

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3691 – 1st December 2009

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

DISTRICT 9520
CHARTERED 17TH APRIL 1935



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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.	3691
Date	1 st December 2009
Venue	Regattas Bistro
Occasion	Christmas Dinner
Acting President	Joan Reed
Sergeant	David Middleton
Guests	Beverley Baker, Suzanne Middleton, Susan Westgarth, Barbara Russell, Richard Taylor, Linda Sellers, Pauline Daly, Margaret Payne, Sandra Schirmer, Rose Howland, Glenyss Steedman, Linda England, Genese Mullins, Jill Hill
Special Friend of Rotary	Leena Kasurinen
Apologies	Janet & Rohan Singh, Jerry & Jenn Casburn, Martin & Angie Cooper (Martin has been in hospital)
Anniversaries	Anniversary: David and Margaret Payne: 50 years married on 27/11; Congratulations! Birthday: David Middleton (4/12) Induction: Colin Schirmer has chalked-up 25 years in Rotary; well done Colin
Attendance	74%

*Christmas
Dinner Meeting 2009*

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INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIAN CHILDRENS 2009 CHRISTMAS PRESENT PROJECT

LATE NOTICE FOR ASSISTANCE

We have not had as big a response from clubs in Districts 9500 and 9520 this year in support of our Toys and Christmas presents for indigenous Children's Project. Last year we were able to send over 15,000 Toys and presents to many Indigenous Groups in NT and outback SA. I would again like to ask all clubs if they could please bring this request to the attention of their members and any Rotary Friends who may wish to help. All or any donations of items, toys or money can be left at any Blackwell Funeral parlour (Attention David Lloyd) in the Adelaide City area or if you are in the country please see if you can get them to Donations in Kind at Edinburgh Parks. If you can there is usually someone there on a Thursday or Friday each week during the day. If these days are not suitable please ring me on my mobile number shown above or on my home number which is now 74327896 or email me on normanof@adam.com.au if you need directions or assistance.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I look forward to your positive response and support.

Yours in Rotary Service

Norm O'Flaherty

Chairman

Donations in Kind



Spots

Sheila Evans reported that volunteers are in place to do timely deliveries of the Carols Colouring-in Competition forms to local schools. She thanked Joan Reed (4,500) and David Middleton (500) for their help with the printing of 5,000 copies of the colouring-in forms.

Stephen Baker reminded members that next week is Christmas Gift Giving. Please bring along unwrapped gifts for boys and girls aged 12 and under. A representative of The Smith Family will be attending next week's meeting to receive them.

Christmas Dinner

The Rotary Club of Unley held its Christmas Dinner for 2009 under the awnings at Regattas Bistro. A great night was had by all, as the photos below show. Sergeant David Middleton called the meeting to order with a modified toast to Christmas and the Rotary Club of Unley. In the absence of President Jerry (on holiday overseas) Acting President Joan Reed welcomed Rotarians, their partners and guests to this special meeting. Congratulations to David and Margaret Payne on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.



Diary Dates

Events	Date	Time	Comments
Christmas Carols	Sunday 13 th December 2009	2.00pm Onwards	
Drinks at the Casburns	Sunday 20 th December 2009	2.30pm onwards	Bring nothing

Our Upcoming Meetings

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Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Venue Set-up/ Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
08/12/09	TBA	6 for 6.30pm	Christmas Gift Giving; Leena Kasurinen: "My Home in Finland"	J Reed	R Mullins	D Middleton	M Martin & G McLeod
15/12/09	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Ken Bailey – "Christmas Pageant"	David Payne	R Mills	D Middleton	G McLeod & R Mullins
Wednesday 23/12/09	Arkaba Hotel	7 for 7.15am	Joint Clubs Breakfast Hyde Park & Eastwood, Speaker: Tony Nancarrow	N/A	G McLeod	N/A	R Mullins & J Newall
05/01/10	Club De Petanque	7 for 7.30pm	Petanque Night at the Club De Petanque D'Adelaide (Greenhill Rd)	N/A	R Mullins	D Middleton	J Newall & P O'Neil

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

Venue Set-up/Plaque Board Enquiries To: David Middleton on 8332 6253 or by e-mail to unley.sergeant@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.

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: December 2009

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 9am to 11.30 am	Late Shift: 11.30am to 1.30pm
1	5/12/09	Lindsay England & Rohan Singh	Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth
2	12/12/09	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Janet Plumb & David Middleton
3	19/12/09	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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How to get to Heaven from Ireland

I was testing children in my Dublin Sunday school class to see if they understood the concept of getting to heaven. I asked them, 'If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into heaven?'

'NO!' the children answered.

'If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the grass and kept everything tidy, would that get me into heaven?'

Again, the answer was 'NO!'

By now I was starting to smile. 'Well, then, if I was kind to animals and gave sweets to all the children, and loved my husband, would that get me into heaven?'

Again, they all answered 'NO!'

I was just bursting with pride for them. I continued, 'Then how can I get into heaven?'

A six year-old boy shouted out: "YUV GOTTA BE DEAD...."

Scotch?

On the first day of school, the children brought gifts for their teacher. The florist's son brought the teacher a bouquet of flowers. The candy-store owner's daughter gave the teacher a pretty box of candy.

Then the liquor-store owner's son brought up a big, heavy box. The teacher lifted it up and noticed that it was leaking a little bit. She touched a drop of the liquid with her finger and tasted it. "Is it wine?" she guessed.

"No," the boy replied.

She tasted another drop and asked, "Champagne?"

"No," said the little boy..... "It's a puppy!"

Not Another Shaggy Dog Story; No, Really, It's Not

An old, tired-looking dog wandered into the yard. I could tell from his collar and well-fed belly that he had a home.

He followed me into the house, down the hall, and fell asleep in a corner. An hour later, he went to the door, and I let him out.

The next day he was back, resumed his position in the hall, and slept for an hour. This continued for several weeks.

Curious, I pinned a note to his collar: "Every afternoon your dog comes to my house for a nap."

The next day he arrived with a different note pinned to his collar: "He lives in a home with ten children -- he's trying to catch up on his sleep. Can I come with him tomorrow?"



GOOD THING I FOUND YOU GIDEON ... IT SEEMS SOMEONE HAS BEEN HIDING ALL YOUR BIBLES IN HOTEL ROOMS

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

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