## Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

DISTRICT 9520 CHARTERED 17TH APRIL 1935

# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

2006 - 2007

Meeting 3556 - Tuesday 10th April 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.	3556
Date	10 <sup>th</sup> April 2007
Venue	Public Schools Club
Chairperson	Ken Haines
Guest Speaker	David David – "The Miracle of the Human Hand"
<b>Guests &amp; Visiting Rotarians</b>	David David, Rohan Singh, Linda England, Rose Mitchell, Genese Mullins
Apologies	Ron Schubert, Joan Reed, Greg McLeod, Mavis Martin, Stephen Westgarth, Bob Laws
Make Ups	Nil
Attendance	61.1
Sick List	Mavis Martin, Greg Mcleod
Returning Rotarians	Rex Martin, Reno Elms, David Middleton, Sheila Evans
Departing Rotarians	Nil
Birthdays	Bob Mills (14/4)
Induction Anniversaries	Geoff Ring

## Announcements from Acting President Greg

- 72<sup>nd</sup> Birthday. Greg reminded the club of our birthday bash next Tuesday, see separate article following diary dates in this bulletin, for details.
- 2. Toc H. We have received correspondence from Toc H South Australia thanking the club for its donation towards the March camp of \$416.
- 3. Moisemah Fofana (known as Fofana) has written to the club thanking us for sponsorship tot the April RYLA camp. Fofana will be visiting us soon to provide and update on the outcome.
- 4. Sturt vs Glenelg. The Mayor, Richard Thorne, has invited Board members to attend the match as his guest with nibbles and drinks to follow. Some board members may attend and not be at the Community Services BBQ at Kevin Rogers.

#### **Spots**

Lindsay England advised the club that there were still 6 of the Entertainment books available on a first to come with money basis.

**Jerry Casburn** reminded the club that the Community Service BBQ and pool party at the home of Kevin Rogers would now be on Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm, see the diary dates. Remember the budgie smugglers.

Sheila Evans reminded the club of the urgency for Thrift Shop volunteers both on the Saturday and mid week.

## Sergeant's Session

With an overly morbid focus on funerals, **Sergeant John Russell**, collected many shekels to place on the eyes of the dead or to swell club funds. See the joke later, relevant, huh?

The wine raffle was won by **Bob Mills** and the **lucky squares** were won by **John Russell**. No conspiracy, methinks the sergeant protests too much!!!

## **Diary Dates**

Sun 15 Apr: Community Service BBQ & Pool Party, with the Rotary Club of Mobilong. 34 Jervois Street, Hawthorn. 12.30pm. All

Welcome

Tues 17 Apr: Club Anniversary Celebration

Tues 1 May Meeting to be held at the Men's Shed, Cnr Rothesay Ave and Dorene St, ST MARYS SA 5042

Thurs 3-6 May District Conference - Tanunda

Sun 20 May: Club Assembly (For All Club Officers 2007/2008)
Tues 22 May: Vocational Visit – Australian Weather Bureau
Tues 6 Nov: Melbourne Cup Day Lunch – Edinburgh Hotel

# Club 72<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Dinner – 17<sup>th</sup> April – Ron Schubert

Arranging a prominent high profile guest speaker has been a nightmare. The busy lives of those invited have delayed their replies together with non-acceptances. Rohan Singh (Janet's husband) eventually rescued us by agreeing to speak to the club on "Genetically Modified Food."

At 8.50pm on Tuesday, our originally chosen speaker, well known Sunday Mail columnist and Radio 5 AA afternoon presenter Amanda Blair agreed to speak to us on the subject of: "Balancing My Media Life with Family Life"

Rohan has graciously agreed to step back and allow Amanda to address us.

On the 17<sup>th</sup> April 1935, the Unley Rotary Club was chartered by the Adelaide Rotary Club. It is rare that the charter/birth date falls on the 17<sup>th</sup> April. It happens to occur this year – our 72<sup>nd</sup> year. While we were not making a big celebration of it, we do want to observe our charter on the actual date.

The details of the meeting are:

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> April 2007

Time: 6.30pm for drinks, 7pm commence meeting

Venue: Public Schools Club Address: 207 East Terrace, Adelaide

Meal: 3 Course
Cost: \$25 per head
Dress: After 5

Partners Night: Partners Invited

Apologies: Janet Singh 8226 4131 (Bus), 8272 0359 (After Hours); Sheila Evans (H) 8390 1028

We encourage as many members attend to celebrate our 72<sup>nd</sup> milestone and reflect on the club's history, toast and cut cake.

## **Guest Speaker**

David David grew up in an inner Adelaide suburb. After gaining his medical degree (MB BS) in 1966 from the University of Adelaide he continued his studies in England and Europe where he became a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh (FRCS) in 1970 and in 1971 a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England (FRCS). He became a member of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in 1973 (FRACS).

In 1975 he set up the South Australian Craniofacial Unit, which later became the Australian Craniofacial Unit. In the 29 years since then he, with the help of his team of dedicated professionals, has helped restore dignity to thousands of patients. In his hands, complex surgical procedures seem commonplace and he does indeed perform "everyday miracles". In recognition of his work he received the Companion of the Order of Australia in 1988 and in 1990 South Australia honoured him by naming him the South Australian of the Decade.

As Head of the Australian Craniofacial Unit he encourages and supports the development and provision of patient diagnostic and treatment services that are appropriate to people suffering from craniofacial deformities and injuries.

Premier Don Dunstan established the unit. South Australia is the right size to do things that are unique and had the right expertise to support the unit. Typically one unit such as this can service 20million people and the Adelaide group service Australia and parts of South East Asia. In 2006 the unit operated on its 11,000<sup>th</sup> patient for cleft lip surgery. The aim of the unit is threefold, patient care, teaching and research. It operates under six principles:

- Must be multidisciplinary.
- Must be protocol driven.
- Must provide ongoing treatment between the ages of 0 and 18 years.
- Must possess a properly organised infrastructure and funding.
- Must be based on proper teaching and training
- Must be linked with research

David showed many slides with amazing surgery which changes the lives of those operated on dramatically. He went on to point out that this is never once off. Children are the usual beneficiaries and as they develop the surgery need to be monitored to limit any damaging affects. Nowadays 3d imaging is used to develop models which the surgeons use to plan complex operations.

## **Rotary Information**

Q: During the past 20 years, we've made a lot of progress against polio. Now, there are so many other terrible diseases that affect far more people than polio does. In fact, polio is almost eradicated, so why doesn't Rotary International focus on another disease?

A: Put simply, the job is not finished, and Rotary keeps its promises. We promised the children of the world that they would grow up in a world without polio and that their children would not have to face the threat of that dreaded disease. If we are to fulfill this promise, we need to stay focused until there is no more wild poliovirus.

We all realize that children around the world are unfairly faced with myriad threats to their well-being. It is truly heartbreaking to see a child suffering from any disease that could have been prevented.

Though great progress has been made toward a polio-free world, we cannot turn our attention away now. Because current funding levels for polio immunization campaigns cannot be sustained indefinitely, cases would increase dramatically. Failure to eradicate polio would result in an estimated 10 million paralyzed children in the next 40 years and would negate the world's US\$5.3 billion investment in the initiative.

The only way to protect every child from polio is to eradicate this crippling and potentially fatal disease completely. The strategies and tools are known, and health experts agree that the challenges to stopping the spread of polio can be met. Rotary was the first organization to have the vision of a polio-free world, so we need to sustain our commitment to creating a world with one less threat for every child.

#### Joke for the Week

A man was walking home alone late one foggy night, when behind him he hears:

BUMP...BUMP...BUMP...

Walking faster, he looks back and through the fog he makes out the image of an upright casket banging its way down the middle of the street toward him.

BUMP...BUMP...BUMP...

Terrified, the man begins to run toward his home, the casket bouncing quickly behind him

FASTER...FASTER... BUMP...BUMP...BUMP...

He runs up to his door, fumbles with his keys, opens the door, rushes in, slams and locks the door behind him. However, the casket crashes through his door, with the lid of the casket clapping clappity-BUMP... clappity-BUMP... clappity-BUMP... on his heels, the terrified man runs. Rushing upstairs to the bathroom, the man locks himself in. His heart is pounding; his head is reeling; his breath is coming in sobbing gasps. With a loud CRASH the casket breaks down the door. Bumping and clapping toward him. The man screams and reaches for something, anything, but all he can find is a bottle of cough syrup! Desperate, he throws the cough syrup at the casket...

and, (hopefully you're ready for this!!!)

The coffin stops

#### Quote of the Week

"It isn't pollution that's harming the environment. It's the impurities in our air and water that are doing it." Al Gore

### Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
17/4/07	TBA	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Our 72 <sup>nd</sup> Birthday Party – Speaker Amanda Blair <b>Partner Night</b>
24/4/07	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Club Assembly and David Middleton "Never Pay Tax Again"
01/05/07	Men's Shed Edwardstown	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Community Service Project. A chance to see the Men's Shed and what it does. BBQ to follow.
08/05/07	Public School's Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Club Assembly

#### Rostered Rotarians

Date	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
17/4/07	Stephen Westgarth	Geoff Dunn	Natalie Bowen	Sheila Evans	Mark Zada & Anne Wehr
24/4/07	Greg Love	Natalie Bowen	Ken Haines	Glenys Ferguson	Geoff Dunn & Anne Zada
1/5/07	Lindsay England	Anne Zada	John Russell	Ken Haines	Greg McLeod & Jerry Casburn
8/5/07	Martin Cooper	Mark Zada	Natalie Bowen	Geoff Howland	Bob Laws & Bob Mills

#### 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. 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	
14 April 2007	Kevin Rogers, Lindsay & Linda England	Ken Haines + ONE needed	
21 April 2007	Kevin Rogers, Greg McLeod & Stephen Westgarth	Sheila Evans & Mavis Martin	
28 April 2007	Kevin Rogers, + TWO needed	Ken Haines + ONE NEEDED	
5 May 2007	Kevin Rogers, John Russell & Reno Elms	Kaylene Kranz & Mavis Martin	

Remember our Rotary theme for the year

