

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

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Meeting 3535 – Tuesday 31st October 2006

The Club meets every Tuesday
at the Public Schools Club
207 East Terrace, Adelaide
at 6.30pm. Fellowship at 6.00pm

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Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3535
Date	31 October 2006
Venue	Public Schools Club, 207 East Terrace Adelaide
Chairperson	John Russell
Guest Speaker	Committees and Rotary Information Night
Guests & Visiting Rotarians	Rose Howland, Sarah Jane, Darcy Walsh (RC of East Davao)
Apologies	Norm Wallace, Geoff Dunn apologised for being here.
Make Ups	Geoff Howland
Attendance	65%
Sick List	Norm Wallace (Fallen and bruised Ribs)
Returning Rotarians	Mavis Martin
Departing Rotarians	Neville Highett of to Vietnam and Ron Schubert on LOA while he has his operation
Birthdays	Nil

Announcements from President Stephen

1. Last Friday evening ten Rotarians and partners gathered with members of the Unley Lions Club in the Mayor's Parlour for drinks. Mayor Michael Keenan took the opportunity to thank the two service clubs for the contribution their members have made to the City of Unley over the last 12 months.
2. Next week we have the first Rotary Membership Information night for this Rotary year. Bob Mullins has kindly been sending me copies of details of people who have responded to the invitation distributed to the general public in our area through the Messenger Press. There appears to have been a good response from the public so far, and so I want to encourage all Rotarians to make a concerted effort to attend the Information Night at the Unley Civic Centre next Tuesday at 6 for 6.30pm and to make the prospective members feel welcome.
3. At last week's Club Assembly there was discussion about the problems the Thrift Shop Committee is facing with filling the mid-week roster, with filling unanticipated volunteer absences, and with stagnant sales while costs continue to rise. Members present at the assembly made a number of thoughtful suggestions as to how these problems could be addressed and I undertook to take them to last week's Board meeting.

At its meeting last Tuesday night the board recognised that the scope of work needed to be done to revitalize the Thrift Shop is beyond the capabilities of the Thrift Shop Committee alone. Indeed the members of that committee are mostly already busy with other club and board responsibilities. The Board has decided that the main functions performed by the six members of the Thrift Shop Committee should be assigned to the club's standing committees. This means that the committees will need to reevaluate their project plans for this year so that they can reasonably undertake the Thrift Shop related tasks assigned to them. The Thrift Shop Committee would also be reconstituted as a policy and coordination body with appropriate representation for each of the main committees.

Jerry Casburn and I were delegated to prepare a proposal for how the Thrift Shop's functions could be effectively reassigned to the committees and to present our proposal to the Board as soon as practicable. Jerry and I met to discuss the proposal today and will be in a position to distribute our proposals to the board within the week. It is to be hoped that the committees will be able to take-up their new responsibilities from the date of their December meetings.

4. President Stephen presented a certificate of appreciation to Bob Laws as Chairman of the Vocational and New Generations committee, from the Australian Rotary Health Research Foundation for the club's contributions to the Indigenous Health Scholarships Program in 2006.
5. President Stephen finished by offering the club's support for Ron as he prepares for his operation and the club's wishes for a speedy recovery and return to Rotary.

Board Positions

Board positions of two Directors and the Secretary and Treasurer will become vacant on 30th June 2007 and nominations for candidates for election to these positions will be received by Secretary Sheila Evans up to 8.00pm on Tuesday 21st November. An election to fill these positions will be held at the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 5th December. Secretary Sheila Evans is eligible for re-election as is Treasurer David Payne. As Mavis Martin is completing the second year of Laurie Madigan's two-year term as a Director, she is eligible for election as a Director for a further two years in her own right. Bob Laws is in the second year of his two-year term as a Director and will retire from that position on 30th June 2007. This announcement will be printed in the bulletin from each week until nominations close.

Spots

Mavis Martin Requested Rotarians to respond urgently to the request for numbers for the Rotary Foundation Multi-cultural night. Last week's information is repeated below:

The Rotary Foundation Dinner will be held on Tuesday November 14th at the Hungarian Club of SA Inc., 82 Osmond Terrace, Norwood, 7pm for 7.30pm, cultural attire, after five. Cost is \$25 per person. A separate flyer has been circulated, further details from Ron or Chandra. It is assumed that all Rotarians are attending as this is a normal Rotary night, non attendance should be advised to Chandra, Janet Singh or Mavis Martin. Bob Laws is also seeking auction items for the night.

Mavis also advised of the Joint District's Rotary Foundation Dinner on Friday 24th November at the John Difede Reception Centre, Freeband Street, Windsor Gardens, at 7pm for 7.30pm. Cost is \$40 per head.

Bob Laws gave an update on the arrangements for the Submarine Corps visit, see details below in Dairy Dates.

Kaylene Kranz gave further detail on the Rotary Information night, which is a joint effort of Hyde Park, Eastwood and ourselves. All members were urged to attend and welcome potential members of all clubs. For more detail see President Stephen's announcements above. Kaylene also reminded the club of availability of Christmas Cakes and Puddings.

Books to the Philippines Project

Geoff Howland introduced the session to the club and invited Rose Howland to speak first.

Rose went on to thank the club for its participation, and presented banners to President Stephen from two clubs in the Philippines and an appreciation certificate given to Geoff.

Rose was followed by Darcy Walsh, a member of the Rotary Club of East Davao, and who has been managing the project locally. Darcy briefed the club with a presentation on the programme, which had been initiated following the analysis of reading levels in developing countries which placed the Philippines 41st of 43 countries. The programme is supported by the Federal Government which sees it as a means of both providing benefit to a poorer cousin and combating terrorism through reducing levels of ignorance. The programme provides books and personal computers in reading centres via the activities of Donations in Kind. Unley club has been at the fore in supporting and funding the programme and Darcy reiterated earlier thanks for such support.

Sergeant's Session

Amidst much booing John Russell took the stage and no prisoners, doling fines out to all who were assembled.

The **wine raffle** was won by Ron Schubert, Bob Laws won the **lucky squares**.

Diary Dates

- Fri 3rd Nov: Centenary Awards and Book Launch from 6pm to 8pm at the Unley Civic Centre.
- Tue 7 Nov: Membership Drive – Rotary Information night, Unley Civic Centre at 6.00pm for 6.30pm.
- Wed 8th Nov: Visit to the Submarine Corp., Meet at 5pm in the reception area of the Australian Submarine Corporation, off the car park at the far end of Mersey Road, Osborne. Then at 6.30pm for a banquet at the Saigon Restaurant, 324 Torrens Road, Croydon Park. .
- Tue 14 Nov: Multicultural Night, Hungarian Club, Osmond Terrace, Norwood
- Sat 25 Nov: Freedom of the City ceremony for the 10th/27th Battalion Royal South Australia Regiment. The event commences at 3pm and will include a march past, a salute with remembrance at the Soldiers Memorial Gardens, followed by a reception at the Unley Civic Centre.
- Sun 19 Nov: Emerging Artists exhibition of works of Dean Slade at Kaylene and Greg's house – see Greg Love's "spot".
- Sun 17 Dec: Carols at the Rotunda Unley Road
- Wed 20 Dec: Joint Christmas Breakfast Meeting with Hyde Park and Eastwood Rotary Clubs.

Guest Speakers

As this was a Committees and Rotary Information night there was no guest speaker.

Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
07/11/06	Unley Civic Centre	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Rotary Membership Information Night
14/11/06	Hungarian Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Rotary Foundation Multi-Cultural Night
21/11/06	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	James Morris "Unley Road Looking to the Future"
28/11/06	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Rotary Foundation Committee

Rostered Rotarians

Date	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
7/11/06	John Russell	Bob Mullins	Bob Mullins	Bob Mills	Jerry Casburn & Reno Elms
14/11/06	Mavis Martin	Bob Mills	Natalie Bowen	Jim Newall	John Peacham & Lindsay England
21/11/06	Natalie Bowen	David Middleton	Darrol Foote	Lucien Parent	Mavis Martin & Sheila Evans
28/11/06	Ron Schubert	Greg McLeod	John Russell	David Payne	Greg Love & Glenys Ferguson

To Rotarians who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or contact:

Sergeant-At-Arms: John Russell on (h) 8271 7178 or e-mail: barbjohn@chariot.net.au

Venue Set-up or Plaque Board: Greg McLeod (w) 8223 3999, (m) 0417 811 838 or e-mail: gmcLeod@lam.com.au

Attendance Desk: Janet Singh (w) 8226 4131, (m) 0421 052 893 or e-mail: singh.janet@saugov.sa.gov.au

Members are urged to diarise when they are required to serve and then they will be unlikely to overlook their rostered service duty.

For those members rostered on Venue Set-up and Plaque Board, the relevant paraphernalia can be found in the cupboard in the anteroom to the rear meeting room at the Public Schools Club. John Russell and Greg McLeod have keys to the cupboard. Venue Set-up materials can be found in a large plastic box and immediately in the vicinity of that box, e.g. the PA system, flag and the Rotary wheel. The box is marked with the Club's name. Please remember to gather up all items at the end of the meeting and return them to the cupboard.

Apologies

To: **Sheila Evans** OR **Janet Singh**
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Saturday Thrift Shop Duty

Date	9:00am to 11:30am	11:30am to Close
4 Nov 06	Kevin Rogers, Anne Wehr & John Russell	Stephen Westgarth & Kaylene Kranz
11 Nov 06	Kevin Rogers, Stefan Borak & Glenys Ferguson	David Middleton & Ken Haines
18 Nov 06	Greg McLeod, Ken Haines & Kevin Rogers	Mavis Martin + ONE needed
25 Nov 06	Stefan Borak, Kevin Rogers + ONE needed	Ken Haines & Stefan Borak
2 Dec 06	Kevin Rogers, Lindsay & Linda England	Stephen Westgarth & Mavis Martin
9 Dec 06	Kevin Rogers, Greg McLeod & Kaylene Kranz (after 10.30)	Mavis Martin + ONE needed

Club Website

Members are again 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 can also be found. Please contact Stephen Westgarth with any comments about the website or if difficulty is experienced in accessing it. Updates to information on the website will be made progressively by Webmaster Stephen as time permits. Those members preparing and maintaining rosters are requested to provide soft copy information to Stephen for posting on the website for the benefit and information of all members.

**Remember our Rotary
theme for the year**

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