

The Stanford Shout-Out

February, 2024

February didn't slow down and kept us on our toes for sure. School stationery, new swings for the park, Valentine's civvies day, netball season opener and the Sunset Market. We also celebrated Rotary's birthday!

School Stationery

We support a number of primary schools in Stanford – Die Bron, Okkie Smuts, Rural Education (Hoopland Academie) as well as St Paul's – by providing stationery items as per their wish lists. A small supply is also given to the Koshuis for use as needed.

Sadly Hoopland have had to close their doors so their allocation was sent to their sister school, Fynbos Academie.



Die Bron



Okkie Smuts





Rural Education



St Paul's



Koshuis

Valentine's Civvies Day

At Okkie Smuts Valentine's Day was celebrated by having a Civvies Day where the children are allowed to dress in Civvies at a cost of R5 each. They also receive some treats on the day. Because the Koshuis children don't have quick access to their parents for these extra bits during the week we decided to sponsor them for their first Civvies Day of 2024. It certainly doesn't take much to put a big smile on a little face.



New Swings for the Park

Moving away from schools now and onto the outdoors.

Several weeks ago the top cross-bar of the swings at the Queen Victoria/Moore Street park broke, resulting in the necessary disassembly of the entire structure.

Fortunately no-one was injured.

In collaboration with the Muni and various other individuals who help maintain the park, Rotary purchased materials to erect a completely new set of swings. A few items were rescued and re-used. Thank you to all those involved in this project.



Netball Season Opening Tournament

The last weekend of February saw a friendly netball tournament between Stanford and Gansbaai teams. It was very gratifying to see the newly built spectator stands being put to use by the community supporting their teams.



Sunset Market & Rotary's Birthday Celebrations

We always enjoy being at the Sunset market, and February was extra special because we also got to celebrate Rotary's 119th Birthday, which is on 23rd February.

We take great pride in putting together the raffle hampers each month and strive to make them interesting and varied. For this we do ask for donations of home-made jams, pickles, marmalades, gift vouchers, beauty treats, hand-made items and so on from our very talented locals. We'll happily accept unwanted gifts as well. Please let us know if you have something you'd like to include.

Rotarians having fun!



The Team

Sandy, Truda, Chrissie, Ray, Malcolm, Lana, Sybille and Flicka.

Ansie was not in attendance as she is due for heart surgery this week. We wish her well and a speedy recovery.

Stephen is in the UK so also not in the pic.

Thanks to this wonderful team of individuals – and of course all those who support our various projects – we are able to alleviate a little of the plight the desperately poor find themselves in.

Children and the Elderly are always top on our list.

Should you wish to know more about any of our projects, or would like to contribute in any way, please contact Lana on 082 216 4398

Better still, join us at a meeting, meet the members and learn more about what we do for the greater Stanford Community.

You won't regret it.