

## Editorial

### Paris: The City of Love Locks!

by Ruth Schonegevel

Today we will be travelling to Paris. More specifically, Pont des Arts - a bridge!

Why here? you may ask. Well, I have been doing some research for our trip in June so I thought it might interest others. Take it as you like!

Now by standing on this bridge it gives lovers an ideal view of Paris, the islands dramatically dividing the river, crowned by the majestic *Notre Dame* to the east and the richest sunset to the west.

The poetic 'love lock' tradition started in 2004 in its symbolism: taking a padlock and locking the symbol of one's love to the bridge, before throwing the key into the depths of the Seine.

Of course, I was thinking of doing the same; that was until I read an article in News24 about this tradition. It appears that it is actually illegal to place your lock on the bridge as it causes structural damage. This leads to the railings breaking, which ultimately leads to your lock falling into the river or being dumped in the trash.

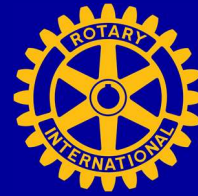
So before placing your lock, think about it. Do you really want a lasting symbol of your love for one another ending up as trash? I THINK NOT!!!



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#### April Rotary Theme

Maternal and Child Health Month

Wynberg Rotary meet every Thursday,

6 for 6.30pm,

Palm House, Wynberg.

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# Minutes

5 April 2018

Compiled by Justin Schonegevel

## Attendance

12 members present

## Visitors

Exchange student Vinnie.

## From the President's Chair

Pres. Rob welcomed all present

Thanks to members who attended the Braam Malherbe talk at Bergvliet HS. Special thanks to Justin for all his hard work in putting the show together. Reminder to members to please stay on and help clear up after such events.

## Fellowship

None reported

## Members' Moments

**Dennis:** Hosted the last leaving Kansas couple, after taking them around various sites, Llandudno, Town and Rhodes Memorial. After returning home, the couple realised their Ipad was missing. They returned to Rhodes Memorial and luckily, a young chap had found it at the coffee shop.

**Alan:** Took the first of the visiting Kansans to the airport at 4:15am!

## Slots

**Dave:** Reported that his mother is now out of hospital and recovering well from her recent ordeal at her home in Kenton.

**Biffy:** 1. All is on track for the Luderitz Conference. She updated the Club on the travel arrangements. 7 Rotarians are going, including one from Luanda.

2. Received an invitation for the Club to participate in a Shelterbox Project in Stellenbosch on 12<sup>th</sup> May. Justin to enquire whether Club members or Rotaract are interested in attending.

3. New pricing for meals at Palm House are now in place.

**Dennis:** Had received greetings to the Club from Odd Henning in Norway.

**Justin** gave a brief report back on the recent Rotary Braam Malherbe talk at Bergvliet High School Hall.

The talk had been well received and appreciated by all those who attended. Will need to look carefully at the marketing of these Talks for the future as attendance had been disappointingly low, particularly from the Interact Clubs. After costs, a small loss of approx. R250 was made on this event.

**Dave and Alan** entertained all present with some amusing stories and video clips.

**Justin** showed Members all the features and updates on the Wynberg Rotary webpage.

## "Guest" Speakers

## President's Sweetie Pie

The Sweetie Pie award was given to Justin and Ruth for organizing the Braam Malherbe talk.

## Swindle

A new Jackpot starting with R610. Amazingly the 9 of diamonds was drawn again (1:52 chance!) Karen incorrectly drew the Queen of spades and Kit won the R15 attendance prize.

<b>Duty Roster</b>	<b>April</b>			<b>May</b>
	12	19	26	3 Business meeting
Sergeant	Todd	Barnard	NO MEETING	Jackson
Wynpress Editorial	Schreiber	Smith		Todd
Wynpress Minutes	Van Niekerk	Bredenkamp		Cleveland
Door Duty	Bredenkamp	Cleveland		Bird
Grace	Bonga	Munday		O'Driscoll
Loyal Toast	Thomas	Van Niekerk		Bayes
International Toast	O'Driscoll	Munday		Overbosch
Speaker Intro and Thanks	Barnard	Bayes		N/A
Entertainment for the month		Cleveland, Dietrich, Munday, Schonegevel J, Jackson		Barnard, Bayes, Danckwerts, Gowdy, Thomas

## Dates To Diarise

<b>12 April</b>	Representative from Victoria Hospital to inform us of a new programme to counter the present high infant mortality rate in the ICUs.
<b>19 April</b>	Prof. Neil Armitage, UCT Civil Eng. Dept. "Moving towards a 'water sensitive' Cape Town".
<b>24 April (Tuesday)</b>	Raid on Cape of Good Hope RC, St James. Ex cricketer Vince van der Bijl as Guest Speaker.
<b>3 May</b>	Business Meeting.
<b>10 May</b>	Proposed raid on RC Am Kap. Sea Point High School debating teams also present. Meeting will be held in English!
<b>17 May</b>	TBC

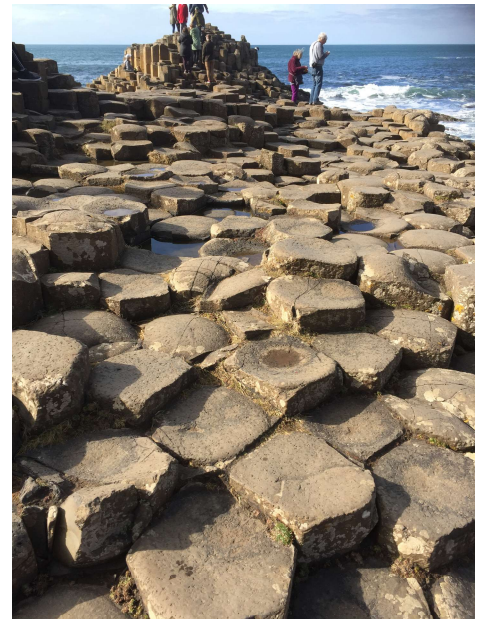
***Lord, Keep Your arm around my shoulder, and Your hand over my mouth!***

# Hugh's Nughs

*Yes, Mrs Maunder's little boy, Hugh is travelling again; and shares a yarn told to him in Northern Ireland:*

**Legend** will tell you that "The Giant's Causeway" is the aftermath of volcanic lava crashing, burning and cooling. An epic 60-million-year-old legacy to lava. Over 40,000 basalt columns are interlocked.

**In fact**, it was built by a giant by the name of Finn McCool who was having trouble with someone across the water. The Scottish giant Benandonner was threatening Ireland. An enraged Finn grabbed chunks of the Antrim coast and threw them into the sea. The rocks formed a path for Finn to follow and teach Benandonner a lesson..... Bad idea – Benandonner was terrifyingly massive. Finn beat a hasty retreat, followed by the giant, only to be saved by our hero's quick-thinking wife who disguised him as a baby. The angry Scot saw the baby and decided if the child was that big, the daddy must be really huge. He ran back to Scotland and destroyed most of the causeway from his end.



## Tailpiece

A social worker from a big city recently transferred to a tiny community and was on the first tour of her new area when she came upon the tiniest cabin she had ever seen in her life. Intrigued, she went up and knocked on the door.

"Anybody home?" she asked.

"Yep," came a kid's voice through the door.

"Is your father there?" asked the social worker.

"Pa? Nope, he left afore Ma came in," said the kid.

"Well, is your mother there?" persisted the social worker.

"Ma? Nope, she left just afore I got here," said the kid.

"But," protested the social worker, (thinking that surely she will need to intervene in this situation) "are you never together as a family?"

"Sure, but not here," said the kid through the door. "This is the outhouse!"