

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

2007 – 2008

Meeting 3597 – Tuesday 5th February 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.	3597
Date	5 th February 2008
Venue	The Orphanage
Chairperson	President David
Guests Speaker	Club Assembly
Guests and Visiting Rotarians	
Apologies	Mavis Martin, Sheila Evans, Natalie Bowen, Reno Elms
Make Ups	Mavis Martin Thrift Shop, Chandra Sluggett Thrift Shop, David Payne Thrift Shop
Attendance	78%
Sick List	Geoff Howland, Sheila Evans
Birthdays	Martin Coop
Anniversaries	Anne and Mark Zada 25 years wed

President's Announcements

1. A reminder that there are only three (3) meetings to go to the 100% meeting, on the 26th Feb. Members are reminded that make-ups can be recorded two weeks either side of this date to ensure a successful outcome.
2. Hyde Park are having their 25th Anniversary on the 16th Feb Numbers to President David \$50 per head.
3. Edwardstown are also having a celebration in Feb speak to President David for details.
4. Reynella Rotary are having a function on the 23rd of Feb with Peter Goers for details speak with President David.

Spots

Martin Cooper: Feb 23rd is World Rotary Day. On this day our club is having an information booth at the Unley Shopping Centre from 9am till 3pm. During this time vouchers for ½ price purchases at the Thrift Shop will be given out. Please check your diary for availability and if you cannot help there perhaps you could drop some leaflet in letterboxes. Following this activity there will be an informal BBQ at President David's home.

Bob Mills: POOTY (Police Officer of the Year) is coming again with the posters being posted out shortly. Members are encouraged to put posters up in their workplaces. More details to come

Bob Laws: Thrift Shop roster still has vacancies please help fill the voids. Also there are now some weekday positions available if anyone can help. There is a Working Bee on the 24th of Feb please put this in your diary. The step ladder has gone missing from the shop, does anyone have one that could be donated. Thanks to Mark and Anne Zada for donating a replacement.

Bob Mullins: On the 26th of Feb we are having our joint meeting with Murray Bridge and Mt Barker. The Unley Buss has been arranged for us to be taken up and back \$7 per person for a return trip leaving from the rear of the Unley Shopping centre outside the entrance. Currently there are only 5 seats left. Register with Bob Mullins if interested.

Sergeants Session

Tonight's session was cleverly conducted by Jerry Casburn.

Imagine **England** in the depths of winter, a **Daly** scene, three towns in the North with rolling **Hills**, the **Middleton** was a **Mills** town with **Elms** at the southern end of the town and an ice covered **Wehr**. Up in the **Evans**, at the **Highett** point, a bird, a Sand **Martin**, was flying south for Winter, but he had left it too late and as it passed through a large **McLeod** was frozen solid, the **Payne** was immense and all it wanted was its **Parents** and the snug home in the barrel made by the friendly **Coopers**.

He dropped as if someone had managed to **Sluggett** with a **Bowen** down it went into a pasture of cows with a pond covered in **Reeds** at the far end. The biggest, fattest cow, with an accent like **Wallace** and Grommet, was doing its business there straight out of the

Cowsbum, it was a **Peacham**, and with not enough **Jonson**'s toilet paper here the bird landed in it. At first he was disgusted, he thought he was **Rogersed**, as he was **Mullins** this over he realised the poo was thawing him out!

He started **Singhing** out for joy, his favourite, Symphony No. 9 by **Schubert**, as the ice melted. He heard a **Russell** from the **West**, **Garth** a cat, you know the one the **Ferguson**, that was nearby heard the cries, walked over, saw the bird, let out a **Howland** ate it. What a **Hainesous** crime.

Now you thought you **Newall** but there are three **Laws** to this story so try as **Zad** as you might to remember:

1. Not everyone who gets you into **Schirmer** is your enemy
2. Not everyone who gets you out of **Schirmer** is your friend.
3. If you are in **Schirmer**, keep your mouth shut.

There were two Wine Raffle draws, won by John Russell and Ken Daly. The Lucky Square went to Martin Cooper.

CLUB ASSEMBLY

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

In the absence of Neville Highett Greg Love gave a brief summary and announced the next meeting will be on the 1st Tuesday in March.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE PRESENTED BY MARK ZADA FOR RENO ELMS

Carols At the Rotunda: Went very well with over 1000 in attendance.

Planning in place for this year.

Currently processing all accounts therefore profit outcome not available

Men's Shed:

Recently had a meeting with members of the Men's shed. Various options:

1. Purchase needed equipment
2. Remove inner wall. Workshop required
3. Participation by Unley residents various times available

Heywood Park: Adopt a tree: There is a tree within this park that needs restoration and it is apparently a significant tree. Investigations still on going.

STATUS REPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE PRESENTED BY CHANDRA SLUGGETT

Major Projects (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.	All allocated funds have been distributed including matching grant for this project. The day care centre was officially opened in January.	Awaiting correspondence from the Rotary Club of Chiangmai describing the event and how well the centre has settled in along with photos.
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	Successful with an application for a matching grant from The Rotary Foundation. All allocated funds have been distributed to Dharmavaran Mid Town Rotary Club, India. (1) Students were provided with educational packs. Numbers of girls enrolled in schools have increased. (2) Vocational & training centre now established in a new and bigger building.	Expecting Suresh from India to visit us on 5 th March 2008 and he will give us up-to-date feedback on this project. Maintain communication and provide on-going support to Dharmavaran Rotary Club.
Plan for a hand on voluntary involvement in a project involving selected international partner club.	Project not yet identified	On-going

Short Term Projects

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	A working bee was held plus Rotarians from both Unley and Prospect together with members of the Philippines community loaded a container ready for shipment	Schedule the second working bee if required by DIK
Fund sending of container of education equipment and books to Philippines	A 40 foot container was freighted to the Philippines late December funded jointly by the Rotary Clubs of Unley and Prospect. The container has arrived in Philippines and awaiting clearance from wharf.	Awaiting confirmation that all has been received and distributed.
Continued support of OSSAA	A cheque was presented to OSSAA in January	Complete
To establish regular email contact with selected Rotary clubs and communities	Communication has been haphazard mostly due to language and timing	Improve communication
Investigate viability of supporting the Australian Orangutan Project.	Have researched options available.	Considering options eg adopting an infant Orangutan at a cost of \$55 per year.

VOCATIONAL COMMITTEE PRESENTED BY DAVID PAYNE FOR MAVIS MARTIN

Program for Unemployed Youth. Mavis met with library personnel immediately prior to Xmas. There is not the need for such a program due to services provided by council. Library personnel suggested we:

- Sponsor low income community members; and/or
- Purchase a data projector for use in their computer programs.

Resolved we do neither: Centrelink provides support for low-income people and the terms of the donation of monies excludes equipment purchase.

Item ongoing: Police Officer of the Year This is on Tuesday May 13th. The public ceremony is in the mall at lunchtime. The club celebration is a partners night. Committee resolved the Public Schools Club be requested to host us and that Bob Mills be responsible for organizing same. The chair has not been informed of the outcome.

Item ongoing: 2nd and last 2008 vocational meeting by current committee. **NB: Meeting of abstinence the venue is not licensed.**

Venue: Salvation Army, Congress Hall, 277 Pirie Street, Adelaide.

Date: Tuesday February 19

Time: 6.15 onwards – meet. WE ACTUALLY MEET IN THE LANE AT THE SIDE OF THE BUILDING

6.30pm: Meal served, which will be whatever is on the menu that day for the homeless.

7pm: 3 separate speakers re Corporate and Administrative functions of the Salvation Army.

Thank you to Reno for his assistance with this event.

Indigenous Scholarship. We have received reports re the progress of both students during 2007. Both passed their years subjects.

There is uncertainty at this point as to whether we will continue to support Carrie-Ann (medical student). She has the opportunity to access a more lucrative scholarship. If she does we will pick up another student following District interviews on Feb 25th.

Ongoing.

Programs supported financially and cheques forwarded:

Indigenous Scholarships - \$5000:00 for 2 students

Youth Opportunities - \$500:00

RYWELL - \$2500:00.

Employee Award. This will be our last event for the year. Planning will soon commence.

The Rotary Foundation Committee: Stephen Westgarth

Since the last Club Assembly the Rotary Foundation Committee has met by phone and email to conduct its business. The committee's current project is the International Night to be held on Wednesday 5th March 2008 and has been organised by Chandra Sluggett. The theme for the evening will be our club's participation in two matching grants projects in India. This fellowship event will take the form of an alfresco dinner to be set up in the quadrangle of The Orphanage.

Chandra has arranged for us to be entertained by a troupe of young classical Indian dancers. And President David has invited Mr Hieu Van Lee, Chairman of the SA Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission, to nominate a representative with interest in India to speak to us. And we remain hopeful that Suresh Sukunu from the Rotary Club of Dharmavaran Mid Town, India, the correspondent club in our recent participation in a matching grant project in India, will be granted a visa to visit Australia and will also be able to speak to us.

The committee is currently considering entertainment and TRF fundraising options for the next Paul Harris Fellows Recognition Night, although we can say at this stage that entertainment for the evening will hopefully comprise music and dance from a variety of national and ethnic origins.

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.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: JERRY CASBURN

Big Fun Day and Fireworks. We are still battling to get a sponsor over the line. David Middleton has kindly offered sponsorship of \$20,000 through Prescott Securities but would clearly prefer that we source independent sponsorship. Currently we have proposals before Telstra and a new Grocery Distribution group called Foodworks. The end of February is really our drop dead point for this year, otherwise there is insufficient runway to get set up in time.

Olive Oil: A label design has been agreed in principle and is being finalised to incorporate the Rotary logo. John Nolan, the label designer, is talking with the production company for the oil.

Thrift Shop: AGL are still processing the application for a concessional electricity rate.

Further work has been completed to improve the shop and facilities. Thanks go mainly to Bob Mullins.

Gross income to 31st January was \$34,530 compared to \$34,221 over the same period last year and \$28,765 the year before.

Thank go to Bob Laws, the committee and volunteers both from Rotary and outside. They do a fabulous job.

Christmas Cakes and Puddings: Janet Singh arranged sales for this year and profits circa \$375 were made. Thanks to Janet and ex-officio Rohan for their efforts.

Entertainment Books: This will be the next cab off the rank.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: MARTIN COOPER

So Where has our Daring and Caring got us?

Attendance: The board has decreed that the duty Rotarians may leave their post when the meeting is called to order and return later (at the end of the meeting if they wish) to finish the paper work; **it is the responsibility of late arrivals to seek out the duty officer to pay their dues.**

Fellowship: It is obvious to all that club harmony is better than it has been for quite some time.

The next big fellowship event will be to celebrate World Rotary Day.

Membership: Slowly but surely we have been putting the building blocks in place. Our current achievements include:

- Club flyer
- Presence at the Goodwood Christmas Market
- Display at the Rotunda Carols
- All street trader association members contacted
- Mail out to all business proprietors in progress
- Planned publicity campaign on World Rotary Day

In conclusion I would re-iterate our goal: **To attain a standing in the community as the service club to work with and belong to!**

Diary Dates

Tues 26 th Feb	Inter Club Meeting Mt Barker 100% night
Wed 5 th Mar	International Night
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
Tues 3 rd June	Paul Harris Fellows Recognition Dinner
15-18 June	Rotary International Convention
16 th – 19 th Oct	District Conference in Mt Gambier

Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
12/2/08	The Orphanage	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Peter Rohde - "Future Direction of the Port Adelaide Football Club"
19/2/08	Salvation Army, Pirie Street	6.00pm sharp	Vocational Visit
26/2/08	Mt Barker Golf Club	6.45pm for 7.00pm	Kaye Challinger - The Marjorie Jackson Nelson Hospital
	100% NIGHT		
05/3/08	Bowls Night	TBA	Inter Club Bowls Night Mitcham vs. Unley

Rotarians Roster

Date	Venue Set-up	Chairperson	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
12/2/08	Anne Wehr	Mark Zada	Lindsay England	Janet Singh	Ron Schubert and Joan Reed
19/2/08	Ken Haines	Reno Elms	John Peacham	Anne Zada	John Russell and Mark Zada
26/2/08	N/A	President David	Greg MacLeod	Joan Reed	Colin Schirmer and Sheila Evans
05/3/08	N/A	N/A	N/A	Glenys Ferguson	Chandra Sluggett and Ron Schubert

Please arrive on time for your delegated duties.

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

Lawyers should never ask a Southern woman of a certain age a question if they aren't prepared for the answer. In a trial, a Southern small-town prosecuting attorney called his first witness, a grand motherly, elderly woman to the stand. He approached her and asked, "Mrs Jones, do you know me?"

She responded, "Why, yes, I do know you, Mr. Williams. I've known you since you were a young boy, and frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife, and you manipulate people and talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a big shot when you haven't the brains to realize you never will amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you."

The lawyer was stunned! Not knowing what else to do, he pointed across the room and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know the defence attorney?" She again replied, "Why, yes, I do. I've known Mr. Bradley since he was a youngster, too. He's lazy, bigoted, and he has a drinking problem. He can't build a normal relationship with anyone and his law practice is one of the worst in the entire state. Not to mention he cheated on his wife with three different women. One of them was your wife. Yes, I know him."

The defence attorney almost died.

The judge asked both counsellors to approach the bench and, in a very quiet voice, said, "If either of you idiots asks her if she knows me, I'll send you to the electric chair."

Thank you to Alex

Thrift Shop Roster

	EARLY SHIFT	LATE SHIFT
09-02-08	Kevin Rogers and Stephen Westgarth	Ken Haines and Bob Laws
16-02-08	Kevin Rogers and Anne Wehr	Ken Haines, Ron Schubert and Joan Reed
23-02-08	Kevin Rogers and Lindsay and Linda England	Ken Haines
01-03-08	Kevin Rogers and John Peacham	Mavis Martin and Ken Haines

Ladies Auxiliary

11am on 25th February at Barbara Russell's

3 Russell Street, Hyde Park

Phone 8271 7178

Next week's menu: BBQ

Remember our Rotary
theme for the year

ROTARY SHARES