

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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Meeting 3545 – Tuesday 23rd January 2007

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.	3545
Date	23 rd January 2007
Venue	Public Schools Club
Chairperson	Alex Jonson
Guest Speaker	Trends in My Industry – John Peacham, Mark Zada, Janet Singh, Greg Love
Guests & Visiting Rotarians	Nil
Apologies	Stefan Borak, Natalie Bowen, Geoff Dunn, Sheila Evans, Neville Highett, Mavis Martin, Bob Mullins, Joan Reed, Norm Wallace, Stephen Westgarth, Anne Zada
Make Ups	Natalie Bowen, Stefan Borak, Bob Mills
Attendance	50%
Sick List	Bob Mullins, Joan Reed
Returning Rotarians	Nil
Departing Rotarians	Nil
Birthdays	Alex Jonson (15/1), Ken Daly (17/1), Lindsay England (17/1), Sheila Evans (24/1)
Anniversaries	Kaylene Kranz & Greg Love (2/1), Lucien & Christine Parent (3/1), Bob & Maria Mills (16/1), Jim & Anne Newall (24/1)
Family News	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 25th to be held on Mitcham Reserve or the National Park. Finally, a lunch will be held at the Edinburgh Hotel on Tuesday 6th 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 20th when we will all be able to thank her personally.

Sergeant's Session

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

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

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 newborn. 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

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

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

Our Next Meetings

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**
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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 + ONE needed
3 Feb 2007	Kevin Rogers, Greg McLeod & Glenys Ferguson	Reno Elms & Kaylene Kranz
10 Feb 2007	Kevin Rogers + TWO needed	Ken Haines & Greg McLeod
17 Feb 2007	Kevin Rogers, John Russell + ONE needed	David Middleton + 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**

LEAD THE WAY
