# Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

2006 - 2007

Meeting 3547 - Tuesday 6th February 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.	3547		
Date	6 <sup>th</sup> February 2007		
Venue	Public Schools Club		
Chairperson	John Russell		
Guest Speaker	Committees & Rotary Information		
Guests & Visiting Rotarians	Jennifer Casburn		
Apologies	Stefan Borak, Mark Zada, Anne Zada, Ron Schubert, Joan Reed, David Payne, Natalie Bowen, Neville Highett, Bob Mullins, Anne Wehr, Kaylene Kranz, Kevin Rogers and Mavis Martin		
Make Ups	Anne Wehr Natalie Bowen at RC Eastwood on 7/2/07; Bob Mills, Kaylene Kranz & Kevin Rogers all at the Thrift Shop on 2/2/07		
Attendance	43%		
Sick List	Bob Mullins and David Payne		
Returning Rotarians	Sheila Evans and Stephen Westgarth		
Departing Rotarians	Nil		
Birthdays	Martin Cooper (2/2)		
Anniversaries	Nil		
Family News	Nil		

# Announcements from President Stephen

- 1. My thanks to Vice President Greg McLeod for ably standing-in for me during the last two meetings.
- 2. We have received in the mail the January copy of Rotary World which features articles on:
  - Rotary support for AIDS orphans in South Africa
  - The first Rotary World Peace symposium at the RI Convention in Salt Lake City this year;
  - Literacy projects in Guatemala
  - Rotary funded schools in Ethiopia
  - Rotaract in Russia, and many other interesting topics

Our Bulletin editor Jerry Casburn will have this latest edition of Rotary world for anyone who is interested in looking through it.

- 3. The District Governor's February Newsletter is now available for all to read on the District website. Anyone who needs a hard copy please see me.
- 4. I have received an update on the RI Convention in Salt Lake City, so would any Rotarians who are going or considering going to the Convention please see me so I can get a copy to you.
- 5. Last weekend I received a phone call from DG Bob Northcote regarding the District 9520 Conference in the Barossa Valley on 3<sup>rd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> May. Although the "early bird" date has passed, any members of the Unley Club wishing to attend the Conference but haven't yet registered can still do so by the end of this week for a considerably reduced registration fee. I will arrange copies of the registration forms for you.

There is accommodation gradually becoming available as clubs that have overbooked relinquish their reservations. For example, this afternoon I spoke to the President of the Rotary Club of Encounter Bay and he expects three double rooms to become available from that club, and there will no doubt be others as well.

- Would any Unley Rotarians interested in attending the District conference please come and see me at the end of the meeting or contact me by phone or email as soon as possible.
- 6. There will be an extraordinary meeting of the Board at 10.30am on Saturday 10 February at Mama Carmela's, Unley to discuss the composition and leadership of the new Thrift Shop Committee.

# **Spots**

**Greg Love** advised the club that the next Entertainment books are about to be launched and to expect more news in coming weeks. Cost will be \$60 with some of the proceeds going to the club. Greg also reminded the club that he is trying to get a table together for the Rotary Club of Playford quiz night on 17<sup>th</sup> March and to advise him if you are interested, details in last week's bulletin. Finally Greg reminded the club to put the Melbourne cup lunch in diaries, see diary dates.

**Bob Laws** asked if any club members would be interested in providing mentoring to students, this has been a past activity of the club. The duties require a commitment of five hours approximately over a three month period. Please advise Bob if you are interested. Bob also advised that after a meeting of a subset of the Thrift shop committee they were seeking volunteers to look after a section of the thrift shop, e.g., books, bric-a-brac, etc., ensuring that the items look appealing and displays are regularly updated. Volunteers are also requested to assist in pricing, especially on Saturday mornings. President Stephen supported the request advising that he had seen a group of Rotarians and partners engaged in pricing items and having a lot of fun.

# Sergeant's Session

John Russell was the man on the spot again and nobody smashed his glasses so he was still picking up titbits from the papers. Copious fines were awarded. **John Peacham** won the **wine raffle** and **Chandra Sluggett** won the **lucky square**.

# **Diary Dates**

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

Sat 17 Mar: St. Patrick's Day Quiz Night - Rotary Club of Playford: 7pm-11pm Uley Road Hall, Forrestall Road, Elizabeth Downs.

Cost: \$10, BYO Food and Drinks; Special Prize for best-dressed leprechaun. Greg Love organising a table.

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

Tues 10 Apr: Club Anniversary Celebration

Tues 22 May: Vocational Visit – Australian Weather Bureau
Tues 6 Nov: Melbourne Cup Day Lunch – Edinburgh Hotel

# An Offering from Reno Elms (Be careful how you email)

On Friday I saw in my email In-box some mail from "Train Five" entitled "Hi There". I immediately assumed that it was Spam and went to delete it but just in case I was wrong I clicked on it. To my surprise I was greeted with the message, "I think you're sexy". Well, I thought this confirmed my Spam theory and deleted it immediately while commenting to my volunteers that some people have too much time on their hands.

We were working on Red Shield Appeal preparation all morning. A little later another email appeared from "Train Five". This time I was definitely going to delete it when the subject title of the email caught my eye. The word "Apology" aroused interest and with a click of a mouse I discovered what the origin of the initial email was.

Let me explain.

"Train Five" was actually one of eight people in a computer training course in the Salvation Army's training department in Territorial Headquarters in Melbourne. "Train Five" had just commenced being taken through Domino Web Access (inotes) and was asked to send a message to another trainee. Now it so happened that "Train Five" had his wife in the course also and she was "Train Seven" so he sent her a little "personal note" in this new inotes system. It also happened that, unknown to him, a previous user of his computer had used an address in the bcc address area of the email that accessed every active Salvation Army Officer including Commissioners, Colonels, Majors, Captains and Lieutenants across the whole of Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia, Northern Territory and Tasmania. Hence, the "I think you're sexy" message earlier in the day arrived at every Salvation Army Church (corps) and social centre in these states (over 500 in all).

The apology mentions that the writer was just sending "a short note to my wife" and "I apologize profusely for any offense taken or if this e-mail has hindered your work in any way".

Well there was no hindrance to any one's work that day, just a lot of laughter and a very embarrassed Salvation Army Officer at THQ who has gone into hiding, so we think. The IT Department is not disclosing any names of who was present at the course (there has been quite a few enquiries) but there is a major investigation being conducted and none of it is official.

The Salvation Army was also pretty popular on Friday night in the pubs .......

# **Guest Speakers**

This being a Rotary Information and Committees night there was no speaker.

#### Joke for the Week

#### How to stay married!

A man and woman had been married for more than 60 years. They had shared everything. They had talked about everything. They had kept no secrets from each other except that the little old woman had a shoebox in the top of her closet that she had cautioned her husband never to open or ask her about.

For all of these years, he had never thought about the box, but one day the little old woman got very sick and the doctor said she would not recover. In trying to sort out their affairs, the little old man took down the shoebox and took it to his wife's bedside. She agreed that it was time that he should know what was in the box. When he opened it, he found two crocheted dolls and a stack of money totaling \$95,000.

He asked her about the contents. "When we were to be married," she said, "my grandmother told me the secret of a happy marriage was to never argue. She told me that if I ever got angry with you, I should just keep quiet and crochet a doll."

The little old man was so moved; he had to fight back tears. Only two precious dolls were in the box. She had only been angry with him two times in all those years of living and loving. He almost burst with happiness. "Honey," he said, "that explains the doll, but what about all of this money? Where did it come from? "Oh," she said, "that's the money I made from selling the dolls."

#### Quote of the Week

"An apple a day keeps the doctor away......if you throw hard and your aim is accurate!!! " Anonymous

# Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
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"
27/2/07	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	"Our Overseas Specialist and Surgical Association (OSSA) Project Update" - International Committee
6/3/07	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Rotary Information and Committees night

#### Rostered Rotarians

Date	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
13/2/07	Janet Singh	Geoff Howland	Ken Haines	Anne Wehr	Greg McLeod & Lindsay England
20/2/07	TBA	Neville Highett	Natalie Bowen	Anne Zada	Bob Laws & John Peacham
27/2/07	TBA	Ken Haines	Ken Haines	Mark Zada	Mark Zada & Geoff Howland
6/3/07	Anne Zada	Glenys Ferguson	John Russell	Stefan Borak	Geoff Dunn & David Middleton

#### 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
10 Feb 2007	Kevin Rogers, Norm Wallace & Bob Laws	Ken Haines & Greg Love
17 Feb 2007	Kevin Rogers, Anne Wehr & John Russell	David Middleton & Ken Haines
24 Feb 2007	Kevin Rogers, Stefan Borak & Stephen Westgarth	Kaylene Kranz & Stefan Borak
3 Mar 2007	Kevin Rogers, John Russell + ONE more needed	Reno Elms & Ken Haines

#### 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 <a href="http://unley.rotaryclub.org.au">http://unley.rotaryclub.org.au</a>. 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

