



Turning Wheels of Bulawayo Rotary Club



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MATOBO HILLS

The July 2001 edition of THE ROTARIAN reports on Rotary's key role in adding the City of Lyon, France, to UNESCO's list of 690 World Heritage Sites. The 2000-year-old city was founded by the Romans and now illustrates the exceptional way in which progress and the evolution of architectural design and town planning over many centuries. The Rotary Club of Lyon produced a video of the city's historical treasures.

In the last few weeks, the Bulawayo community has been involved in the combined effort of the Department of National Parks and Wild Life, the Department of National Museums and Monuments and the Matobo Conservation Society - supported by a technical committee, to apply to the World Heritage Committee for the Matobo Hills to be declared a World Heritage site. If this application is successful, it will join Khami Ruins, Great Zimbabwe, Mana Pools and Victoria Falls on the list of Zimbabwe's World Heritage sites. Not only would a successful application bring a positive impact for long-term job creation and growth of the tourist industry in Bulawayo, but recognises the importance of Africa heritage in the global context and will develop the preservation, conservation and management of the rich archaeological deposits, flora and fauna of the hills. The Matobo submission is based on a unique mixture of anthropology, rock art, birds of prey, geology, flora and fauna, spiritual and historical values. A dossier will be submitted to UNESCO representing the findings of many years of scientific research, detailed maps and documentary film together with a proposed management plan.

Matobo Hills are on our doorstep. How many of us take the advantage of regular visits? How many of us have seen the remains of the old railway station near Matobo Police Station reflecting past facilities for Bulawayo residents to enjoy a trip to the hills?

I can recall the unusual and enjoyable Presidential Induction lunch of the late Ray Simpson out at Gordon Park in 1989 with Rotarian Noel Scott leading a service beforehand and a braai lunch following. Is it not time we had another organised visit to the Matopos?

The City of Lyons is only two thousand years old; The Matobo Hills are four billion. Are we taking advantage of this unique site on our doorstep, Rotarians Noel and Odilo are captive visitors. How about the rest of us?

Gordon Geddes

Rotary District 9210 – Conference and Assembly 2002

“Malawi – Lake of Stars”

SUN-N-SAND RESORT – MANGOCHI (LAKE DISTRICT) MALAWI

THURSDAY 23rd MAY 2002 – SATURDAY 25th MAY 2002

FROM THE CONVENER

This is your conference. Help us to make it the way you would like it to be. Send us your views, ideas, suggestions. Recollect hearing this at PDG Eric Marquis conference:

“Reach out to people, work with them, learn from them and teach them, so that when the project is complete, THEY will say WE have done it”- A Chinese Philosopher

ACCOMMODATION

Please find attached the list and prices of Conference Hotels and Transit Hotels. In Blantyre, Protea Hotel Ryalls and in Lilongwe Le Meridien Capital Hotel are designated Conference transit venues.

Please Note- The rates quoted for Conference hotels are inclusive of Bed & Breakfast at the resort of your choice plus lunches, dinner, morning and afternoon teas at the Conference venue (SUN-N-SAND RESORT). Tentative plans for meals are as follows:

Wednesday	22 nd May 2002	-	“MEET & GREET” – DINNER
Thursday	23 rd May 2002	-	BUFFET LUNCH
			“BRAAI ON BEACH” DINNER
Friday	24 th May 2002	-	BUFFET LUNCH
			BANQUET DINNER
Saturday	25 th May 2002	-	“FAREWELL” LUNCH

For those wishing to stay over at the lake after the Conference, the same special rates will be applicable either for full board or bed and breakfast.

TRAVEL

ROAD	- Harare via Mozambique to Blantyre	- travel time 7 – 8 hours
	- Lusaka via Chipata to Lilongwe	- travel time 9 – 10 hours
	- Blantyre to Sun’n’Sand	- travel time 3 hours
	- Lilongwe to Sun’n’Sand	- travel time 4 – 5 hours

Please check that you have the correct travel documents, Passports, visas, health book (vaccinations) etc.

AIR - Majority of International flights are from Harare, Lusaka & Joburg. Flights from Nairobi land at Chileka Airport, Blantyre. Likewise many flights also land at Lilongwe International Airport. Connecting flights (in smaller aircrafts) from both these airports to Mangochi (air field closest to Conference venue). Flight details to be obtained from your travel agent closer to dates of Conference.

We are aware of the distances and travel times. If possible, it is advisable for participants to plan their journey such as to enable them reach the conference venue

before dark on Wednesday 22nd May 2002. However, if time or circumstances preclude you from doing this, then kindly arrange overnight accommodation in Blantyre or Lilongwe on Wednesday 22nd May 2002 and travel early morning to conference venue. Taking cognisance of this possibility, we are looking into arranging the conference opening session accordingly.

TRANSFERS

All transfer arrangements from Airports to Transit Hotels, to and from transit hotels to conference venues and the transfers between various resorts and Conference are being organised.

DRESSING

Smart casuals will be the order of the day, long sleeves and trousers for night with light pullovers and jackets. Please bring along the usual beach attire.

BANQUET DINNER

This will be a formal function. Dinner jackets or dark suits for men and evening dress for ladies please.

HOME HOSTING

Rotarians wishing to be hosted by friends or families during transit or at the lake are requested to make their own personal arrangements. But please inform us of the arrangements for our records.

POST CONFERENCE TOURS

A number of options are enclosed in your folder. If you wish to make arrangements of your choice, kindly contact ZINA DALE at rotaryconference2002@africa-online.net or you could contact your respective travel agent.

Finally, please send your registration as soon as possible keeping in mind our limitation of resorts at the lake. For any specific inquiry or further information vis-a-vis accommodation at the lake, please contact SAJID at srashid@malawi.net

Faruk Kidy

Convener

Membership Workshock – Harare 4th August, 2001

Moderator: PDG Mark Doyle – Zone Membership Co-ordinator

Convenor: PP Chris Molam – District 9210 Membership Co-chair

Introducer: DG Rafiq Nathanie

Helped by: DGE Peter Johnston, PDG Eric Marques & PDG Derrick McDiarmid

Present: Presidents John Brien (Harare), Doug McClymont (Highlands), Nick Dube (Harare City), Vanani Nyangulu (Harare Central), Manuel Lopes (Harare West) and Faxson Katiza (Hunyani), Presidents Elect Trish Geddes (Msasa), Brian Pardy (Harare Central) and Mike Rigby (Harare West), Lufti Mannan, Charles Salem (Harare), Boris Boynoff (Harare), Yogesh Viyas (Highlands) and PP Donald McDonald (Harare Central).

The Membership Workshock in Harare followed a highly participative brainstorming format answering a series of posed questions. These notes therefore should be read in conjunction with the Power Point Presentation entitled Membership Development:

Why do we need new members?

Important for Rotary Clubs are enough members for projects in serving mankind as well as for fellowship

New Members also:

- Lower the average age of aging clubs
- Bring new ideas and energy to tired clubs
- Provide a pool of future leadership for clubs and district
- Allow for attrition

Why does RI need new members?

Clubs accept that new members provide a source for important extra contributions for the Rotary Foundation thus swelling funds for more Matching Grants

RI President Rick Kings impassioned plea for Clubs and individual Rotarians to fulfill the Global Quest for “one new member per month, net five” in answer to the:

- Loss of members since 1995/96 to 2000 for the first time since World War Two and after the Wall Street Crash in 1929
- Goal of 1.5 million Rotarians worldwide by Rotary’s Centenary in 1905

What will attract new members?

Workshock participants recognised the importance of making their clubs essentially attractive for new members. New members are looking for:

- Self fulfillment through service
- Self enlightenment
- Self development
- Friendship and fellowship
- Opportunities to do meaningful service to their communities

New members want to join successful Rotary Clubs as “Success breeds Success”

Rotary does not publicise its service successes enough for members to be automatically attracted to becoming a member. The Internationality of Rotary is important to publicise. And some potential members only need to be asked!

What is an effective rotary Club?

Participants accepted that Rotarians should critically analyse whether their Clubs are effective and attractive enough to bring in the new members they need and retain members already in clubs. One way to make every Rotarian aware is to ask

Would you join your club now?

**The workshock noted Rick King's call
To develop and improve clubs and the suggested District 9210 five point plan
Strategies for increasing new members**

Centrally to the workshock was the development by delegates of strategies for increasing new members

- **An excellent example of a winning strategy is Msasa Rotary Club's "One from Two" strategy with each Rotarian paired off the by the Membership Rotarian (PDG Derrick McDiarmid) and allocated a month in which to bring in their new member**
- **Classification comparisons between clubs will draw attention to gaps especially of skills to fulfill particular Club projects The meeting noted Rotary's new structure of only two types of membership Active and Honorary and that Clubs can induct up to five members per classification.**
- **Advertising Rotary's achievement was accepted as essential and even advertising for members was supported. The eight Harare clubs resolution to seriously strategise a comprehensive Public Relations campaign during Rotary Awareness Month in January 2002 was strongly endorsed.**
- **Rotaract and alumni from GSE and Youth Exchange were adjudged fertile grounds for new members although very neglected. The meeting endorsed the need for rotary to educate Interactors and Rotaractors about Rotary so that eventual membership of Rotary becomes a natural progression. Round Table was another potential source of new members.**
- **Lady members for two of the Harare Clubs present were highlighted.**

Rotary International's Strategies for Increasing New Members

Workshock participants were particularly interested in RI's strategy to pursue:

- **Future leaders for the Rotary World where clubs invite 3 future leaders in the two age groups 20 to 29 and 30 to 35 to become Honorary members for 6 months and recommending the most pressing needs in the community for the club to service with their involvement before joint as full members.**

Also of interest was the strategy amongst DG's Other Ideas

- **Fellowship and Family Involvement whereby potential Rotarians and their families are invited by clubs to fellowship functions and service projects to learn about Rotary in conducive surroundings where they will be more receptive**
- **Member Orientation before Receiving Rotary Pins was also debated. The need for in depth orientation and induction in a formal and dignified manner is considered essential. A comprehensive package for new members and an active mentor (not necessarily the introducer) are also highly recommended. The wearing of Rotary pins with pride all the time is also strongly urged.**

- **There was also interest in the suggestion that PDGs be assigned to help “Weak Clubs” but questions were raised as to who decides what Clubs are weak? and What criteria are used to define weakness in Clubs?**

[NB After meeting note: Past District Governors Derrick McDiarmid and Eric Marques together with DG Rafiq Nathanie and DGE Peter Johnston are encouraged to debate the issue and decide on possible action]

“How to retain members?” was well debated:

- **Involve member in meaningful service projects in Rotary is essential**
- **Make club meeting interesting with good speakers addressing relevant issues**
- **Encourage longer serving members to inspire members with their experiences**
- **Promote the idea of make-ups at the other Clubs especially when traveling out of town to learn how diverse and different Rotary is around the world**
- **Motivate RINOS (Rotarians in name only) or badgers (those who wear the rotary badge only) i.e. Badger the badgers**

Web pages

<http://www.rotary.org>

<http://www.rotary.co.zw> (still under construction)

NB To post Club input onto District 9210’s Web page the contact is Sean Molam at Fleming Martin in Harare at seanm@sec.fmz.co.zw or snowy@mweb.co.zw

- **Frank Devlyn’s book Frank Talk which PDG Guy Cartwright welcomes the opportunity to address clubs about**
- **PDG Mark Doyle**

Extension

RI. President Rick King’s Global Quest challenges Rotary Districts to start at least three new Clubs in his year. Delegates proactively suggested:

- **Sun River/Borrowdale Brook (Harare West + PP Mick Cuerden of Harare Central)**
- **Ruwa (Harare West)**
- **Chitungwiza (Harare City President Nick Dube + Hunyani)**
- **Dandaro (Harare)**
- **Chimanmani (via PP Guy Cary at Outward Bound – Marondera President Andy Griggs)**
- **Nyanga (Harare City PP Marek Dergiman and PP Dave Shepherd. Harare to be involved in inaugural meeting of interested and potential Charter members on 19th October – DGE Peter Johnston)**
- **Mumbwa (Zambia being chartered?)**
- **Chipata**
- **Mzuzu**
- **Nacala**
- **Tete**
- **Sofala**

All Assistant Governors who are ex officio members of the District 9210 Membership and Extension Committee are encouraged to develop/investigate these extension opportunities.

CRL Molam/PDG Mark Doyle 12.8.01

AIDS EDUCATION

RI TASK FORCE

Dear AGs

I have been asked to lead the task force in District 9210 and 9200 on Aids Education. Rotary International believes this is where Rotaries main thrust on Aids will be for 2001 and 2002. I am sure that this will be an ongoing in the years ahead. There can be little doubt that HIV/AIDS is the biggest challenge facing the developing world.

I would like each one of you to ask your clubs what they are going to do on Aids Education. We are looking for ideas of how to tackle this task that we have been asked to carry out.

The Marondera Club intends to get the Interactors involved as it is felt that this is the ideal age group to be involved in Aids Education. I am not sure how the Marondera club will tackle this but I will keep you informed.

There is a lot of information that can be downloaded from RI but I believe that we must look for homegrown solutions!

Please keep the necessary Government Departments informed of any task that you undertake in State Schools.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours in Rotary Service

Guy

From New York

Today, the streets of Rotary District 7250, Brooklyn, Queens and Nassau Counties are impassable with all roadways filled with mourners as we bury six of our sons, a policeman from NY City and 5 Firemen from NY City. Mayor Rudy joins us as he frantically tries to be in all 6 areas.

These are HEROS that were not caught by surprise!

These Brave Men, set aside their thoughts of their wives, their children and entered the World Trade Center clearly understanding the risks they were taking. They did it for a "living."

Today, they live in our hearts!

Please...

Set aside the "politics" of debates and take a few minutes of silence.

Create an image in your mind:

A young man with his wife and children...

What was on his mind when he entered that building...

What he lived through in his final minutes...

Try and visualize the faces on these families right now!

I've seen them! And I've seen the look of horror on the entire community for John Kelly from Valley Stream, NY as it all assembles in front of my office as I came to work to man our e-mail.

Thank you for the outpouring love we're receiving from Rotarians all over! These messages go out to all every two hours.

And please, a little compassion for the "Smiling Policeman" for in the United States of America, we don't have too many of them right now!

In the USA, we NEED your compassion... for until this comes to a resolution, we have no peace, no feeling of safety and nothing solid to prop up against except for support! We're counting on all of you for that, for you are...

Our Fellow Rotarians!

In worldwide fellowship!

Peter Oleschuk
Assistant District Governor
Rotary District 7250
New York USA

WORLD PEACE

Do you remember that song:

*Last night I had the strangest dream,
I've ever had before,
I dreamt that all the World agreed,
To put an end to War?*

Alas, as Sir Basil Liddle-Hart said:

"To live in peace, you must understand War".

In the light of everyone still recovering from what happened in New York on 11 September 2001, my 5-year-old daughter said to me:

"Mommy, what's war?"

Wow, what a question, I took a deep breath...

"Well, Melissa, people fight wars when they believe in something."

"Do they use guns?"

"Yes, Melissa."

"And do people die?"

"Yes, Melissa."

"Even people who don't do anything, like children?"

"Yes, Melissa."

"That is unacceptable!"

And I suddenly thought, she's right, **THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE!** So, I agreed:

"Yes, Melissa, that is unacceptable."

"Well, I think you'd better tell somebody!" she said.

But whom would I tell? And what would I say? So, I decided to start by telling the people I know.

Last I heard, there were 33 countries at war! 33 countries in which people die daily - and I bet some of them don't even know why!

And what about the places where wars have been fought in the past? In Angola people still detonate land mines just walking down a road or in a field. In a remote

village in France people still come across potentially lethal warheads left over from World War II! Surely with all our modern technology we could be doing something more creative than finding new ways to destroy mankind?

What about using nuclear energy to generate electricity rather than eradicate a civilization?

And that's another thing, they call us "civilized" ... We cry out about and enforce laws concerning domestic violence. So, it's not OK to beat your wife or child, but it is OK to kill another person in another country over a disagreement? Isn't that a bit like smacking a child because he hit somebody? Where is the lesson? What is he learning? That it's OK to hit somebody if you are bigger and more powerful than them? Is that what America is all about? It's OK to start a war if you are a "superpower"? I don't think so!

I believe that we should be talking about "WORLD PEACE" and not World War. America is talking about a "War on Terrorism" - so stop breeding fear and making people afraid! Stop showing violent cartoons and movies on TV! Stop making and showing violent movies. Stop manufacturing guns and weapons of war! Start exposing people to Peace and Love. Help people to start imagining what it would be like to live in a world without terrorism, war and violence!

MELISSA AND I BELIEVE THAT WAR IS UNACCEPTABLE!

What do you believe?

Love and Peace

Shelley

Deep Thoughts!

Living on Earth is expensive, but it does include a free trip around the sun.

Birthdays are good for you: the more you have the longer you live.

How long a minute is depends on what side of the bathroom door you're on.

If ignorance is bliss, why aren't more people happy?

Most of us go to our grave with our music still inside of us.

If Wal-Mart is lowering prices every day, how come nothing in the store is free yet?

You may be only one person in the world, but you may also be the world to one person.

Some mistakes are too much fun to only make once.

We could learn a lot from crayons: some are sharp, some are pretty, some are dull, some have weird names, and all are different colors... but they all have to learn to live in the same box.

