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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.	3810
Date	15 May 2012
Venue	Quality Inn North Adelaide
Event	Joint meeting with Prospect Rotary
Chairman	Mike Beverage, RC Prospect
Guests	None
Apologies	Lindsay England, Glenys Ferguson, Geoff Hill, Bob Laws, Mavis Martin, Bob Mullins, Jim Newall, David Payne, John Peacham, John Russell, Janet and Rohan Singh, Chandra Sluggett, Anne Wehr
Anniversaries	Again forgotten in the excitement

Joint Meeting with the Rotary Club of Prospect

Gavin Dallow, the President of the Rotary Club of Prospect opened his meeting 2980 at 6.20pm and welcomed members and Unley Rotarians.

A history of HAT DAY which raises money for the Australian Rotary Health Foundation was provided.....the fact that we were all meant to be attired in hats had escaped the attention of most.....donations were pursued.

Gavin then called upon Unley President Sheila.

President Sheila's Announcements

1. President Sheila opened meeting 3810.
2. 'Returning Rotarian' Nathan White was welcomed back
3. The Red Shield Appeal is under way.
4. Entertainment Books are on sale through Joan, Jerry and Briony at a cost of \$65....more effort is required as we are lagging behind last year's sales
5. The Paul Harris Dinner is scheduled for 9 June at the Morphetville Entertainment Centre
6. Rotarians around Australia are supporting Macular Degeneration Awareness Week beginning on 27 May.



President Sheila

Spots

Jerry Casburn announced that the visit to Calperum would take place 6-8 June.

Stephen Baker provided a brief resume on SA Police Officer of the Year.

Prospect announcements followed and the Sergeant then fined all those who had got dampened.

Guest Speaker – Sean Judge on F-35 Joint Strike Fighter

Chairman Mike Beverage introduced guest speaker Sean Judge. Sean is a member and PP of Prospect Rotary. He had been employed for 22 years with the RAAF, mainly on search and rescue. In 2011 he was appointed Director of Security with the RAAF.



F-35A 'Lightning II' Joint Strike Fighter

Australia has ordered three squadrons of F-35 Lightning II (JSF) attack aircraft under the Joint Strike Fighter Program, involving the US supplier and eight other countries. Planes will begin to be delivered from 2014 to Williamstown Air Base and total cost will exceed that of building the Sydney Harbor Bridge.

Australia has maintained air supremacy in its immediate region post WW11 through the F111, F18 and F18F Hornets. This latest order will ensure that Australia is well equipped into the future. Some defence analysts have been critical of the purchase because of delays, cost blow-outs and useful features on its main rival fighter the F22.

On balance however the RAAF believes it to be the cheapest and most capable fighter in the world. Its attributes include superior fuel capacity and flying time; stealth; bomb carrying capacity; acceleration...9Gs c/f

6Gs previously (whoosh!), state-of-the-art sensors with long range detection and instant data interpretation capability. A key feature is that all the strategic information will be fed into the pilot's helmet rather than be shown on a front screen. Tests on the planes and the helmets are progressing smoothly.

A special feature of the evening was the awarding of a Paul Harris Fellow to Sean by President Gavin. The speech and award were applauded.



Sean Judge (L) receiving his award from President Gavin

The undoubted highlight of the meeting was Stephen Baker receiving a liquid reward for best hat worn by a male; something fishy there.

The meetings closed at 8pm.

Rotary News

Rotarians leave Bangkok encouraged to fight poverty and finish the job of eradicating polio

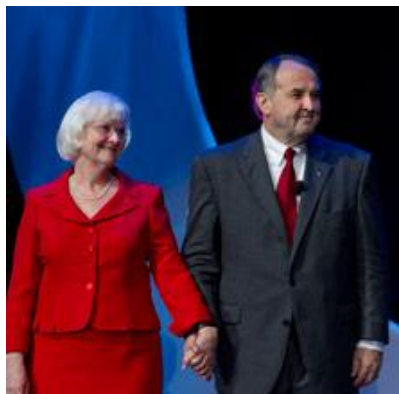
By Ryan Hyland Rotary International News -- 9 May 2012

Rotarians and friends left the 2012 RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, energized to keep up the fight against polio and to use their ingenuity to help reduce global poverty. The four-day event, which drew to a close Wednesday, attracted more than 35,000 attendees from 181 countries and geographical areas and included a celebration of two major milestones in the global polio eradication effort.

Attendees were also treated to a preview of the next RI Convention, which will take place 23-26 June 2013, in Lisbon, Portugal. In his closing remarks, RI President Kalyan Banerjee reminded Rotarians that "what's important in Rotary isn't what we say. It's what we do, and who we are." "There dwells within you the power and spirit that can evoke the energy you may not realize," Banerjee said. "You have to be hungry enough to reach within and release the energy to help you embrace humanity. I believe this is the state we call happiness. I have just given you the prescription for it. Rotary can help you achieve happiness in life that you seek."

Peace through service

Incoming RI President Sakuji Tanaka outlined his plans for his term, which begins 1 July. Tanaka will ask Rotarians to achieve *Peace through Service*.



Ron D. Burton, 2013-14 RI President, and his wife, Jetta

"Through service we learn that the problems that may seem large to us are really very small," said Tanaka. "We learn empathy for others. We come closer to people who seem very different from us. And we begin to understand how much we are all the same."

"Through our Rotary service, we know that cooperation is more productive than conflict," he said. "We know that every one of us has something to give, and everyone has something to teach."

Delegates elected nominee Ron D. Burton, of the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, USA, as the 2013-14 RI president during the fourth plenary session earlier in the day. "I am both honored and humbled to accept the nomination of president of Rotary International," Burton said in his acceptance remarks. "I take a tremendous amount of pride in being a Rotarian. To me, Rotary isn't just another service organization. It is something different, something special." Burton says the best years are still to come for Rotary. He emphasized RI's Strategic Plan as the tool to make that happen.

"The plan is a way to look clearly at who we are, where we are going, and how we should get there," said Burton. "It's a powerful reminder of our goals and priorities, which at their heart are the same as they've been since Rotary was founded."



RI President Kalyan Banerjee and RI President-elect Sakuji Tanaka during the closing plenary session.

Achieving peace

Jose Ramos-Horta, President of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, talked about his country's struggle to achieve peace. He told Rotarians that peace can be difficult but, with the right people in place, it's attainable. "Peace is a process — sometimes a long one, too long. It can be a formal political process," said Ramos-Horta. "But to be sustained we have to deal with human beings as individuals, as communities, as people with traumas, emotions, and anger, but also with hopes, hearts, and feelings."

Earlier in the session, Banerjee honored clubs and districts with the Changemaker Award and the Presidential Citation. The Changemaker Award recognizes clubs that made an extraordinary impact during 2011-12 through the Avenues of Service. The Presidential Citation recognizes achievements related to membership development and contributing to The Rotary Foundation.

During the fourth plenary session, General Secretary John Hewko outlined five priorities for the Secretariat to get Rotary on the best footing possible to embark on its second century. These included eradicating polio, implementing the Strategic Plan and Future Vision, finding an effective way to track and demonstrate the value of the service provided by Rotarians, increasing membership, and bringing Rotary into the ranks of major players in the world of global humanitarian assistance and development.

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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May - June Program

29/5/12	Rtn Milton Lewis (Campbelltown)	Rotary Against Malaria
5/6/12	PP Brian Condon (Port Pirie)	Intl Fellowship of Flying Rotarians
12/6/12	PP Wes Miles (Burnside)	Rotary Peace Scholarships
19/6/12	DGE Marie Dorrington (Adelaide West)	District 9500 – The coming year
26/6/12	DGE Roy Armstrong (Marion)	District 9520 – The coming year



Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
June	Wed-Fri	6-8	Visit to Calperum	Calperum
	Tuesday	26 th	Changeover	Kooyonga Golf Club

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Bar	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
29/5/12	Unley Park Sports Club	6 for 6.30pm	Bob Snewin – Cranio Facial	tba	B Laws	J Casburn	L England G Ferguson
5/6/12	Unley Park Sports Club	6 for 6.30pm	Club Consultations	Scribe Rohan Singh	D Middleton	J Casburn	G Ferguson G Hill
12/6/12	Unley Park Sports Club	6 for 6.30pm	Ben Hall – Water proofing the South	tba	R Mills	J Casburn	G Hill A Jonson
19/6/12	Unley Park Sports Club	6 for 6.30pm	Peter Heyworth – Northern Volunteering SA	John Peacham	R Mullins	J Casburn	A Jonson R Laws

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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: May - June 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
4	26/5/12	John Peacham & Chandra Sluggett	Sheila Evans
5		Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Joan Reed
1	2/6/12	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	9/6/12	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	16/5/12	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White

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

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The Back Page

Voted Best Scottish Short Joke

A bloke walks into a Glasgow library and says to the prim librarian,

'Excuse me Miss, dey ye hae ony books on suicide?'

To which she stops doing her tasks, looks at him over the top of her glasses and says,

'Buggeroff, ye'll no bring it back!'

Grandparental Care

A woman in a supermarket is following a grandfather and his badly behaved 3 year-old grandson.

It's obvious to her that he has his hands full with the child screaming for sweets in the sweet aisle, biscuits in the biscuit aisle; and for fruit, cereal and pop in the other aisles.

Meanwhile, Grandad is working his way around, saying in a controlled voice, "Easy, William, we won't be long . . . Easy, boy."

Another outburst, and she hears the grandad calmly say, "It's okay, William, just a couple more minutes and we'll be out of here. Hang in there, boy"

At the checkout, the little terror is throwing items out of the cart, and Grandad says again in a controlled voice, "William, William, relax buddy, don't get upset. We'll be home in five minutes; stay cool, William."

Very impressed, the woman goes outside where the grandfather is loading his groceries and the boy into the car.

She said to the elderly gentleman, "It's none of my business, but you were amazing in there. I don't know how you did it. That whole time, you kept your composure, and no matter how loud and disruptive he got, you just calmly kept saying things would be okay. William is very lucky to have you as his grandpa."

"Thanks," said the grandfather, "but I'm William . . . The little bastard's name is Kevin."

PORSCHA

A Banker parks his brand new Porsche in front of the office to show it off to his colleagues.

As he's getting out of the car, a truck comes speeding along too close to the kerb and takes off the door before zooming off. More than a little distraught, the Banker grabs his mobile and calls the police. Five minutes later, the police arrive.

Before the policeman has a chance to ask any questions, the man starts screaming hysterically: 'My Porsche, my beautiful silver Porsche is ruined. No matter how long it's at the panel beaters it'll simply never be the same again!'

After the man finally finishes his rant, the policeman shakes his head in disgust.

'I can't believe how materialistic you bloody Bankers are,' he says. 'You lot are so focused on your possessions that you don't notice anything else in your life.'

'How can you say such a thing at a time like this?' sobs the Porsche owner.

The policeman replies, 'Didn't you realise that your arm was torn off when the truck hit you.'

The Banker looks down in horror.

XXXXXX HELL!' he screams.....'Where's my Rolex????'

Remember our Rotary theme for the year:

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity