



# Newsletter

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As Rotary Club of Iganga, we take great pride in the progress we have made in transforming lives through our various humanitarian and health-focused projects. Our medical camps at Namalemba Sub County headquarters in Bugweri and Iganga Municipal Council primary school brought together medical professionals and volunteers to provide much-needed health services to hundreds of people, many of whom had never accessed such care before. Through these efforts, we have not only improved health outcomes but also strengthened the bond between Rotary and the communities we serve.

## Foreward

One of our most inspiring moments was the rehabilitation support we extended to a woman who received an artificial leg — a testament to our belief that service goes beyond charity to restoring dignity and hope. Such life-changing interventions remind us why we serve and encourage us to continue reaching out to those who need us most.

Looking ahead, the club intends to expand its outreach, conduct more medical and rehabilitation camps, and enhance partnerships with local health facilities, Rotary clubs, and other stakeholders. The awareness walk on Postpartum Hemorrhage (PPH), the cancer run, and the radio talk shows have created a strong platform for preventive health education. We plan to sustain these initiatives and introduce regular community sensitization campaigns to ensure continuity and long-term impact.

Within our fellowships, we will continue nurturing members through leadership development, project planning, and professional growth sessions. The presentations and discussions in our meetings will keep our members informed, motivated, and united in purpose.

As we move forward, our focus remains clear — to serve with passion, integrity, and inclusiveness. Together, as Rotarians, we will continue to transform lives and build healthier, empowered communities, truly living the Rotary motto, “Service Above Self.”



Tatumwa Desmond Benjamin  
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## Foreword

It gives me great pride and joy to present to you the second edition of The Flag, the official magazine of the Rotary and Rotaract Club of Iganga. This publication is more than a collection of stories; it is a reflection of our club's journey, our service, and the shared commitment of young people determined to create lasting change in our community and beyond.

Each page of this edition captures the spirit of action and fellowship that defines who we are. From bringing essential health services closer to the people through medical camps, to empowering learners through the "One Set, One Pen, and One Fruit Tree Seedling" project, and advancing environmental stewardship through the Rotaract Earth Initiative in Kenya, our stories echo a message of hope, unity, and purpose.

We also celebrate our role in amplifying national causes such as the Rotary Cancer Run, strengthening project management through grants training, inspiring learners with success cards, and gearing up for DISCON 2026 with renewed energy. Together, these efforts highlight the impact that passion and teamwork can achieve when guided by the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self."

As we raise The Flag once more, may it stand as a symbol of our resilience, creativity, and unwavering dedication to community service. To all members, partners, and well-wishers, thank you for your support, mentorship, and belief in our vision. Let us continue to serve, innovate, and inspire, one project at a time.

With gratitude and fellowship,

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## Who We Are

The Rotary Club of Iganga began its journey in early 1988 and was officially chartered on August 2 of the same year. Guided by its first president, the late Rtn. Kiwanuka Lubanga, the club established a firm foundation built on service, fellowship, and a deep commitment to community development. What started as a small group of dedicated individuals has grown into a vibrant force for good in the Busoga region.

The club's fellowship meetings first took place at Mwana Highway Hotel before later relocating to Ntinda Valley Resort Hotel, where members still meet every Tuesday at 6:00 PM. These weekly gatherings remain an important space for planning, reflection, and strengthening the bond that drives their service. The consistency of this tradition reflects the club's discipline and unity.

For more than three decades, the Rotary Club of Iganga has prioritized improving health services, expanding access to education, and supporting economic empowerment. The club's impact is felt through numerous community projects and strong partnerships that link local needs with global solutions. A notable example is the collaboration with the Rotary Club of Trent Bridge in the United Kingdom that helped deliver clean and safe water to Namunyanya Parish.

Today, the Rotary Club of Iganga continues to stand as a trusted and active partner in community transformation. Through its programs, youth engagement, and sustained service, the club remains committed to building a healthier, stronger, and more prosperous Iganga. The legacy begun in 1988 lives on, inspiring every effort to uplift the community.



*The District Governor DG Robert Ssebunya(m) visited the Club on Thursday 18th October 2001. Here he was meeting some of the members of the Club in front of Mwana Highway Hotel our meeting place.*

# Medical camp in Bugweri District, Uganda

Uganda's Busoga sub region, where Bugweri District sits, has some of the highest rates of preventable illnesses in East Africa. Malaria remains a leading cause of illness; Dr. Kharim Mwebaza Muluya of the Rotary Club of Iganga notes that an estimated 40 % of the population is affected by mosquito borne infections and that the Busoga sub region struggles with high burdens of preventable disease due to poverty and limited access to health facilities. Uganda is a high burden malaria country - the entire population of ~45.5 million is at risk, and the eastern Busoga region has some of the highest transmission. The World Health Organization (WHO) reports that malaria cases decreased slightly between 2022 and 2023 but Uganda still had the 3rd highest global burden of malaria cases in 2023 and the 8th highest number of deaths.

Communicable diseases are not the only challenge. Uganda's HIV response has achieved progress - new infections declined from 97,000 in 2010 to 38,000 in 2023 - yet the disease remains prevalent. National estimates from 2023 indicate that HIV prevalence among adults aged 15 - 49 is 6.6 % for women and 3.6 % for men. Young women (15–24 years) are disproportionately affected, with national HIV prevalence of 2.2 % among females versus 0.9 % among males in this age group. Tuberculosis (TB) also remains a significant threat; the WHO notes that about 96,000 people in Uganda fall ill with TB annually and around 10,000 cases go undetected, allowing continued transmission.

Non communicable diseases (NCDs) are quietly overtaking infectious illnesses. In June 2025, the Ugandan Ministry of Health warned that NCDs now account for over 41 % of all deaths. A recent national survey found that 23.5 % of Ugandans have hypertension, with 70 % unaware they have the condition. It also reported that 3.3 % live with diabetes, 19.3 % are overweight, and 9.8 % are obese, while 88.9 % of Ugandans do not consume adequate fruits and vegetables. Children bear a heavy burden of malnutrition; although Uganda has made progress, 25.4 % of children under five remain stunted and 3.6 % are wasted, and only 65.5 % of infants aged 0–5 months are exclusively breastfed. Mental health is another neglected area - research in rural eastern Uganda notes that only 15 % of people with mental illness access formal mental health treatment and less than 1 % of Uganda's healthcare budget is allocated to mental health services. Family planning needs remain unmet; a United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) issue brief reports that 28 % of married women in Uganda had an unmet need for family planning in 2016 and that this unmet need accounts for about one-fifth of maternal deaths.

## The medical camp: a community-centred collaboration

On 2 August 2025, the Rotary Club of Iganga joined forces with the Rotary Club of Kibuli, the Rotaract Club of Kibuli, and the Rotaract Club of Iganga to hold a comprehensive medical camp at Namalemba Sub county in Bugweri District. Hundreds of residents turned up for the one day camp, highlighting the tremendous need for accessible health services. The camp formed part of Rotary's larger mission to "bring essential health services closer to the community," particularly in rural areas where health facilities are distant and understaffed.



Rotary volunteers worked side by side with local healthcare professionals to deliver a spectrum of services:

- General outpatient consultations and treatment: Clinicians provided diagnosis, prescriptions, and referrals for common ailments. Minor conditions were treated on-site, while more complicated cases received referrals to health facilities with higher-level care.
- Diagnostic testing and counselling: Free malaria, HIV, and TB testing allowed residents to know their status and receive counselling. Dr. Jane Nabatanzi emphasized that regular testing and early treatment could significantly reduce disease spread.
- NCD screening: Health workers measured blood pressure and blood glucose levels, offering early detection for hypertension and diabetes. Given that nearly a quarter of Ugandans have hypertension and many are unaware, such screening is vital.
- Nutrition assessment and counselling: Nutritionists evaluated body mass index and provided guidance on balanced diets. They stressed the importance of fruit, vegetable and protein intake, addressing survey findings that 88.9 % of Ugandans lack adequate fruits and vegetables in their diets.
- Laboratory services: A mobile lab offered basic diagnostics, including haemoglobin tests, urinalysis and pregnancy tests, to aid clinical decision making.
- Health education and hygiene promotion: Volunteers conducted sessions on hand washing, sanitation, menstrual hygiene and safe water. They also facilitated group discussions on mental health and psychosocial support, providing information about depression, anxiety and available resources. Given that only 15 % of people with mental illness access formal treatment and mental health services receive less than 1 % of the national healthcare budget, these sessions aimed to combat stigma and encourage care seeking.
- Family planning and reproductive health services: Midwives counselled couples and women on contraceptive options, safe childbirth and prevention of sexually transmitted infections. They highlighted UNFPA's finding that 28 % of married women have an unmet need for family planning and explained how modern contraception can reduce maternal deaths.

**Dr Kharim Mwebaza Muluya**, president of the Rotary Club of Iganga and coordinator of the camp, reminded attendees that poverty and environmental conditions fuel malaria and other diseases. He pointed to poor sanitation, stagnant water and failure to seek timely medical testing as drivers of illness. "If locals embraced regular testing and early treatment, we could significantly reduce the spread of these diseases," he told a journalist. He also underscored the camp's role in bridging health inequalities by bringing services to hard to reach areas.



**Captain Herbert Musiitwa Mulasa**, president of the Rotary Club of Kibuli, highlighted the logistical challenges of organizing such camps. "Many people suffer silently due to lack of access to health-care," he said. He appealed to government and partners to support these camps so that no one returns home without care. Rotary Club Kibuli plans to hold several more health camps across Uganda, but resource constraints and dependence on volunteer health professionals remain hurdles.

Medical camps remind us that good health is not a privilege for a few, it is a chance every young person deserves. When we bring care closer to the community, we do more than treat illness, we protect futures.

Rtr. Kisakye Joannah.

## ***Bringing Care to the Doorstep***



Residents expressed gratitude for the outreach. Many families in Namalemba cannot afford transport to distant health centres, and the camp's integrated services, from TB screening to nutrition advice, were described as "lifesaving." Parents of young children lined up for immunisations and deworming, while adolescents attended counselling sessions on reproductive health and mental well being.

### Beyond the camp: towards sustainable health improvements

The success of the Namalemba medical camp underscores the importance of integrated community health services in Uganda. The range of services addressed the intertwined burdens of communicable diseases, NCDs, malnutrition, mental health and reproductive health. By offering screening, counselling and referral under one roof, the camp showcased a model that can reduce disease burden and empower communities.

However, sustainability requires systemic changes. The high prevalence of malaria and other infectious diseases means that improving sanitation, vector control and consistent use of insecticide treated nets remains essential. Expanded investment in mental health, currently receiving less than 1 % of the health budget, is needed to ensure that counselling and psychosocial support extend beyond outreach days. Addressing the unmet need for family planning, which affects 28 % of married women and contributes to maternal deaths, requires strengthening reproductive health supply chains and community education. Tackling NCDs demands routine blood pressure and glucose screening, public education on nutrition and physical activity, and policies to reduce salt intake and promote healthy eating in schools.

Rotary's engagement demonstrates how civic organisations can complement government efforts. The Rotary Club of Iganga's collaboration with its counterparts in Kibuli and local Rotaract clubs mobilised volunteers, medicines, and laboratory supplies. Such partnerships can help Uganda progress towards universal health coverage, ensuring that no one is left behind. As Uganda works toward its 2025 malaria, HIV, and TB reduction targets and seeks to lower NCD mortality, community-based initiatives like the Namalemba camp offer practical lessons for delivering comprehensive care in resource-constrained settings.

On 6 September 2025, the Rotary Club of Iganga partnered with the Iganga Muslim District to deliver a comprehensive and community-centered medical camp at Iganga Municipal Council Primary School. The turnout of hundreds of residents demonstrated the urgent need for accessible and affordable health care within Iganga District, where many families struggle to reach distant health facilities. The camp aligned with Rotary's commitment to bringing essential services closer to the people, especially in communities where health systems are overstretched or unaffordable. Throughout the day, Rotary volunteers and health professionals worked side by side to deliver wide-ranging services that addressed both immediate and long-term health needs.

The medical camp offered general outpatient care, diagnostic testing for malaria, HIV, and TB, and screening for noncommunicable diseases such as hypertension and diabetes. Nutrition assessments, basic laboratory services, and eye screenings uncovered conditions that often go undetected in underserved communities. Women received cervical cancer screening through VIA, while a blood donation drive boosted the Iganga Hospital blood bank, which often faces shortages. Preventive health remained central, with education sessions on hygiene, sanitation, menstrual health, mental wellbeing, and safe water practices. Family planning and reproductive health services were provided to empower women and couples to make informed choices for healthier families.

Throughout the event, leaders emphasized the broader health challenges affecting the region. Dr. Kharim Mwebaza Mulya, President of the Rotary Club of Iganga, reminded community members that preventable diseases thrive in environments marked by poverty, poor sanitation, and limited health awareness. He highlighted the importance of regular testing and early treatment in reducing the spread of disease. In a special message, District Kadhi Sheikh Sinani Muwanika commended the partnership and urged the community to embrace preventive care and unity. He emphasized that preserving good health is a shared responsibility between individuals, religious institutions, and the health system. He encouraged families to take advantage of such opportunities, noting that a healthy population contributes to harmony, productivity, and peace within the district.

## Iganga's Community Medical Camp 2025

The success of the Iganga medical camp highlighted the importance of integrated community health services in addressing the multiple burdens affecting households today, including communicable diseases, NCDs, malnutrition, mental health conditions, and reproductive health needs. Community members described the services as lifesaving, particularly those who cannot afford transport to distant facilities. As Uganda works toward achieving its national health targets, this medical camp stands as a practical model of how community-led collaborations can complement government efforts, expand access to essential care, and ensure that even the most vulnerable are not left behind.



# Rotary Cancer Run 2025

On 31 August 2025, the Rotary Club of Iganga and the Rotaract Club of Iganga laced up their running shoes and joined the Rotary Cancer Run at Iganga district headquarters. What unfolded was our largest turnout ever: more than 500 participants, families, youth, professionals and cancer survivors, came together in solidarity. The energy was palpable as supporters cheered along the streets, reflecting how deeply our community cares about fighting cancer. In addition to the spirited crowd, we sold over 140 vests, raising much-needed funds for the cause. For us, the day was not just a run but a statement: Iganga stands shoulder to shoulder with the rest of the country in the fight against cancer.

Our local event was part of a national mobilization that drew thousands. On the same Sunday, tens of thousands of Ugandans and friends from around the world gathered at the Independence Grounds in Kololo for the flagship run, an event that has grown into one of the largest gatherings in Rotary International.

In her address, Cancer Run Chair Rtn. Ritah Balaka reminded participants that we were “racing together to save a life”. Her words resonated as she announced that about 60,000 runners took part across Uganda and beyond, raising a record UGX 3,573,499,000 (over 3.5 billion shillings) and breaking multiple records in participation and fundraising. Past District Governor Stephen Mwanje told the crowd that the Rotary Cancer Program has already built a cancer treatment centre at Nsambya Hospital, contributed to the Rotary Blood Bank at Mengo Hospital, and raised more than UGX 8 billion since it began.

Yet, he and Chief Runner Emmanuel Katongole emphasized that the work isn't finished; Uganda must complete linear-accelerator bunkers at Nsambya by 2027, and runners were urged to “run with purpose, run with love, run with hope”. Looking ahead, organizers have set an ambitious goal of 100,000 runners for the next edition, and as Iganga, we look forward to having 1,000 runners.

Against this national backdrop, Iganga's contribution was very vital. Our 500-strong field represented the hope and determination of our community. Each vest sold contributes to building state-of-the-art cancer treatment facilities, improving blood bank services, and providing care for those battling the disease. By joining the Rotary Cancer Run, we added our voices to a growing chorus demanding better cancer care in Uganda. We left inspired by the stories of survivors and the camaraderie of fellow runners, knowing that together, locally and nationally, we are racing toward a future where cancer is no longer a death sentence.

***In 2026, Iganga is aiming for 1,000 runners. Every one of us will be taking a step against cancer and a step toward better care for our community.***





## RC Iganga Gears Up for DISCON 2026

The Rotary Club of Iganga continues to demonstrate its commitment to Rotary ideals and fellowship, this time through its enthusiastic activation of the upcoming District Conference (DISCON) 2026, which will be held in Entebbe in April 2026. The activation took place during a special club meeting that was graced by the visitation of Rtn. Edgar Rujumba, the Immediate Past President of the mother club—Rotary Club of Jinja. His presence and inspiring message sparked renewed energy and motivation among the members of RC Iganga.

In his address, Rtn. Edgar Rujumba emphasized the importance of early preparation and active participation in district activities, especially the DISCON. He highlighted how such conferences offer Rotarians a unique opportunity to share experiences, celebrate achievements, learn from one another, and strengthen bonds across clubs. With passion and insight, he encouraged members to take advantage of the early bird registration window, reminding them that DISCON is not merely an event but a celebration of Rotary service and friendship.

His call to action bores immediate fruit as four dedicated members of RC Iganga registered for the conference before the closure of the early bird period. This marked a strong start for the club, signaling the commitment and readiness of members to represent Iganga with pride at the district level.

Unity President, in his remarks, echoed Rtn. Rujumba's sentiments and urged all members to come out in big numbers. He emphasized that DISCON 2026 would be a moment to showcase the growth and vibrancy of RC Iganga and to network with fellow Rotarians from across the district. His appeal was rooted in the spirit of togetherness that defines Rotary—calling on members to not only attend but to actively participate and make the club's presence felt.

Adding his voice, the Senior Club Advisor, PAG Michael Bazira, reminded members of the club's rich legacy and the importance of maintaining momentum. He challenged RC Iganga to exceed the attendance they had registered at the previous DISCON held in Jinja. His motivational words stirred a renewed sense of competition, pride, and determination within the club, setting a clear target for Entebbe 2026—to show up stronger and in greater numbers.

As preparations for the Entebbe DISCON continue, the Rotary Club of Iganga stands united and ready. The activation event not only marked the beginning of the countdown to April 2026 but also reaffirmed the club's unwavering dedication to fellowship, service, and growth. The spirit of "Service Above Self" continues to burn bright in RC Iganga as they look forward to making a lasting mark at DISCON 2026.

# Awareness Walk on Postpartum Haemorrhage

On Thursday, 21 August 2025, the Rotary Club of Iganga, and Rotaract Club of Iganga partnered with Iganga General Hospital to lead an awareness walk on postpartum haemorrhage (PPH), the single biggest direct cause of maternal deaths in Uganda. Unity President Rtn. Dr. Kharim Mwebaza Muluya officially flagged off the event, which drew health workers, non-governmental organizations and concerned citizens. The walk started at Iganga General Hospital and ended at the District Headquarters, where participants engaged in speeches and discussions about maternal health.

Why focus on PPH? According to the World Health Organization, postpartum haemorrhage affects millions of women and is the leading cause of maternal death worldwide. It claims around 70,000 lives each year, equivalent to one woman dying every six minutes. More than 85 % of these deaths occur in sub Saharan Africa and South Asia, and haemorrhage accounts for roughly one third of all maternal deaths in Uganda. Uganda has managed to reduce its overall maternal mortality ratio from 527 deaths per 100,000 live births in 1995 to 189 per 100,000 in 2022, yet postpartum haemorrhage remains the chief threat to mothers.

Speakers at the event highlighted this urgency. Dr. Pontanio Kiwanuka, an obstetrician and gynaecologist at Iganga General Hospital, noted that Uganda still loses too many mothers to childbirth complications, likening the toll to "losing two busloads of mothers" due to excessive bleeding. Iganga District contributes to this national burden, making awareness and prevention critical. The presence of district leaders, Assistant RDC Nabala Tony, Vice Chairperson Halid Khalid Mukacha, Senior Nurse Sr Joy Kisira, and Medical Superintendent Dr Anne Amate, underscored cross-sector commitment. Large groups of Rotarians and Rotaractors also turned up to support the cause.

As a practical response, the Rotary Club donated a LifeWrap non pneumatic anti shock garment (NASG) to Iganga General Hospital. This life saving device, which costs about UGX 785, 900, helps stabilize women experiencing severe bleeding until definitive treatment is available. The club pledged to purchase two more garments within six months to further strengthen emergency maternal care. Such devices are vital because, without rapid intervention, haemorrhage can lead to shock or death.

Through this initiative, the Rotary Club of Iganga reaffirmed its commitment to promoting maternal and child health, a key area within Rotary's focus on disease prevention and treatment. By raising awareness of postpartum haemorrhage, equipping health workers with life-saving devices, and engaging community leaders, the club is helping to reduce preventable maternal deaths and ensure that childbirth remains a time of joy rather than tragedy.

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# Sowing Seeds for Learning and Sustainability



## Why the project was needed

In rural Namungalwe Sub-County, Iganga District, basic exam materials are a luxury for many families. Community educators estimate that nearly four in every ten primary leavers approach their Primary Leaving Examinations (PLE) without essential items such as mathematical sets and pens. Lack of these basic tools is more than an inconvenience; in other districts educationists have warned that it undermines pupils' self-confidence and contributes to poor performance. When learners arrive for their final exams empty-handed, teachers can only offer comfort and hope for the best. The Rotaract Club of Iganga "D'Lighters" decided to break this cycle by coupling academic support with environmental stewardship.

## Implementing "One Set, One Pen and One Fruit Tree Seedling"

On 30 October 2025, The Rotaract Club of Iganga members launched their initiative under the theme "Sowing Seeds for Learning and Sustainability." The project reached 208 Primary Seven candidates across five Namungalwe schools—Nabikoote C/U Primary School, Bulumwaki C/U Primary School, St. Mary's Kawete Primary School, Akanabala Bulanga Primary School and Namunkanga Primary School. Each candidate received:

- A mathematical set and pens to help them sit the PLE with confidence and fairness.
- A fruit tree seedling, which each learner planted in the school compound as a living symbol of growth, resilience and a greener future.
- Guidance and counselling sessions, aimed at boosting self-esteem, sharpening focus and inspiring belief in their potential

By pairing academic tools with tree planting, the club addressed immediate educational needs while instilling environmental stewardship among youth. Planting a seedling allowed pupils to reflect on their own potential: like their trees, they would take root, grow and bear fruit if nurtured properly.

### Impact on learners and the environment

Armed with proper geometry sets, pens and moral support, the 208 candidates entered their exams prepared and self-assured. Teachers reported improved concentration and reduced anxiety compared with previous years. Beyond the examination hall, the fruit tree seedlings will grow to provide shade, nutrition and a constant reminder of sustainability in the school environment. Each tree stands as a tangible promise that education and environmental protection are intertwined.

## Partners and supporters

This project was made possible through the generosity and collaboration of many individuals and organisations who believe in education and sustainability. Key partners included:

- Rotary Club of Iganga, whose members provided financial and logistical support.
- Young Professional Mentorship Program (YPMP) family and Building Tomorrow Fellows, who mobilised volunteers and mentorship resources.
- Action 4 Green, +256 Youth Platform and Hon. Kauma Sauda Alibaawo (aspiring MP, Iganga District), who contributed tree seedlings, expertise and inspiration.

The Rotaract Club expresses its heartfelt gratitude to everyone who donated, volunteered or promoted the initiative. Their collective effort turned an idea into a transformative experience for pupils and the community.

## Looking ahead

"Sowing Seeds for Learning and Sustainability" shows that when communities unite, they can address multiple challenges at once. By providing exam materials, the project restored dignity and equity for rural pupils who would otherwise face exams empty-handed. Through tree planting and counselling, it nurtured long-term values of resilience and environmental care. The Rotaract Club of Iganga is committed to scaling up this model, ensuring that future cohorts of pupils not only excel academically but also grow into custodians of their environment.

As the fruit trees take root and flourish in Namungalwe, they will stand as living testimonies to the power of service, collaboration and hope, a reminder that sustainable development thrives when education and the environment are nourished together.



## Spreading Success and Hope.

### RC Iganga Gives Out Success Cards to Candidates

As the 2025 national examinations approached in October, the Rotary Club of Iganga extended its warmest wishes to pupils and students in Iganga and Kaliro districts through a touching gesture, distributing success cards to candidates in both primary and secondary schools. The initiative aimed to inspire confidence, motivate excellence, and remind learners that the community stands with them during this crucial moment in their academic journey.

The success cards were uniquely designed by the President-Elect, Rtn. Kassim Ssimbwa, featuring encouraging messages of perseverance, integrity, and hope. Each card carried a personal signature and message from the Unity President, Rtn. Dr. Kharim Mwebaza Mulya, reinforcing Rotary's commitment to nurturing the next generation of leaders. The distribution exercise was coordinated and led by Rtn. Mercy Namalikye, the Club Administration Chair, together with the Sergeant-at-Arms, Rtn. Speciosa Kantono, who traversed the two districts to deliver the cards personally to schools.

The schools that benefited from the initiative included Iganga Secondary School, Kigulu Prime School, St. Joseph Primary School, Iganga Parents Secondary School, Iganga Comprehensive Secondary School, Kaliro High School, Buckley High School, King of Kings Secondary School, among others. In total, hundreds of success cards were delivered, reaching both urban and rural learners who were preparing anxiously for their final examinations.

During the visit to Iganga Secondary School, the Headmistress expressed heartfelt gratitude on behalf of the students and staff. *"We are deeply humbled by this gesture from the Rotary Club of Iganga. It means a lot to our candidates to know that people in the community care about their success. The words on these cards are not just messages, they are a source of motivation and confidence,"* she said.

The activity was not just about giving out cards, but about building bridges between education and community service. The Rotarians took time to interact with students, sharing words of encouragement and emphasizing the importance of discipline, hard work, and ethical values, principles that resonate deeply with Rotary's mission of service above self.

Through this thoughtful act, RC Iganga reaffirmed its dedication to supporting education and youth empowerment. The smiles on the faces of the candidates reflected a renewed sense of determination and hope, a true testament to the spirit of Rotary that continues to transform lives one community at a time.



# Iganga SS Leads Eastern Uganda at District Leadership Summit



On 16 August 2025, a delegation of 15 Interactors from Interact Club of Iganga Secondary School and their patron Rtn. Aguti Philomen travelled to Kyambogo College School in Kampala to attend the Interact Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) 2025. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Iganga, these students were the only representatives from Eastern Uganda. Their participation underscored the club's commitment to giving young leaders the resources and exposure they need to shape the future.

## A New Generation of Leaders

The event brought together over 800 students from more than 90 schools across Rotary District 9213. Under the theme "Innovate, Adapt, Impact," Interact RYLA 2025 offered a full day of interactive workshops designed to turn ideas into action. Unlike traditional lectures, participants were encouraged to engage, question and practise new skills.

## Key Activities and Highlights

- Financial literacy session, "Level Up Your Wallet": Kyobuhoro Bathsheba of Little Feza Builders delivered a dynamic workshop on saving, smart spending and financial confidence. The session highlighted the importance of making savvy decisions today to secure a better tomorrow.
- Leadership and communication: District Governor Geoffrey M. Kitakule challenged Interactors to become champions of change and to plant seeds of leadership for their transition into Rotaract and beyond. Dr. Joyce Nalunga of the Female Lawyers' Network shared insights on purpose driven leadership, while communications specialist Josephine Karungi taught public speaking and effective communication techniques.
- Team building and collaboration: With hundreds of students connecting across schools, the event fostered friendships and networks that will fuel collaboration for years. Workshops emphasised practical problem-solving, adaptability in the age of AI, and ethical leadership.
- Community engagement and inclusion: The RYLA program highlighted social responsibility, encouraging participants to design projects that benefit their communities. Other RYLA activities in 2025 included events tailored for the deaf community, demonstrating a strong commitment to innovation and inclusion.

## Iganga SS's Impact

By attending RYLA, the Interactors from Iganga SS gained skills in financial literacy, leadership and community service. They returned home inspired to launch projects and mentor peers, echoing the message that RYLA's success is measured not by attendance but by the positive projects and ethical leadership participants bring to their schools and communities. Their involvement showcased how dedication and support can empower youth from less-represented regions to take their place on a national stage.

The Rotary Club of Iganga's investment in these young leaders underscores Rotary's belief in "Service Above Self." As the students continue their journey from Interact to Rotaract, their experience at RYLA 2025 will remain a launchpad for innovation and positive change, proof that when we invest in youth, we light the way for our communities and our world.



# Rotaract Earth Initiative Kenya (REI) 2025

## Why a Youth led REI Movement Matters

Mount Elgon, a 24-million-year-old extinct volcano that straddles the Uganda-Kenya border, is one of East Africa's "water towers" and supports more than half a million people with fertile soils and steady rainfall. Yet decades of clearing forests for timber, crops and settlements have made the landscape increasingly unstable. A recent study found that the Mount Elgon Biosphere Reserve's transition zone has lost 76.7 % of its forest cover. Heavy rains have caused deadly landslides, and Ugandan farmers have responded by planting native trees and adopting agro forestry to bind soil and restore the land. These trends mirror Kenya's national struggle with deforestation and climate change – a struggle the government hopes to reverse by planting 15 billion trees by 2032. The campaign, launched in 2022, aims to increase forest cover to 30 % and curb greenhouse gas emissions. Kenyans are being urged to plant at least 50 trees each.

While climate change threatens ecosystems, Kenya's rural communities also face health challenges. Non communicable diseases (NCDs) such as diabetes and hypertension are rising; an estimated 3.3 % of Kenyans live with diabetes, and NCDs account for over 50 % of inpatient admissions and 40 % of hospital deaths. Access to electricity and clean energy remains uneven – although off grid solutions and mini grids have raised rural electricity access to more than 75 %, a significant share of households still rely on wood fuel.

Projects such as the Kenya Off Grid Solar Access Project (KOSAP), coupled with supportive policies like tax breaks on solar products and the Energy (Mini Grid) Regulation 2021, are boosting the adoption of renewable energy.

Against this backdrop, the Rotaract Earth Initiative (REI) – a youth led environmental and community programme – organised a multi day outreach from 24–26 October 2025 at Eldoret's Mount Elgon. Partnering clubs included Rotaract and Rotary clubs from the districts of D9212, D9213 and D9214, bringing together volunteers from Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania.

***Kabodha Ashraf, public relations director of the Rotaract Club of Iganga, represented the club at the camp. The event integrated three pillars – tree planting, renewable energy integration and community empowerment – while fostering camaraderie among the 200 participants.***



# Building Capacity for Impact

## RC Iganga at the Grants Writing Training in Mbale



On Saturday, 23rd August 2025, the Rotary Club of Iganga joined other clubs from the Eastern Corridor at a transformative Grants Writing Training held at Mbale Courts View Hotel. The session, which commenced promptly at 8:30 a.m., aimed to enhance Rotarians' understanding of how to apply for and manage Rotary Global Grants, a critical component in implementing sustainable and impactful projects within communities.

Representing the Rotary Club of Iganga were Immediate Past President Rtn. Patrick Kibaada, Current President Rtn. Dr. Kharim Mwebaza Muluya, and President's Personal Assistant Rct. Diana Wesesa. Their participation reflected the club's commitment to continuous learning and strengthening its capacity to design, fund, and execute community-driven initiatives aligned with Rotary's areas of focus.

The day's sessions were structured to provide both theoretical and practical insights. Among the topics covered were Stewardship and Reporting, Qualification for Grants, Proposal Development, and Project Implementation and Monitoring. Participants engaged in hands-on exercises, drafting mock project proposals, and reviewing sample reports from successful global grant-funded projects. Facilitators emphasized accountability, transparency, and sustainability, core principles that ensure Rotary's projects deliver lasting impact.

For the Rotary Club of Iganga, this training could not have come at a better time. As the club continues to expand its service footprint across health, education, and community development sectors, the knowledge gained from the workshop provides a solid foundation for developing high-impact, well-structured projects eligible for global grant funding. The skills acquired will enable the club to design proposals that meet Rotary International's stringent criteria, including needs assessment, measurable outcomes, and sustainability planning.



The sessions on Stewardship and Reporting were particularly enlightening. They reminded clubs of the responsibility that comes with managing donor funds and the importance of maintaining accurate documentation for all activities. This ensures credibility and paves the way for future funding opportunities. Additionally, the Qualification for Grants session guided clubs on meeting the essential requirements, such as maintaining proper financial management systems, updating Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs), and ensuring club officers are trained in grants management.

Following this training, the Rotary Club of Iganga is expected to take several strategic actions. First, the club plans to initiate the process of becoming fully qualified to apply for global grants by ensuring that all its key officers complete the online Rotary Foundation training modules. Secondly, the club will form a Grants Committee to spearhead proposal development and identify potential areas for global partnership, particularly in line with ongoing projects such as maternal health, malaria prevention, and youth empowerment.

Furthermore, RC Iganga aims to collaborate with other clubs within the Eastern Corridor to design multi-club projects, increasing the chances of attracting international partners and larger funding pools. By integrating the lessons learned from Mbale, the club is better positioned to pursue its vision of implementing sustainable community interventions that align with both local needs and Rotary's global priorities.

In conclusion, the Grants Writing Training in Mbale was not merely a workshop, it was an investment in the future of service. The Rotary Club of Iganga now stands better equipped to translate its ideas into funded, sustainable projects that transform lives. As the members return inspired and informed, the club reaffirms its commitment to "Creating Hope in the World" through strategic planning, accountability, and partnerships that deliver real, measurable impact.

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***This training was more than a workshop, it was an investment in our future. With the right skills, RC Iganga can now turn bold ideas into funded projects that deliver real and lasting impact for our community***



# From Tragedy to Triumph: Jesca's Journey of Resilience.



**Before**

In Mayuge District, kindness recently redefined a young woman's life. Timugibwa Jesca, thirty-three, was caught in a tragic dispute over family land that erupted in gunfire. The bullets left her gravely injured and cost her a leg. With her lower limb amputated, Jesca's world became a maze of despair and unanswered questions. "I thought I would never walk again," she recalled softly. "Every day was a struggle, physically and emotionally."

Her plight was aired on UBC, reaching audiences across the nation. Among those watching was Immediate Past President (IPP) Rtn. Patrick Mawaali Kibaadha of the Rotary Club of Iganga. He saw beyond the headlines; he saw a daughter, a sister, and a fellow community member who needed help.

## A Community Responds.

The call for assistance was answered swiftly. Through the dedication of Rtn. Lawrence Angatai, the Rotary Club of Iganga rallied resources to provide Jesca with an artificial leg. The club worked closely with prosthetic specialists to ensure the device was properly fitted and functional. This gesture did more than return Jesca's mobility; it restored her confidence and offered a powerful message about compassion in action. "The first time I stood on my new leg, I felt like I had been given another chance," Jesca said. "I could move around without always asking for help. It meant the world to me."

Members of the club visited Jesca regularly throughout the process, offering encouragement and counselling. Their support also extended to her family, who had been traumatised by the violence and its aftermath. Through these efforts, Jesca was able to resume small tasks around her home and gradually return to her previous activities.

## Renewed Hope.

Today, Jesca's life has been transformed. No longer confined to a chair or dependent on others, she goes about her daily routines with renewed hope. Her story stands as a testament to the power of community service and the Rotary spirit of "Service Above Self." For the Rotaract and Rotary families in Iganga, Jesca's smile is a reminder that even modest acts of kindness can rebuild lives and uplift entire communities.

As we celebrate her progress, Jesca's journey challenges each of us to extend a hand when it is needed most. Our collective compassion not only restores mobility but also rekindles hope.



**After**

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# Caring for the Golden Generation, Rotary Club of Iganga Launches Elderly Health Initiative

In a heartwarming gesture of compassion and community service, the Rotary Club of Iganga, in partnership with Imperial Hospital- Iganga, has launched an innovative health initiative targeting elderly persons aged 60 years and above in Iganga District and surrounding areas, this project, a first of its kind in the region, seeks to ensure that the elderly, often neglected in mainstream health programs, receive continuous medical attention, dignity, and care in their later years.

The program was born in July 2025, out of the club's recognition that many elderly citizens face numerous health challenges, including chronic diseases, poor access to health facilities, and financial limitations, to bridge this gap, the club and Imperial Hospital designed a sustainable model where each participant contributes a nominal fee of 20,000 Ugandan shillings upon registration, this payment not only promotes ownership and commitment but also covers the issuance of a personalized medical record book, enabling proper documentation and continuity of care.

Once enrolled, beneficiaries receive a comprehensive package of free medical services that cater to their most pressing health needs, these include laboratory investigations, dental checkups, malaria treatment, and the management of non-communicable diseases such as hypertension and diabetes, which are increasingly prevalent among the elderly, the initiative also provides health education, counseling, and periodic follow-up visits to monitor patients' progress and promote healthier lifestyles.

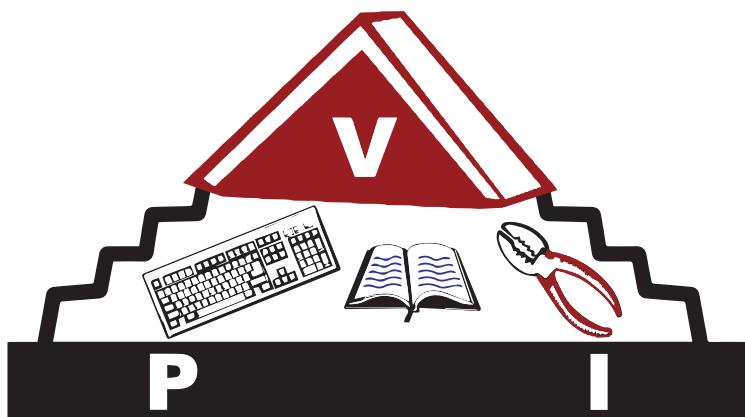
So far, 29 elderly persons have been registered under the project, and all are actively benefiting from the ongoing medical care and support, the response from the community has been overwhelmingly positive, with families expressing gratitude to Rotary for remembering a group that is often left behind in many health programs, the Rotarians involved describe the project as not just a service activity, but a mission of love, humanity, and social responsibility.

Rotary Club of Iganga envisions expanding the program to reach even more elderly people within and beyond Iganga District, plans are underway to integrate the initiative with that of the Rotaract Club of Prime Vocational Institute, which is running a complementary project aimed at improving the livelihoods of elderly citizens, this partnership will not only provide health services but also explore opportunities for social and economic empowerment, ensuring that the elderly live with dignity, purpose, and joy.



Speaking about the project, the Unity President of Rotary Club of Iganga, Rtn. Dr. Kharim Mwebaza Muluya, emphasized that the club's commitment to serving humanity goes beyond temporary relief, "We want to build systems that sustain the health and wellbeing of our senior citizens, the elderly are the pillars of our families and communities, they deserve quality healthcare and respect," he noted.

As Rotary continues to embrace the motto Service Above Self, this project stands as a shining example of how partnerships between community-based organizations and health institutions can transform lives, it reflects Rotary's enduring spirit of compassion, unity, and innovation in addressing the health challenges of vulnerable populations, with continued support and engagement, the initiative promises to bring hope, comfort, and better health to many more elderly individuals across Iganga and beyond.



## **PRIME VOCATIONAL INSTITUTE**

**“Skill With Faith”**

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# support an elderly individual household in Bugabwe community to improve his house and construct a decent sanitation facility

## Introduction

Rotaract Club of Prime Vocational Institute is an institute based club which started last year 2024 with the aim of bringing together youth to develop their leadership skills, networking with other clubs and supporting the community. The Club was chartered on 13th June, 2025 with eighteen (18) potential rotaractors. We fellowship every Thursday at Prime Vocational Institute. We are dedicated to serving above self within the seven (07) rotaract areas of focus. Community Service Projects The club is focused on addressing the needs of the surrounding community by implementing projects which directly improves the lives of the vulnerable members especially the elderly and children using the various vocations of the club members.

Therefore, the club board discussed and came up with an idea of supporting at least one (01) vulnerable individual every year within the community and beyond.

This year 2025, we selected a suitable individual within Bugabwe community following participatory community assessment. The project will support an elderly individual household in Bugabwe community to improve his house and construct a decent sanitation facility. It is based on the theme of "community elderly support"



A team of Rotaractors of the RTC Prime Vocational Institute during project survey

## Why this project?

The identified household is for an elderly grandparent, temporary kitchen, without a proper latrine, dusty floor and wall which are bleeding ground for communicable diseases bacteria.....

From the seven (07) areas of focus like; water sanitation and hygiene, disease prevention and treatment, basic education and literacy, peace building conflict prevention, supporting environment, maternal and child health, community economic development.

Therefore basing on the above areas of focus, the club identified the household a suitable for the project within the community.

## current Status



Kitchen



Latrine



Bathroom

## The project aims and objectives

1. Transforming this elderly from his current status to a recognised homestead.
2. The mzee to posses a garden of greens and vegetables for easy access of food.
3. To ensure mzee lives a good health through taking him in hospital regulary.

## The key project activities and deliverables.

1. Construct an improved pit latrine.
2. Improve the floor and plaster the walls of the main house.
3. Install a rain harvesting tank
4. Construct an improved kitchen.
5. Establish an backyard garden for vegetable growing.

## Current Project partners

1. Rotaract Club Prime Vocational Institute (Host and project lead implemeter)
2. Rotary club of Iganga.
3. Rotaract Club of Iganga.
4. Bugabwe community members

We therefore welcome and invite other partenrs for additional support to make sure the project is a success.

# Prime Vocational Institute Business Incubation Hub Overview

The Prime Vocational Institute (PVI) Business Incubation Hub is designed to nurture and support aspiring entrepreneurs and professionals in turning their innovative ideas into successful businesses. By integrating vocational training with business incubation, the hub provides a comprehensive ecosystem that empowers individuals/youths to develop the skills, knowledge, and networks necessary to succeed in their chosen enterprises.

The hub has the capacity of preparing a big number of incubates at ago.

## **Mission:**

The mission of the Prime Vocational Institute Business Incubation Hub is to foster innovation, entrepreneurship, and economic growth by providing young professionals with the resources and support they need to launch and scale their businesses. By bridging the gap between vocational training and business acumen, the hub aims to create a new generation of successful entrepreneurs who can drive industry advancements and contribute to the economy.

## **Objectives:**

1. Foster Entrepreneurship: Encourage and support vocational professionals in starting their own businesses, promoting innovation and self-employment.
2. Mentorship and Coaching: Offer guidance from experienced industry professionals and business experts who can provide valuable insights and technical knowledge
3. Enhance Skills: Equip participants with the business skills and knowledge necessary to successfully manage and grow their ventures SMEs.
4. Promote Industry Collaboration: Strengthen ties between vocational training institutions and industry partners to ensure that the skills developed are relevant and in demand.
5. Support Economic Development: Contribute to local and regional economic growth by nurturing successful vocational businesses that create jobs and drive innovation.



**Bakers during product development (CURAD)**

## Achievements from the last two years

Last year 2024 PVI by AVSI FOUNDATION with an incubation hub with the above aims

We managed to incubate about 10 businesses with viable enterprises in the area of confectionery and bakery, horticulture, poultry, juice making, animal feeds and many more.

This year 2025, we were thrilled to host over 300 incubates of the consortium for enhancing University Responsiveness to Agribusiness Development – CURAD who were specifically developing there bakery and confectionery products like the bread, mandazi, cakes, cookies, among others.

We therefore urge the public to utilize the space and equipments to improve on the production and also sales.Target Audience:

1. Vocational Students: Individuals enrolled in vocational training programs who aspire to start their own businesses.
2. Local artisans. Artisans with new innovations they wish to develop, improve and access the market.
3. Vocational Professionals: Individuals with vocational skills looking to transition into entrepreneurship or enhance their business acumen.
4. Industry Partners: Companies and organizations interested in collaborating with vocational businesses and supporting the next generation of entrepreneurs.

## Success stories from one of the incubatees

Sky Juice, a thriving beverage business, was incubated at Prime Vocational Institute's Incubation Hub in Bugabwe with a vision to provide healthy and refreshing drinks, the founders utilized the hub's resources to launch their business.

The Journey:

- Developed innovative juice recipes using local fruits
- Refined production processes with guidance from hub mentors
- Launched products in local markets, gaining popularity for quality and taste
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Key Outcomes:

Rapid Growth: Sky Juice expanded product lines and customer base

Job Creation: Created employment opportunities for local youth

Innovation: Introduced new flavors and products, catering to diverse customer preferences

Impact:

Community Impact: Promoted healthy living and supported local farmers

Inspiration: Inspired other entrepreneurs to pursue their passions.



**Current status of sky juice**

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***"Prime Vocational Institute's Incubation Hub was instrumental in our success. The support and resources helped us achieve our goals"***

Mukama Rogers, Sky Juice Founder:

# Holiday Program

The Prime Vocational Institute Iganga is excited to offer a diverse range of holiday programs, providing individuals with the opportunity to develop new skills and enhance their knowledge in various fields. Our programs are designed to cater to different interests and career aspirations, ensuring that participants gain practical skills and hands-on experience.

## **Holiday Program Offerings:**

1. Baking: Learn the art of baking and pastry making, from basic bread recipes to intricate pastries and cakes. Participants will gain hands-on experience in a variety of bakery products.
2. Juice making: Learn with us a variety juices from natural fruits. i.e passion, sugarcane, sour soup,
3. Computer Training: Develop essential computer skills, including Microsoft Office, graphic design, and programming. Our experienced instructors will guide participants through practical exercises and projects.
4. Urban gardening. Participants will learn about sustainable urban gardening practices and gain hands-on experience in our gardens.
5. Bead making, Bangles, necklace, craft shoes, ear rings. Participants will have the opportunity to create unique pieces and take them home for sale.
6. Driving: Learn to drive with our skilled instructors, covering both theoretical and practical aspects of driving. Participants will gain the confidence and skills needed to become a competent driver.

## **Program Benefits:**

Practical Skills: Gain hands-on experience in your chosen field.

Expert Instruction: Learn from experienced instructors who are professionals in their field.

Networking Opportunities: Meet new people and make connections with like-minded individuals

### Target Audience:

Students: Looking to gain new skills or explore different interests during their holidays.

Professionals: Seeking to enhance their skills or transition to a new career.

Individuals: Interested in personal development and lifelong learning.



***Students during bakery practicals(cake making)***

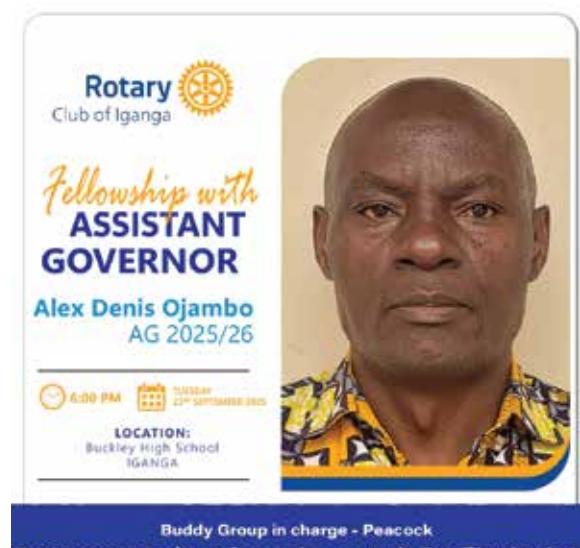
# Special Fellowships

# Rotary Club of Iganga Holds Special Fellowship with Assistant Governor Alex Denis Ojambo and Enjoys Warm Home Hospitality.

On Tuesday, 23rd September 2025, the Rotary Club of Iganga held a memorable fellowship hosted at Buckley High School, which combined two beautiful traditions of Rotary, engaging with the Assistant Governor and celebrating the spirit of family hospitality. This two-in-one fellowship was organized under the warm coordination of the Family Chair, Rtn. Esther Nandase, who graciously opened her arms and heart to host fellow Rotarians and guests for an evening of bonding, inspiration, and reflection.

The highlight of the evening was the presence of Assistant Governor (AG) Rtn. Alex Denis Ojambo, whose visit provided valuable guidance and motivation to the members. In his address, AG Ojambo commended the club for its commitment to service and consistency in implementing impactful projects within Iganga and beyond. He emphasized the importance of membership growth and retention, reminding members that the true strength of a Rotary club lies in its people. He encouraged the club to intentionally recruit passionate individuals who share Rotary's vision of service above self and to nurture new members through mentorship and active involvement in club activities.

AG Ojambo also underscored the significance of timely payment of dues, noting that it is essential for the smooth running of club operations and maintaining good standing with Rotary International. He encouraged members to view dues not as an obligation but as a personal contribution to sustaining the life and impact of the club. His message resonated deeply with the members, inspiring renewed dedication and accountability.



The fellowship was equally a celebration of togetherness. Under Rtn. Esther Nandase's hospitality, members enjoyed a lively atmosphere filled with laughter, meaningful conversations, and a delicious array of eats and drinks. The evening was a true reflection of Rotary's family spirit, reminding everyone that service thrives best in unity and friendship.

In his vote of thanks, Immediate Past President Rtn. Patrick Mawaali Kibaada expressed heartfelt gratitude to AG Ojambo for his mentorship and encouragement, and to Rtn. Esther for her selfless hospitality. He applauded their commitment to "Service Above Self," noting that their actions continue to inspire others within the Rotary family.

The evening concluded with renewed enthusiasm, strengthened bonds, and a collective commitment to keep the Rotary flame shining brighter in Iganga and beyond.

# DRR Abesage Nahabwe Commends Rotaract Club of Iganga



On 13 October 2025, Rotaract Club of Iganga welcomed District Rotaract Representative (DRR) Abesage Nahabwe for her official visit. She commended the club for its vibrant membership and commitment to service. She highlighted the club's role in empowering young people between 18 and 35 to lead change through projects in health, education and environmental sustainability.

She applauded their consistency in hosting weekly fellowships at Sol View Hotel that foster planning, mentorship and meaningful connections. Nahabwe urged members to deepen partnerships across the community, aligning with District 9213's vision for impactful service and leadership. She encouraged the club to leverage the Rotary Foundation's resources to amplify their initiatives and deliver sustainable projects.

The DRR concluded by emphasizing that collaboration and unity are the pathways to lasting change and urged members to continue championing service while expanding outreach. Her visit was both an appreciation and a call to action for greater impact.



# Appreciation to Organizations and Individuals for Presentations and Trainings to the Rotary Club of Iganga

The Rotary Club of Iganga extends its sincere appreciation to all organizations and individuals who have contributed to the club's learning and fellowship through their enlightening presentations and trainings.

We first acknowledge Centenary Bank, Iganga Branch, for their engaging presentation on "Enhancing Customer Experience through Digitalization" delivered by Mr. Egemu Tony on 21st October 2025. The presentation showcased the bank's innovative digital products, ATM, CentiMobile, Gonza Wallet, and Internet Banking, which are transforming financial inclusion and convenience for clients. This session inspired Rotarians to embrace digital transformation as a key driver of efficiency and economic growth within our communities.



Special thanks go to Rtn. Kassim Ssimbwa, who on 9th September 2025 led an insightful and interactive discussion on "The Coming of Artificial Intelligence: A Blessing or a Curse?" The session deepened members' understanding of Artificial Intelligence, its potential benefits, and challenges. It sparked critical reflection on how technology can be used responsibly to improve livelihoods and enhance service delivery, in harmony with Rotary's ideals of innovation and ethical leadership.



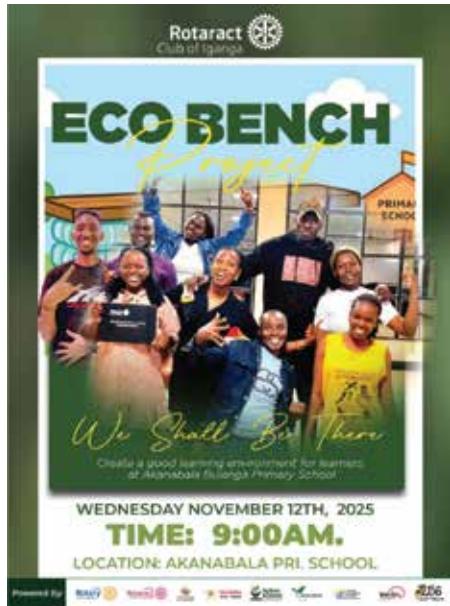
We further extend our gratitude to Rtn. Patrick Mawaali Kibaada for his presentation on "The Blending of Fellowships" held on 30th September 2025. His talk emphasized the importance of mixing classifications and professions within Rotary to foster stronger bonds, inclusivity, and shared learning. He recommended holding blended fellowships at least once every month to promote unity and collaboration among members.



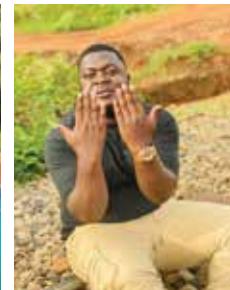
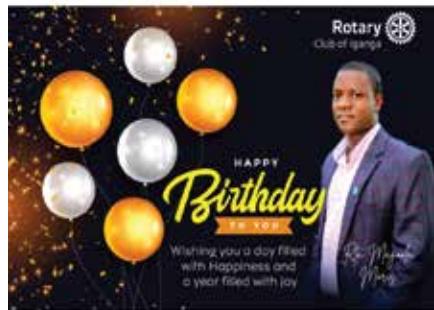
Lastly, the club appreciates Past President Rtn. Moses Kyangwa for conducting a practical Club Members Training and Team Building session at Fort Lugard on 7th October 2025. The training strengthened teamwork, leadership, and communication skills among members, laying a strong foundation for improved collaboration and service.



The Rotary Club of Iganga remains grateful for these impactful contributions that continue to enhance knowledge, fellowship, and service excellence among members.



# Birthday Celebrations





## NOTES

The Rotaract Club of Iganga fellowships every Wednesday at  
6:00 pm at Sol View Hotel, Iganga.

The Rotary Club of Iganga fellowships every Tuesday at  
6:00 pm at Ntinda Valley Resort Hotel.