

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3685 – 20 October 2009

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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.	3685
Date	20 th October 2009
Venue	Tiffins on the Park
Occasion	James Bruce: "Honorary British Consul"
Sergeant	Stephen Westgarth
Chairman	Martin Cooper
Guests	Leena Kasurinen, Rohan Singh, Angie Cooper
Apologies	Anne Wehr, Colin Schirmer, Chandra Sluggett, Sheila Evans, David Middleton
Make Ups	Nil
Sick List	Nil
Anniversaries	Induction: Natalie Bowen and Joan Reed (22/10), Colin Schirmer (25/10)
Attendance	65%

Unley 75th Anniversary Project

(*If You Read Nothing Else, Read This!!!!***)**

Unley Council has been in contact with us and the start of our work with them to renovate the Orphanage grounds will commence on the weekend of November 14th/15th. Please be prepared to give up as much time as you can spare. Partners, family and friends will be very welcome; **Bob Mullins will provide further detail at our next meeting.**

President's Announcements

1. Our condolences go to Margaret Bosisto (one of our Thrift Shop Workers) for the loss of her husband who died of cancer last Sunday.
2. Our condolences also go to the family of Jim Furnell who was the first ever recipient of the Police Officer of the Year Award and who later became a member of the Rotary Club of Unley. Jim was also called to higher service during the last week.
3. I am again circulating the sheet showing the GSE visit, events and the approximate cost. Please indicate over the next few weeks if you will be attending and the numbers attending, guests welcome. There are limited places on the Coorong trip and the Melbourne Cup lunch so first in best dressed.
4. Geoff Hill mentioned that he bumped into Ray Emmett last week, Ray, now 88, passed on his best wishes to the club.
5. We have today received a cheque for \$1300 from Entertainment Book publications as the profit we made in the sale of the Entertainment Book this year.

Spots

Joan Reed advised the club of the sale of Rotary Christmas Cakes and Puddings. Anyone requiring a cake or pudding should advise her soonest.

Bob Laws advised the club that he will be away until November 10th and anyone needing information, etc for the Thrift Shop should contact **Bob Mullins**. **Bob Mullins** advised that anyone contacting him will attract a fine.

Exchange Student Leena Kasurinen Reporting: 'Week Twelve'



Last week I went back to the school from holidays...for two days, then unfortunately I had to stay home being sick. I was back in school on Friday and on Friday night we went to Catherine's place for a tea.

On Saturday I spent the day in the city with a Swedish exchange student Aurora and on Saturday night I baked the best cupcakes in my life.

On Sunday Joan, the dogs and I had a little daytrip to Wallaroo where we went to the beach and had some fish and chips with the seagulls.

Oh, and one night we went to the movies and saw Mao's Last Dancer which was really good.

Sergeant's Session

Stephen Westgarth stood in as Sergeant for **David Middleton** who is away on vacation. **Stephen** managed to find copious reasons to fine all attending outrageously. **Geoff Hill** won the lucky squares and **Joan Reed** the mystery wine.

Colorado GSE Team Visit

Detailed below is the full programme for the GSE visit. The programme has been compiled primarily by **Chandra Sluggett**, ably assisted by **Wendy Andrews**.

The programme is of interest to both the GSE team and many of our members. For some events there are limited numbers, so please book early to support this effort.



Date and Time	Event	Cost
Mon 2nd November	A day at the Coorong, coastal wilderness	
8:30 AM	Pick up GSE members from RC Holdfast Bay (Glenelg)	Circa \$50 (Includes Bus Hire, Lunch and Entry Fees)
9:00 AM	Depart Adelaide, drive to Meningie, Hacks Point	
11:30 AM	Arrive at Camp Coorong, Meningie, Hacks Point	
11:45 am to 12:45 pm	Guided tour of the Ngarrindjeri Aboriginal Museum at Camp Coorong	
12:50 PM	Drive to Wilderness Lodge, Hacks Point, Coorong	
1:15 PM	Lunch at Wilderness Lodge	
2:15 PM	Guided tour, Wilderness Lodge – Ngarrindjeri cultural experience	
4:30 PM	(time permitting can visit nearby Raukkan/Pt McLeay Aboriginal Community)	
7:00 PM	Depart, drive to Adelaide	
	Free evening with host families	
Tue 3rd November		
8:00 AM	Breakfast with host family	
10:00 AM	Guided tour of Migration Museum of South Australia	\$12
12:00 noon	Lunch incorporating Melbourne Cup festivities (Horse Race)	\$55
3:30 PM	Parliament House Tour with David Pisoni (Member of Parliament for Unley)	
	Free evening with host families	
Wed 4th November	Vocational Day (details separate)	
8:00 AM	Breakfast with host family	
8:30 AM	Vocational visit	
12:30 PM	Lunch at Vocational placement	
1:30 PM	Vocational visit	
4:00 PM	Pick up from vocational visit	
6:30 PM	Group 6 Presentation – Intercity meeting at Belair Country Club	
Thu 5th November		
8:00 AM	Breakfast with host family	
9:00 AM	Rest Day – Free time	
7:00 PM	GSE Farewell Presentation – Top of the World Revolving Restaurant - Glenelg	\$27.50 + Drinks

Jerry's Jottings

Only two weeks and we host the GSE team from North Carolina, the first time for a long time that the club have hosted a team. It is our chance to make this memorable for both the team and the club. Please try to support Chandra and Wendy's efforts by being at the main events. My thanks also go to the Coopers, the Middletons, Joan Reed and Mavis and Richard for hosting the individual members.

Yours in Rotary

Jerry



Guest Speaker - James Bruce: "Honorary British Consul"



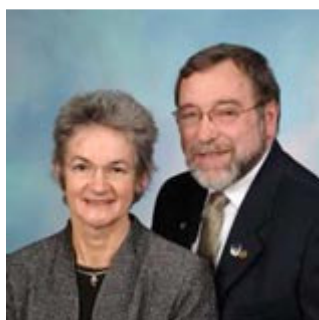
Chairman Martin Cooper with James Bruce

James is a fourth generation Adelaidean; his great grandparents moved here in 1852 and set up the family auctioneering business in 1878. Besides a brief spell in the USA James spent 15 years with Christie and Co., London; today he is Managing Director of Theodore Bruce Auctions Pty Ltd. Winner of the 2003 Golden Gavel Award, Commonwealth Government Fine Arts advisor since 2005 and was appointed Honourary British Consul in 2006.

James gave us a most interesting insight into the duties and functions of the consular service and as the great speaker that he is he managed to convey a large amount of factual data made interesting by his ready wit and humour, including the lady who was, she claimed, wrongly "interred" in the Watch House, the more serious side of the comatose 84 year old visiting Brit who was being refused admittance to Modbury Hospital (this story did though have a happy ending) and the Brits who having broken into the backpackers spirit store were found crashed and cuddling the evidence. Sergeant Bob graciously excused James's phone going off in the middle of his presentation after it was explained that it was a pre-requisite that the Consul was on call 24/7; many thanks James.

Rotary News

Extracts from October's Commentary from the DG's Newsletter



Karina & DG Dick Cuttle

I recently received the first official update of members from RI, and this shows a drop below 1500. The official figure is about 20 less than Theo Ruckert's figure of a drop of about 1510. I have checked some of the club lists, and it is clear that some new members have not yet been listed with RI through the Member Access Portal. I strongly encourage clubs to keep their figures up to date. If you are not sure how to do this, a quick call to Mary Galea or to Joy Walker in Parramatta will help. During our visits so far membership and membership development has had a very high priority with clubs. We need new members to help us carry out our current programmes, and also to renew our clubs and the district in general. October is Vocational Service month. From your club bulletins I note that many clubs have vocational visits or speakers planned. There is also renewed interest in Pride of Workmanship in a number of areas. These are great activities for the recognition of local people, and for lifting our profile in the community generally and particularly with local businesses.

A reminder that there is money available from the Bushfire Relief Fund to support clubs responding to requests for help from the bushfire areas. All requests that come from a Rotary club or district have

been cleared through by the coordinating group in Victoria, and are eligible for support from the fund. PDG Peter Shipp and Judy have just returned from the area, and can give you up to date information about needs that will exist for months and probably years to come. The clubs in Victoria have been very active in relief and reconstruction work, and they need our help to serve their local communities. There continues to be plenty of activity within the Foundation committees. I encourage all clubs to learn more about these programmes, and also to contribute as much as you can to keep the Foundation active. Remember that Australian clubs have a great record of getting grants from the Foundation and to maintain this we need to maintain our support.

This month we are hosting the GSE team from Colorado. I strongly encourage all Rotarians to attend one of their presentations, and to meet them. Our own team has completed their exchange to Colorado, and again I encourage all clubs to invite either the whole team or one member to speak at your club. GSE is a wonderful part of the Foundation programme, and the more Rotarians who take part the more successful it will be.

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Venue Set-up/ Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
27/10/09	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.15pm	General Eva Burrows: "Salvation Army Anniversary"	R Elms	J Russell	D Middleton	A Hill & G Hill
4/11/09	Belair Park Country Club	6.30 for 7pm	GSE Team from Colorado Group 6 Intercity Meeting	J Reed	J Plumb	D Middleton	G Hill & G Howland
10/11/09	Tiffins on the Park	6.30 for 7pm	Heart Foundation	H Kilsby	J Peacham	D Middleton	G Howland & A Jonson
17/11/09	Tiffins on the Park	6.30 for 7pm	Margaret Northcote "Polio Plus"	M Martin	D Payne	D Middleton	A Jonson & H Kilsby

Apologies To: Wendy Andrews by **e-mail** to unley.attendance@rotaryclub.org.au or in an emergency on (08) 8377-7830

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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
November	Wednesday	4th	Group 6 Intercity Meeting & GSE Team	Belair Park Country Club	C Sluggett

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: September - October 2009

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 9am to 11.30 am	Late Shift: 11.30am to 1.30pm
4	24/10/09	John Peacham, Chandra Sluggett	Bob Mullins & Sheila Evans
5	31/10/09	Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Natalie Bowen & Joan Reed
1	07/11/09	Lindsay England & Rohan Singh	Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth
2	14/11/09	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Janet Plumb & David Middleton
3	21/11/09	Glenys Ferguson & Neesha Nandasena	Joan Reed & Bob Laws

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

Bob Laws: 8223 6403; (M) 0438 865 305; e-mail: steedman@senet.com.au

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The Laws of Ultimate Reality

Law of Mechanical Repair

After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to pee.

Law of Gravity

Any item, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible corner.

Law of Probability

The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

Law of Random Numbers

If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal and someone always answers.

Law of the Alibi

If you tell the boss you were late for work because you had a flat tire, the very next morning you will have a flat tire.

Variation Law

If you change traffic lanes, the one you were in will always move faster than the one you are in now (works every time).

Law of the Bath

When the body is fully immersed in water, the telephone rings.

Law of Close Encounters

The probability of meeting someone you know increases dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.

Law of the Result

When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, it will.

Law of Biomechanics

The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.

Law of the Theatre

At any event, the people whose seats are furthest from the aisle arrive last.

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

**THE FUTURE OF ROTARY
IS IN YOUR HANDS**