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Meeting 3465 – Wednesday 8th June 2005

C E L E B R A T E R O T A R Y

The Club meets every Tuesday at
the Unley Community Sports Club
Oxford Terrace, Unley, at 6.30pm
Fellowship at 6.15pm

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Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3465
Date	8 th June 2005
Venue	U.C.S.C
Occasion	Combined meeting with Hyde Park; Speaker: Emily Rogers on Her Rotary-sponsored Trip to Gallipoli
Guests & Visiting Rotarians	Kathryn Howard, Jerry Casburn, Reno Elms.
Apologies	Geoff Dunn, Glenys Ferguson, Bob Laws, Neville Highett, Helen Richter, Darrol Foote, Lindsay England, Michael Tait, Gary Tonkin
Make Ups	Glenys Ferguson Thrift Shop 28-5-05, Bob Laws Thrift Shop 31-5-05 and Port Pirie.
Attendance	
Sick List	Darrol Foote
Returning Rotarians	John Russell
Departing Rotarians	Kaylene Kranz, Greg Love
Birthdays	

From President Ron

- Four representatives from the club, Ken Haines, Alex Jonson, David Middleton and President Ron, attended the Unley Council meeting on Monday night, to present a cheque of \$3,522 to the Unley Senior Citizens Club where the money is to be spent on much needed furnishing. The Mayor Michael Keenan accepted the cheque on their behalf. President Ron explained that that the money was raised through donations from the business community and individual Rotarians, with these donations being sold through a silent auction at the 70th Anniversary Dinner. The Mayor thanked the club and all of the donors for the support to the Unley Senior Citizens (An investment in the Future). Councilors and members Joan Reed and Robert Birnie were also in attendance.
- Don't forget the Changeover dinner on the 12th of July at the Colonial Function Centre. Full details are in the invitations that have been distributed to all members.
- Next week the club will be inducting Reno Elms and also presenting Jerry Casburn with his dinner plaque by way recognition of this transfer from the St Ives Club
- The Thrift Shop meeting is not on this Saturday but has been moved to the 18th of June. Also there is a working bee at the RSL shed in Arthur Street on the 19th June at 10am. There is a need for help in the shop this Saturday from 9am if any one can help please see Geoff Hill after the meeting.

A SPECIAL INVITATION

President Ron and Joan would like to invite you and your partners to attend a BBQ at home 5 Braeside Avenue Myrtle Bank, on the 26th of June 12.30 onwards. To say thank you and express his appreciation for the support you have given him during his year as President. We set out to have Fun, Fellowship and Friendship and to celebrate Rotary in this centennial year. AT the same time we worked hard and met our objectives and I believe the club has had an excellent year. Let's finish it with a BBQ. Please bring a communal salad or desert, and BYO drinks. Meat will be provided. Children are also welcome. More to come next week.

Sergeants Session

Natalie Bowen was the Sergeant this evening. Laurie Madigan won the wine and Chandra Sluggett won the Lucky Square

Guest Speaker Emily Rogers on Her Trip to Gallipoli

Bernie Boxer from the Hyde Park club introduced Emily and explained that Emily was a past RYLA awardee and it was through this program that she applied to attend the trip to Gallipoli. Emily was the successful candidate from the interview process. Emily gave us an excellent talk and PowerPoint presentation on her trip and all Rotarians there were given a wonderful description of the emotions and feelings that the entire group went through. There was a lot of interacting with the Rotoract Clubs and it is hoped that there will continue to be an exchange program with these clubs.

Excerpts from Emily's talk:

More words have been written about the Gallipoli Campaign (known as the Çanakkale Savasi in Turkey) than any other campaign in history. The following, taken from a Turkish web site, sums up the emotion felt by Australians, New Zealanders and Turks.

"Lone Pine: The Memorial is to those whose bodies were never found or recovered. The graves mark the final resting places of those who were identified. Other, unidentified, soldiers lie nearby. Their names are recorded in the memorial.

Chunuk Bair: The first objective of the Allied landing in April 1915, and now the site of the New Zealand Memorial. It is at the heart of the peninsula, and is also where Mustafa Kemal Ataturk would have died, but the bullet was stopped by his pocket watch, a story known by every Turkish schoolchild.

57th Regiment: Just over 1 km up the hill from Lone Pine, is another Monument for Mehmetcik (we call Mehmetcik who die while fighting) and the cemetery was built a few years ago. There are heaps of stories about the war, the best one I like, when they ceased-fire, Aussies were throwing chocolates to the Turkish soldiers, who hadn't tasted any chocolates till that time and in return Turkish soldiers were throwing them cigarettes, but they all knew when the time came, they had to kill each other, which is shame I guess. Turkish people love Aussies and Kiwis a lot, since we have a common history and they are fun! I think they all like Turkey as well".

Lone Pine was one of the three attacks planned in order to create a diversion for a British landing in Suvla Bay, and was carried out by the 1st Division, which consisted of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Brigades. At 5:30 pm on August 6th, 1915 these men attacked when the sun was at their backs, and in the Turkish eyes. Wave after wave of Australians continued to enter the dark and deadly trenches that were

crammed full of dying and fighting men. Because the fighting was so close, there was no room to use a rifle or throw bombs. Instead, hands and the bayonets were the substitute weapons.

During the attack, many men ran over the top of the Lone Pine trenches to discover massive amounts of Turkish reinforcements waiting in the depression behind the front line. However they never lived to tell the tale as they were killed instantly.

The main attack of the August offensive was made by a mixed New Zealand, Australian force against the heights of Chunuk Bair and nearby peaks. It was believed that if these positions could be captured and held, then the Turkish line at Anzac would be in danger and a breakout towards the Dardanelles possible. Between 7 and 9 August the attacking troops made their way up the steep slopes and through the deep gullies on the approaches to the heights. Some units became lost in this wild country and planned assaults were often carried out too late and with inadequate support. The New Zealanders, fighting desperately and sustaining great losses, reached the Chunuk Bair summit and gazed upon the Dardanelles. By 10 August British units had replaced New Zealand troops when the Turks determinedly counter-attacked and regained the summit. On the heights of the Gallipoli peninsula on 25 April 1915, Colonel Mustafa Kemal rushed reinforcements to the front with the immortal words: "I am not ordering you to attack. I am ordering you to die." Allied soldiers had nearly broken through to the Dardanelles, which in turn would have led to the fall of Istanbul and the strategic Bosphorus Straits. The full regiment of counter-attacking Turks did indeed die, to a man. Their sacrifice is recorded at the 57th Regiment Memorial.

An estimation of the total lives lost during the Gallipoli Campaign is British: 21,255, French: 9,874, Australian: 8,709, Indian: 7,594, New Zealand: 2,701, Turkish: 86,692.

Emily recited this poem and quite a few members requested that it be reprinted in the bulletin. Thank you to Emily for sending it in to our club.

90 Years Ago

There on the ship, on that whispering ship, the abyss of uncertainties rest.
There on the ship, in the night's eerie grip, his heart leaping forth from his chest.
He senses adventure, but riding the tide is the ripple of chaos to come,
His lips hold a prayer that inspires his mind to be sparing a thought for his mum.
Khaki surrounds him, in similar veins, character, ready to flow.
Now the landscape is forming, the moment is nigh, 90 years ago.

There on the beach, on that desolate beach, dawn filters through as they land.
There on the beach, some would not even reach, nothing unfolded as planned.
Running and falling, confusion defined, he scrambles and clammers and claws.
The ridges rain venom, he somehow survives, but his innocence dies on those shores.
From the dearth of a trench, through the fly-ridden stench, shines the grin with a 'knockabout glow'.
Where the slouch hat is worn, a new species is born, 90 years ago.

There on the hill, that unwinnable hill, he is scared – but by God he's committed.
There on the hill, so much young blood would spill; the word sacrifice tragically fitted.
In defending their homeland, the Turks never budge; the high ground is theirs to defend.
The death blows a breeze that puts ice in his knees; he prepares now to meet with his end.
The sky turns a calm shade of blue, and with that the Commander yells go.
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He is hit, and it burns, then to peace he returns, 90 years ago.

There on his grave, on that lost lonely grave, with the others that grimly abound,
There on his grave wooden crosses stand brave, an Anzac lies under the ground.
Australians, New Zealanders, brothers in alms, mates on the same team today.
Goodbye, and God bless, Cobber, so say the words in a strength we could never betray.
And this, on the face of a small, humble stone that in winter is lashed by the snow.
Please cry no tears; he was 17 years, 90 years ago.

Here in my heart, with the beat of my heart, I can't help but tremble and shiver.
Here in my heart, it's so hard to depart from the pride that these spirits deliver.
For the courage, the kinship, the duty, the dove, the flame of our freedom ascends.
Enemies once, now we stand with respect, and continue the journey as friends.
Gallipoli: home to a ghost in us all, from a tale pray our children will know.
As the legend of Anzac, and lest we forget, 90 years ago.
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Rupert McCall

Report on Port Pirie Trip by Greg McLeod

Last weekend, several members and partners, led by President Ron, journeyed to Port Pirie at the invitation of the Rotary Club of Port Pirie.

President Graham and his members and partners provided very generous hospitality and the bonds between the two Clubs were strengthened. Several members of that Club had recently returned from a visit to the Philippines where the Club is involved with a Rotary Club in Angeles City in a project for the supply of sewing machines to assist local industry.

A visit to the smelter complex was arranged for the Saturday afternoon and proved to be very informative. This complex has long dominated the fortunes of the city and its residents and is still the largest single employer in Pirie. Much has been done over the years to reduce the gaseous emissions and the incidence of lead contamination in the soil while still going about the business of smelting ore products.

Side trips undertaken by members included Port Germein with its long jetty and Weeroona Island, which has commanding views back to Pirie.

The Port Pirie Club treated the visitors to a bush tucker night on Saturday in the hills township of Napperby. The camaraderie, the food and wine were excellent; all polished off by a most comprehensive win by the Crows, which could be viewed from a distant television monitor. There was a very good attendance by members of the Port Pirie Club and partners, which was much appreciated by the Unley contingent.

Sunday saw the Port Pirie Club put on a bus tour of the city itself, followed by a barbecue in the park. There is much history in Port Pirie and neighbouring Solomontown and the city enjoys a wealth of shopping, sporting and recreational facilities for its residents. Housing stock ranges from fairly basic wood and iron construction through to the most modern of dwellings.

The weather and accommodations were fine and those who attended from Unley enjoyed a most pleasant social occasion. A reciprocal visit is being considered.

The visit also saw the attendance by new members Noelene Axford and Martin Cooper and it gave both new and older members the opportunity to socialise among themselves in a relaxed environment away from the club base in Oxford Terrace

Diary Dates

12 th June	DG Changeover Berri Resort Motel \$25 per head
19 th June	Thrift Shop working bee
19 th June	OSSA Lunch, Glenelg Golf Course, see Alex Jonson for details.
26 th June	President's BBQ, 5 Braeside Avenue, Myrtle Bank, 12.30pm onwards
9 th & 10 th July	Tree Planting Wellington
12 th July	Change Over Dinner, Colonial Function Centre, \$30 per head, Partners night.
18 th -24 th July	RYLA conference Nunyara conference centre Belair.
23 th July	RYLA Awardees Dinner at Ayres House, \$34 per head, Partners night.

Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
14-6-05	U.C.S.C	6pm for 6.30pm	Glenda Hedley Rotarian Fellowship for population
21-6-05	U.C.S.C	6pm for 6.30pm	TBA
28-6-05	U.C.S.C	6pm for 6.30pm	Committees
05-7-05	U.C.S.C	6pm for 6.30pm	

Rostered Rotarians

Date	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance
14-06-05	Ron Schubert	Bill Spencer	David Middleton	Joan Reed	Geoff Dunn and Geoff Howland
21-06-05	Ron Schubert	Lucien Parent	Bob Laws	Mavis Martin	Rex Martin and Norm Wallace
28-06-05	Ron Schubert	Geof Dunn	Natalie Bowen	Gary Tonkin	Norm Wallace and Ann Wehr

Apologies

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Saturday Thrift Shop Duty (Volunteers are needed for the last 2 Saturdays in June)

Date	Early Roster	Late Roster
11-06-05	John Peacham	Mavis Martin
18-06-05	John Russell	TBA
25-06-05		

Ladies Auxiliary

The next Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be held at Café Delores, Shop 20 / John Martins Plaza, Charles Street, Adelaide on Monday June 27th at 12 noon.

Presidents Quote for the Week

Nothing makes grey hair more attractive than baldness

Remember

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CELEBRATE ROTARY