# Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

DISTRICT 9520 CHARTERED 17TH APRIL 1935

# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

2005 - 2006

Meeting 3513 - Tuesday 30 May 2006

The Club meets every Tuesday at 6.30pm Fellowship at 6.15pm

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# Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3513
Date	30 May 2006
Venue	Public Schools Club, 207 East Terrace Adelaide
Guest Speaker	Club Assembly
<b>Guests &amp; Visiting Rotarians</b>	NIL
Apologies	Anne Wehr, Stephen Westgarth, Joan Reed, Ron Schubert and Kevin Rogers, with Greg Love, Laurie Madigan, Helen Hofmann, Neville Highett, Peter James and Jim Newall all being on leave of absence
Make Ups	Chandra Sluggett, Geoff Hill and Mavis Martin
Attendance	57%
Sick List	NIL
Returning Rotarians	N/A
Departing Rotarians	N/A
Birthdays	No info.
Anniversaries	No info.
Squares Winner	David Middleton
Wine Raffle Winner	Jim Newall

# From President Kaylene

#### PAUL HARRIS FELLOW AWARD EVENING:

On Tuesday 20 June, the Club will hold a Paul Harris Fellow Award Evening. The speaker will be PDG Peter Sandercock. Peter is the current District Training Officer and the 2006-07 District Rotary Foundation Committee Chair. Venue is the Adelaide Pavilion, corner of King William Rd. & South Terrace. Enter off Sir Lewis Cohen Avenue. \$35.00 per head. Cash bar. Entertainment. 7.00 for 7.30pm. All Unley Paul Harris Fellows are requested to attend wearing their ribboned medal. RSVP to Mavis Martin.

#### THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS THANK YOU MORNING TEA:

Sunday 18 June at the Unley Civic Centre, Oxford Terrace Unley. From 10.00am. Rotarians who can attend are requested to arrive by 9.30am and be ready to serve morning tea to our volunteers. Please advise Ken Haines of your availability.

### PORT PIRIE ROTARY CLUB 50<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:

Saturday 8 July at the Port Pirie Festival Centre Ballroom. \$55.00 per head all-inclusive. Dress formal. 6.30 for 7.00pm. Please indicate interest to Ron Schubert or RSVP to the Rotary Club of Port Pirie on www.rotarypirie.org.au

**DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S CHANGE-OVER FUNCTION:** Will be held on Sunday 25 June. Please see President Kaylene for more information if interested in attending.

# From President Elect Stephen

The Club's Change-Over Dinner will be held at the Mount Osmond Country Club at Mount Osmond, Tuesday 4 July, at 6.30pm for 7.00pm. \$34.00 per head. See enclosed invitation for specific details.

Proposed Committee structure for next Rotary year has now been completed. See enclosed sheets for specific details. Contact President Elect Stephen with any queries as soon as possible. Also, if any member can assist in the compilation of the Bulletin for part or all of next year, please see Stephen.

# **Spots**

**Alex Jonson:** A further reminder that OSSAA is hosting a lunch at the Glenelg Golf Club on Sunday 25 June, at 12.00 noon for 12.30pm. Guest speaker will be Sir Eric Neal AC CVO. Tickets from Alex. \$35.00 per head. Closing date for bookings is 16 June. Money cannot be accepted at the door.

**John Russell:** Reported on a successful door knock for The Salvation Army and thanked those members who participated. John reminded members that personal donations to The Salvation Army will be matched by the Club on a dollar for dollar basis, so see John or Treasurer Alex.

# Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Jerry Casburn assumed his responsibilities with gusto and fined all and sundry, including the most rowdy table and those present whose absence last week contributed to the lowly 40% attendance figure.

# Club Assembly

**President Kaylene** convened the Club Assembly and called upon chairpersons or their nominees for Committee reports. Several reports could not be delivered due to the absence of the chairpersons.

#### **Board Report**

President Kaylene reported that the Board has met 11 times this year.

Progress in the thrift shop extension was discussed further at the last meeting, with formal consent to be sought from the landlord once the relevant plans have been prepared.

Honorary membership has been conferred on Tom Tirrell.

The only casualty in the recovery of Club property from the former meeting place of the Club in Oxford Terrace has been the Club Charter; this is most disappointing for the Club as the document holds significant historical value and it can only be hoped that it will turn up and be returned to the Club.

Efforts are continuing to find a suitable alternative venue in the Unley area as a home base for the Club.

#### **Vocational Committee Report**

<u>Bob Mills</u> formally reported that the award of Police Officer of the Year for 2005 was made on 16 May 2006 to Sgt. Graham Brett. The presentation was made in Rundle Mall in the presence of the full Police Band, with the presentation dinner held that night at the Public Schools Club. Police Commissioner Hyde was in attendance. Bob drew members' attention to a published letter written to the editor of The Advertiser by Mitcham Rotarian Geoff Bailey chiding The Advertiser's lack of acknowledgment in its article on the POOTY Award of this Club's sponsorship of the award.

Bob is also liaising with Reno Elms of the Salvation Army and the Unley Library with a view to developing an appropriate program for next Rotary year, utilising available funds from the Campbelltown ShareSkills Project Fund.

#### Membership Committee Report

<u>Bob Laws</u> reported a current membership of 49 plus 4 honorary members. There have been 7 resignations and 6 inductions during the current Rotary year.

Two informal "get to know you" meetings were held with new members during the year and input from those meetings and from discussions with members who have resigned have resulted in certain recommendations being put to and endorsed by the Board. These include:

- (a) more Rotary content to be included in meetings (by way of short spots summarising Rotary programs etc).
- (b) reintroduction of "fireside chats" for new members.
- (c) greater control by the Sergeant of meetings to curb speaking during Spots and the Guest Speaker's address and generally improving meeting discipline.
- (d) major committees must meet regularly each month to ensure the timely and efficient conducting of business.
- (e) on committee nights, the members of a particular committee should sit together at the same table for the Rotary meeting so as to engender camaraderie and to foster greater interaction.
- (f) Committee chairpersons should facilitate input into all discussions by the new members.
- (g) some measure of training to be offered to those members who lack computer skills so as to enable them to gain access to and navigate the Club's website.
- (h) the provision on the website of a facility to enable members openly or anonymously to express comments on aspects of the functioning of the Club.
- (i) the undertaking of more hands-on projects in the Unley area.
- (j) more social functions involving partners which would be quite separate and apart from Rotary meetings.
- (k) Membership Committee soliciting feedback not only from new members but also from older members.

#### Treasurer's Report

Alex Jonson reported on the Club's extremely healthy bank balance status and the respective Committees' budgets and actual expenditures to date. He queried the apparent lack of full use by the Committees of their budgets and put forward a view that unused funds should not be allowed to accumulate and be carried forward into next year's figures when there are pressing humanitarian tragedies in our immediate region (namely Jogjakarta Indonesia and East Timor) that clearly warrant and merit the Club's attention. He sought the members' support for a recommendation to go forward to the Board for the immediate financing of shelter boxes for the displaced and homeless in these regions. A shelter box is a large plastic tub comprising a 10-person tent and the fundamentals for setting up a home during time of tragedy. Clarification was given by the International Committee in particular that funds have been committed for certain projects endorsed by that Committee but RI bureaucracy is delaying the onforwarding of funds and therefore cheque requests have not yet been made of the Treasurer. There was general agreement from the members present that the shelter box project would be supported by the Club but that the proper approach is for the proposal for two shelter boxes to each region at approx. \$4,800.00 total be put up to the International Committee for consideration and recommendation to the Board. President Kaylene pointed out that shelter boxes are stockpiled for humanitarian emergencies and are therefore available for immediate distribution and that any financial contribution from this Club would be used towards the restoration of the reserves of shelter boxes.

#### Report on Proposed Changes to the Club By-laws

Bob Laws and Greg McLeod reported generally on the thrust of the proposed changes as detailed in the draft By-laws circulated to members but indicated that the draft requires further consideration by the Committee and input from members is encouraged. Members were requested to take the time to read through the draft and to contact any member of the Committee. A recommendation circulated with the draft that the draft By-laws be adopted was formally put by President Kaylene but in view of the above remarks the motion lapsed for want of a seconder. The By-laws Committee will come back to the Club at a later time.

**Membership** – <u>Greg Love</u> is the current Chairperson but it appears that the Committee has not yet met. Greg will be following this up with DGE Bob Northcote to ensure that meetings are held in the new Rotary year.

Short Term Student Exchange – Geoff Hill reported that the NZ students have been on a trip to the Grampians and enjoyed themselves by all accounts.

Indigenous Health – Chandra Sluggett reported that she attended the 2006 Department of Health Aboriginal Scholarship Presentation Night last week. Awards were presented to the recipients of the South Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People's Scholarship Investment Fund and the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund. Rotarian Ian Oliver provided an overview of how the Health Scholarship program started and how it has developed in only four years of existence. All due recognition was given to Mitcham Rotarian Geoff Bailey for his pioneering role. A large number of students will be receiving scholarships in 2006. In SA, all students pursuing studies in various aspects of health care will be receiving 50/50 sponsorship in 2006 from the State Government and a Rotary Club. This Club's student is Natalie Moore (Paramedic Studies at Flinders University). Our former student Kali Hayward graduated as a doctor in 2005. Our Club is one of 27 Clubs in the 9500 and 9520 Districts who are participating in the sponsorship program this year.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

<u>John Russell</u> sought to gain support for a recommendation to go forward to the Board that the Club toast at the beginning of each meeting be "To the People of Australia". There was a mixed reaction to John's proposal with no firm outcome.

# **Diary Dates**

11-14 June: Rotary International Conference at Malmo-Copenhagen. Visit the RI Web Site at http://www.rotary.org/

Sun 18 June: Thrift Shop Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea at the Unley Civic Centre. See President Kaylene's remarks above.

Tues. 20 June: Paul Harris Fellow Award Evening. See President Kaylene's remarks above.

Sun 25 June: OSSAA luncheon, and also the DG's Change-Over function. See President Kaylene's remarks above.

Tues. 4 July: President's Change-Over Dinner, at the Mt. Osmond Country Club. See P/E Stephen's remarks above.

Sat. 8 July: Port Pirie Rotary Club 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. See President Kaylene's remarks above.

12-13 Aug: At Myponga. Trees for Life planting weekend (plant, eat, drink, sleep, eat, plant) at the property of John Nowland.

## **Our Next Meetings**

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
06/06/06	Public Schools Club, 207 East Tce, Adelaide	6.00 for 6.30pm	3 members Spots and Committees
13/06/06	Public Schools Club, 207 East Tce, Adelaide	6.00 for 6.30pm	Guest Speaker TBA
20/06/06	Adelaide Pavilion, corner of King William Rd. & South Terrace	7.00pm for 7.30pm	Partners Evening / Paul Harris Fellow Award Dinner
27/06/06	TBA	6.00pm for 6.30pm	TBA
04/07/06	Mt Osmond Country Club, Mt Osmond	6.30pm for 7.00pm	Change-Over Dinner

## Rostered Rotarians

Date	Activity Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
06/06/06	TBA	Mavis Martin	John Russell	David Payne	Mark Zada & Anne Zada
13/06/06	TBA	Bob Mullins	Mavis Martin	Sandra Purdie	Lindsay England & John Peacham
20/06/06	David Middleton (TBC)	Greg Love	Sheila Evans	Helen Richter	Anne Wehr & Glenys Ferguson
27/06/06	TBA	John Russell	Darrol Foote	Ron Schubert	Geoff Howland & Janet Singh

Sergeants' Roster: If unable to attend please arrange swap or contact Jerry Casburn on (H) 8373 7387, (M) 0407 646 396 or e-mail: jerry.casburn@optusnet.com.au

**Venue Set-up or Plaque Board Rosters:** If unable to attend please arrange swap or contact Greg Love on (H/W) 8346 3068 (M) 041 240 5176 or e-mail: *jlove@bigpond.net.au* 

Attendance Desk Roster: If unable to attend please arrange swap or contact Lindsay England on (M) 0408 857 775 or (H) 8381 3584.

# **Apologies**

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# Saturday Thrift Shop Duty

Date	9:00am to 11:30am 4 Rotarians Required	11:30am to Close 2 Rotarians Required
3 June 2006	Reno Elms Glenys Ferguson Noelene Axford	Ken Haines
10 June 2006	Lindsay England Linda England Anne Zada John Russell	Stephen Westgarth Mavis Martin
17 June 2006	Greg McLeod Stephen Westgarth Darrol Foote	Reno Elms ONE more needed
24 June 2006	Stefan Borak Ken Haines John Russell	Stefan Borak ONE more needed
1 July 2006	Anne Zada Joan Reed Ron Schubert	TWO more needed

# E-mail Addresses for the Rotary Club of Unley

The following are the generic e-mail addresses for the Rotary Club of Unley. At the beginning of each new Rotary year they will be redirected to the incoming officer.

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Police Officer of the Year Award Coordinator: Bob Mills pooty@rotaryclub.org.au

## Club Website

Members are reminded that a wealth of local, national and international Rotary information is available to them by visiting the club's website at http://unley.rotaryclub.org.au. A list of members and roster details are also available for reference.

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