

Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3395
Date	25 January 2004
Venue	U.C.S.C.
Occasion	Ben Yengi – From Sudan to Australia
Guests & Visiting Rotarians	
Sheila Evans, Helen Richter, Gary Ellis (RC of Glen Osmond)	
Apologies	Norm Wallace, Don Emmett, John Russell, Trudi Wallbridge, Joan Reed, Geoff Dunn, Lou Barteletti, Robert Birnie
Make Ups	None
Percentage	75%
Sick List	Don Emmett, Norm Wallace
Returning Rotarians	Alex Jonson
Departing Rotarians	None

From Acting President Kaylene

A warning to those wishing to attend the District Conference that you have until 30 January to book at “Early Bird” rates. Kaylene has booking forms.

A letter has been received from the YMCA regarding the Kangaroo Island Camp and a delightful letter of appreciation has been received from Cassandra, a student whom this Club sponsored to attend the camp.

Unley Members have been invited to attend the Murray Bridge Club's 50th Anniversary of the club's charter at a formal three-course dinner on Saturday 20 February to be held at the Murray Bridge Racing Club. There will also be a barbeque from 11 to 3 on Sunday 21 February, also at the Murray Bridge Racing Club. Anyone interested in attending please see Kaylene.

The Unley Council has written regarding a strategic planning meeting on the environment. As stakeholders the Club has been asked to send two members.

The UniFem (United Nations Development Fund for Women) breakfast will be on Monday 8 March (6:45am for 7:00am at the Adelaide Convention Centre) in conjunction with International Women's Day. The speaker is Christine Nixon, Chief Commissioner of Police for Victoria. Anyone interested in attending please see either Kaylene or Helen Richter. Non-female persons are also able to attend.

With sadness Kaylene informed members of the recent death of John Bohnsack. John was a member of the Rotary Club of Unley for a total of nine years. John and his wife, Paul Harris Fellow Phyl Bohnsack, conceived the idea of the Thrift Shop and worked on the establishment of the Club's first shop. John chaired the International Service Committee and was a member of the District's World Community Service Committee. The Club's sympathies are extended to Phyl and family.

On the Spot

Ken Haynes reported that Max, a long-time Saturday morning volunteer at the Thrift Shop, upon turning 80 has decided that it's time to retire from service and spend more time at home. A card for members to sign and express their appreciation to Max for all his work was circulated.

Mavis Martin suggested that all new members receive copies of the Club Register when they are inducted into the Club. Mavis also reported that new members have not been receiving the RDU Magazine.

Ron Schubert introduced Gary Ellis from the Rotary Club of Glen Osmond. Gary has come along to give a tasting of the Rotary Centenary commemorative wine that the Glen Osmond club is selling as a fund-raiser (see last week's Bulletin).

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant-at-Arms:	Greg Love
Wine Raffle Winner:	Stephen Westgarth
Lucky Squares Winner:	Ken Daly

Guest Speaker – Ben Yengi AO

Chairperson Chandra Sluggett introduced our guest speaker Ben Yengi. Ben was born in the Sudan and came to Australia as a refugee in 1965. A one-time resident of Unley, Ben is still a Sturt supporter.

He used maps of Africa and the Sudan (which is about the size of Western Australia) to describe where he was born and educated and the countries through which he travelled during his time of suffering as a refugee. The Sudan has experienced many years of civil war between the Muslim north and the Christian south, struggles motivated by a desire for the oil and agricultural wealth of the south. Ben was sponsored to come to Australia by Alan Hutton, a Rotarian from Mitcham.

Ben trained as a teacher in Adelaide and for around 20 years worked with aboriginal people in both urban situations and in outback Australia. In particular he worked with the Pitjantjatjara people, whose language he learned, and travelled with them to many places here and overseas as an interpreter to explain their history and culture.

A Rotarian for eight years, he was the coordinator of the distribution of 20,000 recycling crates in the Tea Tree Gully area. Some people left Rotary after this project!! Ben was attracted to Rotary by his desire to contribute something to the community and to make a difference in people's lives.

Ben, a recipient of the Order of Australia, is currently working in Youth Entrepreneurship with Playford Council in the Elizabeth area in particular. In closing, using his African drum, Ben led members and guests in the enthusiastic singing of a song from his native land. Great fun!

Thrift Shop Duty

Date	Rotarians
31/01/04	Chandra Sluggett & Greg McLeod
07/02/04	Dean & Maeve Swinden
14/02/04	Kevin Rogers, Stephen Westgarth, John Russell
21/02/04	John Russell, Lindsay England

Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance	Apologies
03/02/04	U.C.S.C.	6.00 for 6.30pm	Maniko Tanaka – Youth Support in Japan; Committee Meetings	Acting President Kaylene Kranz	Joan Reed	TBA	Greg McLeod	Ken Daly	To Ken Daly 8179 5650
10/02/04	U.C.S.C.	6.00 for 6.30pm	John Schwerdt – Asian Nursing	Ken Haines	Adrian Sobels	Bob Mullins	David Middleton		
17/02/04	Mosque	6.00 for 6.30pm	Visit to Mosque – Partners Night	John Russell	N/A	N/A	N/A		
24/02/04	U.C.S.C.	6.00 for 6.30pm	Daryl Wickman – RYWELL - Disadvantaged Youth	Bob Laws	Greg Love	Bob Laws	Bob Mills		

Have you visited our Web Site yet?

Many of the Club's members are yet to venture into the Club web site's pages to discover what lies within this valuable source of information about Rotary and the Club. Each week the address of the web site is printed on the front cover of the bulletin: <http://unley.rotaryclub.asn.au>. The following information and news can be found by clicking on the links on the Home page and its sub-pages.

From the **Home page** and from nearly all of the other pages in the web site you can access:

- ?? Our Meeting Program for January to June 2004;
- ?? Online copies of our weekly Bulletin for the last 3 years;
- ?? The membership of the Club's Board and Committees for this Rotary year;
- ?? Year by year summaries of the Club's activities in the various areas of service;
- ?? Information about the Thrift Shop and its history;
- ?? A brief history of the Rotary Club of Unley;
- ?? Reports on recent Special Events in the life of our Club;
- ?? An email form to enable web site visitors to contact the Club online via the Secretary;
- ?? A page of information about Rotary;
- ?? Links to useful and informative Rotary web sites;
- ?? The Back Page containing a selection of jokes;
- ?? A Members Only area that requires you to login. The Members Area contains:
 - » The Club Members Directory in PDF format;
 - » Details of District 9520 clubs for make-ups;
 - » Rosters including:
 - ▣ Rotarians Saturday Thrift Shop Duty Roster;
 - ▣ Thrift Shop Volunteers Roster;
 - ▣ Thrift Shop Volunteers Telephone Directory;
 - ▣ Sergeant-at-Arms Roster & Duties;
 - ▣ Meeting Chairpersons Roster;
 - ▣ Attendance Desk Duty Roster;
 - ▣ Plaque Board Duty Roster;
 - ▣ Teen Challenge Roster;
 - ▣ Ladies Auxiliary Meetings Program.

Note that the rosters are only as up to date as the information provided to the webmaster by the relevant committees and sub-committees. If you don't know the username and password to get you into the Members Area of the web site, please contact Stephen Westgarth.

Rotarians Celebrate RYLA's Worldwide Success

More than 400 Rotarians and invited guests joined RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe at the University of Western Australia's Octagon Theatre in Perth on 16 January to mark the success of the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) program.

Born some 44 years ago in Brisbane, Queensland, as a "gundoo" — an aboriginal word meaning "festival" or "fun together" — RYLA aptly returned to the land of its origin as the centrepiece of an RI presidential celebration.

In a speech full of praise for the resourcefulness of Australian Rotarians, President Majiyagbe addressed the need for leadership training for young people in a world of increasing complexity. "Every year, thousands of young people participate in RYLA events sponsored by Rotary clubs and districts — and everyone involved makes important contributions to this beneficial program," he said.

"Through RYLA, Rotarians mentor young leaders. In turn, these young leaders bring a fresh burst of enthusiasm to a Rotary club by supporting club projects, providing new ideas for service, and strengthening or starting Interact and Rotaract clubs."

OSSAA

Overseas Specialist Surgical Association of Australia

Invites you and your friends to attend a

FILM EVENING

Enjoy a night with Champagne, a Light Supper and

"Mona Lisa Smile"

starring **Julia Roberts** at the

Chelsea Cinema

275 Kensington Road, Kensington Park on

Sunday, 22 February 2004

at 5.30pm for 6.15pm

Donation \$15 per person

Ladies Auxiliary

The next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be held on Monday 23 February at 11:00am at the home of Pat Limbert at 40 "The Parks", 3 Cashel Street, Pasadena.

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc

Chartered 17th April 1935 – District 9520

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