

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3712 – 11 May 2010

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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.	3712
Date	11 May 2010
Venue	Tiffins on the Park
Occasion	Tom Whitworth – "Antarctic Adventures"
Sergeant	David Middleton
Chairman	Stephen Baker
Guests	Jenn Casburn and Tyler, and Leena Kasurinen
Apologies	Bob Mills, Bob Mullins, Mavis Martin, Janet Plumb and Sheila Evans
Make-Ups	Mavis Martin
Attendance	76 %

President's Announcements

A reminder that the Hyde Park Pit Stop is to be held on Sunday 23 May. However in preparing for this week's meeting I note that we meet with Prospect next Wednesday which conflicts with the dress rehearsal Hyde Park Club were holding. Hyde Park have asked if those attending can be at Pit Stop 15 minutes before their session. If you have a Rotary Club of Unley shirt please wear it. They will have a supply of Yellow Shirts for use on the day but there may not be enough to go around.

Regarding the District Conference, I sent a note advising where details of the conference details can be found. I also advised some accommodation possibilities; note the data will be in the Bulletin also. <http://www.d9520conf.rotaryaust.org/>

I have managed to contact the Golden Reef Motel at Bendigo, which is located opposite the Conference Centre. Joan Reed, Sheila Evans, Alex Jonson, myself and Jennifer have already booked in. They have two more family rooms available these have a main room with TV, etc and a queen size bed and then a separate bedroom with two single beds. Cost is \$170 per night and would suit anyone who wants to share. Their web address is as follows: <http://goldenreefmotorinn.com/contact.htm>. Contact them if you want to book.

The Orphanage plantings will be on again and it is likely that we will be planting on Saturday June 5th (NB at the meeting I said the 6th, this was wrong). Please keep the date free in your diary.



Pres Jerry with his grandson Tyler

Spots

Joan Reed reminded members that she has entertainment books @ \$65.00 each and that the Changeover dinner will be at the Meridien Lodge in Melbourne Street North Adelaide on 29 June 2010 @ \$45.00 per head.

Geoff Hill advised that Mavis Martin will take on responsibility for the books at the Thrift Shop and he will look after electricals but support from members to Mavis and him in both areas or indeed in other specific areas of goods sold through the shop will be most welcome.

Bob Laws reminded members that the Thrift Shop Volunteers Thank You will be held at the Unley Civic Centre on 6 June 2010 at 3pm.

Chandra Sluggett conveyed the thanks of Donations in Kind for the recent clean-up work undertaken by members of the Club. In turn, Chandra was thanked from the floor for her excellent efforts in arranging the food that day for the workers.

David Middleton gave advance notice of a Quiz Night Competition to be held with the Brownhill Creek Club at Tiffins (downstairs) on 22 June 2010 under the organisation of the Birthing Kit Foundation. It will be a partners night.

A thank you from **Reno Elms** to Ken Daly, Mavis Martin, Joan Reed and Chandra Sluggett and John Russell for providing transport for the senior citizens to the concert held at the Unley Citizens' Centre earlier this month.

Exchange Student Leena Kasurinen's Activity Report

First I would like to thank you all for my birthday presents and the cake. I really did have a great day. Last week was quite busy. On Wednesday we had the GSE team dinner, on Thursday we went out for dinner with Joan, Catherine and John to celebrate my birthday, on Saturday I had a dinner party at my friend's place and on Mother's day we had people over for dinner. The soccer season has started again and we have already had one game.

Lucky Squares

The Lucky Squares was won by new member David Mackrell.

Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal

Here are the 3 D's for Rotary during Red Shield Time:

- **Doorknock**..... we are needing 300 volunteers (2 hours either on May 29/30th or June 5/6th)
- **Deskknock**during the above week in your place of employment
- **Donate**....every dollar an Unley Rotarian donates will attract a matching dollar from the club!!!

Any support in one, two or all three of these areas during Red Shield week enables The Salvation Army to make fine use of the opportunity of this appeal time for the challenging year ahead to maintain services to the needs of the community.

Reno Elms, Major

Jerry's Jottings

It has been a busy month and it was good to be back at our home base. Attendance was 73% at the Tuesday meeting and it was good to see a room full of people.

I mentioned the Orphanage project and there was a conflict between the dates for the planting and the tea for the Thrift Shop volunteers. Well, problem over, I got the date wrong in my announcement, the planting is on Saturday June 5th and the morning tea on Sunday June 6th, so no conflict just a busy Rotary weekend.

This weekend is the District Assembly at Murray Bridge. President-Elect Joan Reed and members of the 2010 Board will be attending as part of the preparation for the new Rotary year.



President Jerry

Guest Speaker

Guest speaker **Tom Whitworth** was employed for 33 years as an environmental engineer with the State Department of Environment, retiring in 2008 as Manager, Industry Sustainability in the EPA. While his main expertise was in air pollution control, he participated at a senior in a number of key initiatives including greenhouse gas emissions, noise pollution, development assessment, waste and resource management, radiation management, small industry assistance and the container deposit legislation. In 2000 Tom was awarded the Public Service Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours for his contribution to Air Quality Management.

Tom joined the Rotary Club of Mitcham in 1990. He and his wife Terri have a passion for animals and the natural environment which has taken them around the globe - they are dedicated volunteers at the Adelaide Zoo.

Tom and Terri visited Antarctica in 2007 on an 11 day trip out of Ushuaia in Argentina in a relatively small Russian made vessel carrying 110 passengers. They were fortunate to gain entry through the narrow Le Maire passage which closes to 800m in places. He showed pictures of the scenery and wildlife. The scenery was dramatic with the high ice cliffs. Notable 'inhabitants' were the fur seals, the humpback whales and the Gentoo and Adeli penguins. All were very friendly. The whales suffered from foul breath; the penguins enjoyed pecking the passengers. They had been fortunate that the weather stayed relatively calm (only half the passengers suffered from sea sickness) and mild during the trip with a maximum temperature of 3C (but with wind-chill reducing it by up to 20C).

Cruises to this area were often beset by foul weather and minimal visibility. The ice can extend down to 3k below sea level in places. Global warming is already having an impact on sea and animal life. It is estimated that the penguin population has diminished by 25% in the last 2 decades. The Antarctic ice formation contains 2/3rds of the world's fresh water. In a worst case scenario sea levels could rise by 63 metres.

Questions followed the address and Tom was thanked in the normal Rotary fashion.



Tom Whitworth

Council News

You are invited to the launch of *Ways Of Belonging* exhibition produced by visual artist and cultural researcher Gavin Malone. This exhibition is part of The City of Unley's contribution to Reconciliation Week 2010. *Ways of Belonging* is a photo-documentary exhibition of Adelaide's public space Aboriginal Cultural Markers presented as a social narrative of exclusion and inclusion from 1960 to the present through public art, community art, commemorative plaques and memorials.

We look forward to seeing you on Fri 14 May at 6.30 at the Hughes Gallery, Fullarton Park Centre, Fullarton Road.

Everybody is welcome at The City of Unley's free Reconciliation Week events which include:

- Greetings to Country Fri 28 May 10.30am at Heywood Park
- *Reconciliation* performances by Karl Telfer and Paitya at Unley Library 31 May at 2pm and Goodwood Library Wed 2 June at 2pm.

Further details can be found on our website www.unley.sa.gov.au.

Please distribute this information to your other contacts and networks if relevant.

Matthew Ives, Cultural Development Coordinator, The City of Unley (P: 8372 5134; E: mives@unley.sa.gov.au)

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Venue Set-up/ Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
19/05/10 (Wednesday)	Snooty Fox, Nth Adelaide	5.45pm for 6.15pm	Visit to Rotary Club of Prospect	J Newall	Bob Mullins	N/A	J Peacham & J Plumb
25/05/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Dr Tony Lake – “Dental Forensics”	P O'Neil	S Evans	D Middleton	J Plumb & J Russell
01/06/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Viv Faehse – “Breast Cancer”	J Plumb	G Ferguson	D Middleton	J Russell & C Schirmer
08/06/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Ingo Weber – “Impact of climate change on Health”	J Reed	G Hill	D Middleton	C Schirmer & C Sluggett

Apologies To: Wendy Andrews by e-mail to unley.attendance@rotaryclub.org.au or in an emergency on 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: Greg McLeod on 0417 811 838 or 8223 3999

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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: May-June 2010

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 9am to 11.30 am	Late Shift: 11.30am to 1.30pm
3	15/05/10	John Peacham & Neesha Nandasena	Joan Reed & Bob Laws
4	22/05/10	Stephen Westgarth & Chandra Sluggett	David Mackrell & Sheila Evans
5	29/05/10	Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Natalie Bowen & Joan Reed
1	06/06/10	Lindsay England & Rohan Singh	Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth
2	13/06/10	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Janet Plumb & David Middleton

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

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On the Back Page

The Devil & Politics!!

Paul Keating, Queen Elizabeth and Vladimir Putin all die and go to Hell. While there, they spy a red phone and ask if it's usable.

The Devil tells them it is available for calling home.

Putin then asks to call Russia and talks for 5 minutes. When he is finished the devil informs him that the cost is a million dollars. Putin writes him a cheque.

Next Queen Elizabeth calls England and talks for 30 minutes. The devil says "That'll be 6 million dollars, so Queen Elizabeth writes him a cheque.

Finally Paul Keating gets his turn and speaks for 4 hours.

The devil tells him there would be no charge for his call and to feel free to call Australia anytime.

When Putin hears this he goes ballistic and asks the devil to explain why Keating got to call Australia for free.

The devil smirked"Since Rudd became Prime Minister of Australia, the country has gone to Hell, so it's only a local call...."

Husbands are husbands

A man was sitting reading his newspaper when his wife hit him round the head with a frying pan.

'What was that for?' the man asked.

His wife replied, 'That was for the piece of paper with the name Jenny on it that I found in your pants pocket'.

The man then said, 'When I was at the races last week Jenny was the name of the horse I bet on.'

His wife apologized and went on with the housework.

Three days later the man is watching TV when his wife bashes him on the head with an even bigger frying pan, knocking him unconscious.

Upon regaining consciousness the man asked why she had hit him again.

His wife replied, 'Your horse phoned.'

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

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