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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.	3801
Date	28 February 2012
Venue	Tiffins on the Park
Guest Speaker	Club Consultations
Chairperson	Sheila Evans
Apologies	Jerry Casburn, Reno Elms, Briony Lyon, Bob Mills, Anne Wehr
Anniversaries	Greg McLeod – Induction (28/2/84)

President's Announcements

1. There will be a Combined Group 6 TRF Meeting at Belair Park Country Club, March 13.
2. The Rotary Club of Mitcham is celebrating its 50th Anniversary on 23 March.
3. *The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)* was again promoted (see diary dates).
4. ROTARY INTERNATIONAL, DISTRICT 9520 CONFERENCE - MILDURA, VICTORIA 26TH – 29TH APRIL, 2012 - early bird registration closes end February.
5. The volunteers who assisted on the day at District Training Day last Sunday at Unley City Council Chambers were thanked...and a profit was made
6. The 'Voyage Down the Murray' is a Rotary fundraiser to assist mental health.



President Sheila

Spots

Joan Reed thanked Mavis, Wendy, Sheila, Pauline and Ken Daly, and daughter Catherine for their help with the catering for the District Training Day.

Stephen Baker extolled the virtue of participating in the annual bowls grudge match against Mitcham Rotary on March 14 (some members actually thought that their weekly bowls was more important) and had Sheila and David Middleton volunteer with himself (plus Wendy as first reserve) for the debate against Hyde Park Rotary on March 28 – topic "That men are more complicated than women"Unley will debate the negative.

Mavis Martin circulated a copy of the Ned Kelly certificate to be presented to the Rotary Club of Aireborough for winning the inaugural international quiz (see later pictures of this mob).

Stephen Westgarth asked members to provide updates of their details for inclusion in the members' directory.

Greg McLeod announced that the Board had asked him to update the Club inventory.....members to provide details of club assets.

Club Consultations

President Sheila opened the club consultations by emphasizing that her two main goals are to build membership and maintain our worthwhile projects. Other matters raised and debated included the following:

- Regular presentation of the Club's finances – consideration is to be given to putting audited financial statements on our website.
- The Club Service Committee should be convened regularly, as distinct from the Chair checking progress of the various contributors – it may be useful to have committees meet during eg club consultations or if that is impractical due to cross membership, after the weekly meeting.
- The Secretary should report on the outcome of Board meetings.

- Chandra Sluggett reported that there is \$46,000 held in trust (donated by family members) which is available for worthwhile overseas projects. A *Night School Project in India* has been identified. This a three year program supported by the UN which will educate about 250 children. Chandra intends to combine with organizations such as OXFAM and SCHOOL AID and local organizations to maximize the connections and benefits.
- The District Grant Program is to be simplified in 18 months.
- Wendy reported that \$6455 had been received in donations etc. for the Carer's Camp on Hindmarsh Island.
- There was a perceived need to have a debriefing on the Carols in the Rotunda event, including a review of the schools' competition, to see further improvements.
- Stephen Westgarth outlined a number of changes which he will be introducing later this year: Board structure to change to include service chairs; greater responsibility for chairs to manage their projects; membership to be given high priority; better planning of projects and events. There was some dissention about the proposed Board structure as it may reduce focus on key issues such as membership.
- Stephen W also reported that the Board at its meeting last week had approved the Club's participation in *Roving Lifestyles* and work has started on the introduction of *Friends of the Rotary Club of Unley (FOR)*.
- Due to an unfortunate incident at Tiffins, it was agreed that urgent attention had to be paid to finding an alternate venue should our club be required to leave....Colin, Alex, Bob Mullins and Stephen B to follow up
- John Russell questioned whether the Club should continue to toast the Queen.



Stephen has seen the light

Sergeant's Session

For fear of being severely fined, as he was again this week, the editor must report that A/g Sergeant Greg McLeod told some wonderful jokes.....mmmm.....well sort of! He tried to hide his preoccupation with blondes to say that his derogatory jokes could equally apply to redheads. Watch out, next week it will be brunettes! Chandra was trying to claim victory for Sri Lanka against India in the one day match and cross-fine members accordingly but.....it was a tad premature. John Peacham won the infernal squares.

The meeting closed at 8.23pm

World Champions



Take a good look – this is the mob (Rotary Club of Aireborough) which beat us in the quiz. Remember them well!



Alo Alo – checking the answers!

Rotary News

Anti-poverty crusader Hugh Evans to join Rotarians in Bangkok

Stephen Yafa - The Rotarian -- March 2012

Hugh Evans regularly delivers the Global Poverty Project's "1.4 Billion Reasons" presentation. Evans will be a keynote speaker at the 2012 RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, 6-9 May.

By the age of 12, Hugh Evans had figured out what his life's work would be: ending global poverty.

Two years later, seeking an experience that would help him empathize with the 1.4 billion people who live on US\$1.25 or less a day, he participated in a World Vision trip to the Philippines, financed in part by Rotarians in his hometown of Baldwin, Australia. He shared a tent in Manila with a family living in a slum built on a garbage dump.

Now 28, Evans oversees a team of activists around the world as CEO of the Global Poverty Project. He was named Young Australian of the Year in 2004, and two years later engineered a campaign that brought Bono to Melbourne to perform in a concert to raise awareness about poverty.

The publicity surrounding that event led to a commitment by the Australian government to increase its foreign aid budget, resulting in an additional A\$4.3 billion annually for the world's poorest. This past October, a day after the Global Poverty Project staged a concert in Perth as part of its End of Polio campaign, Australia committed A\$50 million to the polio eradication effort.



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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March Program

6/3/12	Rtn Peter Fowler (Burnside)	Rotary in the Northern Territory
13/3/12	Rtn Darrol Magor (Mt Barker)	The Health of the River
20/3/12	PDG Arthur Manser (St Peters)	The Fellowship of Cricketing Rotarians
27/3/12	Rtn Greg Love (Kent Town)	The First 10 Years



Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
March	Friday	2 nd	Mildura Longest Lunch (RC Mildura Deakin)	Mildura Grand Hotel
	Tuesday	13 th	Combined Group 6 TRF meeting	Belair Country Club
	Sunday	18 th	Presidents Elect Training Seminar (Metro)	Flinders University
April	Thursday	12 th	GSE Team Dinner (Denmark)	Belair Country Club
	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
6/3/12	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Frances Bedford – Muriel Matters	J Reed	G Hill	J Casburn	P O'Neil D Payne
14/3/12	Reade Pk Bowling Club	6 for 6.30pm	The annual bowls competition with Mitcham Rotary Cnr Flinders Ave/Salisbury Cres, Colonel Light Gardens	Scribe S Baker	n/a	n/a	D Payne J Peacham
20/3/12	Tiffins on the Park	6 for 6.30pm	Commissioner for Human Rights	tba	A Jonson	J Casburn	J Peacham J Russell
28/3/12	Hyde Pk Tavern	6 for 6.15pm	The big debate "That men are more complicated than women"	Scribe J Newall	H Kilsby	n/a	J Russell C Schirmer

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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 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	3/3/12	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	10/3/12	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	17/3/12	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	24/3/12	John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett	TBA & Sheila Evans
5	31/3/12	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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NEIL ARMSTRONG'S SECRET..... TRUE STORY

On July 20, 1969, as commander of the Apollo 11 lunar module, Neil Armstrong was the first person to set foot on the moon. His first words after stepping on the moon, "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind," were televised to earth and heard by millions.*

But just before he re-entered the lander, he made the enigmatic remark "Good luck, Mr. Gorsky."

Many people at NASA thought it was a casual remark concerning some rival soviet cosmonaut. However, upon checking, there was no Gorsky in either the Russian or American space programs.

Over the years many people questioned Armstrong as to what the 'Good luck, Mr. Gorsky' statement meant, but Armstrong always just smiled. On July 5, 1995, in Tampa bay, Florida while answering questions following a speech, a reporter brought up the 26- year-old question to Armstrong. This time he finally responded. Mr. Gorsky had died, so Neil Armstrong felt he could now answer the question.

In 1938, when he was a kid in a small mid-western town, he was playing baseball with a friend in the backyard. His friend hit the ball, which landed in his neighbour's yard by their bedroom window.

His neighbours were Mr. and Mrs. Gorsky. As he leaned down to pick up the ball, young Armstrong heard Mrs. Gorsky shouting at Mr. Gorsky.

"Sex! You want sex?! You'll get sex when the kid next door walks on the moon!"

IRISH COFFEE

An Irish woman of advanced age visited her physician to ask his advice in reviving her husband's libido.

'What about trying Viagra?' asked the doctor?

'Not a chance', she said. 'He won't even take an aspirin.'

'Not a problem,' replied the doctor. 'Give him an 'Irish Viagra'. It's when you drop the Viagra tablet into his coffee, he won't even taste it. Give it a try and call me in a week to let me know how things went.'

A week later she called the doctor, who directly inquired as to her progress.

The poor dear exclaimed, 'Oh, faith, bejaysus and begorrah! T'was horrid!... Just terrible, doctor!'

'Really?What happened?' asked the doctor.

'Well, I did as you advised and slipped it in his coffee and the effect was almost immediate. He jumped straight up, with a twinkle in his eye and with his pants a-bulging fiercely! With one swoop of his arm, he sent me cups and tablecloth flying, ripped me clothes to tatters and took me then and there passionately on the tabletop! It was a nightmare, I tell you, an absolute nightmare!'

'Why so terrible?' asked the doctor, 'Do you mean the sex your husband provided wasn't good?'

'Bejaysus, 'twas the best sex I've had in 25 years! But sure as I'm sittin here, I'll never be able to show me face in 'McDonalds' again!'

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity