

newsletter

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The Fat Bastards & their Saddle Sores

In November, the GraySwan Charitable Trust decided to donate money to The Centre of Hope in Montagu. It is a registered non-profit organisation that has a very special youth development project which includes spiritual development, leadership workshops, whole person development, after-school homework support centre concentrating on extra mathematics classes and school assignment skills training.

Currently 27 welfare organizations in Bonnievale, Ashton, Robertson, Montagu and McGregor are included in their compassion & mercy program, hunger- and poverty relief as well as community development programs (including special youth empowering programs, family support, elderly support and care). They have 8 feeding schemes supplying food to the poorest of the poor kids, street kids and elderly in the B.A.R. Valley. In Bonnievale they support the Salt Youth Outreach program. In Ashton they also care for the Silver Threads Service Centre for the elderly. They supply food to 110 elderly people, social welfare support, skills development, adult learning - writing and reading skills development etc. They really make a difference to these communities and give meaning to hundreds of lives.

The GraySwan Charitable Trust contributed towards this deserving organisation by sponsoring one of our friends, Jason Eaglestone in a cycle race through Swellendam's finest mountain passes. Jason completed a Double Century Cycle race on the 26th of November 2011, which involved 12 team members riding 203 kms each in about 9 hours. Jason joined a team called "The Fat Bastards" which rode for the charity, Centre of Hope. Their target was R50,000 but they managed to raise a whopping R60,000 for this charity. The saddle sores were definitely worth it! Well done to the Fat Bastards!

