Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

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Meeting 3550 - Tuesday 27th 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.	3550		
Date	27 th February 2007		
Venue	Public Schools Club		
Chairperson	Bob Laws		
Guest Speaker	Dr Mark Moore – "Our Overseas Specialist and Surgical Association (OSSA) Project Update"		
Guests & Visiting Rotarians	Dr Mark Moore		
Apologies	Glenys Ferguson, Reno Elms, Kaylene Kranz, Stefan Borak		
Make Ups	Nil		
Attendance	61%		
Sick List	Nil		
Returning Rotarians	Nil		
Departing Rotarians	Nil		
Birthdays	Janet Singh (27/2)		
Induction Anniversaries	Greg McLeod (28/2)		
Anniversaries	Nil		
Family News	Nil		

Announcements from President Stephen

- 1. Sadly I must inform you that Joan Reid, the widow of our late esteemed member Gordon Reid passed away peacefully last Thursday after a long illness. The funeral was held yesterday and was attended by several members of our club's Ladies Auxiliary who worked side-by-side with Joan in the Thrift Shop and on the Auxiliary for many years. This week I will be sending sympathy cards on behalf of the club to Joan's daughters Trish Strachan and Libby Knox. I would like to thank Ken and Pauline Daly for bringing Joan's passing to the club's attention.
- 2. Meeting Program Changes:
 - The club website's Meeting Program page now shows the meetings when the Committees, Club Service Committee and the Board will be meeting for the remainder of this Rotary year, including the Change Over Dinner on 3 July.
 - On 6 March there will be a supplementary AGM to complete the election of Board members for the next Rotary year.
 - There will be a Club Assembly on Tuesday 13 March and the Club Assembly scheduled for 24 April has been put back to 8 May to give a greater span of time after the Assembly in March.
 - The Unley-Mitcham Bowls Challenge will be held on Tuesday 20 March (because the Mitcham club couldn't make the originally scheduled date of 13 March due to long standing service project commitments). At this stage the event is likely to be held at the Unley Bowling Club with the UBC doing the catering. The Fellowship Committee is finalising these arrangements.
 - After the joint meeting with the Rotary Club of Prospect on 27 March there will be a brief Joint Board meeting of the 2006-7 and 2007-8 Board members to complete the administrative requirements that could not be attended to in December, as required by the bylaws, due to the election of Board members not being completed. The regular monthly board meeting will continue after the joint meeting has finished its work.
- 3. Ken Daly phoned me yesterday to advise that the Hyde Park Probus Club will be folding within the month, largely due to their inability to get members to be office bearers. It is likely that many of the club's 40 or so members will transfer to the Unley Probus Club. Some of you may recall that when the Hyde Park Probus Club was formed the Rotary Club of Unley presented them with a bell and gavel. The Probus club has proposed that the bell and gavel be either be given to another association or returned to this club, and the Board will discuss this proposal tonight. Perhaps the Community Service Committee might like to approach the Hyde Park Probus members to see if any might be interested in volunteering at the Thrift Shop.
- 4. The March issue of *Rotary Down Under* gives an insight into what is ahead under the leadership of incoming Rotary International President Wilfrid Wilkinson from Canada. The main report is a comprehensive question and answer interview. He talks about his theme of *Rotary Shares* (not to be confused with Share Rotary), pointing out that almost everything Rotary does involves sharing. *Rotary Shares* is a call to action with District governors sharing their leadership skills and dedication to make clubs and Districts stronger. Wilfrid Wilkinson has 45 years of service and sharing in Rotary. He has been to Australia and New Zealand recently to take part in Rotary Institutes and these are covered in details in another article.

Water is on the minds of many people in the western world if not on the lips of all in emerging countries. Rotary Down Under begins a series on water projects under the heading of Better Water, a Better Life. World Water Day is on March 22. Clubs in Australia and New Zealand are showing the way in assisting people in India toward a more reliable supply of potable water.

Spots

Bob Laws advised the club that a Thrift Shop pricing guide has been developed and is available for review if desired.

Greg Love reminded the club of several plans being developed by him or his committees:

- First a reminder about the Playford guiz night on March 17th for which he has a table of 5 currently.
- The Sturt Bowling club will be used for the Bowling night on March 20th and catering is being arranged.
- A reminder of the Club Fellowship picnic on Sunday March 25th, details in diary dates.
- Promoted the bumper Easter Raffle for which tickets are being sold by his committee.
- That the Entertainment books will be being ordered soon, cost \$60.

Jerry Casburn was seeking more volunteers for the working bee at Murray Bridge on Sunday 4th March, details in dairy dates.

Bob Mills let the club know that the promotion of the Police Officer of the Year was underway with nominations closing 23rd March 2007. Presentations on the 15th May at 12.30pm with a dinner that night. Posters were circulated for members to put in their place of work.

President Stephen Westgarth needs Thrift Shop support on the early shift for this Saturday and the following Saturday.

Sergeant's Session

Resplendent in socks that even Edmund Capon (Director of the Art Gallery of NSW and famous for odd socks) wouldn't wear our sergeant for the evening the redoubtable Ken Haines set out to sock it to us.

The wine raffle was won by Bob Mullins, Winning number for the lucky squares was won by Bob Mills.

Diary Dates

Sun 4 Mar Working Bee at "Our Wellbeing Place" 108 Swanport Road, Murray Bridge. 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 - Orphanage Grounds, Goodwood Rd. Goodwood, 11.00am to 4.00pm.

Tues 10 Apr: Club Anniversary Celebration

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

Guest Speaker

Bob Laws our Chairman for the night introduced **Dr. Mark Moore**. Mark Moore was born in Timaru NZ, went to University in Dunedin and underwent Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery training in Christchurch. He came to Adelaide 20 years ago and works in Adelaide and the Children's Hospital. He also has a private practice out of Calvary, North Adelaide. Mark was one of the prime movers behind OSSAA (he approached our Club to provide the administrative support to form the charity). He has undertaken over 25 volunteer trips to East Timor and Flores, Indonesia and has brought relief to pain and suffering to many hundreds of disadvantaged people.

Mark is one of the surgeons supporting the Ossa teams, funding for which comes from service clubs, including Unley. The teams consist of surgeons and nurses and all of the equipment needed for operations performed in East Timor and Flores. Mark has made more than 20 trips with the last being the least enjoyable following changes in the attitudes of the local people where the desire to do things for themselves has dropped. The teams perform a variety of operations with serious burns, hair lip operations and facial deformities such as goitres. In a graphic presentation Mark showed many before and after photographs, with amazing changes to the patients treated. Children and adults treated have their lives dramatically altered as they are no longer prevented from schooling and a normal life, previously the deformities would have prevented their acceptance into society. Some treatments are not viable locally and in rare instances the patient will be flown to Adelaide where surgery is performed free of charge. The teams perform, in two weeks, the same number of operations that Mark would see in two years in Australia. Many things contribute to causing the problems from malnutrition to a lack of folate, poor environments, and the high risk of severe burns from kerosene burners and poor quality, non fire resistant clothing.

Mark performs a very special role and we were very grateful for such an informative talk.

Presentation to OSSA

Having Dr. Mark Moore at the meeting, presented an opportunity for the club to give its annual presentation of a cheque for \$5000. The club committed to do this over a three year period and this is the final year. President Stephen presented the cheque to Mark. The monies will likely go to purchasing a diathermy machine (I hope this is how it's spelt but none of you lot will know any better) for use overseas.

Club Updates - Rotary Foundation - Mavis Martin

About The Rotary Foundation

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education and the alleviation of poverty. The Rotary Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation that is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.

The Foundation was created in 1917 by Rotary International's sixth president, Arch C. Klumph, as an endowment fund for Rotary "to do good in the world." It has grown from an initial contribution of US\$26.50 to more than US\$117.9 million contributed in 2004-05. Its event-filled history is a story of Rotarians learning the value of service to humanity.

Target for the Year = \$5000

Achieved to Date	\$	The Plan
Centurion Programme	350.00	To reinforce the aims and functions of:
Foundation Dinner	2,500.00	 The Benefactor Programme
Total	2,850.00	- The Centurion Programme
Needed to Achieve Target	2,150.00	Fund raising at the Paul Harris Fellow's Night.

Joke for the Week

A husband and wife came for counselling after 15 years of marriage.

When asked what the problem was, the wife went into a passionate, painful tirade listing every problem they had ever had.

She went on and on: neglect, lack of intimacy, emptiness, loneliness, feeling unloved and unlovable, an entire laundry list of unmet needs she had endured over the course of their marriage.

Finally, after allowing this to continue for a length of time, the therapist got up, walked around the desk, asked the woman to stand, and embraced and kissed her passionately.

The woman quietly sat down as though in a daze.

The therapist turned to the husband and said, "This is what your wife needs, at least three times a week. Can you do this?"

The husband thought for a moment and replied, "Well, I can drop her off here on Mondays and Wednesdays, but on Tuesdays, I play golf."

Quote of the Week

"Idealism increases in direct proportion to one's distance from the problem." John Galsworthy

Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	
6/3/07	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Rotary Information and Committees night. Carrie McKenzie, our newly selected Indigenous Health Student will be present at the meeting.	
13/3/07	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Club Assembly	
20/3/07	Sturt Bowling Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Annual Unley / Mitcham Bowls Derby - Host Unley Club	
27/3/07	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Unley Club to host daughter Prospect Club Speaker TBC	

Rostered Rotarians

Date	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
6/3/07	Mark Zada	Glenys Ferguson	John Russell	Stefan Borak	Geoff Dunn & David Middleton
13/3/07	Chandra Sluggett	Sheila Evans	Natalie Bowen	Natalie Bowen	Janet Singh & Bob Mullins
20/3/07	Not Applicable	Lindsay England	Ken Haines	Geoff Dunn	David Payne & Mavis Martin
27/3/07	Geoff Howland	Reno Elms	John Russell	Jerry Casburn	John Russell & Joan Reed

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
3 Mar 2007	Kevin Rogers, Lauren Sellers & Anne Wehr	Reno Elms & Ken Haines
10 Mar 2007	Kevin Rogers, Stephen Westgarth + ONE needed	Kaylene Kranz & Greg Love
17 Mar 2007	Kevin Rogers, John Russell + ONE needed	David Middleton & Ken Haines
24 Mar 2007	Kevin Rogers, Kaylene Kranz (from 11am) + ONE needed	Kaylene Kranz & Greg Love

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

