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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.	3686
Date	27 th October 2009
Venue	Tiffins on the Park
Occasion	General Eva Burrows: "Salvation Army Anniversary"
Sergeant	David Middleton
Chairman	Reno Elms
Guests	Leena Kasurinen
Apologies	Andy Hill, Bob Laws, Colin Schirmer, Geoff Howland, Natalie Bowen, Glenys Ferguson
Make Ups	Glenys Ferguson
Anniversaries	Birthday: Greg McLeod – Birthday (28/10) Induction: Janet Singh – Induction (1/11)
Attendance	65%

AGM and Board Nominations

*****Another If You Read Nothing Else, Read This!!!!*****

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General meeting of the Club will be held as part of the normal meeting on Tuesday 24th November 2009. The main business of the AGM will be to appoint members of the Board for the 2010/11 Rotary year.

From this year's Board the following members will be continuing on:

- Joan Reed (as President)
- Jerry Casburn (as Immediate Past President)
- Mavis Martin (as President Elect)

Nominations are called for the following positions to be filled:

- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Vice President/Club Administration
- Director – Service Projects
- Director – Membership
- Director – Public Relations

Below is a Nomination Form. This needs to be returned to Martin Cooper by Friday 21st November 2009.

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Rotary Club of Unley – Nomination for Board Position for the 2010/11 Year

(Your Name).....

Nominates (Name of Nominee).....

For the Board Position of.....

Signature of Nominator.....

Acceptance of Nomination – Signature of Nominee.....

Return to Martin Cooper, "The Old Rectory", 15 Rose Terrace Wayville, 5034 OR email to martin@thecoopers.biz

President's Announcements

1. For the last time, I am again circulating the sheet showing the GSE visit, events and the approximate cost. Please indicate if you will be attending and the numbers attending, in particular for the Group 6 Intercity Meeting guests welcome. There are limited places on the Coorong trip and the Melbourne Cup lunch so first in best dressed.
2. **Bob Mullins, Sheila Evans** and I met today with **Chris Linnell** and **Jane Doogue** from Unley Council re., our involvement in the work being undertaken at the Orphanage grounds down at Goodwood Road. This will be an ongoing Rotary project for the current Rotary Year and will mark our 75th anniversary.

The map shows the Orphanage grounds and the work being completed by Council with our support. The first element of the work will be to plant some 3000 plants in the area marked as the Northern Family Area. This work will take place as part of two working bees on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd of November from 10am to 1pm, followed by a BBQ and some Fellowship. Council will provide all tools and we will need to wear appropriate clothing and bring gardening gloves, also remember the sun block. I would also suggest those attending bring chairs, plates, cutlery, glasses and grog.

We, with Council, will issue a joint press statement to go into the Eastern Courier seeking volunteers to work with us. This is a great opportunity to showcase Rotary and our club and may lead to future new members. We will also attempt to use the new connection with Messenger newspapers to get an article on the activity into the paper the following week. Council has also promised a slot in the next issue of Unley Life in January and some coverage on the website.

I can also advise that with Council's assistance we have sought a grant through the Natural Resource Management Investment Unit of the State Government. The grant may secure an additional \$28,000 above the \$10,000 already pledged by the club and would be wholly recognised as having been invested by the club.

Orphanage Park Development



3. We have now experimented with the changed meeting structure in having the business meeting before the meal for some three months. While the early experiences were not good I believe that we now have the agenda and service right. I promised that we would seek the club's mandate to continue with this format and I am keen to formalise the change. I would therefore like to propose that the new meeting format is adopted, can I have someone to second the motion and I would then ask for any discussion followed by a vote. **N.B. It was proposed by Joan Reed and agreed by the club that the decision would be deferred until the Club Assembly held on November 24th.**

Spots

Chandra Sluggett updated the club on the latest programme for the GSE hosting.

Joan Reed sought a scribe for next week's meeting, **Stephen Baker** volunteered.

Sergeant's Session

David Middleton after four weeks away was in fine form, fines were administered with due efficiency and David chickened out on telling a risqué joke in front of our guest speaker. **Wendy Andrews** won the lucky squares and **Geoff Hill** the mystery wine (His third win in three weeks, stand aside **John Russell** as our normal jammy winner).

Exchange Student Leena Kasurinen Reporting: 'Week Thirteen'



Last week I met Julia twice in town (she is exchange student from Finland and is staying in Port Augusta) and two exchange students from Germany. On Friday I learnt how to catch the bus home from town and in last minute we decided to go out for tea and we rang Janet.

On Saturday Morning I had my first Volleyball game at Seymour College but unfortunately we lost. Better luck next time.

In the afternoon I went to Joan's work friends wedding ceremony, and at night I stayed at Nat and Mark's house.

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**.

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

What an amazing speaker we had this week with General Eva Burrows, my thanks go to the Programme team and Reno Elms for making this possible.

Our community project with Unley Council to mark 75 years of the Rotary Club of Unley is now set and it will be good to have a mix of financial contribution from the club and an opportunity for hands on and some fellowship. Thanks to **Bob Mullins** and **Bob Mills** for leading this initiative.

Next week looks like a very hectic but very rewarding week as we host the Colorado GSE team. My thanks once again to **Chandra Sluggett** for her work in constructing the programme for the GSE visit. My thanks also to the host families, **Mavis & Richard**, **David & Suzanne**, **Joan** and **Martin & Angie**. We will have a good turnout for the Group 6 meeting at Belair with some 128 people attending and 36 from our club, thanks team!!!

Yours in Rotary

Jerry



Guest Speaker – General Eva Burrows: “Who Cares”



Maj. Reno Elms with Gen. Eva Burrows

Our guest speaker was General Eva Burrows AC, Paul Harris Fellow and former world leader of The Salvation Army 1986-93.

The General was in Unley for the 125th Celebrations of the Unley Worship & Community Centre. Her visit to the Rotary Club of Unley was her last engagement before flying back to Melbourne.

Eva Burrows came to a personal faith during her years at University in Queensland and felt her calling was to give herself fully to the ministry of Christ. Her Salvation Army background opened doors for her and as an ordained minister/ Salvation Army Officer she spent 17 years in Rhodesia working in education and teacher training. As she taught she learnt to be an African and had devoted her entire life to ministry on the African continent. This experience enabled her to give leadership to the

International College for Officers in London as well as heading up social service departments of The Salvation Army. Before giving worldwide leadership of The Salvation Army, Eva Burrows led the Salvation Army troops in Sri Lanka, followed by Scotland and then Australia.



Gen. Eva Burrows with Pres. Jerry



Gen. Eva Burrows with Rotarian admirers

As General, with great faith Eva Burrows re-opened the work of The Salvation Army in the eastern block countries after the fall of the Berlin wall which continues to have great impact in rebuilding these countries today.

Now retired, Eva Burrows continues to be in demand and travels the world frequently speaking at Universities, Conferences and Salvation Army events. Her passion though is the people in the street and she spends most of her time with the homeless and disadvantaged in the streets and lanes of the City of Melbourne where she is affectionately known as GenEva.

Her message to us Rotarians was “Who Cares?” The General had lost count at the number of times she had spoken at Rotary Clubs around the world but she did remember the occasion when the

number one Rotary Club in the world, the Chicago Club desperately wanted her to speak but it was going to clash with the opening of a Salvation Army Centre on the other side of the city. “We’ll get you there on time”, was the guarantee by Rotary but the General could not see how until she was ushered away from the opening in a Police car, lights flashing and sirens sounding. Upon arrival at the hotel where the club held their meetings, the General was cordially met by the president of the club who also happened to be the city’s chief of police!

A Peanuts cartoon that General Eva loves has Lucy saying, “I love humanity; it’s people that I just can’t stand!” She also shared what the Founder of The Salvation Army General William Booth said to the politicians of his day, “If a cab horse falls on a cobbled roadway you don’t yell at it to get up and get moving. You lift it first and give it food, shelter and warmth. If it is done for a horse why can’t it be done for people too!”

Everybody is equal and deserves equal respect.

A quote, “When I was young clever people used to impress me, now that I am older caring people catch my admiration”. General Burrows spent time with Mother Teresa as The Salvation Army and the Sisters of Charity partnered on projects for the poor and disadvantaged. Upon being asked by the General about her fame across the world, Mother Teresa said that she cared nothing for such praise, but then she paused and added, “I have helped people *talk to the poor*, not just about the poor”. Mumbai and Calcutta are not the only places you find the poor. The General has visited with local Salvation Army teams cardboard communities all around the great cities of the world. Once in London one of the Captains found Tom unconscious in his cardboard dwelling and got him quickly to hospital. The next morning the Captain came to visit Tom and he called out through the ward, “Hi Captain, thanks for saving my life. I’ve written you down as my next of kin!” The Salvation Army loves to be the next to kin of the homeless.

But there is more:

If you take an alcoholic to a doctor you get a healthy alcoholic.

If you take an alcoholic to a psychologist, you get a well behaved alcoholic.

If you take an alcoholic to AA you get a sober alcoholic.

But if you give an alcoholic faith and belief you end up with a transformed life!

A participant in one of the Army’s programs was asked by the General in a furniture workshop what he was doing and his reply was, “I am doing what you are doing, turning junk into something useful”.

A former Prime Minister of Canada once said of The Salvation Army that some people thought that it was a welfare agency; however The Salvation Army was actually a vital spiritual force with a passion to transform lives.

Some people may think that our thinking is simple, but “man cannot live by bread alone”. The world has a spiritual hunger and when people discover that it makes them better people which leads to a better world. It’s the simple things that make a difference and caring certainly makes a difference.

The General concluded: “I am glad that I am part of the Salvation Army *who cares*, and I am glad to be a partner with Rotary who sees *Service above Self*”.



International Committee Chair Chandra Sluggett with Gen. Eva Burrows

Rotary News

Dolly Parton to speak at 2010 convention

Dolly Parton will speak at the morning plenary session on 23 June to promote reading among preschool children. *Photo courtesy of The Dollywood Foundation*

Country music legend and philanthropist Dolly Parton will be a keynote speaker during the 2010 RI Convention in Montréal, Québec, Canada, 20-23 June. Parton will speak at the morning plenary session on 23 June to promote reading among preschool children. She and the Dollywood Foundation's Imagination Library teamed up with Rotary International in March to help provide age-appropriate books each month to children from birth until age five. Parton will speak to Rotarians about the importance of early childhood reading and how the collaboration with Rotary International has augmented the success of the Imagination Library. The singer developed a personal love of books while growing up in rural Tennessee, USA, where she saw firsthand the toll that illiteracy can take on families.

"I am thrilled about our partnership with Rotary International," she said in March. "Rotarians love kids as much as I do, so I truly believe we can do something extraordinary together to help even more children love to read and succeed."

Since its launch in 1996, the Imagination Library has provided more than 23 million books to preschoolers.

Any member who wants more information about the Montreal Conference should see President Jerry who has the full brochure.



Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Venue Set-up/ Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
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
24/11/09	Tiffins on the Park	6.30 for 7pm	AGM & Assembly	J Casburn	J Newall	D Middleton	H Kilsby & R Laws

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

Meeting Chair Enquiries To: Stephen Baker on 8379 7105 or email to unley.vocational@rotaryclub.org.au

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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
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
4	28/11/09	John Peacham, Chandra Sluggett	Bob Mullins & Sheila Evans

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

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

The Back Page

British Hospitals – True Stories

1. A man dashes into the A&E dept. and yells . . . 'My wife's going to have her baby in the taxi'.
I grabbed my stuff, rushed out to the taxi, lifted the lady's dress and began to take off her underwear. Suddenly after protests from the lady I noticed that there were several taxis - - - and I was in the wrong one.
Submitted by Dr. Mark MacDonald, St. Andrews Hospital, Glasgow
2. At the beginning of my shift, I placed a stethoscope on an elderly and slightly deaf female patient's anterior chest wall.
'Big breaths,' I instructed.
'Yes, they used to be,' . . . replied the patient.
Submitted by Dr. Richard Barnes, St. Thomas', Bath
3. One day I had to be the bearer of bad news when I told a wife that her husband had died of a massive myocardial infarct. Not more than five minutes later, I heard her on her mobile phone reporting to the rest of the family that he had died of a 'massive internal fart.'
Submitted by Dr. Susan Steinberg Royal London Hosp.
4. During a patient's two week follow-up appointment, he told me that he was having trouble with one of his medications.
'Which one?' I asked.
'The patch the Nurse told me to put on a new one every six hours and now I'm running out of places to put it!'
I had him quickly undress and discovered what I hoped I wouldn't see. Yes, the man had over fifty patches on his body! Now, the instructions include removal of the old patch before applying a new one.
Submitted by Dr. Rebecca St. Clair, Norfolk General
5. While acquainting myself with a new elderly patient, I asked 'How long have you been bedridden?'
After a look of complete confusion she answered . 'Why, not for about twenty years - when my husband was still alive.'
Submitted by Dr. Steven Swanson- Maidenhead Royal Kent
6. I was performing rounds at the hospital one morning and while checking up on a man I asked.' So how was your breakfast this morning?'
'It's very good except for the Kentucky Jelly. I can't seem to get used to the taste,' Bob replied.
I then asked to see the jelly and Bob produced a foil packet labeled 'KY Jelly.'
Submitted by Dr. Leonard J. Brandon, Bristol Infirmary
7. A nurse was on duty in the A&E when a young woman with purple hair styled into a punk rocker Mohawk, sporting a variety of tattoos, and wearing strange clothing, entered. It was quickly determined that the patient had acute appendicitis, so she was scheduled for an immediate operation. When she was completely disrobed on the operating table, the staff noticed that her pubic hair had been dyed green, and above it there was a tattoo that read . . . 'Keep off the grass.' Once the surgery was completed, the surgeon wrote a short note on the patient's dressing, which read 'Sorry . . . had to mow the lawn.'
Submitted by Staff Nurse RN Elaine Fogerty, KGH London

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

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