

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

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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.	3663
Date	19 May 2009
Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	Simon Ridgway
Sergeant At Arms	Bob Mullins
Chairman	David Middleton
Visiting Rotarians	Rotary Club of Prospect
Guests	Wendy Andrews, Ken Daly
Sick List	Sheila Evans is home from hospital; phone calls very welcome
Apologies	Anne Zada, Janet Plumb, Janet Singh, Mark Zada, Mavis Martin, Stephen Baker, Natalie Bowen
Make Ups	Janet Singh (District Meeting), Mavis Martin (Thrift Shop), Reno Elms (Hyde Park)
Attendance	71%
Birthday	John Russell turning 70 years young

President's Announcements

1. Pres. Jerry welcomed the members and guests of the Rotary Club of Prospect to this joint meeting between mother (Unley) and daughter (Prospect) clubs, which was hosted by Unley.
2. The good news for the week, the club has, as you know, been selected to host one of the incoming youth exchange students. I now have more news on our Youth Exchange Student, her name is Leena Kasurinen and she is 17. Leena lives in Siilinjärvi, a town of about 20,000 inhabitants, located in the middle of Finland, in Northern Savo, the Lakes District. Currently we are trying to arrange for a school and at this stage we have approached Annesley. Stephen will publish more and some photographs in this week's Bulletin
3. On the social side we are booked to go to the TAFE training restaurant, Martinhas, on Friday May 22nd. I have already paid deposits for the evening and will need to confirm numbers tomorrow. Please make any changes on the form circulating the tables.
4. Ian Carman of the Magill Sunrise Club has approached us regarding Preserve Planet Earth Committee of Rotary Districts 9500 and 9520 which is organising a meeting of Rotarians to enable them to receive an up-to-date assessment of the issue of Climate Change and the various responses that might be taken to it.

The event is being planned to be held at Elder Hall and Ian has asked if I can get an indication of how supportive the club might be of such an event. [Pres Jerry asked for a show of hands as to who might be interested in attending so he could give this feedback to Ian.]

5. Last week's Bulletin contained an article from the Rotary Club of Camden in NSW relating to Young Rotarians. You may recall that Dorothy Johnson-Kelly from Camden attended one of our meetings. Martin Cooper, Janet Singh, Stephen Hayter (who attended our meeting and spoke on RYLA) are meeting next week to explore if this is an avenue which Unley may want to pursue. I am interested to see what the club thinks about this idea and would be grateful for feedback prior to the meeting. Please contact, Martin or myself with any views.
6. At the request of the Board, **Bob Mullins**, is arranging for all of the partner badges to be replaced, an example of the new badge is being circulated.
7. **Mavis Martin, Janet Singh** and I attended the District Assembly at Waikerie last Sunday. We heard the plans of the incoming District team and collected the new theme banner.

Spots

Reno Elms would still 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. Any personal donations made to the appeal by Unley Rotarians will be matched by the club. Please let Reno know ASAP if you can help.

John Russell reminded members about the upcoming annual OSSAA film night fundraiser "**State of Play**" on Sunday 31st May at 5.30 for 6.15pm at the Chelsea Theatre in Kensington Road. Get your tickets from Stephen Baker, John Russell, Alex Jonson or Bob Laws.

Chandra Sluggett reminded members of the **Donations In Kind Clean-Up Day** this Sunday 24 May.

The International Committee has submitted a proposal for the Unley Club to be a host for the incoming GSE team. Chandra will keep members posted on progress with that submission.

Alex Jonson introduced Dr Suran Krishnan, a member of the Rotary Club of Prospect and one of the specialist surgeons who volunteers on OSSAA teams to East Indonesia and Timor Lesté.

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Bob Mullins exacted fines for some semi-serious offences, like supporting losers (the Crows), turning 70 (congratulations John Russell) and dissing the birthday boy. There was no Wine Raffle or Lucky Square draw.

Guest Speaker - Simon Ridgway:

Overview of the Air Warfare Destroyer Program

Introduction: Chairman David Middleton introduced our guest speaker Simon Ridgway to present an 'Overview of the Air Warfare Destroyer Program'.

Simon Ridgway is the Business Process Manager for ASC Shipbuilding Pty Ltd, the appointed shipbuilder for Australia's Air Warfare Destroyer program.

Simon joined ASC, (previously known as Australian Submarine Corporation) in 1989 as a graduate engineer. Simon spent his early years at ASC working mainly within the production environment and held the role of Boat Manager for the construction of two Collins Class submarines and later as Project Manager of the first Submarine refit. He has held a variety of management positions within ASC including Planning Manager and Supply Chain Manager.



Chair David Middleton & Simon Ridgway

Simon was a member of the successful ASC-Shipbuilding AWD bid team and again leading the Scoping and Costing Team for the Existing Design Solution. He is a Chartered Professional Engineer and holds degrees in Engineering and Management. He is married with three children who are all in primary school. Simon is an Army Reserve officer and enjoys shooting, scuba diving, military history and watching his children play sport.

The Air Warfare Destroyer (AWD) Program: The Hobart Class AWDs will provide air defence for accompanying ships in addition to land forces and infrastructure in proximate coastal areas, and for self-protection against attacking missiles and aircraft. The Aegis Weapon System incorporating the state-of-the-art phased array radar, AN/ SPY 1D(V), in combination with the SM-2 missile, will provide an advanced air defence system capable of engaging enemy aircraft and missiles at ranges in excess of 150 kilometres.



Hobart Class Air Warfare Destroyer

The AWDs will also carry a helicopter for surveillance and response to support key warfare areas. The surface warfare function will include long range anti-ship missiles and a naval gun capable of firing extended range munitions in support of land forces. The AWDs will also be able to conduct Undersea Warfare and will be equipped with modern sonar systems, decoys and surface-launched torpedoes.

Coupled with an array of close-in defensive weapons, all of these capabilities ensure the AWDs have the layered defensive and offensive resources required to win the battle against 21st century conventional and asymmetric threats.

The Defence team is lead by the AWD Program Office in the Defence Materiel Organisation (DMO), which retains overall responsibility for the project management and delivery of the three Air Warfare Destroyers. The DMO, through the Minister for Defence, is responsible to the people of Australia to ensure that the future AWDs are delivered to the RAN on time, on budget and to the required capability.

In April 2005 the Australian Government selected Raytheon Australia Pty Ltd as the Combat System - Systems Engineer, and in May 2005 selected ASC AWD Shipbuilder Pty Ltd as the Shipbuilder. ASC and Raytheon Australia join the DMO in forming the AWD Alliance which is now working hard to deliver this cutting edge capability to the Navy.

In June 2007, the Australian Government announced that the Navantia designed F100 had been selected as the basis for Australia's future Hobart Class AWDs. This was seen as a choice of a proven design delivering a substantial part (80%) of the Navy's requirements but at about half the cost of a custom design that would meet the full list of requirements.

Australia's new Air Warfare Destroyers will be named HMAS *Hobart*, HMAS *Brisbane* and HMAS *Sydney*.



The new "Techport" under construction at Osborne

Techport Australia will feature world-class common user shipbuilding facilities including a wharf, runway, dry berth, transfer system and Australia's largest ship lift.

The State-owned and operated common user facility is spread over 6 hectares at the heart of Techport Australia and will play a key role in assisting ASC to build the state-of-the-art Air Warfare Destroyers. The Common User Facility will provide flexible access to a range of companies, contractors and sub-contractors and indeed a range of projects in addition to the AWD program. It is capable of supporting multiple projects concurrently and land is reserved for future expansion.

Infrastructure construction is on schedule for completion in 2010 and includes:

- Australia's largest ship lift, plus a new transfer system and wharf
- Fully-protected harbour;
- Deep channel port access;
- Rail and road access to national network;
- 35 hectares of available land to suit the needs of virtually any business;
- Maritime Skills Centre, which will provide trade and technical skills training to the hub's users; and
- The proposed future home of the Air Warfare Destroyer Systems Centre.

Simon answered a number of questions from the floor, then David thanked him for his informative and comprehensive talk and promised to send him an Unley Rotary pen as a memento of his visit (and for signing new contracts).

Our Incoming Rotary Exchange Student - Leena Kasurinen

In July this year we will welcome our new Rotary Exchange Student to Adelaide. Her name is Leena-Vilhelmiina Jannentytär Kasurinen (Leena). She is from Siilinjärvi in Finland and turned 17 this month. Leena has been sponsored by the Rotary Club of Siilinjärvi in District 1430. According to her parents, for the past two years Leena has been expressing her desire to go on an exchange to a non-European country, and with her parents' encouragement and support has at last achieved that goal. Here is what Leena wrote about herself:

In my free time I am usually at home and play the piano. I attend church youth work and I also play football. At weekends I spend time with my friends.

My typical day starts when I wake up at 6:50am. The school starts at 8:10am and I go there on foot because the distance between my home and school is about 1 kilometer. First at school I have football training. There we practice in a little group (boys and girls together). After the training I have one class before lunch-break, which is 40 minutes long. Then I have time to chat and hang out with my friends. After the lunch-break I have two classes. I have one 15 minutes long break between them. One class takes 75 minutes, so my school day ends at 2:25 pm.

When I come home from school I eat something, do my homework and surf the internet. I have own room and I usually study there. In the evening I have football training.

Because I am a 1st class student, most of the courses I am taking are compulsory. I have taken music as an extra course because I am interested in music and I play the piano.

At junior high school I was a prefect and now I educate new youngsters to "work" for our church.

My father works now as a Sales Director in a Finnish



furniture company and my mother is a Daycare Director in a kindergarten.

Our home village Siilinjärvi is a small 20,000 community of inhabitants. The closest bigger city is Kuopio (25km from Siilinjärvi) which have about 90 000 inhabitants. Siilinjärvi has two big companies which are Luja-Betoni and Yara. Yara is a global chemical company that converts energy and nitrogen from the air into essential products for farmers and industrial customers and Luja-Betoni makes concrete.

I'm interested in music and sports. I have been playing football about seven years. I found it interesting when my friends started to play it and now I have been playing it for seven years. Our team attended Finland's champion division last summer with not so good success but that didn't bother us at all. I have also played the piano for nine years. Both music and sports are important to me and I hope that I can continue them during my exchange.

I have travelled abroad with my family but I have never been outside of Europe. We have been to Greece, Portugal, Spain, Germany, Denmark, Sweden and Estonia.

I can be a little prejudiced for a new food but one of my goals in exchange is to delete my prejudices. Otherwise I'm eager to try new stuff like new sport.

I'm a social person and I get on well with people. I'm also optimistic. My weak characteristic is self expression.

I don't know yet what I'm going to be when I grow up. So I think that I can get new points of view when I'm in a different environment.

Specifically I hope that my language skills gets better and I get new experiences in exchange. I also hope that I can get to know about surrounding culture and people.

Leena Kasurinen



Leena training for football



Leena with her mother, father and three brothers



Leena's home in Siilinjärvi, Finland

Preserve Planet Earth - Climate Change Meeting for Rotarians

By Ian Carmen – Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise – 20 April 2009

The Preserve Planet Earth Committee of Rotary Districts 9500 and 9520 is supportive of a suggestion arising from the Magill Sunrise Club that there be a meeting of Rotarians to enable them:

1. To receive an up-to-date assessment of the issue of Climate Change and the various responses that might be taken to it
2. To have the opportunity to raise questions and doubts about the wide range of opinions and statements that surround this issue
3. To consider what response, if any, Rotary Clubs might wish to pursue.

It is recognized that the credibility of the event hinges on the quality of the speakers involved. The Planning Committee will contact the Meteorological Bureau, the Australian Conservation Council, the three Universities in Adelaide (Climate Science and Economics Departments etc.) and the Business Community to identify and engage key speakers.

A draft list of issues that need to be covered by the speakers is printed below and it is envisaged that Rotary Clubs will have the opportunity to add to the list at an early stage of the planning for the meeting.

Supportive Clubs

The PPE Committee's endorsement of the meeting is however conditional on there being 6 to 8 Clubs from across the two Districts that are willing to jointly support the conduct of the event in August-September 2009 by:

1. Providing a member to serve on the Planning Committee,
2. Providing one or two additional members to assist on the day of the event, if required
3. Sharing the costs of conducting the event (a draft indicative Budget follows).

Further it recognizes that the support of incoming District Governors and Presidents of the Clubs concerned will be necessary.

Indicative Budget	\$'s
Hire Elder Hall (670 person capacity; incl. sound system)	1,700
Audio Visual equipment Hire	500
Information Flyer/Letters to Clubs	1,500
Tickets	350
Postage	250
Gifts for speakers	300
Total	\$4,600

Draft List of Issues to be Covered by Speakers

- What evidence is there to suggest that climate change is occurring and that it may accelerate?
- Is the current dry period in S. A. any different to the 1937 – 43 Drought in its characteristics and origin?
- How can increasing global greenhouse levels be consistent with the occurrence of droughts and floods and other opposite impacts across the planet at the same time?
- What evidence is there that human activity may be a contributor and why is this issue strongly disputed by many people?
- Why should we act now rather than wait until everyone is certain?
- What are the expected consequences of not acting if in fact human induced climate change is true?
- What are the expected consequences of acting if in fact there is no human induced climate change?
- What are the implications for Australia if climate change is not or only partially controlled?
- What action is required and by whom?
- What is the December 2009 Copenhagen Meeting and why is it important?
- What CO2 (equivalents) targets should the world set for 2050?
- Why does Australia have to do anything given that we only account for 1 ½% of the worlds greenhouse gas emissions?
- When do we need to act and why?
- What trajectory do we take to reach the 2050 target?
- What are the economic implications of action and no action?
- How does an Emissions Trading Scheme work?
- How does a Carbon Tax work?
- What are the relative merits of the Trading Scheme and the Tax?
- Who will be the winners and losers?
- Who should be compensated and who are demanding compensation?
- How can the voice of the population, and in particular those of the young, be heard over lobby groups funded by corporations and industry groups?
- Will Rotary International have a voice for humanity at the Copenhagen Meeting?

The Rotary Club of Prospect is going to the Dogs - Like to join them?



This is an invitation to join ...

Prospect Rotary Club

★Night at the Greyhounds★

55 Cardigan Street, Angle Park



Thursday Night 28th May 2009
6.30pm

\$35 per head covers:

- ❖ 4 course all-you-can-eat smorgasbord
- ❖ Entrance to the track
- ❖ Adelaide Race Book to share

Bookings to be made by contacting Bill Poyner on 0408 375 817

The more bookings we get, the more money we raise for charity events!

Jerry's Jottings

It was another good meeting this week with a really interesting speaker, Simon Ridgeway, of the submarine corporation. It was also good to meet with a daughter club from another district.

Another piece of good news, **Ken Haines**, has withdrawn his resignation from the club and is set to join us again from next week. I am sure everyone will welcome Ken back to the fold.

I have not been overwhelmed with volunteers to take over the role of secretary and would be grateful if anyone who is interested in helping would let me know.

I'll keep this week's jotting short and sweet as I have said most of it in the announcements.

Yours in Rotary,

Jerry



Presidents Jerry Casburn (Unley) & Martin Cheney (Prospect)

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Venue Set-up/ Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
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
09/06/09	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Simon Cadzow: "Living Longer in the 21st Century"	David Middleton	Bob Laws	Greg McLeod & Heather Kilsby
16/06/09	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Don Thorpe: "Building a Ketch for the Maritime Museum"	Greg McLeod	Bob Mullins	Heather Kilsby & Janet Plumb

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

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Venue Set-up or Plaque Board: Bob Laws: 8223 6403; (M) 0438 865 305; e-mail: unley.sergeant@rotaryclub.org.au

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	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: May-June 2009

Week No.	Dates This Month	Early Shift: 9am to 11.30 am	Late Shift: 11.30am to 1.30pm
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
2	13/06/09	Stephen Baker, Greg McLeod & Kevin Rogers	Janet Plumb & David Middleton
3	20/05/09	Glenys Ferguson & Neesha Nandasena	Joan Reed & Bob Laws

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Warning

If you receive an email from the Department of Health telling you not to eat tinned pork because of Swine Flu, ignore it . . .

It's just spam.

Thanks to Jerry Casburn for this contribution

The Back Page

Irish Hunters

Two Irish hunters chartered a plane to fly them to Canada, to hunt moose, and they managed to bag six.

As they were loading the plane to return, the pilot said the plane could take only four moose.

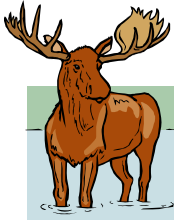
The two lads objected strongly. 'Last year we shot six. The pilot let us take them all, and he had the same plane as yours.

Reluctantly, the pilot gave in and all six were loaded. However, even on full power, the little plane couldn't handle the load and went down.

Somehow, surrounded by the moose bodies, Paddy and Mick survived the crash.

After climbing out of the wreckage, Paddy asked Mick, 'Any idea where we are?'

Mick replied, 'I think we're pretty close to where we crashed last year.'



Thanks to Jerry Casburn for this contribution

How to Go Camping

Alan was attending his 4wd club's monthly meeting and had just told them he couldn't make the upcoming Innamincka trip because his missus wouldn't let him go. After copping the under the thumb remarks and other derisive remarks Alan left to go back home to the missus.

When Alan's mates started arriving to set up camp at Innamincka Common the following week, who should be there but Alan sitting up in front of the Cooper, swag rolled out, fishing rod in hand, camp oven roast stewing away in a hot bed of Coolabah coals.

"How did ya talk ya missus into letting you go Alan?"

I didn't have to," was Alan's reply.

"When I left the meeting last week I went home and slumped down in my chair with a beer to drown my sorrows. When the missus snuck up behind me and covered my eyes and said, 'Surprise'.

When I peeled her hands back she was standing there in a beautiful see through negligee and she said, 'Carry me into the bedroom and tie me to the bed and you can do what ever you want.'

So here I am!



Mensa Invitational

The Washington Post has published the winning submissions to its yearly contest in which readers are asked to supply alternate meanings for common words. And the winners are:

1. Coffee, n. The person upon whom one coughs.
2. Flabbergasted, adj. Appalled by discovering how much weight one has gained.
3. Abdicate, v. To give up all hope of ever having a flat stomach.
4. Esplanade, v. To attempt an explanation while drunk.
5. Willy-nilly, adj. Impotent.
6. Negligent, adj. Absentmindedly answering the door when wearing only a nightgown.
7. Lymph, v. To walk with a lisp.
8. Gargoyle, n. Olive-flavoured mouthwash.

Heading

A man walks into a restaurant with a full-grown ostrich behind him. The waitress asks them for their orders.

The man says, 'A hamburger, fries and a coke,' and turns to the ostrich, 'What's yours?'

'I'll have the same,' says the ostrich.

A short time later the waitress returns with the order 'That will be \$9.40 please,' and the man reaches into his pocket and pulls out the exact change for payment.

The next day, the man and the ostrich come again and the man says, 'A hamburger, fries and a coke.'

The ostrich says, 'I'll have the same.'

Again the man reaches into his pocket and pays with exact change.

This becomes routine until the two enter again. 'The usual?' asks the waitress.

'No, this is Friday night, so I will have a steak, baked potato and a salad,' says the man.

'Same,' says the ostrich.

Shortly the waitress brings the order and says, 'That will be \$32.62.'

Once again the man pulls the exact change out of his pocket and places it on the table.

The waitress cannot hold back her curiosity any longer. 'Excuse me, sir. How do you manage to always come up with the exact change in your pocket every time?'

'Well,' says the man, 'several years ago I was cleaning the attic and found an old lamp. When I rubbed it, a Genie appeared and offered me two wishes.

My first wish was that if I ever had to pay for anything, I would just put my hand in my pocket and the right amount of money would always be there.'

'That's brilliant!' says the waitress. 'Most people would ask for a million dollars or something, but you'll always be as rich as you want for as long as you live!'

'That's right. Whether it's a gallon of milk or a Rolls Royce, the exact money is always there,' says the man.

The waitress asks, 'What's with the ostrich?'

The man sighs, pauses and answers, 'My second wish was for a tall chick with a big ass and long legs who agrees with everything I say.'



9. Flatulence, n. Emergency vehicle that picks up someone who has been run over by a steamroller.
10. Balderdash, n. A rapidly receding hairline.
11. Testicle n. A humorous question on an exam.
12. Rectitude, n. The formal, dignified bearing adopted by proctologists.
13. Pokemon, n. A Rastafarian proctologist.
14. Oyster, n. A person who sprinkles his conversation with yiddishisms.
15. Frisbeetarianism, n. The belief that, after death, the soul flies up onto the roof and gets stuck there.
16. Circumvent, n. An opening in the front of boxer shorts worn by Jewish men.

Thanks to Jerry Casburn for this contribution

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

Make Dreams Real