

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3754 – 16th March 2011

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

DISTRICT 9520
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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

March is Literacy month

Meeting No.	3754
Date	16 th March 2011
Occasion	Annual Bowls Challenge vs. Rotary Club of Mitcham
Venue	Sturt Bowling Club
Apologies	Sheila Evans, Jim Newall and David Mackrell
Guests	Richard Taylor, Jenn Casburn, and Michael Blackeby
Anniversaries & Birthdays	Reno Elms Birthday 16/3, Anne Wehr Birthday 17/3
Attendance	56%

President's Announcements

1. Next Wednesday is our Debate against Hyde Park. Please come and support our team. 6 for 6.30 at Tiffins.
2. Due to the Come out BBQ next week the Board meeting has been postponed until April.
3. Prior to next week's meeting there will be a meeting to finalise plans for the BBQ at the weekend. This will start a 5pm, any member is welcome.



President Joan

Spots

Bob Laws: Culling is this weekend at the Thrift Shop from 1.30pm. Remember, many hands make light work

Wendy Andrews: BBQ this Friday at Aldridge Court.

Sheila Evans: The Come Out BBQ still requires volunteers. Please check your diaries and contact Sheila with you availability.

Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue	Enquiries
March	Friday	18/03/11	Aldridge Court BBQ	109 Young Street, Parkside	Wendy Andrews
	Sat /Sun	26-27/03/11	Come Out Festival BBQ	Elder Park	Sheila Evans
May	Sunday	1/5/11	Senior Citizens Concert	Citizens Centre Unley	Wendy Andrews

Sergeant's Session

There was no Sergeant's session.

Annual Bowls Challenge

WE WON! Thank you to all members who put their best Bowl forward and to those who came and supported the event. It was a great night and Mitcham President Bob Gehling was gracious in defeat. For the record, the margin was 36 to 28 - our last victory was 2006. The dream team of Lindsay England, Anne Wehr, Geoff Hill and Jenn Casburn will all be awarded distinguished service awards from HM. A great night with both clubs enjoying the atmosphere. On the next page are some photos from the bowls night.



Rotary News

ROTARY DISTRICT 9520

AFL Tipping Competition

Rotarians in District 9520 are invited to participate in an on-line Footy Tipping competition to determine the best-of-the-best in this major field of endeavour (and for the added benefit of a little inter-club rivalry). You have the opportunity to put your footy tipping skills to the test; not to mention have some fun, win fantastic prizes and contribute to a worthwhile cause.

Entry for the 2011 footy tipping competition is only \$20, which includes a \$10 donation to The Rotary Foundation, with all remaining money used for prizes.

How it works:

- It's open to club members, family, friends, alumni, pets (anyone really);
- The Entry Fee is only \$20 (comprising \$10 for the prize pool and a \$10 donation to The Rotary Foundation);
- There will be weekly cash and give-away prizes plus bragging rights through the season;
- Major end-of-season prizes will be determined once the number of participants is known;
- The competition will be run as part of the www.footytips.com.au on-line competition so it's super-simple;
- Anyone with internet access can tip and check their standing (which also makes it too easy for the Club Sergeant to also pick up Fines).

The 2011 AFL footy season is just around the corner so now is the time to sign up. All you need to do is confirm you or your club have an interest in Footy (ASAP). Then send an email to d9520.rotary.footy@gmail.com nominating you or your Club's contact person. Sign-up details and other reminders will be provided. Don't miss your chance to be part of the fun of Footy Tipping 2011. Round 1 commences on **Thursday 24 March 2011** so **ACT NOW** if you are passionate about your footy and/or passionate about supporting The Rotary Foundation.

For further information contact Lindsay Davis (Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise) or email d9520.rotary.footy@gmail.com

Donations In Kind - Help Needed

District Governor's March 2011 Newsletter

Over the past two years there has been an enormous effort at the warehouse facility to sort out the goods, remove surplus/damaged materials and generally get much better management of the facility and protocols. Ongoing support from clubs, individuals and districts is needed to maintain/enhance what can be done to help needy communities overseas as well as locally through this program.

It is proposed that on Saturday 9th of April there will be a joint District working bee at the DIK warehouse facility at Edinburgh. This will be sponsored by DG Malcolm and DG Ed who will provide a BBQ lunch. It would be great if we could get 200 willing workers to really make an impression at the site.

If you want to find out more about this endeavour, please contact Dave Cockshell Ph: 08-845226784 (H) Mob: 60401995996



Rotaractors make a splash for Australian charity

Rotary International News – 8 March 2011

By swimming thousands of kilometres in their annual Splash for Cash swim-a-thons, Rotaractors in Australia have helped raise more than US\$557,300 to aid children with severe sensory impairments.

Started in 1984 as a joint venture between Rotaract clubs in District 9680 and the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children, Splash for Cash has become one of Australia's longest-running fundraising events.

In its first year, 40 swimmers raised nearly \$10,000 for the institute. Since then, the event has attracted more than 200 participants each year. During the 28th annual Splash in April, the Rotaractors aim to raise \$100,000.

Swimmers and teams receive sponsorships for the number of laps they complete during the event, held at the Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Center. All funds raised from the sponsors go directly to the institute's Teleschool, which provides educational programs to children with hearing or visual impairments in remote areas of Australia.

"My club is always very supportive of each other's passions. What began as an event to participate in soon became an annual event to challenge each other to raise as much money as we can," says Krissie Bredin, past president of the Rotaract Club of Crosslands. The institute "is now easily the organization that has benefited the most from the work of our club."

In 2010, Bredin swam 342 laps for the cause. To top the ante this year, she will be swimming with blacked-out goggles to call attention to the challenges that blind children face daily. Bredin says Splash for Cash was a major reason she joined Rotaract in 2006. The popularity of the event has helped her club's membership quadruple since 2008 and strengthened its reputation within the community.

"If you told me five years ago that I would raise tens of thousands of dollars for my favorite charities [through Rotaract projects], I wouldn't have believed it," says Bredin. "With the support of my fellow Rotaractors, we will keep taking the world by storm."

Evan Burrell, district Rotaract representative, says delegates from the district will attend the 2011 RI Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, to promote Splash for Cash and encourage other districts to adapt it for their own use.

Like the young Australians, Rotaractors worldwide are involved in their communities. Each year, World Rotaract Week honors the chartering of the first Rotaract club in 1968. Rotaractors this year can decide the best way for their club to celebrate the program by completing one, two, or an entire week's worth of activities 7-13 March. Here are other examples of projects sponsored by Rotaract clubs:

- Rotaractors in Chennai, India, raised \$8,800 to help construct a home for children with HIV/AIDS.
- Rotaract clubs in Hong Kong held a walkathon to raise \$10,000 for a local food bank while generating awareness of hunger in the community.
- Rotaractors in Tokyo raised \$3,000 and traveled to Nepal to help local Rotaractors construct a well for a rural village.

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
Wednesday 23/03/11	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Annual Debating Competition vs Rotary Club of Hyde Park	D Middleton	J Russell	N/A	R Mills & R Mullins
29/03/11	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Dannielle Ghezzi: "Indigenous Health Scholarship"	J Russell	J Singh	C Schirmer	R Mullins & J Newall
05/04/11	Adelaide Crows Shed West Lakes	6 for 6.30pm	Visit to the Adelaide Crows Shed; Partners Event	TBA	N/A	N/A	J Newall & P O'Neil
12/04/11	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Lynette Miller: "Lighten up ... Laugh and Live"	H Kilsby	R Singh	C Schirmer	P O'Neil & D Payne

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: Bulletin Editor

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Members rostered on Venue Set-up and Plaque Board should see Tiffins on the Park staff when access to the club's meeting paraphernalia is required. Please remember to gather up all items at the end of the meeting and return them to the storeroom.

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: March-April 2011

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	19/03/11	Glenys Ferguson & Jerry Casburn	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	26/03/11	John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett	David Mackrell & Sheila Evans
5	N/A	Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Natalie Bowen & Joan Reed
1	02/04/11	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Mavis Martin & Stephen Westgarth
2	09/04/11	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Wendy Andrews & 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

The Back Page

Lots of Signs of the Times

In a Podiatrist's office:

"Time wounds all heels."

On a Plumber's truck:

"We repair what your husband fixed."

On another Plumber's truck:

"Don't sleep with a drip. Call your plumber."

On a Church's Notice Board:

"7 days without God makes one weak."

At a Tyre Store

"Invite us to your next blowout."

On an Electrician's truck:

"Let us remove your shorts."

In a Vet's waiting room:

"Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"

On a Maternity Room door:

"Push. Push. Push."

At an Optometrist's Office:

"If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."

On a Taxidermist's window:

"We really know our stuff."

On a Fence:

"Salesmen welcome! Dog food is expensive!"

At a Car Dealership:

"The best way to get back on your feet - miss a car payment."

Outside a Car Exhaust Store:

"No appointment necessary. We hear you coming."

In a Restaurant window:

"Don't stand there and be hungry; come on in and get fed up."

In the front yard of a Funeral Home:

"Drive carefully. We'll wait."

At a Radiator Shop:

"Best place in town to take a leak."

On the back of a Septic Tank Truck:

"Caution - This Truck is full of Political Promises"

In a Non-smoking Area:

"If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action."

How the world works lately...

If a chef cuts his finger off while slicing salami at work, he blames the restaurant.

If you smoke three packs a day for 40 years and die of lung cancer, your family blames the tobacco company.

If your neighbour crashes into a tree while driving home drunk, he blames the bartender.

If your grandchildren are brats without manners, you blame television.

If your friend is shot by a deranged madman, you blame the gun manufacturer.

And if a crazed person breaks into the cockpit and tries to kill the pilot at 35,000 feet, and the passengers kill him instead, the mother of the crazed deceased blames the airline.

I must have lived too long to understand the world as it is anymore.

So, if I die while my old wrinkled backside is parked in front of this computer, I want all of you to **blame Bill Gates!**

Mother's Drivers Licence

A mother is driving her little girl to her friend's house for a play date.

'Mummy,' the little girl asks, 'how old are you?'

'Honey, you are not supposed to ask a lady her age,' the mother replied. 'It's not polite.'

'OK,' the little girl says, 'How much do you weigh?'

'Now really,' the mother says, 'those are personal questions and are really none of your business.'

Undaunted, the little girl asks, 'Why did you and Daddy get a divorce?'

'That's enough questions, young lady! Honestly!'

The exasperated mother walks away as the two friends begin to play.

'My Mum won't tell me anything about her,' the little girl says to her friend.

'Well,' says the friend, 'all you need to do is look at her driver's licence. It's like a report card, it has everything on it.'

Later that night the little girl says to her mother, 'I know how old you are. You are 32.'

The mother is surprised and asks, 'How did you find that out?'

'I also know that you weigh 70 kilos.'

The mother is past surprised and shocked now. 'How in Heaven's name did you find that out?'

'And,' the little girl says triumphantly, 'I know why you and Daddy got a divorce.'

'Oh really?' the mother asks, 'Why?'

'Because you got an **F** for Sex.'



Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

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