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Meeting 3788 – 15 November 2011

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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.	3788
Date	15 November 2011
Guest Speakers	Oleh Bilyk - ROMAC
Venue	Tiffins on the Park
Apologies	Bob Laws, Reno Elms, Janet Singh, Chandra Sluggett, Anne Wehr
Guests	Briony Lyon
Returning Rotarians	
Anniversaries	Birthdays: Chandra Sluggett (15 th), Bob Laws (19 th - 70). Weddings: Bob Mullins (18 th – the big 50), John Russell (17 th - 49er)

President's Announcements

1. President Sheila opened meeting 3788, and welcomed Oleh Bilyk and Briony Lyon.
2. She congratulated Bob Mullins who, in three days' time, will celebrate his 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Bob and Genese.
3. The Calperum visit over the previous weekend was a great success.
4. The Annual Christmas Joint Breakfast with Eastwood and Hyde Park clubs is to be on December 21 at Flinders Lodge Motel – proceeds to Cancer Council SA
5. The AGM will now be held on January 24.



President Sheila



Congratulations Bob and Genese Mullins

Guest Speaker – Oleh Bilyk 'ROMAC'

Oleh Bilyk, a member of the Rotary Club of Brownhill Creek, is the current Chair of ROMAC for the Central Region, covering Rotary districts in SA, NSW and VIC. He has been involved in a lot of committees in the past, both inside and outside of Rotary. He even engaged in the work of the Devil on two occasions as a member of Stephen Baker's Campaign Committee. None of the previous involvements have given Oleh a greater thrill than his current role with ROMAC.

ROMAC is one of Rotary's more obscure acronyms standing for **R**otary **O**ceania **M**edical **A**id for **C**hildren. In the developed countries of Oceania, Australia and New Zealand, many children's problems are diagnosed and dealt with very early. This is not the case in all of the other countries and children present to doctors with terrible medical problems. Many of the doctors are familiar with the work of ROMAC and refer the cases on.

Individual cases are assessed by ROMAC to firstly determine whether the case can be dealt with locally. If not, they then assess the medical situation and make decisions up to a total cost of \$59,000. It wasn't clear what happened when this amount is exceeded.

Oleh provided many anecdotes of cases he had personally been involved with. He mentioned the assistance provided by other organisations such as Anglicare. The various ethnic communities in Australia for the home countries of the patients were also strongly engaged. He made special note of the doctors who undertake the treatments at no charge.



Oleh and David looking chuffed but tie crooked

ROMAC spends around \$3 million each year and the funding primarily comes from Rotary Clubs throughout Australia but also from private donors. Rotary clubs also assist by hosting of patients and a supporting parent for the period of the treatment. This can vary from a few days to several weeks.

With the assistance of the other organisations, the doctors and Rotary Clubs, ROMAC is able to assist 40 to 50 children every year.

Oleh advised that the Unley Club could assist by providing finance and also by being prepared to offer hosting if required. By doing so the club would be involved in an activity that is satisfying and rewarding. The children who benefit are given a future and a chance for a fulfilling life that would not otherwise have been available.

Spots -

Wendy Andrews blew her full year 'spot allocation' by asking for volunteers to deliver the Carols at the Rotunda Competition fliers to various schools – plus a judge for the entries; asking for hamper delivery suggestions to needy families in Unley, asking for help with Shoes for Souls; informing the club that the Rotary Club of Norwood had provided by bank transfer \$1953 being half of the proceeds from the recent Dance Party and thanked members for their participation on the nightstill owes the bulletin editor his bottle of wine.

Stephen Baker informed members he would be collecting money for the Christmas Dinner next Tuesday.

Lindsay England told everyone that it was that time of the month again – for thrift shop culling on Saturday.

David Middleton reminded all that the Carols in the Rotunda is only 4 weeks away and asked for transport assistance- there is a need for a trailer/ute for carting chairs etc.

Jerry Casburn informed members of the rewarding time at Calperum and provided flora and fauna pictures of dubious quality.

Sergeant's Session

Alex Jonson who simply never learnt how to write clearly was the winner of the infernal squares.

Sergeant Jerry Casburn asked a number of obscure questions about Calperum and fined everyone who did not attend.....tis a bit rich JC requiring a member to specify the area of Calperum down to the last hectare.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm with President Sheila again extolling the virtues of Bob Mullins' half century of service.

Rotary News

Rotary, UN celebrate special relationship

By Ryan Hyland - International News – 9 November 2011

More than 1000 Rotarians, UN officials, Rotary youth program recipients and guests celebrated the relationship between Rotary and the United Nations on 5 November.

Rotary-UN Day, held annually at United Nations headquarters in New York City, included panels on health, water, and literacy, highlighting Rotarian projects that advance the goals of the UN and improve lives around the world.

Kiyo Akasaka, UN undersecretary-general for communications and public information, commended Rotary for its ongoing collaboration with the United Nations to improve the health of children worldwide, and for its contribution to polio eradication.

"Our shared vision for a safer and better world is what brings us together here today," Akasaka said. "It's your model of Service Above Self and your sterling results in improving health that makes Rotary one of the most important partners of the UN."

Peace and justice

Both organizations are striving to create a more peaceful and just world, noted RI President-elect Sakuji Tanaka.

"If you were to seek the one idea, the one goal that is at the core of Rotary, you would find the same goal that you find in the charter of the UN: to practice tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbors," Tanaka said.

Timothy E. Wirth, president of the United Nations Foundation and Better World Fund, stressed the importance of partnerships.

"Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon recognizes that every problem the UN faces cannot be [solved] by the UN alone," he said, adding that Rotary's "understanding and commitment to partnerships will make so many of these goals we share possible."

Partnerships

Rotary is committed to partnering with organizations like the UN, said John Hewko, RI general secretary.

"Rotary is learning by experience that it can accomplish more in concert with others than it might on its own. Working together multiplies our success: one plus one equals three," Hewko said. "This new formula provides a unique opportunity to enhance humanitarian service, which is what Rotary is all about. It helps build understanding and peace -- the mission of Rotary and the UN."

Zulfiqar A. Bhutta, head of the Division of Women and Child Health at Aga Khan University, discussed the strategic partnership between the university and Rotary, and the challenges of promoting maternal and child health in developing countries in Africa and parts of Asia.

More than 300,000 women die each year from complications related to pregnancy and childbirth, Bhutta said. "Our biggest challenge is reaching these poor women, families, and infants to give them adequate health care."

"I believe we are at the beginning of the journey with Rotary International to improve child and maternal health in the hardest-to-reach places in Central and South Asia and Africa," he added.

Other panelists during Rotary-UN Day included Jacob Kumaresan, executive director of the World Health Organization, New York; Paul Edwards, senior adviser for UNICEF on water, sanitation, and hygiene; Ginny Wolfe, senior director of U.S. communications for the



UNESCO representatives during Rotary-UN Day, 5 November in New York City.

ONE Campaign; Philippe Kridelka, director of UNESCO, New York; and Ron Denham, chair of the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group.

Rotary, which has a 66-year history with the UN, holds the highest consultative status offered to any nongovernmental organization by the Economic and Social Council, which oversees many UN agencies.

The Voice of Rotary

Broadcast on 1197 AM RPH Adelaide each Tuesday 7.30-8.00 am

From each Wednesday the broadcast program can be heard on-line at www.rphadelaide.org.au

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November - December Program

22/11/11	Rtn John Osborne (Stirling)	Rotary and vocational service
29/11/11	Rtn Ian Parsons (Noarlunga East)	Rotary and disaster recovery
6/12/11	AG David Lloyd (Morialta)	RC Morialta and its projects
13/12/11	Rtn Stephen Yarwood (Adelaide)	The role of Rotary clubs in the community
20/12/11	Rtn Robert Cesana (Hyde Park)	Project volunteers
27/12/11	Rtn Lynton Nicholas (Campbelltown)	Rotary youth wellbeing

Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
April 2012	26 th – 29 th	April 2012	District Conference	Mildura
May 2012	6 th – 9 th	May 2012	International Convention	Bangkok

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
22/11/11	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	David Wratt - Maharishi Invincibility Transcendental Meditation	J Reed	A Wehr	J Casburn	K Daly R Elms
29/11/11	Stamps Restaurant	6.30 for 7pm	Christmas Dinner with Partners 12A Welbourne St., Mitcham \$60pp	Scribe D Mackrell	W Andrews	J Casburn	R Elms L England
6/12/11	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	RYLA presentations and gift giving	M Martin	K Daly	J Casburn	L England G Ferguson
13/12/11	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Ray McGhee Surviving the Media and Communications Revolution	R Singh	R Elms	J Casburn	G Ferguson G Hill

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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: November - December 2011

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	19/11/11	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Mavis Martin (replacing Nathan White)
4	26/11/11	John Peacham & Stephen Baker (replacing Chandra Sluggett)	David Mackrell & Sheila Evans
5	N/A	Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Joan Reed a winner of squares
1	03/12/11	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	10/12/11	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin

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

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The Back Page

Grandfathers know everything!

Hunter was 8 years old and was staying with his grandfather for a few days. He'd been playing outside with the other kids, when he came into the house and asked, 'Grandpa, what's that called when two people sleep in the same bedroom and one is on top of the other?'

He was a little taken aback, but he decided to tell him the truth. 'Well, Hunter, it's called sexual intercourse.' 'Oh,' Little Hunter said, 'OK,' and went back outside to play with the other kids.

A few minutes later he came back in and said angrily, 'Grandpa, it isn't called sexual intercourse. It's called Bunk Beds, and Jimmy's mom wants to talk to you.'

The power of a dead frog

A little boy about 12 years old is walking down the street dragging a flattened frog on a string behind him. He came up to the doorstep of 'a house of ill repute' and knocked on the door.

When the Madam answered it, she saw the little boy and asked what he wanted.

He said, 'I want to have sex with one of the women inside. I have the money to buy it, and I'm not leaving until I get it.'

The Madam figured, why not, so she told him to come in. Once in, she told him to pick any of the girls he liked.

He asked, 'Do any of the girls have any diseases?' Of course the Madam said 'No'.

The boy said, 'I heard all the men talking about having to get shots after making love with Amber - THAT'S the girl I want.'

Since the little boy was so adamant and had the money to pay for it, the Madam told him to go to the first room on the right.

He headed down the hall dragging the squashed frog behind him. Ten minutes later he came back, still dragging the frog, paid the Madam, and headed out the door.

The Madam stopped him and asked, 'Why did you pick the only girl in the place with a disease, instead of one of the others?'

He said, 'Well, if you must know, tonight when I get home, my parents are going out to a restaurant to eat, leaving me at home with a baby-sitter. After they leave, my baby-sitter will have sex with me because she just happens to be very fond of cute little boys. She will then get the disease that I just caught. When Mum and Dad get back, Dad will take the baby-sitter home. On the way, he'll give her one in the car and he'll catch the disease.'

Then when Dad gets home from the baby-sitter's, he and Mum will go to bed and have sex, and Mum will catch it.

In the morning when Dad goes to work, the Milkman will deliver the milk, have a quickie with Mum and catch the disease, and HE'S the prick who ran over my FROG!

Decided I should really start taking this drink driving seriously so I drove the car to the pub had quite a few beers and a couple of shooters then left the car in the car park. I decided to take the bus home.

Rather impressed with myself - first time I've driven a bus!

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity