

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3726– 17th August 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.	3726
Date	17th August 2010
Venue	Wakefield Hotel and The Metropolitan Fire Brigade
Occasion	Visit to the MFS
Sergeant	Colin Schirmer
Apologies	Alex Jonson, Chandra Sluggett, Heather Kilsby, Lindsay England, Mavis Martin
Guests	Beverley Baker, Genese Mullins, Margaret Payne, Glenyss Steedman, Farida Mackrell and Linda Sellers
Anniversaries and Birthdays	Induction: Bob Mullins 11 th August, Geoff Howland 14 th August; Birthday: John Peacham 14 th August
Make Ups	Chandra Sluggett, Heather Kilsby, Lindsay England and Mavis Martin
Attendance	66%

President's Announcements

1. There is a Board meeting at my home this week on the Thursday the 19th 6 for 6.30pm. Please confirm attendance.
2. On 18th September the official opening of the Orphanage is going to take place from 11am until 1pm. We have been asked to cook a BBQ on that day. Further information will be forthcoming.
3. Saturday the 28th August RAWCS Annual Recognition Dinner at the Belair Country Club Cost is \$25 if paid by the 24th of August otherwise \$30. Speaker will be Dr Paul Anderson Director of Specialists without Borders.
4. On 1st October the Rotary Foundation Celebration dinner is on at the Allan Scott Park (Morphettville Racecourse). Past RI President Bill Boyd is the guest speaker.



President Joan

Spots: Reminders

Alex Jonson: Chandra Sluggett's brother and sister have donated approximately 4 tonnes of export quality dried currents and various other goods to send to Timor Lesté. They have also donated \$13,000 towards the cost of shipping the container with the balance to be donated to another project of their choosing. We have arranged with the Rotary Club of Dili in conjunction with DIK to transport the goods. The balance of the container is to be filled with school desks, chairs etc supplied by DIK required by the Rotary Club of Dili.

We are in urgent need of a microscope, low level English picture books, readers for primary students, exercise books, old or new pencils, coloured pencils, children's clothing, (all types including winter & all sizes but mainly small sizes) etc..

We urgently require assistance from Rotary members to help clean, sort, pack and dismantle the desks and chairs and any other goods available at DIK to pack in the container.

We require 10 volunteers each day for the following dates:

Saturday & Sunday 28th & 29th August to clean, sort & pack the goods and

Saturday & Sunday 4th & 5th September to load the container for shipping.

We are currently negotiating with DIK for more suitable times to avoid whole week ends.

Your assistance in this humanitarian project would be greatly appreciated.

Visit to the Metropolitan Fire Brigade

Following a meal at the Wakefield Hotel, members attended the MFB across the road. Stephen Baker introduced Robert Prime, Senior Planner for the Southern Metropolitan Fire District. He was born in Lyndoch but decided there was greater opportunity in the city. He was recruited into the fire service through the South Adelaide Football (where he was an above average footballer) in 1986 at the age of 19. His current job is to plan facilities, equipment and related activities in the expanding southern metro area. His qualifications include business administration and fire engineering.



Rotarians and guests dining at the Wakefield Hotel



Preparations in place for MFS firemen to be dressed in protective clothing and out the door in 1 1/2 minutes



Stephen Baker (L) and Robert Prime (R) with "Scotty" in his fire fighting kit, complete with breathing apparatus.

The Fire Brigade started in 1852 and the premises in Wakefield St were completed in 1985. These facilities are still ranked among the best in the country, and compare favourably with those overseas.

There are 4 shifts run each day out of the centre which has 7 fire units, including one with a 37 metre expandable ladder. There are a further 19 units in the metro area and 17 in the country. All brigade responses are predetermined. For example a fire in a high rise office/residential block in the city would initially command 3 appliances including the aerial (ladder). More call outs are for serious road accidents – the crash vehicle is specially equipped with winches and cutters. The clothing and breathing apparatus are designed to enable survival for 16-17 seconds in a flash over and for much longer in a slower burning fire. Ken Daly refused to volunteer to slide down the pole from the sleeping area to the trucks dispatch area.



Breathing apparatus is set-up ready in the fire truck to minimise the time needed to be ready to fight a fire



Chairman Stephen Baker thanked Robert Prime for an informative and interesting tour of the MFS HQ

Hazardous chemicals are receiving increasing attention in training, choice of equipment (particularly breathing apparatus) and retardants. Only 3% of the 1000+ fire fighting force are women but the number is slowly growing. The standard response time for a metro fire is 6 minutes. Recruiting is no longer age restrictive – greater attentions is paid to teamwork and physical capacity. The city station receives a call out most nights. Facilities visited included the trucks, the Hazmat section, the training area where smoke and darkness simulations are conducted, and the fitness/gym areas.

Robert Prime was thanked in the usual Rotary fashion!

Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue	Enquiries
August	Sunday	22/08/10	Rotary Health Concert	Adelaide Town Hall	Joan Reed
August	Sunday	29/08/10	Membership Workshop	Pulteney Grammar School Wyatt Hall 190 South Tce, Adelaide	Joan Reed
September	Saturday	18/9/10	BBQ	Opening of the Orphanage	Jerry Casburn
October	Thu 7 - Sun	10/10/10	District Conference	Bendigo	Joan Reed

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Venue Set-up/ Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
August Theme: Membership and Extension							
24/08/10	Tiffins on the Park	6. for 6.30pm	Robert Paterson: "Investing in Shares"	D Middleton	J Singh	C Schirmer	G Ferguson & R Mills
31/08/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Michelle Martin: "E-Waste"	H Kilsby	N Bowen	C Schirmer	G Ferguson & S Evans
07/09/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	David Cockshell: "Donations In Kind"	A Jonson	K Daly	C Schirmer	S Evans & J Newell
14/09/10	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Facebook and Twitter	G McLeod	D Mackrell	C Schirmer	J Newell & J Casburn

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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.

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: July 2010

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm (New Time)	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm (New Time)
3	21/08/10	John Peacham & Neesha Nandasena	Joan Reed & Bob Laws
4	28/07/10	Glenys Ferguson & Chandra Sluggett	David Mackrell & Sheila Evans
5	N/A	Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Natalie Bowen & Joan Reed
1	04/09/10	Lindsay England & David Middleton	Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth
2	11/09/10	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Janet Plumb & Wendy Andrews

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

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Embarrassing Situations!

A very shy guy goes into a bar and sees a beautiful woman sitting at the other end. After an hour of gathering up his courage he finally goes over to her and asks, tentatively, "Um, would you mind if I chatted with you for a while?" To which she responds by yelling, at the top of her lungs, "No, I won't sleep with you tonight!"

By now, the entire bar is staring at them. Naturally, the guy is hopelessly and completely embarrassed and he slinks back to his table. After a few minutes, the woman walks over to him and apologizes. She smiles at him and says, "I'm sorry if I embarrassed you. You see, I'm a graduate student in psychology and I'm studying how people respond to embarrassing situations." To which he responds, at the top of his lungs, "What do you mean \$200!"

Three Dead Bodies

Three dead bodies turn up at the mortuary, all with very big smiles on their faces. The coroner calls the police to tell them what has happened.

The Coroner tells the Inspector: 'First body: An Italian, 60, died of heart failure while with his mistress. Hence the enormous smile.'

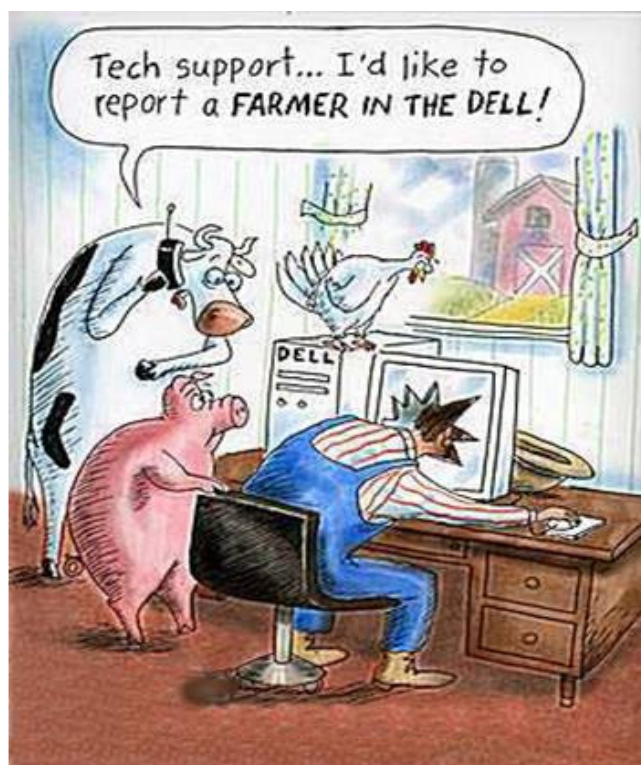
'Second body: Scotsman, 25, won a thousand pounds on the lottery, spent it all on whiskey, died of alcohol poisoning, hence the smile.'

The Inspector asked, 'What of the third body?'

'Ah,' says the coroner, 'This is the most unusual one. Danny O'Neil, Irish, 30, struck by lightning.'

'Why is he smiling then?' inquires the Inspector.

'Thought he was having his picture taken'.



Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

**BUILDING COMMUNITIES
BRIDGING CONTINENTS**