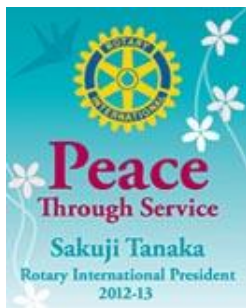


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Meeting 3820 – 31 July 2012

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MEETINGS: The Club meets every Tuesday at 6.30pm - Fellowship at 6.00pm
Venue – Public Schools Club, 207 East Terrace, Adelaide

Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3820
Date	31 July 2012
Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speakers	Alan Reid and Alistair Douglas
Chairman	Jerry Casburn
Returning Rotarians	Colin Schirmer, Anne Wehr
Apologies	David Payne, Geoff Hill, Janet and Rohan Singh, Nathan White

President Stephen's Announcements

- Thrift Shop Volunteers Afternoon Tea:** All involved with the afternoon tea last Sunday were thanked for the successful afternoon. The President's voice was such that he was unable to attend but now recovered.
- Insurance and Risk Management Seminar:** The invitation to attend on 19 August (Glenelg Community Centre, Colley Terrace, Glenelg) has been extended to all Chairs of Committees. Registrations begin at 8.45am for a 9am start and will finish by 12 noon. Janet and Rohan Singh have already registered to attend. Any further participants should contact District Secretary Jerry Casburn.
- Rotary Peace Communities International Conference:** World President Sakuji Tanaka has chosen the theme "*Peace through service*" to set the direction and emphasis for Rotary projects during his term of 2012-2013. Register for the Rotary Peace Communities International Conference "**Peace in Action**" to be held in Wagga Wagga on 21 to 23 September through the Rotary Peace website at www.rotarypeace2012.org.au.
Wagga Wagga was the first Rotary Peace Community in the world with the number of communities now numbering over 50 and extending to all corners of the world. Delegates from every continent have already registered for the conference alongside many World Peace Fellows and representatives of the Centres in which they trained.
Thirteen internationally renowned speakers including Past Rotary International President Bill Boyd have been recruited to lead three days of exciting and informative conferencing. Other highlights of the conference will be an Inter-faith peace ceremony at the Peace Monument, the Conference Anniversary Dinner and a Peace Conference Concert to be hosted by country musician, Grant Luhrs.
- Marion Rotary Business Breakfast:** Once a month, Marion Rotary conducts a Business Breakfast featuring some excellent speakers on business related topics and is good for networking. The next Breakfast is at 7.15am for a 7.30am start, concluding at 8.30am, on Tuesday 21st August 2012 at Club Marion, 262 Sturt Road, Marion. Cost is \$25 including a cooked buffet breakfast. To book a seat, call Club Marion 8296 8444 or email clubmarion@clubmarion.org.au
- Walkerville Rotary Choral Event:** Chor – Farmer is one of Japan's greatest male voice choirs performing classical, folk, spiritual and pop songs in a number of languages. They will be performing at Elder Hall, University of Adelaide, North Terrace, on Thursday 13th September at 8pm. Tickets are \$25 (concession \$20). To book call 13 12 46 or go to www.bass.net.au.
- Rotary Success Conference:** For those who missed the time in Canberra, detailed below are links to see videos of the speaker presentations:
Stuart Heal: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-CnpZeEIQbw&feature=youtu.be>
Ron Burton - Opening: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7w94qxqj0Dk&feature=youtu.be>
Philip Archer: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UT-XbO6mAZw>
Bob Aitken 1: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hd9lhCVITfY&feature=youtu.be>
Bob Aitken 2: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X8UK5hg055o>
Peter Ochota: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0RYa0pWlwGk&feature=youtu.be>
Alana Wilson: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YyWzQO6vQgw&feature=youtu.be>
Kirsty Sword Gusmao: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KQ0fyYPnU_A&feature=youtu.be
Ron Burton – Closing: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UOn32SunMV4>



President Stephen

7. President Stephen presented Past President Sheila Evans with three CDs containing copies of The Unley Rotarian for 2011-2012. PP Sheila promptly presented CDs to Bulletin Editor Stephen Baker and Club Historian Bob Mills.
8. Copies of the District 9520 Directory and the Australian Rotary Health Facts Booklet 2012 are still available for any member who would like a copy.
9. Leonie Immelman, nominated by our club, has been accepted for the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra in January.

Spots

Mavis Martin raised three matters:

- A communication link is being organised by Stephen Westgarth with our 'adopted' quiz king club of Aireborough in Yorkshire, UK to allow a meeting hook-up.....we meet at times which meld.
- Any members with changes in contact details should notify the Secretary a.s.a.p.
- The medical kit in the Thrift Shop needs to be updated.....Jerry Casburn offered his kit (from his former supermarket) as a replacement.

Jerry Casburn reminded members of the:

- Rotary Club of Noarlunga East quiz night on 11 August – there have been 7 acceptances and looking for at least one more to attend.
- Recently advertised trip to the Stockport observatory at 5.30pm – 11.30pm on 25 August – the cost is \$10pp for the observatory but bus is free. A list is being circulated to ascertain interest.

Briony Lyon asked for volunteers to assist the planting of fruit and nut trees next Saturday from 9am – 12noon at the Ash Ave – Ramage Street playground....Wendy Andrews and Joan Reed indicated an interest in helping future generations eat/go nuts.

Guest Speaker – Alan Reid & Ali Douglas:

The Australian Foundation for Fostering Learning in the Philippines

Chair person Jerry Casburn introduced speakers Professor Alan Reid and Alistair Douglas. Alan is Professor Emeritus of Education at the University of South Australia where he has been a lecturer and researcher, as well as holding administrative positions such as Dean of Education and Director of Research Centres. Alan has published widely in such areas as educational policy, social justice and education, citizenship education and the history and politics of public education. Alan has been recognized with a number of awards, including the McKillop Medal, the Alby Jones Medal and the Gold Medal of the Australian Council of Educational Leaders. In the Australia Day 2012 awards he was made a Member of the Order of Australia. Alan is married to Liz and they have three children and two grandchildren. Interests are playing over 60s cricket, bowls and writing a history of the Adelaide Crows.

Alistair has a history in education serving overseas, as well as at home, in the Middle East, Asia and has spent extensive periods in the Philippines. Alistair is married to Robyn, they have two children, a son who lives in Cape Town and a daughter living in New York; a truly cosmopolitan family. Alan has a small farm in Bordertown.

Alan and Alistair were both selected for Group Study Exchanges in Texas and Finland respectively, the latter despite being a member of Apex.

Alan and Alistair were both at Uni together and then lost touch over subsequent years. Both returned to Adelaide and met again. A strong desire to do good in the world led to the development of the **"Australian Foundation for Fostering Learning in the Philippines"** (AFFLIP). This new organisation, developed in the last year, has the objective of making a contribution to the educational development of young people living in some of the poorest parts of the Philippines. AFFLIP's focus is on learning; its various programs involve fundraising to provide physical facilities and learning resources for schools, linking with other agencies, to promote the health and nutrition of students, and supporting professional development for teachers.

Alistair spoke of experiences in Davao City on the island of Mindanao where 75% of the local inhabitants are below the poverty line. Alistair experienced the "Fragility of Life" when a young woman working for him had a son infected by Dengue fever, Alistair paid for necessary blood transfusions but to no avail when the son died.

Alan explained AFFLIP's premise that raising the levels of education, relieves poverty, increases life expectancy, and reduces crime thereby increasing peace.....a desire close to Rotary hearts with this year's theme of "Peace Through Service".

AFFLIP has formed a volunteer Board with a wide range of expertise from accounting to agronomy as well as education.

PS It must be said that Jerry's startling revelation (when introducing the guest speakers) that he struggles with long words casts some doubt on the quality of the UK education system.



Jerry, Alistair and Alan

Sergeant's Session

What can one say – Bob has done it again! He organized guest speaker Alistair Douglas to win the really infernal squares. There needs to be an explanation for the fact that only executive members and guest speakers have won since Bob became sergeant this time round. The fining session was astute. Will not mention the jokes! Colin Schirmer was in camouflage. Perhaps the niftiest effort of the night occurred when John Russell pinched Sheila Evan's dollar to cross fine the sergeant....sweet effort JR.

The meeting closed at 8.06pm

Rotary News

On the lighter side.....a little bit of sweet seduction

Portuguese pastries will sweeten your convention experience

By Susie Ma - The Rotarian -- August 2012

After sinking your teeth into the soft, custardy center of a flaky *travesseiro*, you might wonder why Portuguese pastries are not as celebrated as their French counterparts. Rotarians attending the 2013 RI Convention in Lisbon, 23-26 June, will be able to sample these delights and decide for themselves.

Lisbon's Belém district offers much to see, including the Belém Tower and Jerónimos Monastery. It also has a signature sweet called *pastel de Belém*, a petite tart sprinkled with cinnamon and powdered sugar that, with a cup of coffee, provides a perfect break from sightseeing. Using a well-guarded recipe, a bakery called Antiga Confeitaria de Belém has made *pastéis de Belém* since 1837. The recipe was first created by nuns at the Jerónimos Monastery. You can find similar treats, called *pastéis de nata*, all over Portugal.



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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

August Program

14/8/12	PP Peter Mayer (Morialta)	IMOG – Club Projects in East Timor
21/8/12	PP Mike Reilley (Brownhill Creek)	Fencing Project at Monarto Zoo
28/8/12	Rtn Frank Orlando (Campbelltown)	Rotary – A Good Choice



Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
October 2012	Tuesday	30	DG visit (partners night)	TBA
February 2013	Saturday	23	9500/9520 Community Peace Forum	TBA
April	Thursday to Sunday	25-28	District Conference	Tanunda
June	Sunday to Wednesday	23-26	RI Convention	Lisbon, Portugal

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
7/8/12	Public Schools Club 207 East Tce	6 for 6.30pm	Georgia Margonis & Kristina Lowndes ANZ Rotary Student exchange	S Baker	J Singh	R Mullins	J Reed J Russell
14/8/12	Public Schools Club 207 East Tce	6 for 6.30pm	Rajini Vasan & Matthew Carey – Blind Sporting Council	tba	R Singh	R Mullins	J Russell C Schirmer

Apologies To: Wendy Andrews by **e-mail** to unley.attendance@rotaryclub.org.au or in an emergency on 8377 7830

Meeting Chair Enquiries To: Nathan White 0424 608 699 or email to unley.vocational@rotaryclub.org.au

Venue Set-up/Bar Enquiries To: Bulletin Editor - Stephen Baker on 8379 7105

Attendance Desk Enquiries To: Wendy Andrews by **e-mail** to unley.attendance@rotaryclub.org.au or in an emergency on 8377 7830

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: August 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	04/08/12	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	11/08/12	Stephen Baker & Greg McLeod	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	18/08/12	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	25/08/12	Chandra Sluggett + ?	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Joan Reed & David Pisoni

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

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On the Back Page

How to deal with the devil

While walking down the street one day a "Member of Parliament" is tragically hit by a truck and dies. His soul arrives in heaven and is met by St. Peter at the entrance. 'Welcome to heaven,' says St. Peter.

'Before you settle in, it seems there is a problem. We seldom see a high official around these parts, you see, so we're not sure what to do with you.'

'No problem, just let me in,' says the man.

'Well, I'd like to, but I have orders from higher up.

What we'll do is have you spend one day in hell and one in heaven. Then you can choose where to spend eternity.'

'Really, I've made up my mind. I want to be in heaven,' says the MP.

'I'm sorry, but we have our rules.'

And with that, St. Peter escorts him to the elevator and he goes down, down, down to hell.

The doors open and he finds himself in the middle of a green golf course.

In the distance is a clubhouse and standing in front of it are all his friends and other politicians who had worked with him. Everyone is very happy and in evening dress. They run to greet him, shake his hand, and reminisce about the good times they had while getting rich at the expense of the people.

They play a friendly game of golf and then dine on lobster, caviar and champagne.

Also present is the devil, who really is a very friendly and nice guy who has a good time dancing and telling jokes. They are having such a good time that before he realises it, it is time to go. Everyone gives him a hearty farewell and waves while the elevator rises.

The elevator goes up, up, up and the door reopens on heaven where St. Peter is waiting for him. 'Now it's time to visit heaven.'

So, 24 hours pass with the MP joining a group of contented souls moving from cloud to cloud, playing the harp and singing.

They have a good time and, before he realizes it, the 24 hours have gone by and St. Peter returns.

'Well, then, you've spent a day in hell and another in heaven. Now choose your eternity.'

The MP reflects for a minute, then he answers: 'Well, I would never have said it before, I mean heaven has been delightful, but I think I would be better off in hell.'

So St. Peter escorts him to the elevator and he goes down, down, down to hell.

Now the doors of the elevator open and he's in the middle of a barren land covered with waste and garbage.

He sees all his friends, dressed in rags, picking up the trash and putting it in black bags as more trash falls from above.

The devil comes over to him and puts his arm around his shoulder. 'I don't understand,' stammers the MP. 'Yesterday I was here and there was a golf course and clubhouse, and we ate lobster and caviar, drank champagne, and danced and had a great time. Now there's just a wasteland full of garbage and my friends look miserable. What happened?'

The devil looks at him, smiles and says, 'Yesterday we were campaigning.....

Today you voted.

