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MEETINGS: The Club meets every Tuesday at "Tiffins on the Park",

176 Greenhill Road, Parkside (Cnr George Street) at 6.30pm.

Fellowship at 6.00pm



Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3661
Date	5 May 2009
Venue	Tiffins on the Park
Guest Speaker	Ray Pincombe
Chairperson	Greg McLeod
Visiting Rotarians	Wendy Gaborit (Mobilong), Dorothy Johnson-Kelly (Camden, NSW), Peter O'Neill (Adelaide)
Guests	Wendy Andrews, Stephen Hayter, Ken Daly
Apologies	Bob Mills, Colin Schirmer, Mavis Martin, Janet Plumb
Make Ups	Mavis Martin, Bob Mills & David Payne (all at the Thrift Shop)
Attendance	83%
Birthdays	Glenys Ferguson (5/5), Geoff Hill (9/5), Neesha Nandasena (9/5)

President's Announcements

 The good news for the week, the club has been selected to host one of the four Youth Exchange students. The young lady we are hosting is Finnish and will be seventeen when she joins us, no further details yet but we will provide more when known.

My thanks go to **Joan Reed** who will act as the principal host. We may also get some support from a Rotarian in Burnside for part of the year's hosting. Any members who would like to consider hosting should let **Stephen Baker** or me know.

- On the social side, we are booked to go to the TAFE training restaurant, Martinhas, on Friday May 22nd. The form is about to do the rounds, please update whether you will be joining us. If you do not intend to go I would be grateful if you would indicate on the form.
- 3. A reminder to all members that for the next two meetings we will not be at Tiffins, next week is the Police Officer of the Year and **Stephen Baker** has more on that later. The week after, the 19th, Tiffins has a long standing booking and we have our joint meeting with the Rotary Club of Prospect and we will be meeting at the Public Schools Club of East Terrace.

Spots

Stephen Baker reminded members again about this year's *Police Officer of the Year* presentation on 12th May in Rundle Mall at 12.30pm; Rotarians are encouraged to get there by 12.15pm. Stephen urged all Rotarians attending the **presentation dinner** at the Glenelg Golf Club to bring along as many guests as possible.

Stephen also reminded members about the upcoming fundraiser "State of Play" OSSAA film night on 31st May. Get your tickets from Stephen, John Russell, Alex Jonson or Bob Laws.

Chandra Sluggett: *Passport Eyewear* has donated approx. 1000 pairs of glasses; 2/3 sunglasses and 1/3 reading glasses. So that this donation can be used as part of an International project, Chandra asked for help in three ways:

- Someone to collect the goods from Passport Eyewear; a 6x4 trailer may be needed to carry about 20 boxes;
- 2. Somewhere to safely store the goods; and
- 3. Some help to sort and pack the goods for distribution.

One lot of the glasses will go to Nepal through a RAWCS project out of Sydney, another lot will go to the Koonibba Aboriginal Health Service (north west of Ceduna), which services the Anangu Pitjantjatjara lands and will pay for the cost of transporting the glasses to Koonibba, and a third lot will go to a Lions project via John Russell. The CEO of the Koonibba Aboriginal Health Service is Tauto Sansbury, who has been a guest speaker at our club.

[Jerry Casburn kindly offered to pick up and store the goods].

Chandra also asked Rotarians to indicate if they will be attending the *Donations In Kind Clean-Up Day* on Sunday, 24th May so that arrangements can be made for catering for the barbeque lunch.

Neesha Nandasena's law firm, Lynch Meyer, is sponsoring one of the giant pandas coming soon to the Adelaide Zoo. To raise money for this project the Lynch Meyer staff have compiled a cookbook containing an eclectic range of recipes, including four contributed by Neesha. You can help support the panda project by buying cookbooks from Neesha at \$10 each.

Reno Elms thanked Joan Reed, Chandra Sluggett, Ken Daly, John Russell, David Middleton and Mavis Martin for assisting with driving some of our elderly citizens to and from the *Unley Citizens Concert* and helping with afternoon tea last Sunday.

Bob Mills has advised that 100 *nesting boxes* have already been produced for deployment in areas ravaged by the recent Victorian bushfires. This is well on the way to the 150 boxes that our club has committed to produce out of the 1000 committed by our District overall; i.e. our club is the largest contributor.

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Spots continued...

Reno would again like to hear from Rotarians who can help with the *Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal*, which is from 23rd to 31st May. Help is needed with the three **Ds: Doorknocking** in the Unley area, **Desk-knocking** and **Donating**. Remember, any personal donations made to the Appeal by Unley Rotarians will be matched by the club. Unley has been the largest fundraiser for the Appeal for the last three years and raised \$36,000 last year. As Reno would very much like to maintain that record, his goal is to get 300 volunteers and so he asked us Rotarians to let him know ASAP if we can help.

Joan Reed, having sung about it and danced about it, resorted to prose to remind members that she still has some *Entertainment Books* in stock at \$65 each. Remember that this year's Entertainment Cards expire on 30 June.

Thrift Shop Opening Hours

At the last meeting of the Thrift Shop Committee it was decided to trial a later Saturday closing time of 2.00pm instead of 1.30pm. Would Rotarians rostered on for the late shift please note and diarise the later closing time for the duration of the trial?

Rotarians are asked donate any heavier weight shopping plastic bags (e.g. Myer, David Jones) for use in the Thrift Shop to replace the now banned lightweight supermarket type bags.

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Bob Laws zeroed-in on the 'crowing' Port Power supporters and made them pay for their feelings of euphoria following last weekend's Showdown. Guest Steve Hayter won the Lucky Square and David Payne won the wine.

Steve Hayter: Rotary Youth

President Jerry introduced Steve Hayter, a past RYPEN and RYLA awardee and past director on both RYPEN and RYLA programs.

Steve has attended a number of Rotary sponsored youth programs including the EDS Science Forum. He described his experiences as a RYPEN Awardee, as a Long Term Youth Exchange Student to Sweden in 2002, a RYLA Awardee in 2005 and subsequently as a Director on RYPEN and RYLA seminars.



Steve Hayter

He described how his RYLA

experience helped him turn a corner as regards what he wanted to do with himself. In particular, RYLA taught him that "it was important to be a leader of yourself before your can lead other people." Since then he has come to appreciate the importance of applying his leadership skills to the benefit of the community as a whole.

Steve stressed the value of RYLA as "an incubator of self-development" and outlined the kind of program that RYLA Awardees typically experience. He mentioned some of the high calibre speakers at RYLA including David Griggs and Natasha Stott-Despoja.

Topics covered by RYLA include conflict management, working in teams, public speaking and local environmental issues.

Because he believes that RYLA is an extremely worthwhile program he has now been a program Director on three occasions, after having served his apprenticeship as a Director on a RYPEN seminar.

Wendy Gaborit: RYLA & RYPEN

Wendy Gaborit, who is the District 9520 Director of the Rotary Youth Leadership **Awards** (RYLA) program and 9520 Rotary District Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN), thanked the Club for sponsoring this year's RYPEN program and Martin and Angie Cooper for being host parents. Wendy presented the Club with a Certificate of Appreciation and advised



Wendy Gaborit presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Pres. Jerry

that Martin Cooper will be joining the District RYLA/RYPEN Committee next year and will take on the coordination of RYPEN.



"I've been trying to get through to the Swine Flu Help Line all week, but all I get is crackling!!!"

Guest Speaker - Ray Pincombe: Water Sustainability for Unley

Introduction: Chairman Greg McLeod introduced guest speaker Ray Pincombe, who is the CEO of the City of Unley. Ray was born in Broken Hill and he began his local government career working with the Broken Hill Council for 10 years. He has been involved with local government since 1976 and has worked in many roles for the Cities of Adelaide, Thebarton, Elizabeth, Playford, Prospect and now Unley. Prior to coming to Unley in 2007 he was CEO of the City of Prospect for five years. He has worked at a senior executive level since 1988 involved in management, finance and public administration. He is currently a member of the Local Government Managers Association and became its National President in May 2008.

Ray is quite happy to put his hand up for the road works "shemozzle" in George Street, along with the many other outstanding recent achievements in the City. He also appears to be a Port Power supporter.

Ray Pincombe began by citing the excellent example of the successful storm water recycling projects undertaken by the City of Salisbury. He pointed out that a great deal of land is needed to carry out such projects and, while Unley has a lot of land, nearly all of it is developed, so Unley is not in the same fortunate position when it comes to waterproofing the City and has had to look at different options for capturing and recycling storm water.

In Unley the Council has responsibility for about 20,000 street trees (there are about 250,000 across the seven eastern region councils) and since the drought up to one third of these trees are either stressed or have died. Since the introduction of water restrictions three years ago the City has had to be selective about which public reserves should be watered and which should be let go. It is important that the Council finds ways to enable citizens to again water their lawns because that is what provides water for street trees.

The Council has sought to overcome the problem of providing water for public reserves and street trees by:

- Buying recycled water from the City of Salisbury and the Showgrounds, which now has 3.2 million litres of water stored underground next to the new Goyder Pavilion;
- · Mulching trees; and
- Watering trees in reserves with recycled water.

This has proven to be a more effective approach than leaving the trees go, as was done in Greenhill Road, and seeing many of them die. Out of 900 reserve trees the Council has mulched and watered over 760 of them this year. However, this is just a short term strategy; it costs a lot of money to fetch and distribute tanker loads of recycled water from Salisbury.

Trees of Importance Yearly Mulching Analysis				
Year	Areas Mulched	Trees Mulched		
2003	31	154		
2007	33	122		
2008	46	343		
Jan/early Feb 2009	51	150		
Total	171	769		

The Council's aim is to obtain sufficient water to enable trees and reserves to be watered at 2007 levels and restore reserves to the level of amenity and useability the people of Unley were enjoying in 2007. In the longer term the Council is seeking much greater use of recycled water in the City of Unley to reduce reliance on mains water and the Murray. This is an aim shared by most councils but Unley Council is working on strategies that will meet the particular needs and circumstances of Unley.

Medium Term Strategies

Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR)

The Council estimates that at present 90 per cent of the rainfall in its area eventually reaches the gulf and is looking to follow the lead of Salisbury by capturing run-off water and sorting it in underground aquifers for later use. While Unley does not have the areas of land needed for wetlands there are other ways of doing it, such as directly injecting run-off water into the aquifer and then treating it when it is extracted again, or putting the water through bio-filtration or reed beds.

There are some difficulties with using the aquifer in Unley area of Adelaide for water storage. Unfortunately the main aquifer, which is about 100 metres down, is not sealed due to fractures in the rock structures; these fractures can allow valuable stored water to escape into other rock strata and make extraction of water from aquifer storage problematic.

• GAP - Glenelg Adelaide Pipeline

Unley is looking to tap into the Glenelg-Adelaide Pipeline and the treated effluent water pumped from the Glenelg sewage treatment works. The GAP branch running along the southern boundary of the Parklands could be tapped to provide water to the public reserves in the northern part of the City of Unley. The Council is currently in negotiations with the State government to obtain access to this water resource.

Above Ground Tanks

Part of this strategy is the installation of large water storage tanks in public reserves, such as Ridge Park and the Memorial Gardens, for capturing water for re-use in the reserves. The Council is in discussions with the owners of adjacent commercial properties, such as the Unley Shopping Centre, to arrange for roof and car park run-off water to be captured for storage in tanks.

In another move, Unley Council is now offering a \$300 water tank rebate on tanks with a capacity of 4,000 litres or more. Residents, businesses or community groups can apply for a rebate and tanks do not have to be connected to a house or other building. The rebate doubles to \$600 for pensioners and concession card holders.

Water Sensitive Urban Design

Unley is taking the opportunity with new road works projects to create underground water storages under the verges beside city streets. By excavating the verges and refilling with layered media (.e.g. course sands and crushed rock) capacity is created for storing storm water run-off from roads and making that water available for street trees to draw upon. The successful implementation of this approach during recent road works in George, Maud and Duthy Streets will be repeated elsewhere in Unley.



A completed section of the George Street/Maud Street road works.



Under verge water storage works in progress in George Street.

Long Term Strategies

The City's long term objective is to reduce reliance on mains water while maintaining service standards through use of a sustainable water supply.

Unley is involved in the Brownhill Creek/Keswick Creek project which is looking at storm water management, flood mitigation and storm water harvesting.

Unley is working with the Health Dept. to expand the size of the Glenside detention basin to complement water retention efforts at Ridge Park in Glen Osmond Road.

Chairman David thanked Ray for his informative talk and presented him with an Unley Rotary pen as a token of appreciation.



Unley CEO Ray Pincombe and Greg McLeod

Rotary News

Scholarship gives break to young French journalists

By Joseph Derr - Rotary International News -- 28 April 2009

Le Rotarien, the certified Rotary regional magazine of France and 38 other Francophone countries, serves more than 39,000 Rotarians. Now through a scholarship program developed in 2002, it also fosters the careers of budding journalists.

The magazine awards four scholarships up to €10,000 (US\$13,750) to young journalists to create a short digital video documentary. The jury includes Le Rotarien staff, journalism school professors, and independent media executives.

"The award is an excellent way to develop relationships with the journalist teachers in the 12 major journalism schools in France," says Brigitte Marquand, the magazine's public relations and media specialist. "It also helps improve the public image of Rotary in the press circle."

Alexandre Paré, one of the recipients, recently graduated from the Centre de Formation des Journalistes in Paris. He now works as a broadcast journalist BFMTV, a rising 24-hour French cable news network.

For Paré, whose film on a hospital train in Zambia was scheduled for completion in March, the scholarship is worth years of experience in the field.

"There are very famous journalists on the jury, and it



Alexandre Paré, a journalist in France, received a scholarship from Le Rotarien magazine to make a documentary film.

was very thrilling to convince them that my project was worth filming," Paré says. "It's the best encouragement you can get as a journalist."

The 32 Rotary World Magazine Press publications are vital to spreading Rotary International's messages throughout the world. All Rotarians are required to take either The Rotarian or the regional magazine serving their area.

Kidnapped Canadian Rotarian released

Rotary International News -- 29 April 2009

Rotary International is happy and relieved at the safe resolution of the kidnapping incident involving Canadian Rotary club member Julie Mulligan in Kaduna, Nigeria.

We also thank the government agencies in both Canada and Nigeria for their hard work and commitment to achieve a safe end to a very difficult situation.

Our top priority from the beginning has been the safe return of Julie to her family in Drayton Valley, Alberta. Rotarians will continue to provide assistance and support to Julie and her family.

Meanwhile, Rotary leaders in Nigeria and Canada continue to cooperate fully with officials investigating the case.

Julie was in Nigeria leading a Rotary Group Study Exchange team from Canada. Group Study Exchange allows non-Rotary members from a variety of professions to travel abroad to interact with their counterparts, gain valuable intercultural experience, and broaden their worldview. The program is just one way in which Rotary promotes world peace and understanding. Since 1965, more than 13,500 Group Study Exchange teams totaling 65,000 individuals from over 100 countries have participated. Last year, 565 teams traveled abroad.

Youth Exchange - Brighton District governor's April 2009 Newsletter

It was a time for reminiscing when RC Brighton had a visit from their first hosted exchange student, Paula Bell, of Utah, in the United States. Paula, who was hosted by Brighton in 1974/75. told her former Rotary hosts of her "happy times" in the exchange year and how her return visit was "like a homecoming." Over several days Paula had emotional and exciting reunions with former host families and even managed to round up four former school mates from Brighton High School for a "hearty chinwag".



Paula Bell chatting with Rotarians Ken Hayes and Jack Davis on her nostalgic visit back to Brighton.

After Brighton Paula maintained links with Rotary when she returned home and she is now a member of her sponsoring club, Rotary Club of Sugar House, in Utah ("the sweetest club in Rotary"). She has been International Director and she will be President next year.



The Rotary Club of Hyde Park and Pulteney Grammar School take pleasure in inviting you to the:

KURRAJONG

ART EXHIBITION

Exhibition times: Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th May, 10am-4pm Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th May, 3pm-5pm

Pulteney Grammar School

Wyatt Hall, 190 South Terrace, Adelaide SA 5000

Enquiries: Ashton den Berger, 8216 5520 or mpsb@pulteney.sa.edu.au

Jerry's Jottings

Next week sees us presenting one of our major ongoing annual programmes, the Police Officer of the Year. Continuing the tradition established by **Bob Mills, Stephen Baker** and the Vocational team are making this year's event bigger and better with a new location for the dinner, at Glenelg Golf Club (they must have wanted me to be able to walk home). We need as many people to attend as possible with partners and friends so please try hard to be there.

Equally important is the public face and the ceremony at Rundle Mall at lunchtime, Stephen has published details in the spots from this week's meetings. It would be great to get as many as possible to this function as well. So please try to be at both parts of this great day.

Stephen Hayter's presence at our meeting on Tuesday was good and we were looking at what might be one of the new younger faces of Rotary. I had not realised that **Dorothy Johnson-Kelly**, one of the visiting Rotarians on Tuesday, is President of the Rotary Club of Camden. In talking to her after the meeting I also found out that they



President Jerry

have adopted an innovative approach to attracting younger members which does not mean forming a separate younger club or groups like Rotaract, they have formed a club within the club, which caters for younger interests and acts as an incubator for Rotary. These younger Rotarians enjoy all of the benefits of club meetings and working with the club while organising some events of their own. Aged from 22 to 32 they pay lower fees, are not full Rotarians but can move to that when ready. This seems like a great idea and seems to bridge the gap that the EDGE clubs and Rotaract may fail to achieve. **Martin Cooper**, **Janet Singh**, **Stephen Hayter** and I are meeting later this month to see if we should investigate this approach and, if desired, present a proposal to the Board and the club. Dorothy kindly sent me some material on the programme and I will pass this on to Stephen for publication in future Bulletins.

See you next Tuesday in Rundle Mall and then for the evening dinner.

Yours in Rotary,

Jerry

Our Upcoming Meetings

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Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Desk
12/05/09	Glenelg Golf Club	7.00 for 7.30pm	Police Officer of the Year Presentation Dinner; Partners Event	Geoff Howland	Bob Mullins	David Payne & Geoff Hill
19/05/09	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Interclub Meeting with RC Prospect; Simon Ridgeway: "The Submarine/ Air Warfare Destroyer Corporation"	Alex Jonson	Bob Mullins	Geoff Hill & Geoff Howland
26/05/09	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Josie Gray: "Medic Alert "	Heather Kilsby	Natalie Bowen	Geoff Howland & Glenys Ferguson
02/06/09	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Pastor Richard Haar: "Dining with a Cannibal"	Mavis Martin	Bob Laws	Glenys Ferguson & Greg McLeod

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

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Attendance Desk: Martin Cooper on 0403 910 161 or e-mail unley.membership@rotaryclub.org.au.

Members are urged to diarise when they are required to serve and then they will be unlikely to overlook their rostered service duty.

Members rostered on Venue Set-up and Plaque Board should see Tiffins on the Park staff to gain access to the club's meeting paraphernalia. Please remember to gather up all items at the end of the meeting and return them to the storeroom.

Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue	Enquiries
May	Tuesday	12/05/09	Police Officer of the Year 7.00 for 7.30pm \$40ea	Glenelg Golf Club	Stephen Baker
	Friday	22/05/09	Dinner at Martinhas \$30 ea + drinks	Adelaide TAFE	Jerry Casburn
	Sunday	24/05/09	Donations In Kind Clean Up Day	DIK Warehouse	Geoff Howland
	Sunday	31/05/09	OSSAA Film Night "State of Play" 5.30pm \$16ea	Chelsea Cinema	Stephen Baker

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: March-April 2009

Week No.	Dates This Month	Early Shift: 9am to 11.30 am	Late Shift: 11.30am to 2.00pm
2	09/05/09	Stephen Baker, Greg McLeod & Kevin Rogers	Janet Plumb & David Middleton
3	16/05/09	Glenys Ferguson & Neesha Nandasena	Joan Reed & Bob Laws
4	23/05/09	John Peacham, Chandra Sluggett & Kevin Rogers	Martin Cooper & Sheila Evans
5	30/05/09	Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Natalie Bowen & Joan Reed
1	06/06/09	Lindsay England & Rohan Singh	Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth

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The Back Page

Puns for Educated Minds

- The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.
- I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.
- → She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.
- A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption.
- The butcher backed into the meat grinder and got a little behind in his work.
- No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.
- A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.
- A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.
- Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
- Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.
- A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.
- Atheism is a non-prophet organisation.
- Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other, 'You stay here; I'll go on a head.'
- A small boy swallowed some coins and was taken to a hospital. When his grandmother telephoned to ask how he was, a nurse said, 'No change yet.'
- → A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
- The short fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
- The man who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
- A backward poet writes inverse.
- In democracy it's your vote that counts. In feudalism it's your Count that votes.
- → When cannibals ate missionary, they got a taste of religion.
- Don't join dangerous cults: Practice safe sects!





Cooking Lesson

A cannibal suffered from indigestion and went to see his witch doctor.

After explaining the problem, the witch doctor asked him: 'What have you been eating?'

The cannibal replied, 'the usual - Catholic missionaries.'

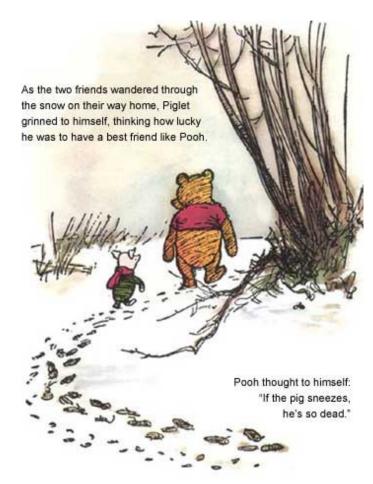
And what do these Catholic missionaries look like?'

'The usual. Brown robes with rope belts and a little bald spot at the back of their heads.'

'I see, and how have you been cooking them?'

'You know, the usual. Put them in a big pot, fill it with water, light the fire and cook 'em on up.'

'That's your problem - those are friars, not boilers!'



Thanks to Jerry Casburn for this contribution

You're On!

Bob, a handsome dude, walked into a sports bar around 9:58pm. He sat down next to a blonde at the bar and stared up at the TV. The 10pm news was coming on. The news crew was covering the story of a man on the ledge of a large building preparing to

The blonde looked at Bob and said, "Do you think he'll jump?"

Bob said, "You know, I bet he'll jump."

The blonde replied, "Well, I bet he won't."

Bob placed a \$20 bill on the bar and said, "You're on!"



Just as the blonde placed her money on the bar, the guy on the ledge did a swan dive off the building, falling to his death.

The blonde was very upset, but willingly handed her \$20 to Bob, saying, "Fair's fair. Here's your money."

Bob replied, "I can't take your money. I saw this earlier on the 5pm news, and so I knew he would jump."

The blonde replied, "I did too, but didn't think he'd do it again." Bob took the money...

Question to Ponder

How important does a person have to be before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

Make Dreams Real