

# Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

2006 - 2007

**Meeting 3545 – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2007**



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

## PRESIDENT

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## Our Last Meeting

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| <b>Meeting No.</b>                     | 3545                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Date</b>                            | 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2007                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Venue</b>                           | Public Schools Club                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Chairperson</b>                     | Alex Jonson                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Guest Speaker</b>                   | Trends in My Industry – John Peacham, Mark Zada, Janet Singh, Greg Love                                                                                  |
| <b>Guests &amp; Visiting Rotarians</b> | Nil                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Apologies</b>                       | Stefan Borak, Natalie Bowen, Geoff Dunn, Sheila Evans, Neville Highett, Mavis Martin, Bob Mullins, Joan Reed, Norm Wallace, Stephen Westgarth, Anne Zada |
| <b>Make Ups</b>                        | Natalie Bowen, Stefan Borak, Bob Mills                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Attendance</b>                      | 50%                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Sick List</b>                       | Bob Mullins, Joan Reed                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Returning Rotarians</b>             | Nil                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Departing Rotarians</b>             | Nil                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Birthdays</b>                       | Alex Jonson (15/1), Ken Daly (17/1), Lindsay England (17/1), Sheila Evans (24/1)                                                                         |
| <b>Anniversaries</b>                   | Kaylene Kranz & Greg Love (2/1), Lucien & Christine Parent (3/1), Bob & Maria Mills (16/1), Jim & Anne Newall (24/1)                                     |
| <b>Family News</b>                     | Geoff & Nadia Dunn became grandparents for the first time                                                                                                |

## Announcements from President Stephen

There were no Presidential Announcements

## Spots

**Greg Love** advised the club that the monthly raffles were being suspended and replaced by a bumper Easter raffle with \$5 tickets. Greg also advised that the committee are planning a Fellowship picnic on Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup> to be held on Mitcham Reserve or the National Park. Finally, a lunch will be held at the Edinburgh Hotel on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November to enjoy the fun and revelry of the Melbourne Cup.

**David Payne** sought volunteers from the club to help collect material for the Thrift Shop from the home of Vince Michelin. David Middleton, Ken Haines and Mark Zada volunteered. David also advised that club subscriptions for the balance of the year were now due and that they are remaining at \$90 plus \$24 for the wine raffle and \$15 for bulletin postage.

## Celebrating 28 Years of Service to the Thrift Shop

The club recently learnt that **Jo Blowes**, after 28 years of service to the Rotary Thrift Shop, has made the decision to resign to allow her and her husband, Alvin, to travel more and spend more time with the family. Jo has been a stalwart of the shop ensuring that it was fully managed on behalf of Rotary, she has also looked after the team of volunteers, managing their efforts and making sure the profit was maximised.

When advised, the club expressed their unanimous thanks for the service given by **Jo** and wished her well with future plans. A standing ovation was given at the meeting tonight. Jo will be joining the meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup> when we will all be able to thank her personally.



## Sergeant's Session

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The sergeant for the night was Ken Russell, someone should take away his reading glasses and newspaper as he seems to find a connection for any news item to any Rotarian and extract a penalty.

The **wine raffle** was won by **Kaylene Kranz**, Winning number for the **lucky squares** was won by **Bob Laws**.

## Diary Dates

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Tue 20 Feb: Farewell to Jo Blows – normal Rotary meeting

Sun 25 Mar: Club Fellowship Picnic – Details to be advised

Tues 6 Nov: Melbourne Cup Day Lunch – Edinburgh Hotel

## Guest Speakers

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Originally scheduled as a Club Assembly, the meeting was changed due to President Stephen's absence and the need for formal notice of the assembly being given. The Assembly will be rescheduled to a later time. Four stalwarts were press-ganged into telling us a little about what was changing in their industries. **John Peacham** was first cab off the rank. John is now working in the payments industry primarily dealing with payment via the internet and the security of gateways. John's consultancy is working with credit card companies primarily, to test the vulnerability of payment sites. The future will see sites being verified as secure allowing merchants to advertise the fact. **Mark Zada** was next to speak on Children's retailing. The Eastern states are seeing an influx of new stores and chains such as Babies Galore largely funded by South African companies. They have tried to move into SA without success to date which still allows independents to operate within the state. The baby bonus of \$4000 has been good for business with new parents spending the money on the new born. Sales in their shop have shown 50% growth over the past few years. **Janet Singh** talked about her role in SA government and the many changes she sees as the organisation restructures and downsizes. Formally working for the Department of Administration and Information Services which was disbanded, Janet now works for Treasury and Finance as an HR practitioner. Her role has been involved in transitioning employees into the new structure and ensuring that benefits, which differed in various departments, were carried by employees to new departments. She is also involved in streamlining procedures and works with a team of 25 reporting to her. **Greg Love** is working across Asia for Wheelchair basketball and they all think he is sensational (his words). Greg's role is to assist in organising his sport in major events such as the Paralympics in Beijing and the World championships in Birmingham, England. Greg also supports activities to raise funds to support the event and the teams participating.

## Joke for the Week

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An old lady was standing at the railing of the cruise ship holding her hat tight so that it would not blow away in the wind.

A gentleman approached her and said, "Pardon me, madam. I do not intend to be forward but did you know that your dress is blowing up in this high wind?"

"Yes, I know," said the lady. "I need both my hands to hold onto this hat."

"But madam, you must know that you are not wearing any panties and your privates are exposed!" said the gentleman in earnest.

The woman looked down, then back up at the man and replied, "Sir, anything you see down there is 85 years old. I just bought this hat yesterday!"

## Quote of the Week

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"Remember, today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday." Dale Carnegie.

## Our Next Meetings

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| Date    | Venue               | Time              | Occasion                                                             |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 30/1/07 | Public Schools Club | 6.00pm for 6.30pm | Rohan Singh "Gene Technologies for Growers"                          |
| 6/2/07  | Public Schools Club | 6.00pm for 6.30pm | Rotary Information & Committees                                      |
| 13/2/07 | Public Schools Club | 6.00pm for 6.30pm | International Committee - "Our Project in Thailand"                  |
| 20/2/07 | Public Schools Club | 6.00pm for 6.30pm | Steven Trigg – "The Future Directions of the Adelaide Football Club" |

## Rostered Rotarians

| Date    | Chairperson     | Venue Set-up    | Sergeant      | Plaque Board     | Attendance Desk               |
|---------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 30/1/07 | Neville Highett | Kaylene Kranz   | Natalie Bowen | Chandra Sluggett | David Payne & Geoff Howland   |
| 6/2/07  | Anne Wehr       | Alex Jonson     | John Russell  | Norm Wallace     | Reno Elms & Stefan Borak      |
| 13/2/07 | Noelene Axford  | Geoff Howland   | Ken Haines    | Anne Wehr        | Greg McLeod & Lindsay England |
| 20/2/07 | Janet Singh     | Neville Highett | Natalie Bowen | Anne Zada        | Mark Zada & Geoff Howland     |

**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 behind the Ladies toilets at East Terrace. 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 (eg. the flag and the Rotary wheel). The box is marked with the Club's name. President Stephen currently has care and custody of the amplifier and microphone. 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**  
(m) 0432 047 711 (w) 8226 4131

## Saturday Thrift Shop Duty

| Date        | 9:00am to 11:30am                              | 11:30am to Close                    |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 27 Jan 2007 | Kevin Rogers, John Russell, Mark Zada          | Ken Haines + <b>ONE needed</b>      |
| 3 Feb 2007  | Kevin Rogers, Greg McLeod & Glenys Ferguson    | Reno Elms & Kaylene Kranz           |
| 10 Feb 2007 | Kevin Rogers + <b>TWO needed</b>               | Ken Haines & Greg McLeod            |
| 17 Feb 2007 | Kevin Rogers, John Russell + <b>ONE needed</b> | David Middleton + <b>ONE needed</b> |

## 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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