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ROUNDTABLE
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THE LIGHTHOUSE

WHERE SERVICE BECOMES GUIDANCE, AND GUIDANCE BECOMES LEGACY.



EDITORS NOTE

In every generation, there are those who become the light.

There is something timeless about a lighthouse.

It stands without recognition or reward. It does not move. It does not seek attention. Yet, in moments of uncertainty, it becomes the single most important point on the horizon. It provides direction. It provides safety. It provides hope. This edition of Inkundla is dedicated to those who have become that light.

Across Southern Africa, Tablers stand firm in their communities. They lead not for status, but for purpose. They serve not for recognition, but because service defines who they are. Through challenge, change, and growth, they remain constant. They guide others. They build legacies. They illuminate paths that others may follow.

Like the lighthouse, Round Table does not exist for itself. It exists for those it serves, those it develops, and those who will one day carry its light forward.

In this edition, we celebrate the men who stand steady, who lead with conviction, and who continue to ensure that the light of Round Table shines brighter than ever before.

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“We do not serve for recognition.
We serve because others need the light.”

Editorial Note:

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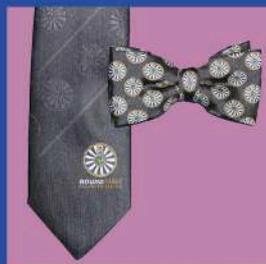
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A LIGHTHOUSE IN EVERY COMMUNITY FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

There is something powerful about a lighthouse. Standing firm against wind, rain and crashing waves, it does not move when storms come. It does not dim its light when darkness falls. It stands — constant, dependable, strong. A beacon of direction. A symbol of hope. A source of guidance.

As members of Round Table Southern Africa, we are called to be exactly that. A lighthouse. Not for ourselves — but for others.

Mr. Vos Botha
RTSA PRESIDENT
2025/26

A Beacon of Strength

A lighthouse does not shout. It does not demand attention. It simply shines.

As Tablers, we carry that same responsibility. In our communities, in our associations, and in our personal lives, we are often looked to for leadership, stability and action. We are men who step forward when something needs to be done. We are men who raise our hands when help is required. We are men who do not wait for perfect conditions, we act.

That is strength. Strength is not volume. It is consistency. It is showing up. It is keeping our word. It is serving even when no one is watching.

Our communities do not just need projects, they need hope. They need direction. They need to see that there are people who care deeply enough to make a difference. That is what makes us a lighthouse.

Protecting the Lighthouse

A lighthouse that is neglected will eventually crumble. Its light will fade. Its foundation will weaken.

It is our duty to ensure that Round Table remains strong, not only for today, but for generations to come. We are temporary custodians of something far greater than ourselves. The good work that has been done over decades did not happen by accident. It happened because men before us protected the association, upheld its values, and ensured that it remained relevant, safe and forward-thinking.

Now it is our turn. We must safeguard the integrity of our association. We must protect our standards. We must ensure that the culture we build today is one that future Tablers will be proud to inherit.

If we want Round Table to continue lighting up communities long after we are gone, we must invest in its foundation today.

Carrying Light and Hope

Throughout this year, I have had many conversations and delivered several presentations centred around one simple but powerful question: Why?

- Why do we do what we do?
- Why do we give our time, our energy, our resources?
- Why do we commit to meetings, socials, area raids, and community projects?

If our “why” is shallow, our light will flicker. If our “why” is unclear, our direction will fade. But if our “why” is strong, deeply rooted and firmly embedded, it becomes contagious. People do not only buy into what we do. They buy into why we do it.

When our purpose is clear, our light shines brighter. When our cause is just, our communities feel it. When our belief is authentic, others want to be part of it. That is how we build momentum. That is how we build belief. That is how we build the brand of Round Table.

Being the Lighthouse

Being a lighthouse is not always glamorous. It requires resilience. It requires patience. It requires standing firm when storms come, and they will come.

But a lighthouse never shines for itself. It shines so that others may find their way.

As Tablers, we are called to:

- Be strong in character
- Be clear in purpose
- Be unwavering in our “why”
- Be positive in our outlook
- Be intentional in our service

When we embody these principles, we do more than complete projects, we inspire belief. And when others believe in what we stand for, they join us. They carry the light with us. They become part of something bigger than themselves.

Lighting the Way Forward

The future of Round Table does not depend on a single president, a single executive, or a single year's theme. It depends on each Tabler choosing to shine where he stands. If every one of us commits to being a lighthouse in our own capacity, in our table, in our area, in our community, imagine the impact we can have. Imagine the darkness we can push back. Imagine the hope we can restore. Imagine the generations that will benefit from the work we protect and build today.

Let us ensure that our “why” is so strong that it cannot be shaken. Let us ensure that our light is so bright that it cannot be ignored. Let us ensure that Round Table remains a beacon of strength, direction and hope.

Gentlemen, may we never forget: We are not just members of an association. We are custodians of a lighthouse. And the world needs our light.

The Power of the Rondel

A YEAR THAT STARTED WITH PURPOSE

This year did not ease itself in quietly. It started with a bang, and with heartbreak. At the very beginning of the year, I had to say goodbye to my mother. It was an overwhelming and deeply emotional time for our family. We were incredibly close, and losing her left a space that words cannot truly describe.

But in that difficult moment, the true power of the rondel revealed itself once again. The support I received from my fellow Tablers — my brothers — was something I will never forget. Men travelled from far and wide to stand beside me at the funeral. Messages poured in. Calls came through. Shoulders were offered. Strength was shared. In my family's darkest moment, Round Table stood as a beacon of light. My mother was immensely proud of my journey in Round Table, and especially of serving as President of Round Table Southern Africa. She was proud of every Tabler and of the impact this association continues to make in our communities. To see the very organisation she believed in rally around me and my family was both humbling and powerful.

That is the rondel. Not just a badge. Not just a symbol. A brotherhood that shows up.

From personal sorrow, we moved into responsibility. Our Executive Council meeting in Polokwane was a productive and focused weekend. Final reports were presented, financial preparations were concluded, and detailed arrangements for ARSA were discussed and refined. Important motions were debated. Direction was clarified. Plans were aligned. There is strength in a room full of committed leaders working toward a shared vision — and that weekend reaffirmed the stability and forward momentum of Round Table Southern Africa.

“In my family's darkest moment, Round Table stood as a beacon of light.”

From there, I had the privilege of visiting one of our flagship projects, hosted by White River 64, the Sabi Tube Race.

What an experience. Nearly 3,000 people took to the river. The energy was electric. Friday and Saturday evenings brought vibrant fellowship and celebration. But beyond the festivities, what stood out most was the leadership on display. Younger Tablers executing a project of that magnitude with excellence, precision and passion. I was treated with incredible hospitality by the gentlemen of White River 64, and I am deeply grateful for the experience. Congratulations to every member involved in delivering such a successful and impactful project. It was a shining example of what Round Table can achieve when passion meets structure.



**It is going to be one
for the books.
#Unstoppable.**

The year continued with table visits and AGMs, and it has been truly encouraging to see the health of our Tables. Fellowship remains strong. Reporting standards remain high. The energy across our association is alive.

A special highlight was attending the Namibian AGM. Before even boarding the flight, the power of the rondel showed itself again. While at the airport, wearing my Round Table shirt, I was approached by Moses, Chairman of the Johannesburg 41ers Club. He recognised the shirt, asked if I was a Tabler, and even recognised me from social media. A conversation sparked instantly — proof that our rondel connects generations, associations and friendships beyond geography.

Namibia welcomed us in a way only Namibians can. The warmth. The hospitality. The fellowship. The simplicity and beauty of the dunes, the sea and the landscape created a setting that was unforgettable. The AGM itself was exceptionally well-run, with high-quality reporting and strong engagement. It was truly an honour to be part of it.

And yes, after the formalities, there was adventure. Mr Vice President, Wessel Dreyer, and I took to the dunes on dune buggies, an experience filled with adrenaline and laughter. Then came the dune driving with Dirkie Baard and his cruiser, where on more than one occasion we questioned our life choices! The steep drops and speed through the sand were thrilling, and unforgettable. Again, fellowship. Again, brotherhood. Again, the rondel in action.

The Road to ARSA – Fellowship in the Berg

Now we turn our focus toward ARSA, taking place from 23–26 April. Registrations are coming in steadily. Preparations for the Fourth ASCA meeting, the AGM, and the banquet are well underway. The planning teams are hard at work, and the excitement is building. The Berg will host us this year — and it promises to be phenomenal. The venue is immaculate. The arrangements are on track. The fellowship will be unmatched.

If the start of this year has shown us anything, it is this: The rondel is powerful. It carries us in grief. It unites us in purpose. It strengthens us in leadership. And it binds us together in fellowship. I cannot wait to see each of you at ARSA. It is going to be one for the books. Unstoppable.



A Tribute to Our 41ers

by Round Table Southern Africa President, Vos Botha

Gentlemen, Legend, 41er to be,

How does one stand in front of you and simply say thank you and goodbye?

Thank you for the time you have devoted to the Association that we all love.

Thank you for every meeting you attended.

Thank you for every social you supported.

Thank you for every Area Raid you committed to.

Thank you for every occasion where you showed up and lit up the room with your presence.

Thank you for the #impactfulchange you made within your Table, within your Area, and within the communities in which you live and served. Thank you for the time you gave to fellow Tablers. Thank you for allowing Round Table to shape you, and for putting yourself out there so that others could also be shaped and influenced through your example.

As President of Round Table Southern Africa, I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank you. Thank you for your devotion. Thank you for what you have brought to Round Table Southern Africa during your years of active Tabling.

Please know that this is not merely a routine end-of-February message marking the completion of your membership. This letter comes from the heart — from me as President, from the Executive Council, from the ASSCO, and from every single member of Round Table Southern Africa.

We salute you.

You are the heroes. You are the men who helped build Round Table into what it is today. You are the ones who pushed through when times were difficult. You are the example that others can look up to and say, “I have completed my term as a Tabler. I have made impactful change where I served. I am unstoppable.”

Thank you sincerely. We appreciate you deeply.

As you move into your next endeavours, go well. Be strong. And in whatever you do, carry it forward with the same unstoppable mindset that defined your journey in Round Table.

Give the Gift of Life

Join the Blood Drive!



Every drop counts. Every donor matters.

Blood is the invisible lifeline that keeps hospitals, clinics, and patients going. From routine surgeries to emergency care, from children fighting illness to adults in critical need, a single donation can save multiple lives. Yet, the demand for blood is constant, and the gift of donation is one that **cannot be manufactured** — it comes from generous, caring individuals like you.



This year, Round Table is proud to host a **community-wide Blood Drive**, bringing together volunteers, partners, and local heroes to ensure that no patient goes without the life-saving blood they need. Whether it's your

first donation or your fiftieth, your contribution makes a **real difference** — a tangible way to support your neighbours, friends, and even strangers in need.

Join us, roll up your sleeve, and experience the satisfaction of giving back in the most powerful way possible.

Together, we can save **lives**, build stronger communities, and inspire **hope** for those who need it most.



Stay tuned for event details, donation tips, and heartwarming stories of the lives you can touch.

QUEENSTOWN 16 REVIVES THE SPIRIT OF GIVING

After years of absence, Round Table Queenstown 16 proudly reignited a tradition of service by hosting a blood drive that reminded all in attendance of the profound impact of collective action. Held in Queenstown, the initiative drew an inspiring response from the local community. Residents answered the call with enthusiasm, stepping forward to contribute to a cause that transcends individual effort. Each donor represented more than a single act of generosity. They became part of a greater mission to preserve life and strengthen the bonds that unite the community.

The event marked more than the return of a blood drive. It symbolised the enduring commitment of Round Table Queenstown 16 to serve as a pillar within its community. Through leadership and initiative, the Table once again demonstrated its role in creating opportunities for meaningful service and tangible impact.

Blood donation remains one of the most powerful and immediate ways to save lives, and the remarkable turnout served as a testament to the compassion and unity that define the Queenstown community. The success of the drive stands as a reminder that when individuals come together with shared purpose, even the simplest act can become a beacon of hope.

As Round Table Queenstown 16 continues its work, this event represents not only a successful initiative but a renewed momentum. It reflects a Table firmly committed to guiding, serving, and strengthening its community, one life changing act at a time.



ALIWAL COMMUNITY SAVES LIVES



Round Table Aliwal 55 joined forces with the Rotary Club of Aliwal North and the South African National Blood Service for a life-saving initiative. Together, participants donated an impressive 53 pints of blood, with each donation capable of saving up to three lives - meaning over 150 people could benefit from this single day of giving.

The initiative demonstrated the town's commitment to service and the tangible impact that collective action can achieve. Residents rolled up their sleeves with enthusiasm and generosity, proving that even a small community can make a significant difference.

STUTTERHEIM 103 HOSTS LIFE-SAVING BLOOD DRIVE

On 16 January, Round Table Stutterheim 103 proudly hosted a community blood drive in partnership with the South African National Blood Service (SANBS). The initiative showcased the power of local support and the profound impact of collective action.

Members of the Stutterheim community responded enthusiastically, donating blood that will directly save lives and provide critical support to those in need. Each contribution reinforced the spirit of service that defines both the Table and the town it serves.

The blood drive exemplified the essence of community service, neighbours coming together to give where it matters most. Stutterheim once again demonstrated that a united community can create meaningful change.

OUTSTANDING BLOOD DRIVE TURNOUT

In November 2025, Round Table Stutterheim 103 partnered with the South African National Blood Service (SANBS) to host a community blood drive that exemplified the spirit of giving. Forty-one generous donors came forward, each contributing to a life-saving cause that underscores the vital impact of blood donation. The event highlighted the core values of Round Table - Adopt, Adapt, Improve - as members and community volunteers worked together to make a tangible difference. Every donation represented not just a contribution of blood, but a gift of hope for those in urgent need.



PRETORIA COLLECTIVE MAKES LIFE-SAVING IMPACT WITH “BLOOD BAIL” INITIATIVE

The Pretoria collective took over Atterbury Value Mart with a mission to save lives through their innovative “Blood Bail” project. The campaign challenged donors to contribute blood, with every 20 pints representing a “bailout” for a prisoner, turning a creative concept into a powerful act of service.

Thanks to the enthusiastic participation of the community, a total of 80 pints of blood was collected, resulting in four “prisoners” bailed out and potentially saving 240 lives. The initiative highlighted the collective power of individuals coming together to make a tangible difference, demonstrating how innovation and community spirit can combine to create extraordinary impact.

The Pretoria collective’s “Blood Bail” project stands as a testament to the enduring dedication of Round Table members and supporters to service, leadership, and giving where it matters most.



NCANDU 86 BLOOD DONATION DRIVE A RESOUNDING SUCCESS



Ncandu 86 Round Table hosted a community blood donation drive that showcased the power of collective action. Thanks to the generosity and support of the local community, 40 life-saving donations were collected, each one making a tangible difference in the lives of those in need.

The event was marked by fellowship, teamwork, and a shared commitment to service. Ncandu 86 extended heartfelt thanks to all donors, volunteers, and supporters, as well as to the local companies whose contributions helped make the day exceptional.

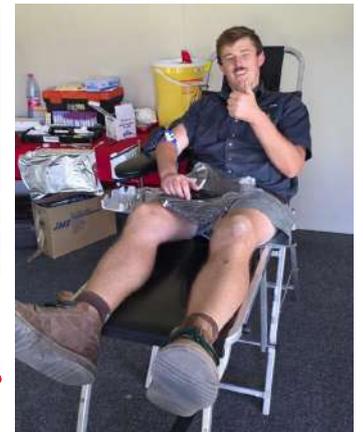
This successful blood drive highlights the Table’s dedication to meaningful community initiatives. Through collective effort, Ncandu 86 continues to demonstrate that service, compassion, and partnership can create lasting impact. The Table looks forward to welcoming the community again at future blood drives and upcoming projects.



KIRKWOOD 78 AND SANBS PARTNER FOR LIFE SAVING PINT FOR A PINT INITIATIVE

Round Table Kirkwood 78, in partnership with the South African National Blood Service, hosted a successful PINT for a PINT blood donation drive on 5 December 2025, collecting an impressive 77 pints of blood.

With each pint able to save up to three lives, the initiative has potentially impacted more than 200 lives. The event also saw Area Chairman Daneel Meiring donate blood for the first time, demonstrating leadership through service.



ALGOA 108 HOSTS SUCCESSFUL VALENTINE'S BLOOD DRIVE

Round Table Algoa 108 held a heartfelt blood drive over Valentine's weekend, encouraging the community to share more than love — to share life. The initiative successfully reached its target of 14 donations, with each pint of blood potentially saving up to three lives. The Table expressed sincere gratitude to every donor for their generosity and to the South African National Blood Service for their support in making the event a success. This initiative marked a strong start to the year, with Round Table Algoa 108 aiming to surpass their target in future drives.



ROUND TABLE 252 HOSTS SUCCESSFUL THIRD BLOOD DRIVE

Round Table 252 recently held their third blood drive, marking another successful day of community support and life-saving generosity. Donors turned out in force, contributing to an initiative that continues to grow in impact with each event.

The Table expressed heartfelt thanks to every donor, volunteer, and partner whose efforts ensured the day ran smoothly. Through their combined dedication, the drive not only provided critical blood supplies but also gave hope to those in need.

Round Table 252 reaffirmed their commitment to this ongoing initiative, highlighting the power of community and the difference that collective action can make.



KROONSTAD HOSTS SUCCESSFUL BLOOD DRIVE

RT42 partnered with the South African National Blood Service to host a community blood donation drive, collecting an impressive 43 units of blood.

Each unit has the potential to save up to three lives, meaning this initiative could help over 120 people in need. The event demonstrated the impact of collaboration between local organisations and the community, highlighting how collective effort can make a life-saving difference.



TABLERS GIVES THE GIFT OF LIFE

Driven by a clear mission to help people and make a positive impact in the community, members of Round Table Bethlehem 60 recently took part in a life-saving initiative: a blood drive.

By donating blood, these members contributed directly to saving lives, demonstrating that service goes beyond words. Their actions reflect the values that guide Round Table – service, compassion, and action – and show how a committed community can make a real difference.



150 PINTS OF LIFE-SAVING BLOOD

Tablers of Round Table Ficksburg 98 recently hosted a successful blood drive, collecting an outstanding 150 pints of life-saving blood.

This remarkable effort was made possible by generous donors, dedicated volunteers, and supportive community members who came together for a shared cause.



ONE COMMUNITY, HUNDREDS OF LIVES SAVED

Tablers of Ficksburg 98 and their local community demonstrated extraordinary generosity during a blood drive held on 5 and 6 August 2025. Over the course of just two days, a total of 153 pints of blood were donated to the South African National Blood Service, potentially saving up to 459 lives.





What's Happening in **THE AREAS**

BORDER

STUTTERHEIM 103 HOSTS BORDER AREA CHAIRMAN FOR INSPIRING EVENING

Round Table Stutterheim 103 recently hosted a memorable evening with a special visit from Border Area Chairman, Robin Rutters. The gathering was marked by lively fellowship, engaging conversations, and renewed inspiration for the months ahead. Members reflected on the shared commitment that defines the Round Table, and celebrated the active role their Area plays in fostering leadership, service, and community impact. The visit served as a reminder of the strength and passion within the Border Area, highlighting the importance of collaboration and shared purpose across Tables.

Round Table Stutterheim 103 continues to build on this momentum, ensuring that each meeting not only strengthens camaraderie but also reinforces their dedication to meaningful service.

**INSPIRED TONIGHT
IMPACTING TOMORROW**



AWARENESS AND SPIRITS

Queenstown 16 hosted its highly anticipated **Wine Walk**, an evening that united the community in support of breast cancer awareness. The event drew residents in remarkable numbers, many donning pink to show solidarity for the cause, creating a vibrant and meaningful celebration. The Wine Walk not only highlighted the importance of breast cancer awareness but also exemplified the power of community coming together for a shared purpose. Attendees enjoyed a curated selection of wines, engaging activities, and the camaraderie that has become a hallmark of Round Table events.

This event would not have been possible without the generosity of its sponsors. Main sponsors included Protea Spar, Love 4x4, Luxo Molen, EZ Orthotics, Build It Queenstown, and Romans, while event day supporters such as Black Swan, Multi Trust, GC Padel, Delsolve, Kei Cut Flowers, Tribal Cats, AS Physiotherapy, Super Clean, and Likka Land contributed to creating an unforgettable evening.

The success of the Wine Walk reflects the dedication and spirit of both the Table and the wider Queenstown community. Through events like this, Round Table Queenstown 16 continues to demonstrate its commitment to service, awareness, and community engagement, leaving a lasting impact on all who attend.



ALIWAL 55 CELEBRATES 38TH ANNUAL BRAAI AT HUIS VAN DER HORST

Round Table Aliwal 55 marked a special occasion at Huis van der Horst with their 38th annual braai, creating an afternoon filled with joy, community, and celebration. Residents and guests were treated to delicious grilled meats, sweet treats, and an atmosphere that lifted everyone's spirits.

A highlight of the event was a memorable performance by Oom Hennie, whose music brought smiles and laughter to all in attendance. The day was made possible through the generous support of sponsors, with a special mention to Pick n Pay Aliwal for their substantial contribution.

Photographs capturing the warmth and happiness of the occasion were beautifully provided by Tannie Antonette van Pletzen, preserving the memories of this remarkable day.

Events like these serve as a reminder of the power of giving back and sharing joy within the community. Round Table Aliwal 55's 38th braai was a testament to the enduring spirit of service, fellowship, and celebration that defines the Table's ongoing commitment to making a difference.

TURNING THE TABLES ON HUNGER WITH "TINS FOR TUMS"

Round Table Aliwal 55 achieved remarkable success with their recent "Tins for Tums" initiative, collecting over R9 000 worth of tinned food and non-perishable items thanks to the overwhelming support of the local community.

The campaign highlighted the Table's commitment to addressing food insecurity and ensuring families in need have access to essential supplies. Every tin and every packet donated contributed directly to putting meals on tables across the region, demonstrating the tangible impact of community-driven service.

Round Table Aliwal 55 extended heartfelt gratitude to all donors, whose generosity transformed a simple act of giving into a meaningful contribution that will resonate throughout the season. Initiatives like "Tins for Tums" reinforce the organisation's mission to serve, support, and uplift those who need it most.



BOSVELD

BRIGHT FUTURES AT PHUTHANANG PRIMARY

Round Table Pretoria Collective proudly partnered with Phuthanang Primary School in Soshanguve to provide essential resources for Grade 1 learners preparing for the new school year. Through the Bright Futures Drive, the Table donated R25 000 to supply 50 complete stationery packs, each containing backpacks, stationery, and classroom essentials to equip students for success.

Beyond stationery, the initiative addressed broader school needs by donating 50 reams of copy paper, sanitary pads, toilet paper, soap, and lotion, ensuring that both educational and basic hygiene requirements were met.

The project embodies the Table's commitment to service, education, and community upliftment. As one member reflected, "When Round Table stands with a child, we lift not only a future leader, but an entire family fighting to rise above hardship."

Through initiatives like the Bright Futures Drive, Round Table Pretoria Collective continues to make a meaningful difference, building brighter futures and empowering the next generation, one child at a time.



HEART-TO-HEART R5 PROJECT

Round Table Pretoria Collective concluded their final R5 project of the year at Food Lover's Market, Gateway Plaza, in support of the Heart to Heart Foundation. The initiative encouraged community members to donate non-perishable food items, generating a remarkable total of R16 961 in contributions.

These donations will be distributed to local old-age homes and individuals experiencing homelessness, ensuring that essential support reaches those who need it most. The success of the project reflects the generosity and compassion of the Pretoria community, as well as the Table's ongoing commitment to service.



ROUND TABLE PRETORIA COLLECTIVE SUPPORTS OSMAN ANIMAL RESCUE WITH HEARTFELT DONATIONS

The ladies of the Round Table Theatre joined the Round Table Pretoria Collective for a morning of giving at Osman Animal Rescue in Erasmia. Bringing blankets, food, and toys, the team sought to provide tangible support for the animals in the organisation's care.

Founded in 2021, Osman Animal Rescue tirelessly rescues, rehabilitates, re-homes, and educates the community about animals in need. The visit allowed the Pretoria Collective to witness firsthand the dedication of the team, while their donations helped keep animals warm, well-fed, and entertained.

Thanks to the generosity of donors from the RTT Show, the initiative brought joy and comfort to many animals, ensuring wagging tails, happy purrs, and a brighter future for those under the Rescue's care. This event exemplifies the Table's commitment to service, compassion, and community engagement beyond human needs, extending care to the broader world around them.



PRETORIA COLLECTIVE BRINGS THE GIFT OF HEARING TO CHILDREN

Hearing Loss in South African Children By the Numbers:

- Approximately 6 000 babies are born with or develop early onset hearing loss in South Africa every year, highlighting the scale of the challenge families face.
- 2 out of every 100 children in South Africa are estimated to have profound hearing loss, underscoring the need for early detection and intervention.
- In some underserved communities, hearing loss affects between 2.3% and 3.1% of preschool-aged children, meaning many youngsters may struggle without support if not identified early.
- Every day in South Africa, an estimated 17 babies are born with hearing loss, reinforcing the importance of early screening, treatment, and access to devices such as hearing aids.



Round Table Pretoria Collective recently had the privilege of supporting Abby and Zuan in receiving new hearing aids, transforming their ability to experience the world. Partnering with the Foundation for Children with Hearing Loss in Southern Africa, the initiative enabled these two children to hear for the very first time, opening doors to laughter, learning, connection, and new possibilities.

Hearing is more than sound, it is the foundation for communication, friendship, and growth. Through this meaningful contribution, Round Table Pretoria Collective has helped Abby and Zuan embrace a fuller, richer experience of life, allowing them to connect with their families, peers, and environment in ways previously impossible.

This remarkable initiative embodies the Table's commitment to service that changes lives, giving children the chance to grow, communicate, and thrive.

Video links capturing Abby and Zuan's first moments of hearing:

Abby: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uPH5owc1iAq>

Zuan: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RMHhHHjrEBA>

DRAKENSBERG



LEADING THROUGH SERVICE

At Round Table PMB12, the strength of brotherhood is at the heart of everything they do. In a world of constant change, the men of PMB12 stand together with purpose, compassion, and integrity, creating a force that uplifts both their communities and one another. Brotherhood goes beyond friendship. It is about showing up, supporting one another, and building something greater than themselves. It is found in late nights planning projects, in laughter and honest conversations, and in the shared accountability that ensures challenges are faced together. As Tablers, the men of PMB12 do not walk alone. They lead, serve, support, and grow, united in action and vision. Their commitment reflects the core values of Round Table: Adopt. Adapt. Improve. This article celebrates the members of PMB12, those who choose action over excuses, unity over ego, and service over self-interest. Together, they make a tangible difference, proving that brotherhood is not just a bond, but a force for positive change.

COMMUNITY CARE IN ACTION

Round Table PMB12 partnered with SPAR to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those in need this festive season. Generous donations enabled the Table to provide support to Joseph Baynes Children's Home, Mama Ntombi's Community Projects, and Esther House, bringing comfort, hope, and smiles to residents and community members alike.

The initiative highlights the power of collaboration, with The Round Table Kloof 190 also joining in to amplify the impact. Together, these efforts demonstrate how community partnerships can create real and lasting change, turning generosity into tangible results for local projects.

Through initiatives like this, Round Table PMB12 continues to embody the values of service, compassion, and brotherhood, showing that thoughtful action and collective effort can brighten lives and uplift entire communities.



BOWLS DAY FUNDRAISER

Ncandu 86 hosted a lively Bowls Day to raise funds in support of the Table's ongoing initiatives. The event attracted 28 teams, creating a fun-filled and competitive atmosphere that engaged both members and the wider community.

The success of the day was made possible by the enthusiasm and support of participants, winners, and local supporters, as well as the collaboration of surrounding Round Table members who joined in the festivities.

Ncandu 86 expressed heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved, recognising that community engagement and collective effort are what make such initiatives truly impactful. Events like the Bowls Day not only support the Table's projects but also strengthen fellowship and camaraderie within the Round Table network.



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GRAHAMSTOWN 11 WELCOMES AREA CHAIRMAN

Round Table Grahamstown 11 had the honour of hosting Area Chairman Daneel Meiring at their business meeting, alongside visiting members from Kirkwood 78, Adelaide 194, PE West 142, and Alex Kenton 210.

The evening was defined by strong fellowship, meaningful discussion, and the sharing of valuable insight between Tables. Members had the opportunity to draw on the experience, knowledge, and resources of fellow Tablers, strengthening collaboration and gaining guidance on both past and future projects.

The visit highlighted the importance of unity and leadership within the Round Table network, reinforcing the shared commitment to service and growth. Grahamstown 11 expressed sincere appreciation to the Area Chairman for his dedication, guidance, and continued support, recognising the positive influence of his leadership throughout his tenure.



A STEADY LIGHT: JOHN TOM OF CRADOCK 37

In every community, there are individuals who serve as guiding lights, steady, dependable, and committed to illuminating the path for others. For Cradock, that light shines brightly through John Tom.

Born and bred in the heart of Cradock, John's roots run deep within his community. His understanding of its people, its challenges, and its potential has shaped his unwavering dedication to service. Since joining the movement in 2018, John has grown into a pillar of strength within the organisation, consistently helping to steer initiatives that uplift and empower those around him.

His introduction to Tabling came through the encouragement of Ioannis Katakouzinis, fondly known as 'Kati'. Like a lighthouse keeper recognising promise in the distance, Kati's guidance helped John find his place within Round Table. From that moment, John embraced the journey with purpose and conviction.

Over the years, John has carried numerous portfolios, each one an opportunity to grow, to lead, and to serve. His contributions have not only strengthened his local Table but have also inspired those around him. Through his actions, he demonstrates that leadership is not about standing above others, but about standing firm so others may find their way.

What continues to fuel John's passion is the organisation's unwavering commitment to charity and community involvement. For him, Tabling is more than meetings and projects. It is about being a constant source of hope and progress. It is about being present when it matters most. John's message to others reflects the very essence of the lighthouse theme. He believes that those seeking to make a meaningful impact while growing personally and professionally will find their purpose within Round Table. It is a place where ordinary individuals become beacons of change.

Through his dedication, humility, and service, John Tom stands as a steady light for Cradock, proof that when one person commits to serving others, their influence can reach far beyond the horizon.



A NIGHT OF MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP

Round Table Cradock 37 proudly hosted their first Music Trivia Evening on Valentine's Day at the Cradock Golf Club, bringing together the community for a memorable night of music, laughter, and fellowship.

The evening was filled with vibrant energy as teams enjoyed friendly competition and shared moments of joy. More than just a social event, it reflected the spirit of Round Table, serving as a beacon that unites people and strengthens community bonds.

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP WITH ROUND TABLE SWEDEN

Round Table Cradock 37 had the privilege of hosting Henrik Ocklind from Round Table 129 Jönköping.

Henrik, who has previously visited South Africa and travelled through Cape Town and the Garden Route, chose to explore the Karoo during this visit. The evening was filled with great conversation, laughter, and true Round Table fellowship.

Visits like these highlight the strength of the international Round Table network and the lasting friendships that connect Tablers across the world.



CRADOCK BRINGS CHRISTMAS JOY TO CHILDREN

Round Table Cradock 37 extends its heartfelt gratitude to everyone who supported the Hope for Kids Christmas Project. Through the generosity, time, and kindness of the community, toys, gifts, and treats were distributed to children at the Moana Day Care Center and the Cradock Child Welfare Center in Michausdal.

This initiative brought smiles, joy, and hope to children during the festive season, reminding us all of the power of giving and community spirit. Every contribution, no matter the size, played an important role in making Christmas brighter and more meaningful for those who needed it most.



UNITED THROUGH SPORT AND FELLOWSHIP

Round Table Cradock 37 proudly hosted a successful 6 A Side Cricket Tournament and steak evening, bringing together the people of Cradock in a wonderful spirit of unity, community, and shared love for sport.

The day was filled with exciting cricket action, while supporters also gathered to watch the Springboks on the big screen, creating an atmosphere of true South African pride. Families enjoyed quality time together, with children making the most of the opportunity to play and connect, while adults shared in relaxed fellowship and camaraderie.



CRADOCK 37 CLOSES THE YEAR WITH FELLOWSHIP

In December 2025, Round Table Cradock 37 joined their buddy Table, Round Table Kirkwood 78, for the latter's final business meeting of the year.

The gathering brought together members from three Tables across two Round Table Areas, creating a wonderful evening of fellowship, shared stories, and collaboration. The night concluded with a delicious steak dinner, reflecting the camaraderie, warmth, and genuine spirit that defines Round Table.

It was the perfect way to celebrate the year's achievements, strengthen bonds, and set the tone for continued service and friendship in the year ahead.



CRADOCK 37 SUPPORTS LOCAL CHARITIES WITH COMMUNITY DONATIONS

In October, Round Table Cradock 37 successfully collected clothes and non-perishable food items from the generous people of Cradock. These donations were distributed to three local community-based charity organisations, providing essential support to those in need.

The Table extends heartfelt thanks to Cradock Preparatory School and other local organisations for their kindness, generosity, and active participation. Their contributions helped ensure the success of these projects and demonstrated the power of a community coming together to make a meaningful impact.



CARRYING THE TORCH: A LEGACY OF SERVICE AT KIRKWOOD 78

By Hernus Swart, RT Kirkwood 78

My journey with Kirkwood Round Table 78 didn't begin when I became a pipeliner three months ago; it really began in 1996. I was four years old when my father joined, eventually taking the chair in 2000. Growing up in this community was a privilege I didn't fully understand back then, but I certainly felt it. I had a built-in group of friends wherever my parents went. Round Table was simply the backdrop of my life. It was present in the stories told around braai fires, in the memorabilia scattered around my childhood home, and in the friendships that have lasted to this day.

When I became a father myself in 2022, I began to reflect on the life I wanted for my own boys. One thing was certain: I wanted them to feel part of something bigger than themselves. It is important to me to teach my sons that we must be active participants in our community, not just spectators.

Stepping into the role of a pipeliner, and now a full member for the past two months, has been a homecoming. It is amazing to see that the traditions my father always spoke so highly of are still kept alive by the current Tablers. The brotherhood here feels less like a club and more like a family. My wife and I were welcomed with open arms from day one, and I couldn't be prouder to share this journey with her.

The highlight of this journey so far was my induction ceremony. Having my father there to pin me himself was a moment I will never forget. He passed down an old hat of his, filled with pins - each one a memory, a story, and a lesson. It is a massive honour to continue his legacy. I am incredibly proud to be a Tabler, to give back to the Kirkwood community, and to hopefully build a legacy of service that my sons will one day want to follow.



MEMORABLE STEAK EVENING

Round Table Kirkwood 78 recently held their much-anticipated Steak Evening, delivering an unforgettable night filled with community spirit and camaraderie. The event saw an excellent turnout, with supporters from the local community coming together to enjoy a delicious evening.

Members of Round Table Kirkwood 78 prepared approximately 210 steaks, ensuring guests were well-fed and the atmosphere lively. The evening highlighted the dedication, teamwork, and hard work of the Table's members, whose efforts were instrumental in making the event a resounding success.

The Table expressed sincere gratitude to all attendees and supporters, emphasising that community backing is essential in helping them continue their impactful work. With such strong participation and enthusiasm, Round Table Kirkwood 78 looks forward to many more successful events in the future.



SPREADING JOY THROUGH SANTA SHOEBOX PROJECT

Round Table Kirkwood 78 proudly supported the Santa Shoebox Project in 2025, bringing joy and hope to children in need during the festive season.

Through the generous support of donors and volunteers, the Table successfully handed out 73 shoeboxes to learners at two local schools. Each box contained essential items such as toiletries, clothing, sweets, and a toy, offering both practical support and a meaningful gesture of care.

The initiative was met with excitement and gratitude, reflecting the powerful impact of community driven service. Round Table Kirkwood 78 extended sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to making the project a success and helping create lasting smiles.



BROVEMBER BRAAI

Kirkwood 78 hosted a successful Brovember Braai bringing members and guests together in support of men's mental health.

The event encouraged open conversation, strengthened brotherhood, and created a welcoming space for meaningful connection. The strong turnout reflected the importance of supporting one another and raising awareness around mental wellbeing.



KIRKWOOD 78 CONTINUES VALLEIHOF BRAAI TRADITION

Round Table Kirkwood 78 proudly hosted their annual braai for the residents of Valleihof Old Age Home, continuing a valued tradition of service and community engagement.

Tablers prepared and served a warm meal to the residents, creating an atmosphere filled with meaningful conversation, shared stories, and genuine connection. The residents thoroughly enjoyed the occasion, and the appreciation shown made the effort especially rewarding.

This annual initiative remains close to the Table's heart, reflecting their ongoing commitment to supporting and uplifting members of their community through fellowship and service.



ROUND TABLE KIRKWOOD 78 STRENGTHENS BONDS WITH 41'ERS SPITBRAAI

Kirkwood 78 hosted a special spitbraai, bringing together current members and their respected 41'ers, many of whom helped build the Table into the strong and vibrant organisation it is today. The gathering provided an opportunity to share stories, reflect on the Table's journey, and strengthen the bond between past and present members. The experience and continued support of the 41'ers serve as a source of inspiration, encouraging current Tablers to uphold the values and legacy of Round Table. The event celebrated fellowship, tradition, and the enduring spirit that continues to connect generations of Tablers.



SERVING SUCCESS ON BURGER DAY

Kirkwood 78 hosted another highly successful Burger Day in 2025, with an impressive total of 426 burgers sold. The event drew strong support from the community and created an enjoyable atmosphere of fellowship and engagement.

The success of the day was made possible by the dedication of the Table's members and the enthusiastic support of those who attended. Initiatives such as Burger Day continue to play an important role in strengthening community ties while supporting the Table's ongoing service efforts. With growing support each year, Burger Day remains a highlight on the Kirkwood 78 calendar.



FELLOWSHIP AT RIVER RAMBLE 2025

Tablers from Kirkwood 78 recently attended the River Ramble 2025, hosted by Round Table Port Alfred at the scenic Mansfield Game Reserve. The event offered an excellent opportunity for fellowship, connection, and strengthening bonds between Tables. With a welcoming atmosphere, beautiful surroundings, and strong camaraderie, the River Ramble proved to be a memorable experience for all who attended.

ANOTHER FUN-FILLED MUSIC BINGO EVENING

Round Table Algoa 108 recently held another hugely successful Music Bingo evening, bringing together the community for a night of laughter, dancing, and fun. The event featured a few exciting twists in the first round, keeping participants on their toes and adding to the evening's energy.

Funds raised from the event will support Twinkle Twinkle Little Star Children's Care Home and Theo Snyers, two worthy causes that reflect the Table's commitment to making a meaningful impact in the community.

The Table extended thanks to all sponsors who provided spot and main prizes, as well as to the hosts, The Music Kitchen and I Do Quiz, for ensuring the evening ran smoothly and memorably. The event once again highlighted the power of community, fun, and giving back.



ALGOA 108 SUPPORTS SAVE-A-PET

Round Table Algoa 108 had the privilege of presenting a cheque to Save-a-Pet Port Elizabeth. Funds raised from their earlier Music Bingo evening contributed to the construction of new kennels, providing much-needed shelter for the animals.

With the support of the community, the Table managed to raise over R20,000, helping Save-a-Pet care for and rehome dogs in need. Members also had the joy of handing out treats to the residents of the shelter, while witnessing firsthand the ongoing need for adoption.



RAISING OVER R40K AT JAM JAR RALLY

Round Table Algoa 108 hosted their annual Jam Jar Rally, the Table's biggest project of the year. While the weekend was filled with fun, fellowship, and community spirit, the primary goal was to raise funds for a lasting impact in the local area.

This year, the rally benefited Laerskool Sondagsrivier. Thanks to the generosity of participants and supporters, over R40,000 was raised. The funds will be used for repairs, renovations, and sports equipment for the school's sports department, ensuring a meaningful and long-term difference for the learners.



R17,200 IN MILES OF TINS INITIATIVE

RT142 hosted their annual Miles of Tins initiative, achieving outstanding success thanks to the generosity of the community. The event raised a total of R17,200 in donations to support the Algoa Bay Council for the Aged.

Special thanks were extended to SUPERSPAR Sunridge, Sunridge Village, and every individual who donated, cheered, or supported the initiative along the way. The Table also acknowledged their 41'ers, whose continued participation and dedication remain a source of inspiration.

The initiative highlighted the power of community, commitment, and fellowship, making a meaningful impact for the elderly in the area.



ROUND TABLE PE WEST 142 SHARES FELLOWSHIP AND MEN'S MENTAL HEALTH MESSAGE GLOBALLY

In 2024, Round Table PE West 142 celebrated a remarkable achievement by winning the Travel Bingo to the Seychelles. Two members, Dewald Niemand and Cornel Strydom, represented the Table at the AGM of Round Table Seychelles, where a simple spark - a bright EP Area shirt led to meaningful conversations about the #DontCamoYourself campaign, aimed at raising awareness for men's mental health.

In a gesture of fellowship, PE West 142 sent EP Area shirts to the Seychelles Table members, who now proudly wear them while helping carry the campaign's message forward. This small act is a symbol of global connection, awareness, and support, inspiring conversations about men's mental health across borders. Through initiatives like this, Round Table PE West 142 continues to demonstrate that brotherhood, awareness, and collective action can make a real difference in communities both locally and internationally.



BEACH CLEANUP AT BLUEWATER BAY

Round Table PE West 142 recently organised a beach cleanup at Bluewater Bay, bringing together community members to help maintain a clean and beautiful coastline. The initiative received strong support from volunteers, with special thanks to The Recycling Kid and Howzat Localz for their contributions. Through collective effort, the event highlighted the Table's commitment to environmental stewardship and creating a greener, more sustainable community.



ROUND TABLE 177 AND LADIES CIRCLE 29 SUPPORT PORT ALFRED SPCA

Round Table 177, in partnership with Ladies Circle 29, recently carried out a joint project at the Port Alfred SPCA. Volunteers provided much-needed assistance with maintenance around the premises, helping to improve the environment for the animals and support the organisation's ongoing work. The collaboration exemplified the impact of teamwork and community service in making a tangible difference.



ROUND TABLE 177 BUILDS MUD KITCHEN FOR PRE-PRIMARY

Members of Round Table 177, including Keanen Hendricks, Grant Douglas Kew, and Nico Von Wielligh, recently came together to construct a mud kitchen for the Port Alfred High School Pre-Primary. The materials for the project were generously donated by The Branding Dudes.

The initiative provided a hands-on way to give back to the community while creating a fun and educational space for the young learners. Round Table 177 expressed sincere thanks to everyone involved for their time, effort, and commitment to making a positive impact.





ROUND TABLE 252 ANNUAL GOLF DAY A RESOUNDING SUCCESS

Round Table 252 recently hosted their Annual Golf Day, and the event proved to be a memorable celebration of fellowship, sport, and community support. Participants enjoyed a day filled with energy, teamwork, and great spirits on the course, making the event a highlight on the Table's calendar.

The success of the day was made possible through the generosity of a wide range of sponsors, including Pick n Pay, Angling and Marine Connection, Jeffreys Bay Craft Brewery, Wedgwood Golf Club, and many others. Their support elevated the day, helping to create an enjoyable and well-organised experience for all attendees.

Round Table 252 was also honoured to host Round Table Southern Africa President, Vos Botha, who joined in the festivities and engaged with members throughout the day.



RT252 CHAMPIONS MEN'S HEALTH WITH NOVEMBER 2025 RUN

In support of the Movember campaign, Round Table 252 Chairman Shawn Vosloo took on an impressive 18km run alongside Round Table Southern Africa President, Vos Botha, demonstrating that men's mental and physical health matters.

The run was a powerful reminder that sometimes the best way to support a cause is to challenge yourself beyond your limits. Through their effort, Shawn and Vos highlighted the importance of self-care, checking in on others, and staying active, inspiring the community to prioritise wellbeing.

RT252 celebrated their leadership and commitment, reinforcing that Movember is more than a month - it is a movement. Their example encourages ongoing awareness, conversation, and action for men's health throughout the year.



STRENGTHENING BONDS WITH BUDDY TABLE ALGOA 108

Round Table 252 recently enjoyed a day of fellowship and friendly competition with their Buddy Table, Round Table Algoa 108. The event was filled with laughter, camaraderie, and spirited challenges, highlighting the enduring friendship between the Tables.

In the Darts Challenge, Round Table 252 claimed victory, adding to the fun and excitement of the day. Both Tables celebrated the opportunity to connect, share experiences, and reinforce the strong bond that underpins their collaboration.

The event reaffirmed the value of fellowship and teamwork, with members looking forward to many more shared moments and friendly competitions in the future



SMILES WITH SCOOBY DUNES TOY TRAILS

Round Table 252 hosted the Scooby Dunes Toy Trails, spreading joy to children in need with a remarkable turnout and community support. Over 160 toys were handed out, bringing priceless smiles and creating heartwarming memories for the day.

The Table extended sincere thanks to everyone who participated, donated, and supported the initiative, as well as to the generous sponsors who made the event possible. Through their combined efforts, Round Table 252 demonstrated the power of community, teamwork, and giving, creating a truly magical experience for the children.



FELLOWSHIP AT RIVER RAMBLE 2025

RT252 Chairman Shawn Vosloo joined Tablers for a memorable weekend at the River Ramble. The event combined early-morning fishing casts with storytelling around the campfire, offering the perfect mix of fellowship, fun, and friendly competition.

While a few fish may have gotten away, the smiles, laughter, and camaraderie captured the true spirit of Round Table, bringing Tablers together to share experiences, strengthen bonds, and enjoy the great outdoors. The River Ramble once again highlighted the value of friendship and community within the Table.

ROUND TABLE JEFFREYS BAY / HUMANSDORP 252 CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

Round Table 252 had the privilege of welcoming Alexander Strasshofer, a long-standing member of Round Table 3 Innsbruck in Austria and current Club 41 member.

The evening featured inspiring stories, reflections on the meaning of Round Table, and a social gathering that highlighted the enduring bonds of fellowship. Alex's visit exemplified the true spirit of Table - friendship, unity, and lifelong connections that cross borders.

Round Table 252 extended warm thanks to Alexander for sharing his experiences and spirit, celebrating the enduring motto: once a Tabler, always a Tabler.



ZWARTKOPS SUPPORTS CAT CARE

Round Table 195 Zwartkops handed over a R15,000 donation from their golf day to Cat Care Port Elizabeth, along with cat food generously donated by b4 Architects.

The Table expressed gratitude to all who supported the event, helping make a meaningful contribution to the welfare of local cats. Special thanks were extended to Wedgewood Golf Club for hosting the golf day and ensuring its success.



A LIGHTHOUSE OF SUPPORT AMID KOUGA FIRES



When disaster strikes, communities rely on guiding lights to navigate uncertainty. In a powerful display of solidarity and service, Round Table 252 Jeffreys Bay / Humansdorp stepped forward as a true lighthouse for the Kouga region, providing essential support to the firefighters battling the devastating fires that swept across the area.

The fires posed a serious threat to homes, livelihoods, and the natural environment, and the courage and dedication of the local firefighters were on full display. Recognising the immense pressure on these frontline heroes, Round Table 252 mobilised quickly, organising and delivering essential supplies to ensure the firefighters could continue their work safely and effectively. From protective gear and refreshments to tools and daily necessities, the Table's contributions were both practical and heartfelt, reflecting a deep commitment to service and community care.



Beyond the immediate support for firefighters, the response highlighted the strength and unity of the wider community. Residents came together, offering donations, encouragement, and assistance, reinforcing that in times of crisis, the Kouga community stands tall together. Round Table 252 served as a focal point, coordinating efforts and amplifying the impact of collective goodwill, much like a lighthouse guiding ships safely through treacherous waters.

The initiative underscored the core mission of Round Table: to be a beacon of hope and support wherever it is needed. By standing alongside the firefighters and galvanising the community, Round Table 252 demonstrated that leadership is not only about action, but also about inspiring others to rise to the occasion. Their efforts ensured that, even amidst chaos, there was a clear and steady presence offering guidance, resources, and encouragement.

As the Kouga region continues to recover from the fires, the role of Round Table 252 as a lighthouse remains evident. They have shown that in times of uncertainty, steadfast commitment, courage, and community spirit can illuminate the way forward. This initiative is a reminder that true leadership shines brightest not in calm waters, but in moments of challenge, proving that together, we are stronger, and always stronger when we act as one guiding light.

SPREADING FESTIVE CHEER WITH CHRISTMAS FOOD DONATIONS

During the festive season, Round Table 252 brought joy to children in need through a heartwarming initiative. Chairman Shawn Vosloo, joined by Round Table Southern Africa President, Vos Botha, distributed Christmas food donations, ensuring that 57 children enjoyed a brighter and more special festive season.

The Table expressed sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed, highlighting their continued commitment to supporting the community and making a meaningful difference where it matters most.



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TOYS4JOY BRINGS FESTIVE CHEER TO BLOEMFONTEIN

The spirit of giving was on full display in Bloemfontein this festive season as Toys4Joy delivered smiles to children supported by Childline Free State. Through the initiative, Round Table 158 Bloemfontein donated a generous collection of Christmas toys that will brighten the holidays for many young beneficiaries.

The toys were collected as part of the #Toys4Joy campaign led by OFM, an initiative aimed at ensuring that children in need experience the joy and excitement of Christmas.

This collaboration highlights the power of community partnerships. By working together with organisations such as Child Welfare Bloemfontein, the campaign continues to make a meaningful difference in the lives of vulnerable children across the Free State.

Through simple acts of generosity, hope and happiness are shared where they are needed most.



BLOEMFONTEIN HOSTS SUCCESSFUL BOWLING FOR BOOBIES EVENING

Round Table Bloemfontein 25 and Round Table 158 Bloemfontein partnered with OFM, The Sound of Your Life to host the annual Bowling for Boobies event at Oranjia Lawn Bowls Club, raising awareness in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

The evening was filled with energy, camaraderie, and friendly competition as participating teams embraced the spirit of the event. Special thanks were extended to Rudo Schwim for an outstanding performance that added to the festivities.

Bon Courage Wine Estate generously sponsored the champagne for the Pink Event, further contributing to a memorable and celebratory atmosphere. The event successfully combined fun and fundraising, highlighting Round Table's commitment to community engagement and important causes.



ROUND TABLE WELKOM 40 SEES HUGE SUCCESS WITH R5 PROJECT



Round Table Welkom 40 recently hosted their R5 Project, receiving an incredible response from the Welkom community and the team at Checkers Welkom Centre. Thanks to their generosity, the Table's food closet is now fully stocked, enabling meaningful support for those in need within the community.

The initiative highlights the power of small contributions making a big impact, and Round Table Welkom 40 encouraged everyone to stay tuned for the next R5 Project. Through continued community engagement, the Table demonstrates how collective effort can change lives, one act at a time.

MEMORABLE SKAAPKOP & HOENDER ETE AND DANCE

Round Table 42 hosted their annual Skaapkop & Hoender Ete and Dance, delivering an unforgettable evening for members and friends. Guests enjoyed a feast of juicy skaapkop and finger-licking chicken, complemented by lively music that had everyone dancing with joy.

The Table expressed heartfelt thanks to all who attended, making the event a true celebration of fellowship, fun, and community spirit. With such a successful night behind them, Round Table 42 looks forward to hosting this popular event again in the future.



SUPPORTING WELKOM 40 HOTDOG PROJECT

Round Table Bethlehem 60 joined forces with Round Table Welkom 40 to support their Hotdog Project, coinciding with the 16th birthday celebration of Albazé Motorbike Club.

Members of Bethlehem 60 enjoyed a fun-filled day, helping with the initiative and engaging with the local community. The Table extended thanks to the Albazé Motorbike Club for hosting the event and praised everyone involved for making the day a memorable success.



AIDAN SHIELDS FROM ROUND TABLE BETHLEHEM 60 RUNS FOR HOPE

At just 25 years old, Aidan Shields from Round Table Bethlehem 60 is preparing for his fourth Comrades Marathon, tackling the challenging "up-run" with determination and heart. Next year, his run carries a special purpose: raising R 15,000 for the CHOC Childhood Cancer Foundation SA, an organisation dedicated to supporting children battling cancer.

"Every donation, no matter how small, can change a child's life," says Aidan. He describes his participation as an expression of gratitude for his own health and abilities, using his talent and endurance to support children who do not have the same physical freedom.

Training consistently since October, Aidan will once again join the iconic CHOC Cows on 14 June 2026, proudly wearing the black-and-white cow outfit that draws attention to the cause. "Children lie close to my heart, and to see them happy motivates me to take on new challenges," he explains. His commitment is bolstered by the Bethlehem Marathon Club, whose support has been invaluable in his preparations.



A CHRISTMAS GIFT OF JOY FOR THE CHILDREN OF MASECHABA

The children at Masechaba Day Care Centre were recently delighted with beautiful Christmas gifts, thanks to the generosity of members from Round Table Bethlehem 60. For many young ones, Christmas is about presents, and receiving a gift can mean the world. When a child is left out while others receive something, it can lead to feelings of exclusion and shame. A gift, however small, communicates a powerful message: "You matter."

For a child, one carefully chosen present can create a moment of pure joy, offering warmth, hope, and a positive memory that can last far longer than the holiday season. While a gift cannot solve poverty, it can give children the same Christmas experience as their peers and preserve their self-worth. Knowing that someone sees and cares about them is invaluable, especially for children who do not take it for granted.

This festive gesture was made possible by the members of Round Table Bethlehem 60, part of the international Round Table network of local clubs dedicated to friendship, personal development, and community service.

You too can make a difference. With a small donation of just 27 cents per day (€100 per year), a child can receive a healthy meal for an entire month. Every gift, whether it's a meal or a present, transforms a moment and sometimes even a child's self-image - and that is priceless.



BETHLEHEM 60 SPREADS WARMTH IN WINTER

Round Table Bethlehem 60 prepared and distributed care packages containing blankets and winter clothing to those in need in the town. The packages were made from the blankets and clothing collected during the Rollbaldag drive. Bethlehem 60 members personally delivered them to the less fortunate, ensuring that everyone facing the cold winter nights had something to keep them warm.

This initiative highlights the Tables ongoing commitment to supporting the community, showing that small acts of care can bring comfort and hope to those who need it most.



WINTER KNIGHTS BRING WARMTH AND FUN TO BETHLEHEM

Winter Nights, an annual initiative by Round Table Southern Africa, supports those in need during the cold winter months by collecting warm clothing, blankets, and food for donation. The project aims to bring comfort to individuals and families who lack adequate clothing and shelter.

Round Table Bethlehem 60 Knights hosted their Winter Knights Project, adding a fun twist by combining it with a bowls day. While the local community had already generously donated items in the lead-up, teams were encouraged to contribute clothing, blankets, and food as part of their entry fee. The initiative was a resounding success, with 26 teams participating and providing a substantial amount of donations.

The event was supported by main sponsors Morgan Isuzu and Haval, and it offered a day filled with friendship, laughter, and community spirit. To conclude the day, participants enjoyed a well-earned braai, celebrating the joy of giving while having fun together. Through initiatives like this, Round Table Bethlehem 60 continues to demonstrate that service can be both impactful and enjoyable, spreading warmth and hope to those who need it most.



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FESTIVE GIVING BRINGS HOPE TO KRUGERSDORP

The festive season is a time for generosity and community spirit, and this was clearly demonstrated through a recent initiative led by Round Table Florida 21.

In collaboration with the Annual Charity Day hosted by Shane's Pub & Grill, Tablers collected and donated 303 canned food items to assist families in need. The donations will be distributed between Bethany House and Tower of Life, both of which provide vital support to vulnerable members of the community.

This collaborative effort highlights the strength of partnerships between local businesses and service organisations. Thanks to the generosity of Tablers and supporters, the initiative will help bring warmth, dignity, and hope to many families in Krugersdorp during the festive season.



GAUTENG AREA CHAIRMAN VISITS FLORIDA 21

An evening of fellowship and camaraderie unfolded when Round Table Florida 21 welcomed the Gauteng Area Chairman, Phillip Van Wyk III, during his first official visit in the role. Fittingly, the visit took place at his home club, making the occasion even more special for all in attendance. Hosted at The Gateway Village, the evening combined productive discussions with the fellowship that lies at the heart of Round Table.



Members enjoyed engaging conversations around Table business while also sharing laughter and friendship in a relaxed setting. The visit provided an opportunity for Tablers to connect with their Area Chairman and reflect on the continued growth and direction of Round Table in Gauteng. The club expressed its appreciation for his time, leadership, and dedication to strengthening the spirit of fellowship across the Area.

A GLOBAL JOURNEY OF FELLOWSHIP

International fellowship lies at the heart of Round Table, and in October 2025 two Tablers from Round Table Northridge 117 experienced this spirit first hand during the 117 Numbers Tour in Eindhoven. Representing both their club and Round Table Southern Africa, the pair embarked on a memorable journey that celebrated the global brotherhood of Tablers.

Before even arriving at the official tour, they set off on their own pre tour adventure, travelling through nine cities across Europe in just two and a half weeks. Along the way they connected with Tablers from different countries, sharing meals, stories, and experiences that highlighted the unique cultures and traditions found across the Round Table network.

Travelling abroad always offers new perspectives, but meeting fellow Tablers and their families adds a special dimension. From seeing daily life in different parts of the world to enjoying local cuisine and hospitality, the journey reinforced the powerful connections created through Round Table. Experiences like these demonstrate the strength of Round Table as an international fellowship organisation, where friendships extend far beyond borders and create lasting connections across the globe.



KIDS TO THE SEA CREATES MEMORIES FOR A LIFETIME

For many children, a visit to the ocean is something they take for granted. For ten youngsters from St Lawrence Children's Haven, however, the 2025 Kids to the Sea project turned that dream into a life changing reality.

Hosted by Round Table Northridge 117 in partnership with Tables along the route, the week long adventure from 28 September to 4 October gave the children an unforgettable seaside holiday filled with fun, discovery and friendship.

The journey included a wide variety of activities designed to create lasting memories. Highlights included a visit to Riverbend Crocodile Farm, thrilling water slides at Wild Waves Water Park, and a golf clinic with paddle boat rides at San Lameer Resort Hotel & Spa. The children also enjoyed their long awaited day at the beach at Uvongo Beachfront, where the excitement of seeing the ocean for the first time brought smiles all around.

Along the way, the group shared many special moments together. Meals and treats were generously sponsored by local businesses, including stops at Debonairs Pizza, Tiagos Shelly Beach, Wimpy Shelly Centre and Spur Steak Ranches. A festive highlight even included an early Christmas celebration, complete with gifts from Santa. The adventure concluded with a final stop at Aintree Lodge, where the children enjoyed games, entertainment and one last celebration before returning home.

Projects like Kids to the Sea embody the spirit of Round Table. Beyond the activities and outings, the true purpose is to create joy, build confidence and remind every child that they are valued and cared for. Through the dedication of Tablers and the generosity of sponsors, the 2025 journey once again proved that a week of kindness can leave a lifetime of memories.





SMALL ACTS, BIG IMPACT IN SANDOWN

A recent community initiative by Round Table Sandown 150 once again demonstrated how collective effort can create meaningful change.

Over the course of several months, Tablers reached out to friends, family, and colleagues, encouraging them to sort through their cupboards and donate items they no longer needed. The response was overwhelming, resulting in nearly 30 bags and several boxes filled with clothing, shoes, stationery, linen, and other essential items.

The donations were delivered to One Small Act of Kindness, an organisation well known for its work assisting vulnerable individuals living on the streets. Through their dedicated outreach programmes, these items will reach people who often have very little and are in urgent need of support.

ALMERO AND HANNO EMBRACE THE LONG RUN

Some call it a midlife crisis; Almero and Hanno call it cardio dedication. These two local legends have swapped lazy weekends and sleep-ins for blistered feet, foam rollers, and more running shoes than anyone could count.



Their new “normal” includes 30 kilometre recovery runs, forest trail adventures, and an almost spiritual excitement over aid station bananas. GPS watches, anti-chafe cream, and electrolyte gels have become essential companions on their journey, transforming every run into a test of endurance and resilience.

While friends may raise an eyebrow at the obsession, their commitment is inspiring. Here’s to strong legs, fire playlists, and unchafed skin, cheering on Almero and Hanno as they take every step with determination and humour.

RESTORING INDEPENDENCE: A SCOOTER FOR JOHANN



In a heartwarming act of community service, Round Table Sandown 150 recently donated a fully restored and branded mobility scooter to Johann, who had lost his own when it was stolen.

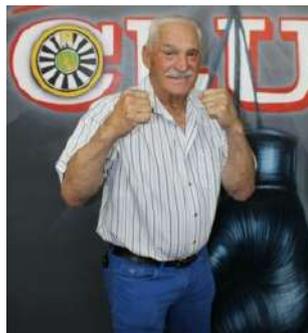
From sourcing and refurbishing the scooter to adding a personalised touch, the project reflects the club’s commitment to uplifting the community and supporting those in need. The gift is more than just a scooter – it represents freedom, independence, and dignity for Johann.

NEW CHAPTER FOR BOXING IN BENONI

The clubhouse of Round Table Golden East 181 in Lakefield has taken on a new role, now home to the newly established Phoenix Community Boxing Club. Officially opened on 23 August, the facility welcomes aspiring boxers and members of the public interested in improving their fitness through boxing inspired training.

The initiative was driven by former Tabler and boxer Alex Staniland, who hopes to revive local boxing by creating a space where young athletes can develop their skills and pursue their ambitions in the sport. With experienced coach Thabo Ntabanyana leading training programmes, the club aims to build discipline, confidence, and opportunity for the next generation of fighters. At the opening, boxing legend Harold Volbrecht praised the initiative, noting that boxing provides young people with structure, focus, and a positive outlet for their energy.

Beyond competitive boxing, the Phoenix Community Boxing Club will also offer group boxercise classes, private training, and future self defence programmes for the wider community. Through this partnership, Round Table Golden East 181 continues to demonstrate its commitment to uplifting the Benoni community and creating opportunities that can transform lives.



WARM HEARTS FOR COLD PAWS

Following a successful Warm Fees collection, the gents of Round Table Golden East 181 paid a visit to SPCA Benoni to deliver a small but meaningful donation of blankets and food.

These contributions will help provide warmth and care to the many animals currently being looked after at the facility. It was a simple gesture, but one that reflects the Table’s ongoing commitment to supporting the broader community, including the organisations that work tirelessly to protect and care for vulnerable animals.



RT 181 KIDS HOLIDAY PROJECT 2025

A WEEK OF LAUGHTER, LEARNING AND LIFELONG MEMORIES

In late September 2025, Round Table Golden East 181 welcomed 12 boys from Benoni for their annual Kids Holiday Project, an initiative designed to give underprivileged children a week of adventure, joy, and personal growth. For many of these boys, it was their first time experiencing simple pleasures like a day at the beach, a theme park ride, or even receiving new clothes and toiletries.



Day 1: A Warm Welcome

The project began with fresh clothes and toiletries for each child, followed by ice-breaker games and team activities. The boys were encouraged to get to know one another, laugh, and simply be children — a precious opportunity for relaxation and connection that set the tone for the week ahead.



Day 2: Fun and Adventure at Carnival City

Day two was a whirlwind of excitement at Carnival City, where the boys enjoyed Laser Tag, bowling, and a fun-filled movie at Ster-Kinekor. Sweet treats from Milky Lane and a delicious dinner at RocoMamas ensured that every moment was met with joy and laughter.



Day 3: Creativity, Music and Movement

On the third day, music and movement took centre stage. The boys participated in drumming and hip-hop lessons, learning rhythm, coordination, and self-expression. They also visited Phoenix Community Boxing Club, discovering the value of discipline, teamwork, and perseverance, before enjoying a creative mosaic art session to design keepsakes to take home. Nando's and Thunder Eagle Spur provided nourishing meals to keep energy levels high throughout this action-packed day.



Day 4: Thrills at Gold Reef City

Gold Reef City was the focus of day four, with rides and games that filled the day with thrills. The boys were mesmerised by a magical performance from Geewiz, who left them wide-eyed and laughing, while Panarottis Carnival City provided a pizza dinner to round off a truly unforgettable day.



Day 5: Flying High and Scoring Goals

Day five began with bouncing and tumbling at Wi:Jump trampoline park, followed by a breathtaking helicopter ride courtesy of Capital Air SA. The boys then joined the Benoni City United team for a spirited soccer session, learning teamwork and sportsmanship, before enjoying a well-deserved dinner at Nando's. The day ended with a peaceful painting session, giving the boys a chance to reflect on the week so far.



Day 6: Adventure and Bravery

The adventure continued on day six at Acrobranch Modderfontein, where the children tested their courage on treetop courses, ziplines, and outdoor obstacles. The excitement carried over to Compu-Kart Raceway, followed by a ninja-style activity session at Total Ninja. Dinner at Silver Wolf Spur Steak Ranch and a fun PlayStation tournament rounded off a day full of laughter, bravery, and healthy competition, while a practical session on wiring plugs inspired some to dream about careers in engineering.



Day 7: A Memorable Finale

The week concluded with a grand finale at Aintree Lodge, where the boys received take-home bags filled with gifts, clothing, toiletries, personalised keyholders, and glowing keepsake globes. Each child proudly wore a medal celebrating their participation and achievements, leaving with a treasure trove of memories, confidence, and a sense of belonging.



#UNSTOPPABLE

NAMIBIA

BRAAI COMPETITION SERVES UP SUPPORT FOR SENIOR PARK

Flames, flavour, and fellowship set the stage for a memorable day in Windhoek as Round Table 34 Windhoek hosted its 4th Annual Ultimate Braai Competition. The event brought together teams, supporters, and community members for a lively day centred on good food and an even greater cause.

Participants fired up their grills and showcased their braai skills while spectators enjoyed the festive atmosphere and friendly competition. The event was not only about culinary bragging rights but also about making a meaningful contribution to the community.

Funds raised during the day were dedicated to supporting Senior Park Old Age Home, helping to provide care and support for elderly residents. With every plate served and every team participating, the competition helped generate valuable assistance for the home.

The success of the day highlighted the strong sense of community spirit that continues to define Round Table activities. Through initiatives like this, members combine fellowship and service to create lasting impact while bringing people together around causes that matter.



FOOTBALL CUP UNITES WALVIS BAY

The spirit of teamwork and community was on full display in Walvis Bay as Round Table Walvis Bay 36 hosted the 7th edition of its annual Football C.U.P., a flagship Community Upliftment Project that continues to grow in scale and impact.

Held from 5 to 8 November 2025 at the Atlantis Sport Club, this year's tournament proved to be the biggest yet, with a record breaking 28 teams competing for top honours. The event brought together local businesses, community organisations, and football enthusiasts in a celebration of sport, fellowship, and service. Teams battled it out through an exciting group stage and knockout format, ultimately leading to the Cup and Plate finals.

After a weekend of highly competitive matches, Anixas Power Station emerged as the Cup champions, with Hydroweld FC finishing as runners up. In the Plate competition, Namops United claimed victory while Corridor Logistics A secured second place. Individual honours went to Shiimi Abrosius of Namops United, who was named Player of the Tournament, while Simeon Johannes Mandume secured the Golden Boot.

The success of the event was made possible through the generous support of numerous sponsors and partners who contributed equipment, prizes, and meals for participating teams. Their involvement helped ensure the tournament ran smoothly while allowing the organisers to continue focusing on meaningful community upliftment initiatives.



WILSON PROJECT CONTINUES TO BRING SMILES IN SWAKOPMUND



Since 2022, Round Table Swakopmund 145 has been making a real difference in the lives of residents at the Welwitschia Old Age Home through the ongoing Wilson Project. In collaboration with dentist Dr. Stephan Van Der Merwe, the initiative has contributed approximately N\$104,000 toward essential dental care, with the true impact amplified by Dr. Van Der Merwe's generous discounts, allowing more residents to receive treatment than the figure alone suggests.

Born from the recognition that dental care is not covered under the state health plan, the Wilson Project began with the simple but meaningful goal of ensuring residents could enjoy proper meals without pain. The name, inspired by the sweet treat Wilson toffee, captures the lighthearted spirit behind a mission that is anything but trivial: every resident deserves relief from untreated dental issues.

Over the past three years, the project has brought smiles and improved quality of life to countless elders, but the work continues. Round Table Swakopmund 145 remains committed to raising funds and providing care so that every resident can chew comfortably and live free from dental pain.

NATAL NORTH COAST AREA

BRINGING CHRISTMAS TO OVER 550 CHILDREN IN DURBAN

Round Table Durban 2 brought joy and hope to more than 550 children, not in shopping malls, not with wish lists, but down dirt roads, into small homes, and into places where Christmas often passes quietly. Each box delivered was more than a gift; it was hope in paper, joy in a lid, and a message that these children are seen and valued.

Every smile came from the efforts of people who chose to give, pack, donate, and show up when it mattered most. Over 550 children, over 550 moments of happiness, and one incredible community came together to make it all possible. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for turning generosity into something children could hold. This is what community looks like and Durban 2 will be back next year for an even bigger 2026 edition.



A COOL CONTRIBUTION FOR LAVENDER LANE FRAIL CARE

Round Table Mtunzini 250 and Round Table Eshowe 24 joined forces to donate a brand-new freezer to the Lavender Lane Frail Care Centre near Obanjeni. This thoughtful contribution will help the centre continue providing nutritious meals and essential care to its residents. A heartfelt thank you goes out to Debbie and the entire Lavender Lane team for their dedication and the wonderful work they do every day.



ESHOWE 24 AND MTUNZINI 250 CELEBRATE FELLOWSHIP DAY

Round Table Eshowe 24 and Round Table Mtunzini 250 came together for a memorable Fellowship Day at Mtunzini Country Club. The day was filled with laughter, camaraderie, and meaningful conversations, strengthening bonds between members while celebrating the shared spirit of service and friendship. Members reflected on past achievements, exchanged ideas for future projects, and enjoyed a relaxed day in the beautiful surroundings of the club, demonstrating that fellowship and community go hand in hand.



PHOBANE FISHING BONANZA 2025 REELS IN COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Round Table Eshowe 24 hosted the much-anticipated Phobane Fishing Bonanza 2025, bringing together anglers and families for a day of fun, competition, and community support. Participants cast their lines along the scenic Phobane waters, enjoying friendly rivalries and the thrill of the catch. Beyond the excitement of the competition, the event raised awareness and support for local causes, showing once again that Round Table Eshowe 24 combines recreation with meaningful community impact.



GROWING HOPE IN NKANINI

Eshowe Round Table proudly handed over seedlings of onions, peppers, chillies, and spinach to a community garden in Nkanini, near Eshowe. This garden supports a local soup kitchen, helping provide nutritious meals to children in the area. By nurturing both plants and possibilities, the project is sowing more than just food, it's cultivating hope and nourishment for the entire community.





SUPPORTING DIGNITY AND OPPORTUNITY

RT Eshowe 24 had the privilege of joining Rashika Reddy in handing over a donation of sanitary pads to young ladies in the community. Rashika's tireless work ensures that those who cannot afford basic menstrual products can access them with dignity. This collaboration highlights the power of community and compassion, inspiring everyone involved to make a meaningful difference.

TEERING UP FOR A CAUSE

Eshowe Round Table proudly handed over R12,000 to SPCA Eshowe, raised during their charity golf day at Eshowe Hills Golf Club. Thanks to the generosity of players, sponsors, and supporters, this contribution will help keep tails wagging and paws safe across the community.



RUNNING FOR A CAUSE

Round Table Richards Bay 200 proudly supported their neighboring Round Table uMhlatuze 261 during a recent fun run. The event brought the community together for an enjoyable day of fitness and fellowship, raising much-needed funds for the Butterfly Palliative Home.



REFRESHING THE FINALS

Round Table Richards Bay proudly supported the action at Hoërskool Richardsbaai during the PSG Finals, keeping players and spectators cool with ice-cold drinks. With both the school and Round Table Richards Bay celebrating 50 years in 2025, the occasion was made even more special as the community came together to mark this milestone.



DURBAN 2, WHERE IT ALL STARTED!



Round Table Durban 2 brought the festive spirit to life at Surf Riders, Umhlanga, with what has been their biggest Christmas party to date. With a strong 20-person member turnout, the night was more than a celebration, it was a milestone, a moment to reflect on a year of giving, laughter, and camaraderie. The team's dedication, hard work, and growing brotherhood shone through, making this festive gathering one to remember. Here's to the memories, the friendships, and the mission that continues to drive Round Table Durban 2 forward.



NATAL SOUTH COAST AREA

MARGATE 46 GOLF DAY

Round Table Margate 46 recently hosted a highly successful Annual Golf Day at the picturesque San Lameer Golf Course, bringing together golfers, sponsors, and supporters for a memorable day of sport and fellowship. With a full field of 120 enthusiastic players, the event delivered sunshine, friendly competition, and an abundance of Table gees along the KwaZulu Natal South Coast.

From the early morning tee offs to the final putts of the day, the atmosphere on the course reflected the strong sense of camaraderie that defines Round Table. Participants enjoyed a well organised event while showcasing their golfing skills, all in support of Margate 46's ongoing community initiatives.

On the course, competition was fierce, with the winning four ball of Johan N, Piet, George, and Johan taking top honours with an impressive score of 116 points. Several players also walked away with special prizes on the day. Juan van der Berg claimed the Longest Drive, while Daryn Nyman secured Closest to the Pin on Hole 4 and John Hopley took Closest to the Pin on Hole 14.

With another successful golf day in the books, Margate 46 looks forward to building on this momentum and continuing to make a meaningful impact along the South Coast.

PADEL DAY SUPPORTS THE SPCA

RT46 enjoyed a fantastic day of fun and laughter at Douglas Mitchell Sports Pub and Grill, hosting a padel event in partnership with South Coast Padel. A big thank you to Ross from South Coast Padel for making the courts available and to everyone who joined in the action. The day not only delivered great sport and camaraderie but also raised an impressive 360kg of dog food for the SPCA, making it a truly successful event for a great cause.



KLOOF 190 PAYS A VISIT TO PMB 12

Round Table PMB 12 enjoyed a lively and well supported social meeting recently when seven members from Round Table Kloof 190 arrived for a friendly Table raid. The visit added great energy to the evening as Tablers from both Tables took the opportunity to reconnect, share stories, and strengthen the bonds of fellowship that form the heart of Round Table.



MARGATE 46 WELCOMES NEW PIPELINERS

Exciting growth continues for Round Table Margate 46 with the introduction of three new pipeliners: Yden, Shaun, and Marcel. Their addition marks another positive step for the Table as it continues its mission of service and community impact. With fresh energy and enthusiasm, the trio is set to begin their journey in Round Table, learning the ropes while contributing to the projects and fellowship that define the organisation. The members of Margate 46 look forward to seeing the difference they will make in the community in the years ahead.



SPREADING SMILES AT PEVENSEY PLACE

Round Table Sani 152 helped brighten the day for the residents of Pevensey Place through a simple but heartfelt gesture. Thanks to a generous donation of beautiful flowers from Peony Perfect, the ladies at the residence were treated to a colourful surprise that brought smiles all around.

The vibrant blooms added warmth and cheer, reminding everyone that even small acts of kindness can have a meaningful impact.



WIMBLEGIN 2025 BRINGS COMMUNITY TOGETHER FOR A GREAT CAUSE

Sani Round Table recently hosted its WimbleGin 2025 fundraising event, and despite challenging weather conditions, the day proved to be a wonderful success. A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the incredible players and supporters who braved the rain and brought their energy and enthusiasm to the courts. The determination and positive spirit displayed throughout the day created an atmosphere filled with fun, laughter, and true community camaraderie both on and off the court.

Thanks to the generous support of everyone involved, the event raised valuable funds that will go towards enhancing the exercise and yoga programme at Pevensey Place, a remarkable home that supports individuals with special needs. These contributions will help bring greater joy, flexibility, and empowerment to residents through physical activity and wellness initiatives. A special word of appreciation also goes to those who made additional pledges on the day. Your generosity exceeded expectations and will make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who benefit from this programme.



NORTHERN CAPE

SPREADING WARMTH IN UPINGTON

Round Table Upington 79 took part in the OFM Big Cover Up initiative, using the opportunity to make a meaningful difference in their community. As part of the project, the Table donated blankets and baby essentials to Jogebed Children's Home, helping to provide much needed comfort and support to the children in their care.

While the donation may seem like a small gesture, it carries a powerful message of compassion and community spirit.



TOYS FOR JOY BRINGS SMILES TO HARTSWATER

Laerskool Hartswater Primary recently celebrated the success of the Toys for Joy initiative, with heartfelt thanks to SA Peanuts, Round Table Hartz 186, and OFM for their generosity. The children in the Pieter Hamman Addisionele Klas were overjoyed receiving their gift packs, each one a little bundle of happiness.

The initiative not only delivered toys but also shared love, time, and kindness, reminding everyone that community heroes make a real difference.



SOUTH CAPE

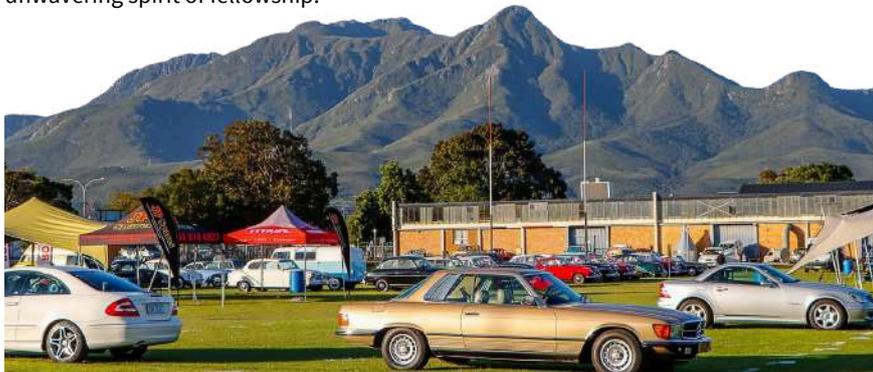
GEORGE OLD CAR SHOW 2026: A CLASSIC SUCCESS

The George Old Car Show 2026 has wrapped up in style, marking another remarkable chapter for the George Round Table 30 family. Enthusiasts from across the region flocked to the event, eager to admire a stunning array of vintage, classic, and customised vehicles. From gleaming restorations to rare automotive treasures, the show offered something for every car lover, making it a true celebration of motoring heritage.

Despite initial concerns over the weather, the skies cleared just in time, creating perfect conditions for a day filled with excitement, admiration, and plenty of photo opportunities. The smooth running of the event was a testament to the dedication and meticulous planning of the Round Table members, who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that every detail, from vehicle arrangements to visitor safety, was carefully managed.

Visitors and participants alike praised the atmosphere of camaraderie and community spirit. Families, car clubs, and enthusiasts of all ages enjoyed live entertainment, food stalls, and interactive exhibits, creating a festival-like experience that extended beyond the cars themselves. The event not only showcased the beauty and history of classic automobiles but also strengthened bonds within the local community and brought people together in a shared passion.

George Round Table 30 extends a heartfelt thank you to all the organisers, sponsors, and volunteers whose time, energy, and commitment made the event possible. Their efforts ensured that the George Old Car Show remains a highlight on the regional calendar and a shining example of what community-driven events can achieve. With another successful edition complete, anticipation is already building for next year's show, promising more incredible vehicles, memorable experiences, and the same unwavering spirit of fellowship.



TOY RUN 2025 BRINGS JOY TO THE COMMUNITY

Toy Run 2025 was a heartwarming success, expertly organised by Jaco Hanekom. Motorcyclists from across the region rode in with toys, bringing smiles and festive joy to children in need.



SOARING INTO THE HEARTS OF CHILDREN

The skies over George came alive with laughter and festive cheer as the 15th edition of the Santa Flight took off in 2025, delivering joy to around 100 children from the region. Long established and perfected by Jaco Hanekom and his dedicated team, together with the Combined Service Clubs of George, the annual event has become a cornerstone of the community's festive calendar, a time when generosity takes flight and Christmas magic is shared with those who need it most.

Despite persistent rain, spirits remained undampened. The pitter-patter on the tarmac could not overshadow the beaming smiles and excited chatter of children stepping into the local airport, ready to experience the thrill of a plane ride for the first time. The event offered more than just a flight; it provided an opportunity for these young boys and girls to feel carefree, celebrated, and simply enjoy the joy of being children in a safe, festive environment.

From a heartwarming Christmas party to the unforgettable short plane ride, every detail was carefully orchestrated to ensure the children experienced a magical day. The dedication of volunteers and organisers was evident in every smiling face, every joyful squeal, and the seamless running of the day's activities, highlighting the incredible power of community working together for the greater good.

Santa Flight 2025 reminded everyone that the true spirit of Christmas lies in giving, sharing, and creating memories that last a lifetime. With the success of this year's event, anticipation is already building for 2026, promising another season of joy, hope, and the magic that comes when hearts and skies align. Big love to all involved — you've once again made a difference that will be remembered by children and families alike.

MAYOR HONOURS COMMUNITY HEROES

Round Table Mossel Bay 32 proudly attended the Mayoral Thanksgiving Function at Twin Trees, hosted by Executive Mayor Dirk Kotzé and Provincial Minister for Social Development, Jaco Londt. The event recognised local businesses and service organisations that provided crucial relief during the devastating Mossel Bay fires in January 2026.

Representing the leadership team were Chairperson Stephan Botha, Vice-Chairperson Eybert Tromp, Treasurer Gert Theron, Secretary & PRO/IRO Aydn Parrott, and 41er Pieter Nel. Heartfelt thanks were extended to all organisations and companies whose support helped the community recover. Round Table Mossel Bay 32 remains committed to fellowship, service, and standing with the community in times of need.



MOSSEL BAY 32 KICKS OFF 2026 WITH BEACH CLEANUP

Round Table Mossel Bay 32 hosted their first beach cleanup of the year at Diaz Beach, collecting a significant amount of plastic waste and helping protect the local shoreline. While the beach was already relatively clean, every piece removed prevents it from returning to the ocean and harming marine life. The event brought together passionate volunteers from St Blaize Leos, St Blaize Lions, and Triton Angling, whose support made the initiative a success. Round Table Mossel Bay 32 thanks everyone who joined and encourages the community to follow for upcoming projects and future opportunities to make a tangible difference.



MOSSEL BAY 32 WELCOMES INTERNATIONAL GUEST

Mossel Bay 32 recently had the pleasure of hosting Melle Doornbos from Tafelronde 142 Coevorden, The Netherlands, at their renowned clubhouse. Melle first visited South Africa in 2019 as part of the Young Ambassadors Programme (YAP) and has since become a Tabler himself.

The club expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to welcome past and present international guests, celebrating the fellowship and connections that make Round Table special. Members and visitors alike are encouraged to share in the warm South African hospitality during his tour of the country.

FROM TABLE TO TABLE

In the spirit of giving, Round Table Mossel Bay 32 recently visited ACV Huis Kenani to donate boxes of tinned food and clothing for the centre's elderly residents. With January often being a financially challenging month, the club aimed to ease some of the strain for the community's most vulnerable, ensuring warmth, nutrition, and care during this time.



COASTAL BITES & MOSSEL BAY 32 SERVE HEROES ON THE FRONTLINE

Coastal Bites teamed up with Round Table Mossel Bay to deliver crates of delicious Coastal Burgers, complete with bacon, cheese, and handmade patties, to the brave firefighters and support teams still battling the recent Mossel Bay fires. This gesture was a small way to say thank you to the heroes who continue working tirelessly to protect the community.



ROUND TABLE MOSSEL BAY 32 SUPPORTS LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS

Mayor Dirk Kotzé expressed his gratitude to Round Table Mossel Bay 32 for their generous support of the town's dedicated firefighters. The table sponsored bottles of water, Powerade, and Bar One chocolates, helping to keep the brave men and women refreshed and energised while tackling the recent fires.



ROUND TABLE COLLABORATION RESTORES A YOUNG GIRL'S SIGHT

In a truly inspiring act of kindness and fellowship, Round Table Oudtshoorn 33, together with fellow Tables across Southern Africa, came together to make a life-changing difference for a young Grade 1 learner. The young girl, full of potential and with her whole future ahead, urgently required eye surgery to correct a serious vision problem. Without intervention, her education and daily life would have been severely impacted, but thanks to the coordinated efforts of the Tables, hope and opportunity were restored.

The initiative saw Round Table members from George 30, Mossel Bay 32, Pretoria 136, Oudtshoorn 33, and the South Cape Area working closely to ensure the child received the medical care she desperately needed. Funds were raised swiftly, logistics coordinated, and support provided every step of the way, reflecting the strength of fellowship and commitment that defines the Round Table ethos.

The operation was a complete success, restoring the girl's vision and giving her the confidence to embrace her education and daily activities with renewed independence. For her family, the impact was immeasurable, a burden lifted, and a future brighter than they could have imagined.

This remarkable story is a reminder of the extraordinary power of community collaboration. When service clubs unite, the ripple effect can be profound, touching lives in ways that extend far beyond a single moment. Round Table Oudtshoorn 33 and its partners have not only changed the life of one child but have set an inspiring example of what is possible when people work together to serve others with compassion, dedication, and heart.

JOY TO ROOIBERG PRIMARY



Round Table Oudtshoorn 33 recently teamed up with Wesbank Pre-Primêr to deliver a brand-new helicopter climber to the children of Rooiberg Primary. Thanks to the dedication of the RT33 team and the support of their families, the project was a success, promising hours of fun and laughter for the pupils. The initiative highlights the power of community collaboration in creating memorable experiences for local children.

KNYSNA 59 GIVES BACK

Round Table Knysna 59 marked their return by spreading joy on Mandela Day, focusing on children in need. The day began at Dorothy Broster Children's Home, where the team handed out goodie bags filled with treats and shared laughter, play, and fun moments with the youngsters. Their efforts continued in the wider Knysna community, bringing small gestures of kindness that made a big difference. Knysna 59's actions reflect Nelson Mandela's words: "There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children."



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VEREENIGING 20 SHINES AT MIL VETS MAKIETIE

Round Table Vereeniging 20 enjoyed another fantastic outing at the Mil Vets Makietie, hosted at the Meyerton Club. From 8am to 2pm, members ran their popular Hangman Challenge, where participants paid R10 per attempt for a chance at glory. Laughter, friendly competition, and cheers filled the air, with the fastest time of the day, 1 minute 24 seconds, winning a R1000 cash prize generously sponsored by the Veterans team.

In total, the challenge raised R380, all of which was handed over to support the Veterans. It was a fun-filled day of camaraderie and competition, all for a worthy cause.



SASOLBURG JEUGSORG SENTRUM



ROUND TABLE VEREENIGING 20 BRINGS FUN AND COMPETITION TO THE LIGHTHOUSE

Round Table Vereeniging 20 spent a lively day at the Lighthouse from 9am to 4pm, hosting their popular Hangman Challenge. Participants battled to see who could “hang” the longest, with plenty of laughs and spirited competition along the way. The winning time of the day was an impressive 2 minutes and 40 seconds.

The event was a resounding success, raising R500 in support of the Table’s community initiatives.

BROTHERHOOD IN ACTION

Round Table Sasolburg 41 came together for more than just a meeting, it was a gathering of brothers and friends, where ideas sparked, plans took shape, and bonds were strengthened. Between the strategy sessions and serious discussions, laughter, stories, and unity filled the room, reminding everyone that the heart of the Table is its people. Guided by the principles of Adopt, Adapt, and Improve, the members left the meeting inspired to take responsibility, embrace challenges, and make a meaningful impact. At Round Table Sasolburg 41, every meeting is more than a gathering, it’s a movement.



R5 PROJECT BRINGS BIG IMPACT IN MEYERTON

Round Table Vereeniging 20 hosted their R5 Project at Riverstone Mall in Meyerton, turning a simple idea into a powerful act of community support. Each visitor was given R5 with the request that if they didn’t need it, they use it to purchase a non-perishable food item to donate.

The response was incredible. By the end of the day, four shopping trolleys were overflowing with donations, valued at R13,622.13. Every item collected will go directly to people in need within the community.



WESTERN PROVINCE

'N WEEK VAN DIENS EN GEMEENSKAPSIMPAK

Die afgelope week het Round Table Paarl 44 hul gemeenskapsverbintenis weer bewys met twee betekenisvolle projekte. Eerstens is ons genooi deur Rotary Paarl om deel te wees van 'n Samaritan's Feet-projek, in samewerking met die Cornel Hendricks Foundation. Hierdie projek het sowat 700 kinders se voete gesorg, hulle skoongemaak en hulle nuwe skoene oorhandig. Ons Voorsitter en sy vrou het self van 09:00 tot 11:00 gehelp met die voete was en skoene aantrek, 'n ervaring wat blywende indrukke skep.

Die tweede projek, 'n "Mitt-athon" saam met Christ Church Paarl, het fokus op die verskaffing van wol vir die brei van klere en komberse vir mense in nood. Round Table Paarl 44 het trots bygedra om hierdie inisiatief moontlik te maak.



MAANDELIKSE TICKY TACKY BY DIE BERG

Round Table Paarl 44 het hul maandelikse Ticky Tacky by die pragtige Paarl Mountain Nature Reserve gehou. Lede het saamgekom vir 'n heerlike brunch, met asemrowende uitsigte en uitstekende geselskap. Rigardt Trompi Esterhuizen het die Ticky Tacky aangebied en dit aan Voorsitter Kyle Vertenten oorgedra vir die volgende maand. Sulke oomblikke beklemtoon presies waaroor RT44 gaan — kameraadskap, saamkuier en die bou van sterk bande tussen manne.



HOU 'N KIND IN DIE SKOOL

Paarl 44 is trots om deel te wees van Paarl FM se projek "Hou 'n Kind in die Skool". Onlangs het ons persoonlike higiëne-items aangekoop wat die projek versoek het, genoeg vir 12 dogters en 12 seuns. Hierdie tipe projekte help om kinders se waardigheid te beskerm en gee hulle die selfvertroue om elke dag skool toe te gaan en hul beste te gee.

MANNE AAND 2025 'N HOOGTEPUNT VIR PAARL 44

Op 1 November 2025 het Round Table Paarl 44 hul jaarlikse Manne Aand aangebied, en dit was 'n groot sukses. Met Ivan van der Merwe en sy broer wat vir vermaak gesorg het, 'n heerlike spit-ete, en 15 opwindende items wat opgeveil is, het die aand 'n besondere atmosfeer gehad. Soveel as 70 manne het saamgekuier, gelag en bygedra tot 'n aand met doel. Die fondse wat ingesamel is, sal 'n groot verskil maak en bied ons die geleentheid om die Paarl-gemeenskap verder te dien.



KLEIN PROJEK, GROOT IMPAK!

Paarl 44 het onlangs ingesprink om 'n gemeenskapstuin by 'n plaaslike skool te ondersteun. Die tuin voorsien groente aan sokkombuise, ouetehuse en ander instansies in die gemeenskap. Die versoek was eenvoudig: 'n bakkievrag kompos om die tuin te laat groei en meer mense te bevoordeel. Die tafel het 'n trok vol kompos gaan aflaa en sodoende 'n direkte bydrae gelewer tot die tuin se ontwikkeling. Hierdie projek gaan nie net oor vandag nie, Paarl 44 beplan om betrokke te bly, hande vuil te maak en moontlik selfs van die groente in toekomstige projekte te gebruik om nóg meer mense te help.



WARM SOP, WARM HART

Paarl 44 die voorreg gehad om sop aan die Mbekweni-gemeenskap te bedien. Meer as 60 mense, jong en oud, het op 'n koue dag 'n warm bord sop ontvang, en die dankbaarheid en glimlagte het die span se harte gevul. Die voorbereiding het reeds Donderdag begin met die kook van ruim geskenkte sobene, en Vrydag is vars groente gesny en gekook om 'n stewige, voedsame sop te skep. Teen Saterdag was alles gereed vir die uitdelaan, wat 'n klein daad van sorg en samehorigheid aan die gemeenskap beteken het.



'N NUWE BLIK OP DIE LEWE

Onlangs het Round Table Paarl 44 vier persone gehelp om weer duidelik te kan sien, 'n klein gebaar met 'n groot impak. Dank aan VVDM Optometrists, wie se betrokkenheid hierdie projek moontlik gemaak het. Met 'n eenvoudige paar brille kry mense 'n nuwe blik op die lewe, en die samewerking tussen die tafel en die optometriste bring werklik 'n positiewe verskil in die gemeenskap.



WORCESTER 68 SPREI HOOP MET SANTA SHOE BOX-PROJEK

Round Table Worcester 68 het hierdie feestyd weer 'n ligpunt in die gemeenskap geskep met hul Santa Shoe Box-inisiatief. Die projek het kinders se gesigte laat straal en die betekenis van gee met oop harte beklemtoon.

Die dames van Worcester 68 het hul tyd, moeite en liefde toegewy om seker te maak dat elke boks 'n klein baken van vreugde en hoop sou wees. Hul toewyding het 'n werklike verskil gemaak in die lewens van baie kinders hierdie Kersfees. Round Table erken dat die ondersteuning en betrokkenheid van hierdie span onontbeerlik is. Hulle inspirasie, bereidwilligheid om hand by te sit en passie vir diensbaarheid maak die tafel sterker en laat gemeenskap regtig lewe. Hierdie projek herinner ons dat selfs die kleinste gebaar groot vreugde kan bring en hoop kan saai waar dit die meeste nodig is.



ROBERTSON 115 STEUN HERFSVREUGDE TEHUIS MET BELANGRIKE MEDIESE TOERUSTING

Herfsvreugde Tehuis het hul opregte dank uitgespreek teenoor Robertson Round Table 115 vir 'n ruimhartige skenking van 'n Oxygen Blender aan die mediese afdeling van die tehuis.

Sr Lizann Painter en ENA Lombard het die toestel namens die tehuis ontvang, 'n waardevolle hulpmiddel wat die personeel in staat stel om inwoners doeltreffender en vinniger te versorg wanneer dit die nodigste is.

Hierdie daad van ondersteuning beklemtoon die rol wat organisasies soos Robertson 115 speel in die gemeenskap. Deur praktiese hulp te bied waar dit die meeste saak maak, word 'n tasbare verskil gemaak in die lewens van inwoners en die werk van personeel vergemaklik.



WARMTH TO SIYAKHUTHAZA EDUCARE

RT115 visited Siyakhuthaza Educare in Nqubela, a centre where 173 children under the age of 10 are cared for daily while their parents are at work. In collaboration with Lydia Reeves and her team from the Hands-On Robertson Moedergemeente church office, the Table provided tracksuits for every child, helping to keep them warm through the winter months.

The children's joy and gratitude were truly infectious, highlighting the impact that thoughtful community support can have. Robertson 115 expressed pride and privilege in being able to contribute in a meaningful way, reinforcing their commitment to improving the lives of local children and families.



115 DONATES FRIDGE TO ELUKHANYENI DAYCARE CENTRE

Robertson Round Table 115 proudly donated a fridge to the Elukhanyeni Daycare Centre, providing practical support that makes a real difference in the daily care of the children. This contribution ensures that meals and snacks can be stored safely, helping the centre run smoothly and efficiently.



SUCCESSFUL SHOOTING DAY

An exciting Shooting Day, marked by great camaraderie, skill, and sportsmanship. Thanks to the range officers and volunteers, the event ran safely and smoothly, raising valuable funds for community projects.



SALDANHA 226 GOLF DAY

Saldanha 226 hosted a fantastic Golf Day on 23 October 2025, bringing together golfers, friends, and community supporters for a day of fun, laughter, and friendly competition. The event showcased great shots, camaraderie, and plenty of smiles on the greens.



JOY TO OUPLAAS FARM SCHOOL

Round Table L'Agulhas 245 held a special outreach at the farm school on Ouplaas, just outside Bredasdorp. The team spent the day with the children from the farm community and nearby homes, sharing gifts, stories, laughter, refreshments, and genuine human connection. It was a day filled with warmth, fun, and meaningful engagement, leaving lasting smiles all around.



KHULA SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

L'Agulhas 245 proudly contributed to Khula School in Bredasdorp by assisting with the installation of an artificial grass area. This project provides the children with a safe, attractive space to play and learn. The team extends heartfelt thanks to everyone involved, noting that it is always a privilege to serve the community and give back to support the future of the town.



Hermanus 267 has launched an inspiring initiative to raise funds and awareness for South Africans living with Cystic Fibrosis (CF), a condition that requires constant care and access to life-changing treatments. This fundraising ride aims to support the South African Cystic Fibrosis Association (SACFA), an organisation committed to improving the lives of individuals and families affected by the condition.

The focus of this initiative is threefold: advocating for equal access to the vital medication Trikafta, providing assistance to families who cannot afford the costs of treatment, and increasing national awareness to promote earlier diagnosis of CF. Every kilometre ridden during the fundraiser and every rand contributed directly helps those affected move closer to receiving the care they urgently need. Tablers of 267 emphasise that the ride is about more than fundraising; it is about community, solidarity, and standing alongside families facing daily challenges. By bringing attention to CF and supporting SACFA, the Table hopes to create a tangible impact that extends far beyond the ride itself.

The initiative also encourages the wider community to get involved, whether by sponsoring riders, making donations, or simply helping to spread awareness. Each contribution, no matter the size, helps build a stronger support network for people living with CF and their families.

Hermanus 267's commitment to service and fellowship is evident in projects like this proving that when communities come together with a purpose, real change is possible. Every pedal stroke and every contribution brings hope, care, and the promise of a brighter future for those affected by Cystic Fibrosis.

MALMESBURY WRAPS UP A REMARKABLE YEAR

Round Table 262 Malmesbury closed out 2025 with an unforgettable year-end function, celebrating the dedication and impact of its members. Reflecting on the year, the Table proudly acknowledged the hard work, camaraderie, and meaningful contributions made to the local community. From fundraising initiatives to hands-on outreach projects, 2025 highlighted the remarkable difference a committed group of men can make when they serve with purpose.





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