Editorial

Water consumption spike and Dam levels Decrease



Water consumption levels rose to a staggering 563-million litres of average daily use compared to the previous week, while dam levels have dropped by 0,2%.

Currently, water levels are measured at 76% and previous measurements

from last week stood at 76,2% – although the drop may appear minor, an increased water consumption and usage will not aid in maintaining the current water storage. Locals have steadily increased their water usage, from 511-million litres for the week before September 24 to 520-million the following week and then 546-million last week.

Increased usage can be attributed to the implementation of level 5 water restrictions, allowing Capetonians to use 70 litres of water a day compared to the previous 50 litres a day. Currently, level 5 restrictions increased the city's water usage target from 450-million to 500-million litres a day, but the city's residents are now using more water than allocated.

Coupled with the decrease in water tariffs, locals may be abandoning extensive water saving measures, causing the drop in dam storage levels.

Readings taken on October 15 indicated that the Theewaterskloof dam has decreased by 0.1% and that both the Steenbras Upper and Lower have experienced a substantial drop in water levels.

Major dams	15/10/2018	Previous week
Berg River	99.5	99.4
Steenbras Lower	90.5	91.9
Steenbras Upper	85.0	87.7
Theewaterskloof	58.7	58.8
Voëlvlei	96.6	96.2
Wemmershoek	94.3	95.1
Total Stored MI	682 610	684 030
% Storage	76.0	76.2

Dam levels measured on 15 October 2018

Current readings of the dam levels indicate no changes (16 October 2018).

Locals should keep in mind that 10% of the water in our dams are not suitable for drinking water.

"The last 10% of the dam's water is difficult to use, the useable water in the dam in approximately 10% less than the dam level," said the City of Cape Town report.

Dam levels have steadily risen over the past winter months, increasing levels towards reaching the 85% mark. Readings measured this time last year indicate that the Western Cape water supply system was measured at just 37.4%. Residents are still encouraged to use water wisely and employ water saving measures.

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BE THE INSPIRATION

Minutes: 18th October 2018

Compiled by Stephanie Thomas

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14/27 members = 51,9%

Guests: Monique Ewan, Kelly Blake, Jackie Chambers.

From the chair of President Biffy

- The President requested that members fill in their preferences on the Uncle Paul's roster.
- She displayed the District Citations for both The Wynberg Rotaract Club and the Wynberg Rotary Club.

Fellowship

Slots

- String was reminded that it was Barbara's birthday on 21 October
- **String** was given assurance that at least 10 members would be available to help the marshalling of the Argus cycle race on 10th March 2018.
- Keela had all those present writing messages on painted rocks.

Members' Moments

- Dennis told us how he was persuaded to donate R50 to a well endowed fraudster.
- Rotaract President Monique would attend her Graduation the next day.

Guest Speaker

Kelly, from Wynberg Girls Interact, gave feedback to members on some of her activities and impressions at the RYLA camp she had attended. She found it most rewarding and intended to attend another camp in future.

Dennis introduced and thanked her.

Swindle

Keela drew 4 hearts instead of 9 spades and hence lost the R300 prize. Our Interactor, Kelly, won the R25,00

President's Pearls

Biffy chose one of the rocks and read out "Educate yourself so that you can get employed"

	October November			
Duty	25	1	8	15
Duty Roster		Club Meeting Visit by DG	SOCIAL: CLUB BRAAI	
Sergeant	Overbosch	Schreiber		Barnard
Wynpress Editorial	Barnard	Bayes		Bird
Wynpress Minutes	Thomas	Van Niekerk		Maunder
Door Duty	Jackson	Howard		Munday
Grace	Schreiber	Smith		Todd
Loyal Toast	Maunder	Jackson		O'Driscoll
International Toast	Schonegevel J	Murphy		Schreiber
Speaker Intro and Thanks	Danckwerts	N/A		Jackson



World Polio Day

24 October 2017

World Polio Day was established by Rotary International over a decade ago to commemorate the birth of Jonas Salk, who led the first team to develop a vaccine against poliomyelitis. Use of this inactivated poliovirus vaccine and subsequent widespread use of the oral poliovirus, developed by Albert Sabin, led to the establishment of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) in 1988. As of 2013, GPEI had reduced polio worldwide by 99%.



Dates To Diarise		
24 October	World Polio Day	
25 October	Beryl Saunders, a polio survivor will talk about her experiences	
1 November	DG Casper's visit to the Club	
2 November (Friday)	RC Constantia Wine Fest at Schoenstatt Centre, Constantia. R200pp on Webtickets	
8 November	Club Braai at Bruce and Marlene's home. Details to follow	
15 November	Former SA cricketer Vince van der Bijl will tell us about working with young people in disadvantaged communities.	
22 November	Hosting our guests from Haugaland College	
23 November (Friday)	Opening night of Uncle Paul's Christmas Parties	
24 November (Saturday)	Newland RC 25 th Anniversary. 7pm at Kelvin Grove	
29 November	Uncle Paul's with DG Casper in attendance	