# Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

DISTRICT 9520 CHARTERED 17TH APRIL 1935

# THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

2007 - 2008

Meeting 3595 – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2008

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.	3595		
Date	22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2008		
Venue	The Orphanage, Millswood		
Chairperson	Ron Schubert		
Guests Speaker	Helen Clifton "An SOS to Our Wildlife"		
Guests and Visiting Rotarians	Cleopatra Nguyen-Surguy (Prospective Member), Jenny Casburn, Rohan Singh, Judy McAdam ADG RC Eastwood		
Apologies	Anne Zada, Mark Zada, Reno Elms, David Payne, Stephen Westgarth, Ken Haines, Sheila Evans, Geoff Hill		
Attendance	61%		
Sick List	Geoff Howland, Sheila Evans, Reno Elms		
Birthdays	Sheila Evans 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan,		
Anniversaries	Lucien Parent, Jim Newell		

#### President's Announcements

A reminder that there are only five meetings to go to the 100% meeting. On the 26<sup>th</sup> Feb. Members are reminded that make-ups can be recorded two weeks either side of this date to ensure a successful outcome.

#### **Spots**

**Bob Mullins:** Next week is the visit to the zoo starting at **5.45pm** at the **Plane Tree Drive** entrance off Hackney Road. The tour starts at **6pm followed by a BBQ.** The evening will be completed at approx **9pm.** Definite numbers are required tonight and we need 40 for the night to go ahead. Please fill in the list that is being passed around

**Bob Laws:** The Thrift Shop roster is being circulated could all members check their diary and offer their assistance. Highlight sessions require volunteers.

Jerry Casburn: The District conference is being held in Mt Gambier in October and accommodation has been booked. It is a short walk to the conference venue. Room rates are \$110 for room only and \$135 including breakfast. Please see Jerry ASAP to register your interest.

**John Peacham:** There are some books (10 boxes) at Concordia College that need to be transported to DIK at Salisbury. If anyone has a trailer and some time to assist please see John.

# Report from the last Board Meeting

The following is a quick summary of the decisions made at the Rotary Club's recent Board Meeting, held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2007, at the home of Mavis Martin & Richard Taylor.

- 1. The Lindsay Mace Trust Fund is to be wound up with funds to go to Projects Funds.
- 2. Barry Freeman's resignation was accepted with regret.
  - A request from Norm Wallace to be considered an Exempted Member was approved and Norm has been advised.
- 3. Constitution & By-Laws: Ross Blair of McKean & Park (through Bob Laws) be instructed to formulate a Constitution and By-Laws for the Rotary Club of Unley in line with their Standard Model and allow for the following resolutions:

To be included

- (a) Have a Nominations Committee and also allow Nominations from Membership;
- (b) Have no requirement for time served on the Board prior to being nominated for President and Vice President;

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- (c) Remove two year limit on continuations for Board Members;
- (d) Include provision for at least two Club Assemblies each year; and
- (e) No requirement for Sergeant to be part of the Board.

#### By-Laws not included:

- (a) Honorarium for President & Secretary not required
- (b) President's Special Purpose Fund not required
- (c) All payments by 'not negotiable' cheque not required
- (d) All interest be credited to Project Funds not required
- (e) Board to Mandate the Bank Account not required
- (f) All payments to be confirmed by Board not required
- 4. The Adelaide Bank Account BSB 610101, Account Number 040467063 be accessed by the following: The President, President Elect, Treasurer & Secretary. Responsibility of the Treasurer to change Operators each year.
- 5. Subscriptions to remain same. Members may still choose to pay \$50 towards the Rotary Health International Fund.
- 6. 'The Orphanage' be approached to provide Professional Presentation Equipment for Meetings, with the view that the Unley Rotary Club may be able to make it a joint investment.
- 7. Resolved the National Anthem not be sung at future Unley Rotary Club Meetings.

A R Wehr Secretary

## Sergeants Session

The sergeants session was conducted swiftly by Greg McLeod tonight the lucky squares was won by Bob Mullins

## Guest Speaker: Helen Clifton - "An SOS to Our Wildlife"

Our guest speaker this evening was introduced by Ron Schubert.

Helen is a teacher and public speaker who wrote and established an education program spreading the word about conservation issues, bear species, the bear trades and what is being done to help bears, particularly in Asia. She has been successfully running this program for the past two years. Helen is also a member of the Australian Orang-utan Project, an Australian based conservation project helping to protect these magnificent animals from extinction. Helen joined forces with this organization and its dedicated volunteers and is now helping to spread the word.

The orang-utans" rainforest is being felled for <u>Palm Oil</u> and other crops at an overwhelming rate with the remaining forest being degraded by drought and forest fires. Extinction in the wild is likely in the next 10 years for Sumatran Orang-utans' and soon after for Bornean Orang-utans'. We need to recognise the massive amount of suffering being inflicted on a species that is 97% genetically identical to humans. Orang-utans' are highly intelligent animals. Their intelligence is comparable to that of a five or six year old child. Surely these self-aware animals deserve the right to live and to be free from torture and exploitation?

Protecting the orang-utans also protects the surrounding ecosystem and myriad of endangered and exotic species. Saving the orang-utans saves the forest.

A very passionate woman about the cause. Website for more information is www.orangutan.org.au

## **Diary Dates**

Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Mar International Night

Tue 15<sup>th</sup> Apr Paul Harris Fellows Recognition Dinner Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Mar Bowls Challenge vs. RC Mitcham

Tue 13<sup>th</sup> 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
29/01/08	The Adelaide Zoo	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Visit to the Adelaide Zoo
05/02/08	The Orphanage	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Club Assembly
12/02/08	The Orphanage	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Peter Rohde's - "Future Direction of the Port Adelaide Football Club"

#### Rotarians Roster

Date	Venue Set-up	Chairperson	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
29/01/08	Martin Cooper	N/A	N/A	Colin Schirmer	David Payne and Glenys Ferguson
05/02/08	Natalie Bowen		Jerry Casburn	John Russell	Mavis Martin and Bob Mullins
12/02/08	Anne Wehr		Lindsay England	Janet Singh	Mark Zada and Joan Reed

### \*\*\*\*\*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.

Please arrive on time for your delegated duties.

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

#### JOKE OF THE WEEK

An Irishman goes to the Doctor with botty problems....'Dactor, it's me a!!!!. I'd like you at take a look, if ya woot'.

So the doctor gets him to drop his pants and takes a look. "Incredible," he says, "there is a 20 note lodged up here." Tentatively he eases the twenty out of the man's bottom, and then a £10 note appears.

"This is amazing!' exclaims the Doctor. "What do you want me to do? 'Well fur goodness sake take it out, man!' shrieks the patient.

The doctor pulls out the tenner and another twenty appears, and another and another and another, etc.....

Finally the last note comes out and no more appear.

"Ah Doctor, tank ya koindly, that's much batter. Just out of interest, how moch was in dare den?"

The doctor counts the pile of cash and says, "£1,990 exactly."

"Ah, dat'd be roit," says the Irishman, "I knew I wasn't feeling two grand.."

Donor of this week's Joke is unanimous

Next week's menu: Peking Duck Salad

#### Thrift Shop Roster

	EARLY SHIFT	LATE SHIFT	
26/01/08 Kevin Roger and Anne Wehr		Ken Haines and Chandra Sluggett	
02/02/08	Kevin Rogers and Glenys Ferguson	Ken Haines	
09/02/08	Kevin Rogers and Stephen Westgarth	Ken Haines and Mavis Martin	

Remember our Rotary theme for the year

**ROTARY SHARES**