	Smith		Todd	End
Wynpress Minutes	Howard	No Meeting	Smith	Of
Door Duty	V Niekerk, S		Van Wyk	Year
Grace	James		Lidgley	Party
Loyal Toast	Lidgley		Barnard	
International Toast	Vivian		Bird	
Speaker Intro	Overbosch		N/A	
Speaker Thanks	James		N/A	

Minutes

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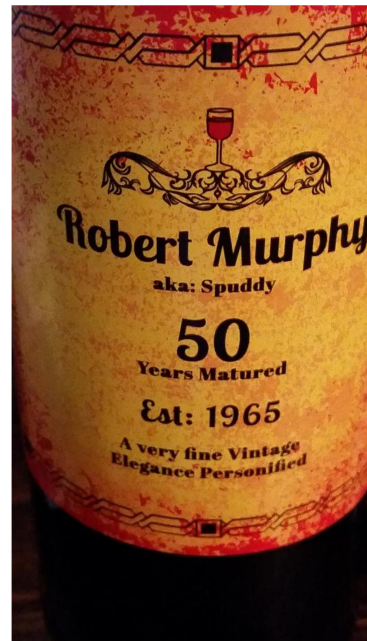
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Attendance	18 Members = 60%
Visitors	Odd Henning and Reidun Johannessen and their friends from Norway: Leif Gunnar and Helga Vikene, Rune and Gunn Schwebs
From the President's Chair	Pres. Stephen welcomed all present, and especially our Norwegian guests. He recently visited Wynberg Rotaract Club and is pleased to announce two new members. A question is asked – how does the host Rotary club manage a Rotaract Club? Should they be treated as partners? It was decided to draw up a 'memorandum of understanding' to be disseminated amongst other clubs for their input. Stephen and Rune swapped club banners.
Slots	Keela cautioned all who will attend Uncle Paul's Christmas Party on 1 December to wear closed shoes, and to take warm clothing – temperature drops quickly once the sun disappears from the valley! She also suggests that Club members get together for the Kirstenbosch Carols by Candlelight on 20 December. Entrance is R100pp. Graham announced that Proms 2016 will be celebrating the Olympics in Brazil – changing the theme to 'Going for Gold'. If any Rotarians have contacts who may be able to sponsor prizes, please speak to him. Hugh reported that after a number of attempts, his son has now joined the Los Angeles Fire Department.
Fellowship Announcements	Rob chose to celebrate his 50 th other than at Rotary this evening....! He even had a vintage of red wine named in his honour – see below.
Guest Speaker	Biffy let Claudine Kagaba do her own introduction, as her address was really her life story. Born in Rwanda, the 9 th of a dozen children, her journey until reaching Cape Town was marked with suffering. She fled the civil war in 1997, when her baby daughter was shot and killed on her back, physically saving her own life. A former primary school teacher, she now has a Masters in Theology (with a focus on Community Development) and lives with her family in Cape Town. Based on her own experience, she is passionate about helping vulnerable people to find healing and restoration. Claudine was warmly thanked by Bruce.

Swindle	Justin despatched the 10 of spades from the dwindling pack, and Mike won the R25 'attendance' prize. R1770 is carried over until the next draw.
President's Quote	Make bold choices and make mistakes. It's all those things that add up to the person you become. Angelina Jolie When other little girls wanted to be ballet dancers I kind of wanted to be a vampire. Angelina Jolie

Happy Birthday Rob!

A very rare vintage indeed.



Editorial Comment

The RI President's message in the November edition of 'Rotary Africa' ends with "We cannot fight violence with violence. But when we fight it with education, with understanding and with peace, we can truly Be a Gift to the World."

With all the violence we have had in the last couple of weeks especially here in Cape Town, and in France and now reading the message from our RI President it just shows me how much we, as Rotary are a "True Gift to the World" – through peace scholarships and helping people who have been displaced by war or disasters.

Together with our partners in Norway, recently we have seen the wonderful results of our education project in Grassy Park. Through education we can bring people to understand each other better and this will relieve poverty.

Let us all try and give "Peace and Understanding" as a gift to the world. As we go into the Festive Season may we keep this as the true gift to give to people everywhere.



Karen Overbosch

Going Forward

Dates To Diarise

Nov 25 – Dec 22	Uncle Pauls:- see Wynberg Rotaract for actual dates.
Thur Nov 26	Christoph Schmocker, VP Roger Federer Foundation: Education empowers children
Tues Dec 1	Uncle Pauls Charity Evening : SOS Childrens Home (Keela)
Thur Dec 3	No meeting.
Thur Dec 10	Business meeting: Election of Office Bearers for 2016 - 2017
Thur Dec 17	End of year party: Venue to be confirmed.
Sun Dec 20	Carols by Candlelight (Keela)

And to start the new year:

Thur Jan 14: A new Year.... What are we going to do this year

Sat/Sun Mar 19/20 The Proms:- We need you

Sun Apr 3: Rotary Family Fun Day: Sea Point Blue Train

And Finally

Ah, the strange pronunciations of English:

A fellow named Cholmondelay Coloquhoun

Once kept, as a pet a baboquhoun

His mother said "Cholmondelay,

Do you think it quite colmondelay

To feed your baboquhoun with a spoquhoun?"

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