

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

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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

Meeting No.	3797
Date	31 January 2012
Venue	Tiffins on the Park
Guest Speaker	Phil Stone – Sturt Football Club
Chairperson	Stephen Baker
Guests	None
Apologies	Jerry Casburn, Lindsay England, David Payne, Joan Reed
Returning Rotarians	Anne Wehr, Stephen Baker
Anniversaries	A sterile period back nine months and a year

President's Announcements

1. The next Board Meeting will be held on 23 February at Sheila's home.
2. There will be a Combined Group 6 TRF Meeting at Belair Park Country Club, March 13.
3. The Australia Day citizenship ceremony at Unley Council Chambers went very smoothly – participating Unley Rotary members were thanked.
4. Sheila and Alex Jonson met over coffee with the Tony Alvaro from the Rotary Club of Dili. He expressed great appreciation for all the donations made by the club and DIK. He identified children's clothing and computers as areas of greatest need for the chronically poor.
5. *The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)* was again promoted; Dates: 14/4, 12/5, 2/6.
6. ROTARY INTERNATIONAL, DISTRICT 9520 CONFERENCE - MILDURA, VICTORIA 26TH – 29TH APRIL, 2012 - the need to book early was again emphasised.
7. Flinders University mentoring is about to recommence – volunteers should contact Jerry Casburn
8. The Science Experience Committee (District) is looking for new committee members to promote the sciences
9. Pres. Sheila needs an Unley Rotary banner....she may have to employ an iron on the few crinkled remains.



President Sheila

Spots

Mavis Martin on behalf of Lindsay England exhorted members to participate in the Thrift Shop cull this coming Saturday at 1pm. The quiz challenge with the Aireborough Club of Yorkshire was getting closer to finalisation – the club is holding its quiz session tonight.

Stephen Westgarth noted that member Neesha Nandasena had been made an Australian citizen at the Unley ceremony on January 26.

Sergeant's Session

Acting Sergeant, desk attendant and general factotum Greg McLeod told some rotten jokes and fined those vaguely (very vaguely) associated with news-making in the last week.

President Sheila won the diabolical squares.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm



New Aussie Neesha Nandasena with Australia Day Ambassador Jane Reilly.

Guest Speaker – Phil Stone from Sturt Football Club

Chairman Stephen Baker introduced Philip Stone. Phil was born in Mitcham and attended CBC. He joined the Wales Bank (now Westpac) on leaving school. In 1988 he established his own company *SA Database Management* specialising in membership subscription systems.

From 1994 to the present he has run *One to One Marketing Communications Pty Ltd*, specialising in database marketing and customer loyalty programs. He has been a lifetime Sturt supporter and joined the Board of Directors of the Sturt Football Club in 1998 where he held the position of marketing and fundraising until 2010 when he retired from the Board. He was awarded Life Membership of the Club and currently acts as a consultant to SFC on membership. He is a widower with a son and a daughter and 2 grandchildren.

Phil provided a 'potted' history of the Club which was formed in 1898 and started playing in 1901 with the inspirational effort of Arthur Churchill Thomas who wanted his Sturt cricketers to keep fit during the winter. The Sturt uniform of double blue is drawn from Oxford and Cambridge.....the roads where the oval is situated. 63% of Sturt supporters come from outside the local area including a wonderful lady of 98 who travels to the oval each week by bus. Taffy Wade is regarded as the first great footballer of the club. Sturt has won 13 premierships – 1915, 1919, 1926, 1932, 1940, 1966-1970, 1974, 1976, and 2002 and there have been 16 Magarey Medalists. The likes of Victor Yorke Richardson, Len Fitzgerald, Beau Morton are the legends of the club; Jack Oatey was incomparable as a coach and widely regarded as the creator of modern day football; the 1960s team was perhaps the most skilful in the history of the SANFL.

Phil provided an insight of the darkest days in the history of the club when it came close to extinction during the early 1990s. Sturt has made a dramatic comeback including a premiership in 2002 but the challenges remain. Financing and poor training facilities remain a huge challenge. Phil is however happy with the strengthening relationship with Unley City Council. Three members, namely Wendy Andrews, Stephen Westgarth and Nathan White.....all highly intelligent..... were rewarded with home match tickets for correctly answering Phil's questions.

The club thanked Phil Stone in the normal fashion.



Phil and Stephen trumpeting the Blues.

Rotary leaders are ready to build 'Peace Through Service' after International Assembly

Rotary International News -- 24 January 2012

Incoming district governors left the 2012 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA, equipped with new skills and ideas to develop stronger districts and clubs in 2012-13.

RI President-elect Sakuji Tanaka began the weeklong training event by asking the 530 governors-elect to build *Peace Through Service*.

"Peace, in all of the ways that we can understand it, is a real goal and a realistic goal for Rotary," Tanaka said. "Peace is not something that can only be achieved through agreements, by governments, or through heroic struggles. It is something that we can find and that we can achieve, every day and in many simple ways."

Brian Beesley, governor-elect of District 9650 (Australia), said the theme is relevant to Rotarians of all ages and ethnicities, and that he'll apply it to help attract younger members. Later in the week, Rotary Foundation Trustee John F. Germ told attendees that Rotary's Challenge had reached the US\$200 million milestone. Jeff Raikes, chief executive officer of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, announced an additional \$50 million grant from the Gates Foundation, which is not a challenge grant, to extend the partnership.

"My biggest worry is that we aren't moving urgently enough to close that final 1 percent gap. We simply have to finish the job," Raikes said. "Rotary is a critical part of making that happen." Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair William B. Boyd discussed Rotary's progress on the Future Vision pilot, explaining that the new grant model will re-energize clubs by helping them focus on symptoms, not causes, and seek out projects with long-term benefits.

"We are here to serve, and each one of us is a Rotarian because we know that our lives are measured by what we do for others and not by what we do for ourselves," he said. Rotary Public Image Coordinator Jennifer E. Jones also addressed the district governors-elect, emphasizing the importance of telling Rotary's story in a compelling way.

"Your job this year is to motivate and inspire your fellow Rotarians, and it is through the power of your words that you can inspire someone to greatness," she explained. "Speaking at clubs is key," said Jones, who noted that effective presentations focus on the human story and make an emotional connection with the audience. RI General Secretary John Hewko also spelled out five priorities for strengthening Rotary and putting it on the best footing for its second century.

"Rotary is an organization with an incredible history and there is no question that its best years are yet to come," Hewko said. "These five priorities, as well as many others, will strengthen our great organization and have a significant, positive impact down to the level of the club and individual Rotarian." Throughout the week, incoming district governors also participated in training sessions designed to give them the tools they need to create a stronger Rotary.

RI President Kalyan Banerjee provided attendees with his own tips for building stronger clubs, including serving as role models and leading as equals. He explained that leadership in Rotary means giving support -- not giving orders.

"To really succeed, you have to look past yourself, past your year, and into the long term, at the health of your community and our organization," Banerjee concluded. At the closing banquet, he encouraged district governors-elect to approach their year with peace in mind.

"All of you are leaving here as every district-governor elect should: determined to make your year in Rotary office the best year yet," Banerjee said. "You are leaving here as well with a great and noble goal: making 2012-13 a year of *Peace Through Service*."



RI President-elect Sakuji Tanaka leads the flag procession during the opening plenary session of the 2012 International Assembly on 16 January in San Diego, California, USA.

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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February Program

07/02/12	Kristina Millar (NYSF)	Experience with National Youth Science Forum
14/02/12	PP Lindsay Cheers (formerly Solomon Is.)	Rotary in the South West Pacific
21/02/12	Rtn Anthea Walker (Salisbury)	The Rotahomes Project , Fiji
28/02/12	Pres Mike Stevens (Playford)	Playford and its projects



Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
February	Sunday	26 th	District Team Training Seminar (see Jerry Casburn)	Unley Civic Centre
	Sunday	26 th	TRF Movie: "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel"	Piccadilly Cinema
March	Friday	2 nd	Mildura Longest Lunch (RC Mildura Deakin)	Mildura Grand Hotel
	Sunday	18 th	Presidents Elect Training Seminar (Metro)	Flinders University
April	Thu-Sun	26 th – 29 th	District Conference	Mildura
May	Thu-Sun	6 th – 9 th	International Convention	Bangkok
	Sunday	20 th	District Assembly	Unity College, Murray Bridge

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
7/2/12	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Darren Birbeck – 'Elderly Citizens Homes'	N White	J Peacham	J Casburn	D Middleton R Mills
14/2/12	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Dr Nhiem Lu - 'Roving Lifestyles'	J Reed	R Elms	J Casburn	R Mills R Mullins
21/2/12	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Jane Lister - 'Red Cross Blood Service'	R Singh	L England	J Casburn	R Mullins J Newall
28/2/12	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Club Consultations	Scribe: S Baker	G Ferguson	J Casburn	J Newall P O'Neil

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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: February 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	4/2/12	Joan Reed (for David Middleton) & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	11/2/12	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	18/2/12	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	28/1/12	John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett	TBA & Sheila Evans
5		Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Joan Reed & the RAH cavalry

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

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Another true fishing story



A guy is 72 years old and loves to fish.....as everyone does.

He was sitting in his boat the other day when he heard a voice say, 'Pick me up.'

He looked around and couldn't see anyone.

He thought he was dreaming when he heard the voice say again, 'Pick me up.'

He looked in the water and there, floating on the top, was a frog.

The man said, 'Are you talking to me?'

The frog said, 'Yes, I'm talking to you.' Pick me up then, kiss me and I'll turn into the most beautiful woman you have ever seen.

I'll make sure that all your friends are envious and jealous because I will be your bride!'

The man looked at the frog for a short time, reached over, picked it up carefully, and placed it in his front pocket.

The frog said, 'What, are you crazy? Didn't you hear what I said? I said kiss me and I will be your beautiful bride.'

He opened his pocket, looked at the frog and said, 'Nah, at my age I'd rather have a talking frog.'

With age comes wisdom.

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity