

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

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Meeting 3558 – Tuesday 24th 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.	3558
Date	24 th April 2007
Venue	Public Schools Club
Chairperson	Greg Love
Guest Speaker	David Middleton – “Never Pay Tax Again”
Guests & Visiting Rotarians	Genese Mullins
Apologies	Geoff Dunn, Bob Laws, Anne Wehr
Make Ups	Bob Laws & Mavis Martin (Thrift Shop)
Attendance	68%
Sick List	Nil
Returning Rotarians	Jim Newall
Departing Rotarians	Mavis Martin, Bob Laws
Birthdays	Rex Martin (21/4)
Anniversaries	Lindsay England (28/4)

Announcements from President Stephen

1. We've received an emailed reminder from PDG Graeme Dodsworth on behalf of the Glen Osmond club about the Group 6 [Intercity] meeting for the D2400 Swedish GSE Team presentation to be held on Wednesday May 2nd at the Belair Country Club. The meeting is for 6.30pm for 7.00pm and the cost is \$18.00pp; drinks are at bar prices. Firm numbers are required for catering by Friday 27th April. This event is being organised by Glen Osmond, one of our smallest clubs, so it would be good to be able to support them. I know the date clashes with the St Jude's book launch breakfast at Concordia College with the Hyde Park and Eastwood clubs that morning, plus we have our own meeting the night before, but GSE presentations are always good value and it does provide a make-up opportunity. Would all Rotarians and partners interested in attending please see John Peacham after the meeting and we'll see if we can put a table together.
2. Wendy Gaborit, President of the Rotary Club of Mobilong has sent an invitation to the President and members of our club to attend the official opening of “Our Wellbeing Place” at Murray Bridge on Friday 11 May 2007 from 4.00 to 6.00pm. There will be an opening address by the chairman of OWB, Tom Haig, with entertainment by the Murray Bridge High School; North School Performance Group, The Liberian Women's Dance Group and the Murray Bridge Community Choir. An indication of attendees is requested for catering purposes, so could you please let Sheila Evans know ASAP if you plan to attend.
3. We have received a note from David Pisoni thanking the Club for inviting him to our birthday meeting last week.
4. Finally, I'd like to repeat the congratulatory comments made in the last issue of the bulletin that recognised the efforts of Ron Schubert, Bob Mullins, Joan Reed and her daughter, and Ken Haines in making our birthday celebration such as success and so enjoyable.

Spots

David Payne reminded members that had not yet paid their half yearly fees that these were due.

Bob Mills advised the club that the presentation for Police Officer of the Year will be on Tuesday 15th May with the Rundle Mall ceremony at 12.30pm and the evening dinner at the Public Schools Club, 7pm for 7.30pm. Dinner will be three courses and cost \$30 per head. Entertainment will be as last year. A list requesting advice as to whether you are attending will be circulated next week.

Jerry Casburn made three announcements:

- That next week's meeting would be at the Men's Shed at Edwardstown, see Diary dates for detail. A BBQ meal will be provided and guests and partners welcome.
- Sought volunteers to transport senior citizens from Unley to the Sunday Concert at the Unley Citizen's Centre on Sunday May 6th.
- Advised the club that we would be supporting the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal on May 19th/20th and that volunteers would be sought at next week's meeting.

Martin Cooper reminded the club that we are searching for a name for Olive Oil planned to be sold by the club as a fundraiser in coming months.

John Russell covered two items:

- Advised that a schedule of cleaning duties would be available for Thrift Shop volunteers on each Saturday.
- Reminded the club that the OSSA (OverSeas Surgical Association) film night at the Chelsea Theatre on Sunday 27th May. The film is Pirates of the Caribbean at World's End. Tickets are \$15. Raffle tickets were also available for sale.

Natalie Bowen updated the club on the incident after last week's meeting. An attempted abduction resulting in reports to police and police trackers and helicopters attending was later found to be a setup to see how far police would take the issue. The police passed on thanks to all involved for their prompt action.

Greg Love advised that the Entertainment books had now been sold and thanked **Lyndsey England** for his support.

Sheila Evans again sought support for the Thrift Shop rosters and you will now note that a full roster including weekdays is being published in the bulletin.

Ron Schubert spoke about **Centurion Donations** to the Rotary Foundation and encouraged members to participate. There are a variety of means of donating including bequests. The Centurion Donation programme allows members to contribute \$A100 per year to

the foundation and when the total accumulates to the equivalent of \$US1000 the person can obtain a Paul Harris Fellowship or award it to another person within or outside of Rotary. The Foundation has so far spent \$US1.68 billion on a variety of programmes including PolioPlus, 3H, Matching Grants, Solidarity South Asia (Tsunami Appeal), International Scholarships and more.

Yankalilla Wine Auction and Dinner Cancelled

Following Stephen's advice of the above some week's ago, the following email has been received:

Dear Rotarian,

I wish to advise that our Wine Auction and Dinner has been cancelled.

Unfortunately, despite sending out invitations to some 42 Rotary Clubs, 32 Beefsteak & Burgundy Clubs (including 26 individual invitations to B&B Victor Harbor), 22 Lions Clubs, 14 Probus Clubs, 4 Apex Clubs, a number of individual invitations and some media and internet advertising, we received only one acceptance. We have therefore had to make the disappointing decision to cancel the wine auction and dinner. Perhaps there is just too much on at this time of the year. We will now consider rescheduling the auction for a date later in the year.

Hanna Law
Honorary Member
Rotary Club of Yankalilla

Sergeant's Session

As the ultimate gossip, our sergeant **Ken Haines** tittle-tattled on most attending Rotarians, obtaining many dollars for the swelling coffers. The **wine raffle** was won by **Geoff Howland** and the **lucky squares** were won by **Natalie Bowen** (Another demonstration of Sergeant Solidarity???)

Diary Dates

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 6 May Sunday Concert at the Unley Citizen's Centre – Rotarian required to transport Senior Citizens to and from.
Sat 19-20 May Red Shield Appeal – Volunteers needed
Sun 20 May: Club Assembly (For All Club Officers 2007/2008)
Tues 22 May: Vocational Visit – Australian Weather Bureau
Sun 27 May: Pirates of the Caribbean 3 at Worlds End, Chelsea Theatre.
Tues 6 Nov: Melbourne Cup Day Lunch – Edinburgh Hotel

Guest Speaker

Introduced by Chairman **Greg Love**, our very own **David Middleton** (checkout the mug shot from the website) was our speaker for the evening. David has been a certified financial adviser for fifteen years, he is a principal of Prescott Securities and is co-author of a soon to be released book "Kissing the Frog".

David's presentation centred on changes to superannuation, which were legislated in May 2000 and will be implemented in mid 2007. These changes have a major impact on most Rotarians given the closeness to drawing on such funds.

To date superannuation was not attractive to investors, there were high contributions taxes, limits to the amount held, high exit costs. Those who chose to save paid the highest tax rates in Australia. The changes made in the May 2000 budget were to quote David "jaw dropping". The changes have resulted in superannuation being the best way to save money, the best way to save tax, the best investment and the best way of managing retirement.

The changes result in tax benefits for many providing the ability to claim deductions for making contributions, also, investment returns are concessional taxed, there is good capital treatment and income tax protection and no limits to the amount held. The benefits are resulting in many wanting to invest. So who can invest? Anyone under 65, between 65 and 74 you can put money into superannuation but you must work for 30 hours in a 30 day period, legitimate work for which you are paid, not charity work, over 75 you cannot contribute.

David outlined the manner in which you can invest in superannuation and there are windows of opportunity where you can use some of the best features from both prior to and after the changes. David also explained how the system works once a pension is being drawn and the tax implications, which are greatly reduced. David's talk was as usual punctuated with his great brand of humour and I don't doubt that there will be Rotarians clamouring to avail themselves of his services. Greg Love thanked David for his talk.

Club Updates – Thrift Shop – Bob Laws

1. A Suggestion Box has been installed and 7 suggestions to date:
 - Advertise and hold a \$2 clothing sale (we will hold a sale on 21/4/07)
 - Don't sell cancelled library books (we will only retain the very best).
 - The emergency list needs updating (Glenyss/Sheila are attending to this).
 - Fix the carpet sweeper or get a new one (we will).
 - Ensure adequate supplies of tea/coffee/biscuits/sugar (we will).
 - Put Mitcham Rotary Bookshop contact details by the phone (we will).
 - Remove empty jewellery boxes from display case after sales (we'll ask).
2. Rent Increase. The landlady has agreed to our CPI calculation and the monthly rent from February is \$2230.22 (not \$2405.84)

3. OH&S. The landlady asked for estimated costs for fixing the emergency access and a letter has been sent advising her (it's about \$320).
4. Gross Income for March was \$4,483, and the year to date \$42,317 (compared to \$40,109 last year and \$55,225 in 2003/04).
5. The shop front picket fence has been repaired by Bob Mullins.
6. Mavis has produced a clearing duty list for the Saturday Rotarians.
7. Natalie will locate goods pick up volunteers.
8. Three responses to the ad for volunteers, which Sheila is following up. The volunteer charter is complete and on the shop noticeboard. Glenyss/Sheila will update the roster and create a spreadsheet database by contacting all volunteers to ask:
 - for their comments and concerns
 - to confirm their time slots
 - emphasise their importance to the shop
 - availability as emergency replacements
 - confirm their contact details (inc. email addresses)
 - ask if they could recommend any new volunteers
 - when they started as a volunteer with us.
9. A morning tea for volunteers will be held on 3/6/07 (Ken & Sheila will organise), hopefully in the Council facilities. Framed appreciation certificates will be presented to volunteers with 5+ year's service.
10. The new roster will include both Saturday and weekday volunteers. The rosters on the Club website are very out of date. Stephen will be requested to allow access to the website so Sheila can keep the rosters up to date.
11. Kevin Rogers has negotiated a special 'one-off' price to include a shop flyer in the Eastern Courier. Bob Laws will get a quote for printing 25000 A5 size to be done up in bundles of 200. A more complete wording flyer has been prepared for shop use (for tucking into customer bags).
12. Electrical goods testing. Martin Cooper is very keen for the Club to purchase an electrical equipment tester (at a cost of \$600 approx.) instead of being charged \$3/item by Ivesons for no more than 5 tests per week. The committee decided to defer a decision while seeing how many appliances are donated and we have some sales experience on which to base a cost/benefit decision. The very cheap price of new Chinese appliances will now be affecting the second hand market price and saleability.
13. Summer Sale. The ½ price sale of summer clothing was held on Saturday 21/4/07). Summer stock will be sorted, the best retained and the remainder disposed of and the winter stock brought out.
14. A request is made to have members' names, phone numbers and email addresses included in the weekly Bulletin (but not addresses for security reasons).

Joke for the Week

Two sisters invest in a farm, after just a few years, they are in financial trouble. In order to keep the bank from repossessing the farm, they need to purchase a bull from the stockyard in a far town so that they can breed their own stock.

They only have \$600 left. Upon leaving, the brunette tells her sister, "When I get there, if I decide to buy the bull, I'll contact you to drive out to collect me and come home."

The brunette arrives at the stockyard, inspects the bull, and decides she wants to buy it. The man tells her that he will sell it for \$599, no less.

After paying him, she drives to the nearest town to send her sister a telegram to tell her the news. She walks into the telegraph office, and says, "I want to send a telegram to my Sister telling her that I've bought a bull for our farm . I need her to hitch the trailer to our ute and drive out here so we can haul it home."

The telegraph operator explains that he'll be glad to help her, then adds, "It's just 99 cents a word."

Well, after paying for the bull, the brunette only has \$1 left. She realises that she'll only be able to send her sister one word. After a few minutes of thinking, she nods and says, "I want you to send her the word "comfortable."

The operator shakes his head. "How is she ever going to know that you want her to hitch the trailer to your ute and drive out here to haul that bull back to your farm if you send her just the word comfortable?"

The brunette explains, "My sister's blonde. It's a big word. She'll read it very slowly ... com-for-da-bul"

Quote of the Week

"Never interrupt your enemy when he is making a mistake" *Napoleon Bonaparte*

Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
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
15/05/07	Public School's Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Policeman of the Year Awards
22/05/07	Kent Town	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Vocational Visit to the Weather Bureau – Host Mr. Timke

Thrift Shop Roster Please note the roster now shows the full week

Apr-07

DATE	FULL DAY	10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.	1.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.
WED 25	J Job / C Marcos	J Job/C Marcos/Jenny Noske	J Job/C Marcos
THUR 26		A Jonson / H Weston	J Calder / N Highett
FRI 27		D & M Payne	E & R Birnie
SAT 28		K Rogers R Singh + ONE needed	Ken Haines R Singh
MON 30		M Phillips / J Clark	N Wallace + ONE needed

May-07

TUES 1	A & J Newall		
WED 2		Jenny & David Noske	D & M Payne
THUR 3		P Richards / M Schaefer	J Calder / F Nettelbeck
FRI 4		P Bohnsack / J Ring	J Arthur / B Mills
SAT 5		K Rogers, J Russell, Reno Elms	K Kranz, M Martin, R Singh
MON 7		B Roberts /	
TUES 8		S Tirrell / L Hanna	E Birnie / R Martin
WED 9		Jenny & David Noske	
THUR 10		J Leedham & Friend	J Calder / F Nettelbeck
FRI 11		M Wallace/	
SAT 12		K Rogers, S Westgarth, R Singh	R Schubert, J Reed
MON 14		M Phillips / J Clark	
TUES 15			
WED 16		G & N Dunn /Jenny Noske	
THUR 17		P Richards / M Schaefer	J Calder / F Nettelbeck
FRI 18		P Bohnsack / J Ring	J Arthur /B Mullins
SAT 19		K Rogers, G McLeod, G Ferguson	K Haines, K Kranz, R Singh
MON 21	J Job/C Marcos		
TUES 22		H Lithgow/B Russel	G Howland/J Russel
WED 23	J Job / C Marcos	Jenny Noske	
THUR 24		A Jonson / H Weston	J Calder / N Highett
FRI 25		D & M Payne	E & R Birnie
SAT 26		K Rogers, K Haines (after 10.30), R Singh	S Westgarth, M Martin
MON 28	J Moore / D Menkins		
TUES 28		S Tirrell / L Hanna	H Lithgow / M Wallace
WED 30		P Goodgame / M Hancock	
THUR 31		B Russell / P Hollway	J Calder / F Nettelbeck

Rostered Rotarians

Date	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
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
15/5/07	Bob Mills	Anne Wehr	Ken Haines	Alex Jonson	John Peacham & Martin Cooper
22/5/07	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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**
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Remember our Rotary
theme for the year

LEAD THE WAY