Sharing our Successes

Youth Services in 2016



EarlyAct

63 schools
21 Rotary Clubs
1 workshop, Awards

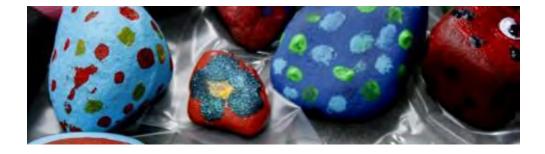
In good hands

EarlyAct members, their teachers and Rotarians gathered at Maitland Garden Village Primary on Saturday, October 15 for the District 9350 Workshop. The interactive morning was well-attended and an encouraging indication that the future of community service is in very good hands. The event was rounded off by the presentation by District Governor Ian Pursch of the EarlyAct District Awards.



EarlyActors, teachers, Rotaractors and Rotarians met to learn about each other, the projects of each group and the wider network that is Rotary International.

The programme included discussions on Building Relationships, Library Corners, Social Media and Operation Shoebox. Learners also took part in a service activity which saw them painting rocks for a community Story Garden.



Awards

10 Rotary Clubs attended

21 schools represented

34 certificates awarded to learners

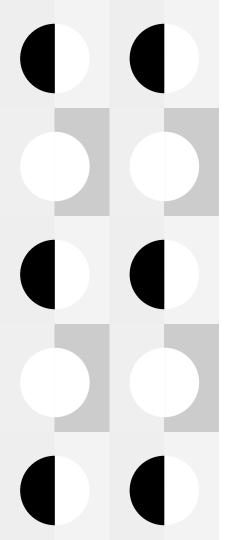
23 certificates awarded to teachers

In total 57 certificates were awarded this year



Projects

The projects the school children are driving uplift the vulnerable and marginalised members of their communities. Their hard work and dedication to their causes is an inspiration.



The project that won first place in the category 'The Project that Made a Great Impact on the Community':

The Knitting, Sewing and Blanket Drive at Square Hill Primary School in Retreat

The EarlyActors challenged the classes in the school to knit squares. The winning classes were given prizes that the EarlyActors bought.

Everyone knitted: parents, grandparents, aunts, teachers. Grade 1 and 2 teachers even taught their learners how to knit. They spent hours stitching squares together and gave 45 blankets to the residents at Douglas Murray - an old-age home.



The project that came first in the category "The project that best collaborated with another club or NGO":

Temperance Town Primary - Garden Project



The learners of Temperance Town Primary are enthusiastic when working in the food garden, especially when harvesting the vegetables and herbs.

Those who benefit are:

- club members at the school
- children from pre-school
- older children, some not enrolled at the school.



The school collaborated with The Summer Strand Eco school to start a Tyre Garden project. The club members and other learners painted tyres, and planted seeds and plants inside them. The runner-up in the Miss Earth competition, Shalani - an ambassador - encouraged club members and other learners to create their story garden at the school.

The project that came first in the category "The Project that built best relationships between the school and the community":

The Rahmaniyeh EarlyAct Club at Rahmaniyeh Primary

Rahmaniyah

Early Act Club (R.E.A.C.T) started going Green in May 2016. The relationship between the Rotary Club of Waterfront and AR Recycling has enabled the success of the school's environmental project.



Waste

Initially the project was off to a slow start as the learners travel far to get to school, and it was difficult to accumulate enough recycling for a profitable turnover.



In August this year, the club was featured in the *People's Post* thanks to Siham Boda from Rotary. As a result, the local community has got involved with the school, and has since supported the school's initiative to become waste-wise.

New EarlyAct charters

- Sivile Primary, Khayelitsha Newlands RC
- Blue Downs, Khayelitsha Newlands RC
- Boston Primary, Durbanville Durbanville RC
- Cavalleria Primary, Kraaifontein Oostenberg RC
- Somerset House Primary Helderberg Sunrise RC

Pending EarlyAct charters

- Sombambisana, Khayelitsha Pinelands RC
- Curro Century City Blouberg RC

Interact

100 schools, 40 Rotary Clubs 6 workshops: Cape Town, George, Knysna and Namibia. Rotaract Wynberg and Bellville ran workshops for Interactors

New Interact charters

Schools

- Otjiwarongo Secondary
 - Otjiwarongo RC
- Donatus Secondary school
 - Otjiwarongo RC
- Acacia High High School
 - Windhoek + Auas RC
- Jan Janker Afrikaner High School
 - Windhoek + Auas RC
- Khomas High School
 - Windhoek + Auas RC

- Immanuel Shifidi High School
 - Windhoek + Auas RC
- Windhoek High School
 - Windhoek + Auas
- Swellendam High School
 - Swellendam RC
- Usazaso, Ktsha Newlands RC
- COSAT, Ktsha Newlands RC
- Silvermine Academy High
 - Cape of Good Hope RC
- Curro Century City Blouberg RC

Pending Interact charters

Schools

- Joe Slovo, Khayelitsha waiting for sponsor club
- Boston Private, Bellville Bellville RC
- Mandela Park, Ktsha Claremont RC
- Ilitha Park, Ktsha Claremont RC

- Matthew Gonewe, Ktsha waiting for sponsor club
- Breede River Winelands
 RC is starting discussions
 with a high school



Rotaract

10 clubs including one chartered in April by Windhoek and Auas RC; 2 Pending: Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain. Rotaract Conference in July had an 89% member attendance. Rotaract Wynberg co-presented an Interact training workshop at SACS; Rotaract Stellenbosch co-presented Ryla; Rotaract Bellville and Rotaract Blouberg trained their Interactors. Rotarians required to assist with Rotaract Christmas parties.

Youth Exchange
Programme
Short-term applications:
record 40-plus; Nambia 5
Needed: club counsellors

Adventures into Citizenship: 51 students took part



Getting to grips with the hands of the law

The Adventures into Citizenship team poses for a photo on the steps of parliament.

RYLA

Both Cape Town camps sold out. New venue, B2 Gold Educational Centre in Otavi, Namibia saw record numbers. 64 learners attended. This has motivated teachers and learners to consider chartering new Interact clubs in Otjiwarongo, Walvis Bay and Windhoek.

Needed: More clubs to run more camps.

Working together

RYLA in action



