

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

2007 – 2008

Meeting 3589 – Tuesday 27th November 2007

The Club meets every Tuesday
at The Old Orphanage Function Centre
181 Goodwood Road
Millswood (enter of Mitchell St)
at 6.30pm. Fellowship at 6.00pm

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Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3589
Date	27 th November 07
Venue	The Orphanage, Millswood
Chairperson	President David
Guests Speaker	Club Assembly
Guests and Visiting Rotarians	None
Apologies	Anne Zada, Ron Schubert, David Payne
Make Ups	David Payne Thrift Shop 23-11-07
Attendance	88%
Birthdays	Norm Wallace
Induction Anniversaries	Jim Newall
Anniversaries	David Payne
Returning Rotarians	Natalie Bowen, Sheila Evans

President's Announcements

Only one more meeting at this venue for this year; next week is the last meeting here then we have the Xmas dinner at Kooyonga followed by the Christmas Breakfast the following week.

Spots

Bob Mullins: On the 11th December it is the Club's Christmas Dinner, which will be held at the Kooyonga Golf Club at 7 for 7.30pm. Cost is \$46 per head for a 3 course meal. This is a partners night and all are welcome. Dress code is jacket and ties for men and No Denim. Could members try and pay in advance. There is a list being circulated tonight for numbers

Bob Laws: Thrift shop committee meeting this Saturday at Bobs home. The roster this week is John Peacham and Jerry Casburn on the early shift and Ken Haines Anne Wehr and Rohan Singh on the late shift. Also there is a working bee on Sunday Volunteers

John Peacham: We need assistance on Sunday morning 9:00am at DIK to load the container for the Philippines. Hopefully if we have enough people we should be able to complete it in a couple of hours. If anyone wants instructions on how to get there then have them call John on 0400 466 645.

Sergeants Session

No Sergeant's session tonight, but two lucky squares were drawn with Mark Zada and David Payne being the lucky winners.

CLUB ASSEMBLY November 2007

Community Service - Reno Elms

Community Carols 16th December 2007

The Committee has met regularly through the first half of the Rotary year planning and organising this annual event.

To this point much of the planning is in place.

- Funding has been secured.
- Entertainment organised.
- Catering coming together.

Our committee endeavours that every Unley Rotarian will share a part in this hands on event (Rotary Shares).

Men's Shed

We have been grateful to the work of the previous committee on this project and our present committee seeks to continue with this making the relationships already established materialise to the benefit of people in the Unley Community.

Community Project

We have discussed some possible options of a smaller local project that we could inject some ideas and funds into for this Rotary year. Our committee has been aware of the great work of former committees and have appreciated the flow on and support from last year.

Fundraising Committee Jerry Casburn

Big Fun Day and Fireworks

Still working hard on sponsors but nothing is across the line yet. IGA, RAA Insurance and Santos did not go for the sponsorship offer. Cathy Murphy (Starlight Foundation) and I met with SA Farmers Fuels and are awaiting a response. We meet with Le Cornu this week. Cathy Murphy and I met with Channel 10 and they will provide media sponsorship, she is also working on Triple M. Cathy is also pursuing Adelaide Bank and Bunning's through the Starlight Board.

Melbourne Cup Day

A Calcutta night was held on Monday November 5th. Held at the new venue, the Orphanage. This was a fundraiser and netted \$252.

Quiz Night

A quiz night was held on Friday October 19th at the Public School's Club. This was a fellowship activity and not a fundraiser.

End of Run Tile Sale

This is back with Beaumont tiles for them to be more specific about the offer.

Olive Oil

Supplier found and John Nolan is working on a label design.

Thrift Shop

The concessional rate being sought for water has been granted (an annual saving of \$730). Telstra's bill is awaited to determine if they have also provided the charity rate.

A revised, clearer master roster being issued, Saturday Rotarians roster is almost full for the remainder of 2007. Work is being completed on repricing and culling poorer grade items.

Christmas Cakes and Puddings

Janet Singh is working on the 2007 sales campaign.

Club Administration Committee - Greg McLeod

This committee has only met once this year but the club can expect more frequency on Neville Highett's return. The committee repeats its request to have a report from the board meetings on relevant matters on a monthly cycle. Also the committee request that the bulletin editor needs to be given information in a timely and correct manner to maintain the bulletin as does the website manager. Our website was held as an exemplary site providing very good information. Following an extensive inventory by John Russell last year we now have a current list As we all know we have changed venue and the catering officer would welcome any feedback regarding the venue and the meals.

The Rotary Foundation Committee - Stephen Westgarth

The Rotary Foundation Committee has met once since the last Club Assembly. The principal focus of the committee at present is the organisation of the International Night to be held on Wednesday 5th March 2008. It will be a fellowship and fundraising event for The Rotary Foundation. The committee is currently seeking a suitable venue for the event and menu that is international in flavour and agreeable to most palates.

Entertainment for the evening will hopefully comprise music and dance from a variety of national and ethnic origins. Our guest speaker will be Suresh Sunuku, a visiting representative of the Rotary Club of Dharmavaram Mid Town, India, the correspondent club in our recent participation in a matching grant project in India.

The principal fundraising activity will be a raffle to be conducted prior to the event with the draw to be conducted on the night. Another raffle will also be conducted on the night with smaller prizes donated by sponsors. And while ticket prices will be kept as low as possible, they will include a fundraising component.

The committee proposes to invite the other Group 6 clubs and our club's mother, daughter and granddaughter clubs to transfer their meetings to 5th March and join in the International Night and associated fundraising. We will encourage all participating clubs to run their own fundraising raffles prior to the event. Should other clubs decide to participate then we propose to set-up a projects gallery within the event venue for RCU and participating clubs to display information about their activities and international projects in particular.

Other activities to be organised by The Rotary Foundation Committee during this Rotary year are the Paul Harris Fellows Recognition Dinner on 15th April 2008, and TRF information spots to be presented in the run-up to both the International Night and the PHF Recognition Dinner.

International Committee - John Peacham Major Project (Long-Term)

Goals

Create an on-going relationship through another Rotary club to provide long-term assistance to a community in that area.

Encourage visits by Unley Rotarians to the community

Support funding of projects from benefactor trust funds

INITIATIVE	STATUS	NEXT ACTION
Create an on-going relationship through another Rotary club to provide long-term assistance to a community in that area.	Day care centre funding has been sent for both building and equipment, including matching grant for equipment	Centre will be officially opened mid January. Unley Rotary has been invited. Determine how this years funds will be spent
Encourage visits by Unley Rotarians to the community.	In Progress	
Set-up an Australian project around Aboriginal Health that can be funded by International clubs using matching grants.	Investigation Phase	Identify Project
Provide support and direction for distribution of trust funds for Project in India & other project.	Funding has been approved and sent for the Girls and Women Education and Vocational Training project in India	Awaiting funds to be distributed by Matching Grants organisation.
Plan for a hand on voluntary involvement in a project involving selected international partner club.	Project not yet identified	On-going

Status Report for International Committee

For the month of November 2007, Short Term Project Goals:

- *To support Donations in kind in providing support to Philippines*
- *To support OSSAA*
- *Improve extra-club communication*

INITIATIVE	STATUS	NEXT ACTION
Hold 2 working bees at DIK location	First working bee held	Schedule next working bee to assist in loading container
Fund sending of container of education equipment and books to Philippines	Funds approved awaiting on invoice from DIK	As above
Continued support of OSSAA	Funds approved	Schedule a presentation to club from OSSAA representative and handover cheque
To report on status of projects bi-monthly	Club has been kept up to date.	Grand opening Mid January 2008
To establish regular email contact with selected Rotary clubs and communities	Communication has been haphazard mostly due to language and timing	Improve communication

Membership Committee Martin Cooper

We have had two increases in membership this year and have lost one through resignation. We need members' referrals to bring those new members to our club. Also the committee is asking members to bring their read Rotary Down Under magazines so we can distribute them in to various waiting rooms with the clubs details attached. The Committee is planning to do a leaflet drop in February and this will be a whole club Project. At the Christmas Carols Janet is getting an information stand together to use to promote the club to the public.

Public Relations Sheila Evans

Promotion of the Christmas Carols is on track with the event being advertised in the Eastern Courier in the notice board section. There has been preliminary discussion with the ABC particularly 891 to advertise the POOTY in May. In the New Year will be working closely with the Fundraising committee to promote the Fireworks event.

Vocational Committee Mavis Martin

Programs supported to date:

- Indigenous Health Scholarships \$3000
- World Festival of Music \$500
- Youth Opportunities \$500
- RYWELL \$1000
- Vocational Visit to the Genomics Centre 16th Oct.
- RYLA Moisema Fofana addressed the club 23rd Oct.
- NYSF Penelope Nugent addressed the club on 23rd Oct. We have no students participating in this program this year.

LYNDSAY MACE TRUST:

This fund has been closed due to its failure to produce reasonable profit. The monies will be transferred to the RCU account.

PROGRAM FOR 2008

Visit to Salvation Army Headquarters, Employment Skills of the Unemployed Youth, POOTY, Vocational Recognition, Indigenous Health Scholarships

ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS

President David asked if members had feedback to the catering officer to please do so.

Bob Mullins: Could the club address if the National Anthem should be sung. Currently he feels that we do not do the anthem justice and the respect it deserves? Are there other options?

Joan Reed: Would like the club to look at purchasing it's own laptop and projector so that individual members are relied upon to bring the equipment?

Lindsay England: At this year's Xmas Function could we bring a gift suitable for donating to a charity? It was suggested for teenage boys. Suggestions for **unwrapped** presents for boys to be distributed through the Salvation Army are:

- CD voucher
- DVD
- Basketball/Soccer ball/Cricket Set/Sport equipment
- Male Hygiene Kit, e.g. Aftershave, Deodorant, Shavers, Body Wash.
- T-shirts (from say Jay Jays \$15)
- Guitar
- Peak hats (Baseball Caps)
- Sunglasses
- A maid to do the chores, and some type of technology that does home work automatically?

BYLAWS: Bob Laws

Discussion followed on the changes need in the clubs Bylaws. It was agreed that the board investigate the process of change to the points that were distributed.

Diary Dates

Sat 1 st Dec	Prof Annette Mygrecka at the Woolshed, West Beach; Info: Dick Wilson, Stirling RC
Tue 11 th Dec	Christmas Dinner at Kooyonga Golf Club
Sun 16 th Dec	Carols at the Rotunda
Wed 5 th Mar	International Night
Tue 15 th Apr	Paul Harris Fellows Recognition Dinner
Wed 19 th Mar	Bowls Challenge vs RC Mitcham
Tue 13 th May	SA Police Officer of the Year Presentation (in Rundle Mall) and SA Police Officer of the Year Dinner
15-18 June 2008	Rotary International Convention

Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
04/12/07	The Orphanage	6.00pm for 6.30pm	"International Airlines Aircrew Pilot Training" - Tony Harding
11/12/07	The Orphanage	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Christmas Dinner Kooyonga Golf Club
19/12/07	TBA	TBA	Inter Club Christmas Breakfast

Rostered Rotarians

Date	Venue Set-up	Chairperson	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
04/12/07	John Russell	Mark Zada	Greg McLeod	Colin Schirmer	Reno Elms and Anne Zada
11/12/07	Bob Mullins	Pres David	Greg McLeod	Lindsay England	Bob Mullins and Anne Wehr
19/12/07	N/A		Greg McLeod	John Russell	Geoff Howland and Jerry Casburn

To Rotarians who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or contact:

Sergeant-At-Arms: Greg McLeod: (W) 8223 3999; (M) 0417 811 838; e-mail: gmcleod@lam.com.au

Venue Set-up or Plaque Board: Greg McLeod: (W) 8223 3999; (M) 0417 811 838; e-mail: gmcleod@lam.com.au

Attendance Desk: Glenys Ferguson (H) 8379 8821

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, Greg McLeod and Glenys Ferguson have keys to the cupboard. Please remember to gather up all items at the end of the meeting and return them to the cupboard.

Apologies To: Glenys Ferguson on 8379 8821 OR Anne Wehr on 8357 0486

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Four friends, who hadn't seen each other in 30 years, reunited at a party. After several drinks, one of the men had to use the rest room. Those who remained talked about their kids.

The first guy said, "My son is my pride and joy. He started working at a successful company at the bottom of the barrel. He studied Economics and Business Administration and soon began to climb the corporate ladder and now he's the president of the company. He became so rich that he gave his best friend a top of the line Mercedes for his birthday."

The second guy said, "Darn, that's terrific! My son is also my pride and joy. He started working for a big airline, and then went to flight school to become a pilot. Eventually he became a partner in the company, where he owns the majority of its assets. He's so rich that he gave his best friend a brand new jet for his birthday."

The third man said: "Well, that's terrific! My son studied in the best universities and became an engineer. Then he started his own construction company and is now a multimillionaire. He also gave away something very nice and expensive to his best friend for his birthday: A 30,000 square foot mansion."

The three friends congratulated each other just as the fourth returned from the restroom and asked, "What are all the congratulations for?"

One of the three said, "We were talking about the pride we feel for the successes of our sons. What about your son?"

The fourth man replied, "My son is gay and makes a living dancing as a stripper at a nightclub."

The three friends said, "What a shame... What a disappointment."

The fourth man replied, "No, I'm not ashamed. He's my son and I love him. And he hasn't done too bad either. His birthday was two weeks ago, and he received a beautiful 30,000 square foot mansion, a brand new jet and a top of the line Mercedes from his three boyfriends."

Thank you Alex for your contribution

Next Week's Menu

Lamb rump.

Thrift Shop Roster

	EARLY SHIFT	LATE SHIFT
01/12/07	John Peacham and Jerry Casburn	Ken Haines, Anne Wehr, Rohan Singh

Working Bee this Sunday 9.30 All welcome

Remember our Rotary
theme for the year

ROTARY SHARES
