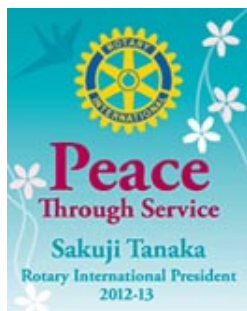


THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3826 –11 September 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.	3826
Date	11 September 2012
Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	Lorraine Guy of Make-A-Wish Foundation
Chairman	Jerry Casburn
Guests	Nil
Apologies	Geoff Hill, Joan Reed, Bob Mullins, Stephen Baker, Nathan White, Heather Kilsby, Mavis Martin
Returning Rotarians	Nil
Departing Rotarians	Bob Laws
Attendance	15 members plus Guest Speaker

President Stephen's Announcements

1. Rotary Australia World Community Service:

I have forwarded to International Committee Chair Alex Johnson a notice that RAWCS National Secretary and PDG Michael Perkins will be in Adelaide to share with us the many wonderful developments in RAWCS and an invitation is extended to interested Rotarians to meet with him. It will be on Friday 5th October at 6.30pm at Blackfriars Library, Blackfriars Priory School, 17 Prospect Road, Prospect. You can see Alex for all other contact details.

2. Bollygood Night:

Kent Town Rotary is holding a Bollygood Shelterbox Night on 4th October 2012 at Payneham Road Uniting Church Hall, 343 Paynham Road, Marden. Tickets from: Augustine: teasurerrckt@gmail.com or Greg Love: 0413405176.

3. End Polio Now Website:

For those Rotarians interested in following closely the progress of the End Polio Now campaign, you can visit Rotary's new polio website at www.endpolionow.org, where visitors can rally together to finish the fight to end polio. The campaign needs our support and participation to make this site a success, so I'd encourage you to visit the website, interact with the features, and share it through your own website, blogs and social medial channels. And please invite others to visit and participate.



President Stephen

Guest Speaker: Lorraine Guy - "Make-A-Wish Foundation"

Chair for the evening Jerry Casburn introduced our guest speaker Lorraine Guy, who is a volunteer with the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Lorraine was introduced to the organisation by a friend of her partner's, who was also a volunteer. Lorraine is the mother of three, grandmother of 5 and great grandmother to two. She enjoys Tai Chi, walking, gardening and in her spare time knits socks for the family.

Lorraine was born in Sydney and moved to Adelaide with her parents who were originally from here.

"All his life, Christopher James Greicius dreamed of becoming a police officer. This wish was to become the inspiration for the largest wish-granting organisation in the world.

In 1980, at the age of 7, Chris was diagnosed with leukaemia. Upon learning that Chris's most cherished wish was to be a policeman, members of the Arizona State Troopers began working to ensure his dream came true. They arranged for Chris to take a flight in a police helicopter, ride in a patrol car and presented him with his very own uniform. He was even sworn in as an honorary member of the force. Sadly, Chris passed away shortly afterwards. But the seed had been planted.

After attending Chris's funeral, two of the State Troopers reflected on the experience of making his dream come true. They thought that if one boy's wish could be granted, maybe the same could be done for other children. At that moment, the idea for Make-A-Wish was born."

The Foundation opened its doors in 1985, starting in Melbourne, eventually opening a branch in Adelaide, which has now become the highest fund raiser in Australia.

The Foundation operates for all ages from birth to age 18. At age 1-3, they receive a Wish Hamper with a range of gifts, all wrapped, balloons and other festive items. From 3-18 they are granted a full wish of anything from computers to jet-skis, holidays and trips to meet the worlds famous. Some may have to wait for some time before their wish is granted, particularly if it is to meet someone famous. Children who receive the wish hamper may later qualify for a full wish.

To qualify, the children have to be suffering from a life threatening disease and this has to be verified by a doctor.

Representatives of the foundation will meet the family and try to make sure that the wish is that of the child suffering and not influenced by other members of the family. A report is submitted to head office who makes the final decision. Once a wish is granted the whole family is involved. Siblings over 18 may be asked to contribute to travel costs.

Money is raised through a variety of means, balls, raffles, competitions for talented people and sponsorship for participants in activities like the City to Bay.

Lorraine gave an enlightening talk recounting many of her own experiences with the children involved.

Jerry thanked Lorraine for her talk and the club showed its appreciation in the usual way.



Guest speaker Lorraine Guy with Chairman
DGN Jerry Casburn

Spots

Jerry Casburn thanked those who have volunteered to assist at the breakfast, luncheon and dinner Detmold BBQs tomorrow (Wednesday).

Jerry also collected names of those attending the free lunch and wine tasting hosted by Koppamurra Wines at 32 Unley Road from 1pm on Sunday the 11th of November (a minimum attendance of 20 is required).

Sergeant's Session

Bob Laws was most pleased to win the squares, having invested considerable sums over the years with little joy. Sergeant Greg ran a ruthless and financially ruinous session by leavening repeated fines for illusory and frivolous offences. At least the jokes were bearable.

Meeting closed at 7.45 pm.

Detmold Fundraising BBQ

By Jerry Casburn

The Detmold Group sought support from Rotary to provide a BBQ to accompany a number of staff presentations to the various workers from the Brompton head office. Presentations were also telecast to other offices across Australia. Unley was fortunate enough to be the club asked to handle the BBQ. The sessions were timed for 6am, midday and 7pm and involved 50, 215 and 90 members of the Detmold staff respectively. Egg and bacon rolls for the first shift, accompanied by orange juice, then a sausage sizzle with soft drinks for the lunch and evening participants.

Our support was provided by President Stephen Westgarth and PE Greg McLeod for the early start (up at 4am – hope Greg is not Sergeant next week), Joan Reed and daughter Catherine Pettinger (heavy with child and gave birth next day!!), Alex Jonson for the midday session, Wendy Andrews, Nathan White, Alex Jonson for the evening session and clean up. Briony and I joined all sessions. The team from Detmold were fantastic, appreciative of the service we provided and the information sessions all acknowledged our part, talked about what Rotary did and thanked us for the help. Needless to say we all went home smelling of barbequed food and those infernal onions.

Detmold paid for the cost of all the food and generously donated an additional \$500 to bolster club funds. With their support we may also get space in their company staff magazine to let the team know about Rotary and where the funds were used. They were good to work with and it is possible we may get other opportunities to help them in a similar way.

My thanks to all those who volunteered plus Bob Laws and Sheila who volunteered but other situations meant they were not able to work on the day.

Some BBQ photos:



The brekky BBQ team of Stephen Westgarth,
Briony Lyon, Greg McLeod & Jerry Casburn
(behind the camera)



Jerry Casburn and the team pumping out hot
bacon and egg rolls.



Detmold Packaging staff enjoying breakfast.

Some more BBQ photos:



Pres. Elect Greg did quality control testing.



Pres. Stephen double checked.



Catherine Pettinger & Joan Reed in service mode.

Rotary News

Rotarians honored for promoting literacy

By Daniela Garcia - Rotary News -- 4 September 2012

The Rotary Club of Rockford, Michigan, USA, will be recognized for Reading Rocks, an annual festival that promotes reading. Two Rotary clubs will be honored on 7 September at an International Literacy Day celebration in Washington, D.C., as the winners of the RI-International Reading Association-Pearson Foundation Literacy Project Awards.

A panel of Rotarians and International Reading Association (IRA) members gave the award to the Rotary Clubs of Rockford, Michigan, USA, and Salem, Oregon, USA, for demonstrating outstanding collaboration with local reading councils in their communities. Each club will receive US\$2,500 for literacy projects.

"Teaching all children to read requires not only teachers who know how to reach every child but communities that value and support literacy," says Richard Long, director of government relations for the International Reading Association. "These two projects highlight the notion that it is a partnership that teaches reading: the community to provide the tools and to say it is important and the teacher to bring it all together for each learner."

The IRA is a professional membership organization dedicated to promoting high levels of literacy by improving the quality of reading instruction, disseminating research findings and information about reading, and encouraging a lifetime of reading. The IRA network comprises 70,000 members and more than 300,000 affiliate members in nearly 100 countries, including councils and affiliates at the local, state, regional, or national level.

Since 2002, Rotary and the IRA have combined their resources and skills as service partners to advance literacy in communities worldwide. Rotary clubs and districts are encouraged to share resources and information with IRA councils and affiliates to develop cooperative literacy projects.

The Rockford club won its award for Reading Rocks, an annual reading festival that takes place in August. The club partners with the local reading council, school district, and library district for the daylong event, which includes live entertainment, a parade, and family activities that promote the importance of literacy.

Neil Blakeslee, 1988-89 president of the Rockford club, says that his community sees reading not only as a fundamental skill but as a way to enhance every aspect of an individual's life.

"Receiving recognition for a necessary job well done gives us all a great sense of accomplishment and validation of our efforts," Blakeslee says. "Winning awards is not as important as the achievement, but awards do provide encouragement for continued efforts."

Making books for children

The Salem club was chosen in recognition of a bookmaking project for schoolchildren in Santa Avelina, Guatemala. With the help of the Vineyard Valleys Reading Council, volunteers from both organizations put together children's books for The William M. Botnan Experimental School, where all 130 elementary students speak Cozallxil, a Mayan language. The project is an effort to preserve culture through the indigenous language, which is not recognized or taught in public schools.

Jayne Downing, a member of the Salem club, says the club's Youth Literacy Committee selects projects they believe will have the greatest impact for at-risk children, whether in their local community or around the world. Downing says. "The recognition brought by this award will allow greater visibility to the project and the needs of this community."



Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
18/9/12	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Elizabeth Davis – CFS Foundation	W. Andrews	S. Evans	Greg McLeod	W. Andrews J. Casburn
25/9/12	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Olivia Thomas – Hear Foundation	R. Singh	G. Ferguson	Bob Mullins	J. Casburn R. Elms

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

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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



September Program

18/9/12	Rtn Geoff Pullan (Burnside)	New to Rotary
25/9/12	PDG Dick Cuttle (Onkaparinga)	Health of the River Forum – Calperum

Diary Dates

Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
October 2012	Tue	30	DG visit (partners night)	Public Schools Club
November 2012	Thu	29	RI Pres Elect Ron D Burton	Adelaide Oval luncheon
February 2013	Sat	23	9500/9520 Community Peace Forum	Adelaide University – dinner at Adelaide Oval
April	Thu to Sun	25-28	District Conference	Tanunda
June	Sun to Wed	23-26	RI Convention	Lisbon, Portugal

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: September 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	15/09/12	Glenys Ferguson & Bob Laws	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	22/09/12	Chandra Sluggett & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	29/09/12	Reno Elms & Bob Mullins	Joan Reed & David Pisoni
1	06/10/12	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Joan Reed & Stephen Westgarth
2	13/10/12	Greg McLeod (flying solo)	Wendy Andrews & sub for Mavis Martin

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

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On the Back Page

Bluey's Tinnie

Bluey goes to an outdoor show and wins a tinnie.

He brought it home and his wife looks at him and says, "What you gonna do with that. There's no water deep enough to float a boat within 160 km of here."

He says, "I won it and I'm gonna keep it."

His brother came over to visit several days later. He sees the wife and asks where his brother is.

She says, "He's out there in his tinnie," pointing to the paddock behind the house.

The brother heads out behind the house and sees his brother in the middle of a paddock sitting in the tinnie with a fishing rod in his hand.

He yells out to him, "What are you doing?"

His brother replies, "I'm fishing. What the hell does it look like I'm a doing?"

His brother yells, "It's people like you that give people from Queensland a bad name, making everybody think we're stupid. If I could swim, I'd come out there and kick your arse!"

