

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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MEETINGS: The Club meets every Tuesday at the Unley Park Sports Club (Barton Building) 8 Northgate St Unley Park at 6.30pm.
Fellowship at 6.00pm

Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3807
Date	17 April 2012
Venue	Unley Park Sports Club
Event	Club Assembly and 77 th Birthday
Chairman	Sheila Evans
Guests	Ken Haines
Apologies	Glenys Ferguson, Bob Mills, David Payne, Colin Schirmer, Nathan White
Anniversaries	Lost in Sheila's printer

President's Announcements

1. Members were reminded of POOTY on May 15.
2. The District Conference will be held in a week's time.
3. Entertainment Books are now on sale at a cost of \$65
4. The farewell dinner for David and Farida Mackrell is to be held at Kibbis Restaurant – 6.30 for 7pm on Monday 23 April.



President Sheila

Spots

1. **Wendy Andrews** organized drivers and food providers for the Senior Citizens Concert on Sunday May 6.
2. **Stephen Baker** took a straw count on likely attendees for the Vocational visit on May 1 and POOTY on May 15.

Club Assembly

President Sheila opened proceedings and the following reports were provided.

Treasurer Heather Kilsby provided members with copies of the accounts as at 31 March 2012 and reported that the audit of the 2010/11 books had been completed; the thrift shop receipts were \$7000 lower than at the same time last year; and members subscriptions were at this stage just sufficient to cover servicing costs.

Thrift Shop Director Lindsay England thanked Briony Lyon for her special efforts to rearrange the thrift shop; announced that the shop will be improved by proposed carpet replacement and painting; estimated that there had to be \$37,000 in takings before a profit is made...and this year the revenue may be down by as much as \$9,000; talked about the challenges of managing 55 volunteers.

Membership Director John Peacham emphasized the need for greater effort on membership recruitment in the carrying out of club projects; mentioned the development of brochures and materials for handing out at the local football and for placement in areas such as doctors' surgeries – 'Humanities in Motion' and the Group 6 bulletin are about to emerge; community liaison should be given a higher priority.

Community Service Director Wendy Andrews outlined donations to Unley Primary School (iPad); children with special needs for a zoo visit; Salvation Army for a new gate and Christmas lunch for the needy; Christmas cakes for delivery by Meals on Wheels; support for Louise Place; and the Young Carers Retreat at Hindmarsh Island. Wendy outlined the very positive feedback received from the 23 carers who attended the retreat.....it was a big winner and did much for their morale! The net cost after donations will be about \$3,000.



Heather aka Sheila

International Director Alex Jonson outlined the projects being supported under his budget which had been reduced to \$15,000. The main components include donations to The Rotary Foundation including the annual program (we now have sufficient credit for over 20 Paul Harris Fellows) and the Polio Challenge; a project for purchase of equipment for disabled students is pending. RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) is being supported with eye wear for the Gift of Sight Nepal Project, and donations for Shelter Boxes and ROMAC. Other contributions include OSSAA, and musical instruments for a school in Penang Malaysia. The Wasleys have donated a further \$18,500 to the club, have dried 3-4 tonnes of grapes and are collecting clothing with the assistance of Riverland Clubs for the next DIK container to Timor Lesté. Two projects awaiting finalization are the bore wells in India and the VW Kombi in Brazil.

Vocational Service Director Stephen Baker announced that there had been 15 nominations for POOTY this year and with the support of Group 6 clubs the presentation dinner should be well attended – the aim is to make it a State Rotary event. He outlined progress with RYPEN, RYLA, CSI and NYSF. One challenge is to get more secondary students involved in The Science Experience conducted by our three Universities during the main school break.

Stephen Westgarth suggested that the next club consultation should be dedicated to discussing the challenges set by Stuart Heal with particular emphasis on membership recruitment. **Mavis Martin** pointed to Rotary Down Under as a good source of ideas that could be pursued.

VENUE and CATERING

Stephen Baker outlined the need to provide greater certainty of tenure for the Unley Park Sports Club. A motion moved by Stephen Westgarth to commit the club to attendance at the UPSC until 30 June was approved by the club. A committee, comprising volunteers Stephen Westgarth, Briony Lyon, John Peacham and Alex Jonson will look into available opportunities.

Sergeant's Session

Lindsay England won the infernal squares. Sergeant Jerry Casburn handed over joke telling to Geoff Hill and found a number of victims to punish with undeserved fines.

Rotary News

A Snippet from RIBI (Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland)

A nationwide project aimed at supporting families living with dementia has hailed the news of increased Government support for dementia research as a positive step in the right direction.

REPoD (Rotarians Easing Problems of Dementia) is a network for Rotary clubs across Great Britain and Ireland who provide practical support to local families living with dementia.

Prime Minister David Cameron today announced that funding for research into diagnosis would be increased to £66m by 2015, adding that the issue should be treated as a "national crisis".

REPoD chairman Dr Geri Parlbay said: "Dementia research has been seriously underfunded for some time, and it is something Rotary clubs have been very proactive in supporting. This Government announcement is a very positive step towards finding a cure, but there is still an enormous amount of community support needed to help families who are currently living with dementia".

Alongside fundraising some of the many projects that Rotary clubs are involved with include Memory Cafes offering support to both carers and people with dementia, forget-me-not community gardens, befriending, hospital visiting and Memory Box donations.

Rotary clubs support many projects across Great Britain and Ireland and overseas by working with people, charities and organisations to improve the lives of others. Rotary clubs are based within local communities, with their members meeting on a regular basis to enjoying friendship, networking, and to plan projects that will benefit the lives of others.

Rotary International signs project partner agreement with ShelterBox

By Ryan Hyland - Rotary International News – 30 March 2012

Rotary International and ShelterBox, a grassroots disaster relief organization, signed a project partner agreement this month, allowing the two organizations to collaborate more closely to provide relief and temporary shelter to survivors of natural disasters.

"Project partner" is a special status RI gives to groups started or managed by Rotary clubs. The agreement will build on the strengths of both organizations in responding to disasters all over the world.

"Our Rotary friends have always been there ready to assist – from generous donations to direct operational support on the ground Rotary has always been part of our DNA," said Tom Henderson, ShelterBox CEO. "I feel like we have 34,000 ShelterBox offices around the world working together to help those who have lost everything when they need us the most."

"For more than 10 years, ShelterBox has given light to over one hundred thousand families worldwide in their darkest hour," said RI General Secretary John Hewko.

ShelterBox CEO Tom Henderson noted, "This partnership with Rotary International is a formal recognition of our good work over the past 12 years. It will help Rotarians get a better understanding of what we do. I hope Rotarians worldwide will see us as a coherent and able disaster relief organization."

Earlier this month, a ShelterBox team distributed more than 550 tents to communities in Madagascar where powerful cyclones left more than 250,000 people homeless.



The happy congregation anticipating...



ShelterBox teams distributed more than 550 tents to Madagascar for families left homeless by a powerful cyclone.

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

Information available from Rotarian Chris Hughes (Burnside) ; Tel: (08) 8379 4633; Mob: 0418 835 977 and John Cox (Nth Adelaide); Email: emandcee@bigpond.com

April-May Program

24/4/12	Rtn Chris Dodsworth (Mitcham)	The Club's First 50 Years
1/5/12	Pres. Les Dennis (Regency Park)	Children of Prisoners
8/5/12	Rtn Barbara Wheatcroft (Adelaide Parks)	Rotary – A Woman's View
15/5/12	PP Ron Watts (Elizabeth)	Modern Communication
22/5/12	PP Bob Brigden (Norwood)	International Fellowship of Cricketing Rotarians
29/5/12	Rtn Milton Lewis (Campbelltown)	Rotary Against Malaria



Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
April	Thu-Sun	26 th – 29 th	District Conference	Mildura
May	Sun	6 th	Senior Citizens Concert (transport)	Unley
	Thu-Sun	6 th – 9 th	International Convention	Bangkok
	Tue	15 th	Police Officer of the Year	Rundle Mall and Glenelg Golf Club
	Sun	20 th	District Assembly	Unity College, Murray Bridge
June	Tue	26 th	Change Over Night	Kooyonga Golf Club

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Bar	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
23/04/12 Monday	Kibbis Restaurant (social)	tba	Farewell to David & Farida Mackrell	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
01/05/12	Elbio Factory	6.15 for 6.30pm	Vocational Visit – Elbio All About Sweets 4 Meredith St Newton Followed by dinner at nearby Assagio Cafe 84 Newton Rd Campbelltown	Scribe S Baker	n/a	n/a	S Westgarth N White
08/05/12	Unley Park Sports Club	6 for 6.30pm	Roger Rees: "Out of Calamity – Stories of Trauma Survivors"	J Casburn	A Jonson	G McLeod	N White W Andrews
15/05/12	Glenelg Golf Club	7 for 7.30pm	Police Officer of the Year Dinner	S Baker	n/a	MC tba	W Andrews R Elms
23/05/12 Wednesday	Snooty Fox	6 for 6.30pm	Combined meeting with Rotary Club of Prospect; Quality Hotel Old Adelaide, O'Connell St, Nth Adelaide	S Baker	n/a	n/a	R Elms L England
29/05/12	Unley Park Sports Club	6 for 6.30pm	Peter Heyworth: "Northern Volunteering SA"	J Peacham	H Kilsby	J Casburn	L England G Ferguson
05/06/12	Unley Park Sports Club	6 for 6.30pm	Club Consultations	S Westgarth	B Laws	J Casburn	G Ferguson G Hill

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Please remember to gather up all items at the end of the meeting and return them to the storeroom.

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: April – May 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	21/04/12	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	28/04/12	John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett	Sheila Evans (replacement required)
5		Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Joan Reed
1	05/05/12	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	12/05/12	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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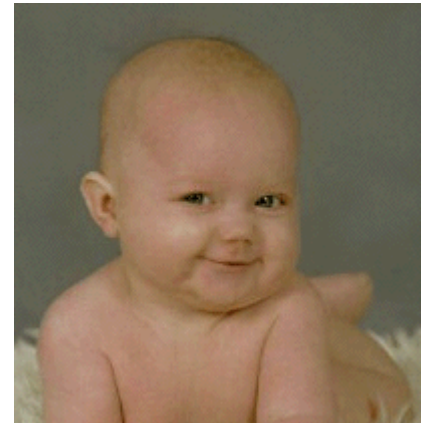
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DADDY, HOW WAS I BORN?

A little boy goes to his father and asks 'Daddy, how was I born?'

The father answers, 'Well, son, I guess one day you will need to find out anyway! Your Mom and I first got together in a chat room on Yahoo. Then I set up a date via e-mail with your Mom and we met at a cyber-cafe.

We sneaked into a secluded room and googled each other. There your mother agreed to a download from my hard drive. As soon as I was ready to upload, we discovered that neither one of us had used a firewall, and since it was too late to hit the delete button, nine months later a little Pop-Up appeared saying, "You've got male!"



A lot to be said for Cyberconception

Editor's comment

Of course it would have been far more believable if shown on Facebook.

WHAT PART OF YOUR BODY GOES TO HEAVEN FIRST?

The nun teaching Sunday school was speaking to her class one morning and she asked the question, 'When you die and go to Heaven, which part of your body goes first?'

Suzy raised her hand and said, 'I think it's your hands.'

'Why do you think it's your hands, Suzy?'

Suzy replied: 'Because when you pray, you hold your hands together in front of you and God just takes your hands first.'

'What a wonderful answer!', the nun said.

Little Johnny raised his hand and said, 'Sister, I think it's your feet.'

The nun looked at him with the strangest look on her face. 'Now, Johnny, why do you think it would be your feet?'

Johnny said: 'Well, I walked past Mom and Dad's bedroom the other night. Mum had her legs up in the air and she was saying: "Oh God! I'm coming!" If Dad hadn't pinned her down, I reckon we'd have lost her.'

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity