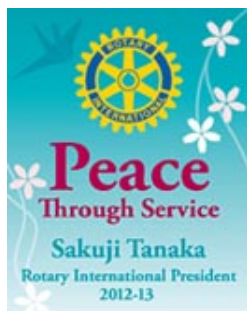


THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3833 – 30 October 2012

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

DISTRICT 9520
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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.	3833
Date	30 October 2012
Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	District Governor Roy Armstrong
Chairman	Stephen Westgarth
Guests	Ken Haines, Andrew and Munjula Watts, Margaret Payne, Marilyn Armstrong & AG Mark Huddleston
Apologies	Mavis Martin, Jim Newall and Colin Schirmer
Returning Rotarians	Lindsay England (at last)
Departing Rotarians	Stephen Westgarth
Anniversaries	Induction: Janet Singh on 1 st November; Birthday: Briony Casburn today! at which all sang Happy Birthday lustily (and tunelessly, at least in part).
Attendance	21 members and 7 guests

President Stephen's Announcements

1. **Australian Campaign for Rabbit Eradication (ACRE):** At present ACRE lacks members for their committee and it would be good to have some names of potential members. If anyone can support the campaign, contact Neville Sharpe 0419 607 120 (Mobile) or njsharpe@bigpond.com

2. **District Conference:** PP Sheila Evans has made a booking for accommodation at the 2013 District Conference in Tanunda. There is still some further accommodation to be had in and around Tanunda, so would any Rotarians who have not already indicated their intention to attend the conference please let Sheila know ASAP.

3. **Wastelander Panda - CAN YOU HELP???** Kirsty Stark was a GSE participant in 2011 to Sweden and has since joined the Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise. She is a very talented cinematographer and producer at Epic Films. The team has been working tirelessly to bring their Wastelander Panda project to life!

At this point they need some support in gathering resources for their upcoming shoot in November and I believe the types of items needed could be very easily found via our Rotary networks and would show great fellowship within our district to collaboratively support such a fantastic project. As you may appreciate, the film industry is not an easy one to break into, especially without the financial backing. The team at Epic Films has worked incredibly hard against large odds to get to where they are now. With some extra support we could help them get over that finish line and celebrate not only a success for a small independent film but also the strength of our networks and our ability to support industry in our district.

If you require more information please contact Kirsty Stark kirsty@epicfilms.com.au. To see what they need visit the website <http://www.facebook.com/wastelanderpanda#!/notes/wastelander-panda/costumespropsgear-can-you-help/480910845276157>.

4. **Future Vision Workshop:** Just a reminder that the Future Vision Workshop is being held this Saturday 3rd November at Norwood Town Hall at 9.00am.

5. **Weekly Herald:** At DG Roy Armstrong's suggestion, the District 9520 Weekly Herald will be distributed by way of a website link with each week's "The Unley Rotarian".



President Stephen

Guest Speaker-District Governor Roy Armstrong

District Governor Roy Armstrong was introduced by President and Chairman Stephen Westgarth. Roy joined the Rotary Club of Marion after returning from secondment in Cardiff, Wales, in 1989. He became President of the Rotary Club of Marion in 1994 and again in 2004 and was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow in 2006.

During 2008/09 Roy was the District Trainer for 9520 and has been an Assistant Governor for Group 6. Whilst overseas, in New Zealand and the UK, Roy worked as Managing Director for a South Australian public company, progressing to Company Director and Board Member when he returned to Adelaide.

Roy is currently a Director for two private companies, one being an industrial automation and custom software provider and the other, engineering and design of "Rugged Computers" for the defense industry.

Roy spends many leisure hours playing golf, and enjoys being a member of the Triumph Car Club.

Roy's wife Marilyn is involved in singing with the Hills Choral Society where she has been an active member for 25 years. She is also very active in acrylic painting and many a picture adorns the walls of their home and selected art shows. Marilyn is a member of Holdfast Marion Inner Wheel and is Past District Chairman of A70 Region.

Roy and Marilyn have three adult children, Darren, Trudi and Regan and are proud grandparents of nine grandchildren.

DG Roy commenced with several jokes, apologizing to Marilyn and AG Mark for having heard them before, especially Marilyn, as they have visited 48 Clubs since mid year. Roy thanked President Stephen and the Board for their presentations on club projects earlier this evening and congratulated the club for many worthwhile projects initiated and the enthusiasm with which they were pursued. He said that in his experience all clubs are unique; and Unley's great so keep it up.

Roy's vision for D9520 is to meet the "Challenge for Change" as we contribute through "Peace Through Service". Rotarians contribute striving towards peace through such projects as the supply of clean drinking water, the support of education and the elimination of disease through such projects as Polio Plus. There are now only three countries with recent polio cases – Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria. We can all contribute towards this great goal of the global elimination of polio towards which the Unley Club has provided \$8000 to the Rotary Foundation last year, while Rotary International has raised the enormous sum of \$1.2 billion since the mid 1980's. Roy was proud to have been at the recent International Rotary ceremony where Bill and Melinda Gates donated an additional US\$50 million. Despite this, there remains a short term funding gap for the PolioPlus Campaign, so it's important that we all continue to contribute.

As we know, Rotary International President Sakuji Tanaka has adopted "Peace Through Service" as the 2012/13 theme, and 3 International Peace Forums are scheduled for the current year – in Berlin, Honolulu and Hiroshima. A Peace Forum is also scheduled for Adelaide on Saturday 23rd February 2013 from 1 to 4 pm at the Adelaide Oval followed by a Peace Dinner in the Oval dining room. Please come and bring your young friends with you, as it's most important for our future leaders to learn and contribute also.

Roy is urging us to join with other Clubs as an effective way of seeking District and RI matching grants which focuses on one or more of the following:

- Peace and conflict resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

It is particularly important to ensure all projects are sustainable for the duration of the initiative.

The average Club contribution to the Rotary Foundation last year was \$115, as against an objective of \$100 with Unley contributing well above this level. The D9520 objective for 2012/13 remains at \$100 per head.

There remains a problem with Rotary branding. There is an urgent need to build a stronger image in the public's mind to encourage young people on board as new members. It is a key challenge to boost membership and membership retention. At present, new members are about equal to losses so we are just marking time. For D9520, Roy's objective is a gain of 3% a year for the next 3 years.

Remember above all, have fun. Good fellowship depends on having fun. To emphasize this,, Roy has expanded Rotary's Four –Way Test by an important 5th test:

1. Is it the TRUTH
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned and
5. Is it FUN

Roy pointed out that RI is establishing "Rotary Club Central" which is an online tool to help Clubs set and track goals and which will give Rotary a better way to measure the impact Rotarians are making worldwide, particularly with respect to membership initiatives, service activities and Rotary Foundation giving.

Change must and will occur in Rotary. This will be concerning for some, but be assured that the objective is to ensure that any and all changes will be considered and thoughtful.

Roy asked us whether each of us have a "Rotary Moment". For Roy it was when he came back to Australia after working in Wales and his manager asked him to locate to Adelaide. He then realized that just about the only people he knew were his work colleagues. Fortunately one of these was a Rotarian who invited him to become a member of the Rotary Club of Marion. This was 24 years ago and it has been rewarding and fun ever since. So, you also can enrich a friend's life by getting them to join Rotary.

DG Roy reminded us of the District Conference in the Barossa from 25-28th April 2013 and strongly encouraged all Club members to attend. And above all, for all of us to pursue "Peace Through Service".

President Stephen warmly thanked DG Roy for a rousing & inspiring address (although he made some uncomplimentary remarks about the DG's choice of jokes).

Spots

Jerry Casburn again reminded members of our joint meeting with the Blackwood Club at the Community Forum with Police Commissioner Gary Burns on November 13th. It would provide Jerry with a "Rotary Moment" if all members promptly responded with a response after an announced fellowship event. He also reminded members of the SA Police Band Xmas Concert as a fellowship event on December 12th. Attendance registers are circulating for both events.

Briony is still seeking contributions for a Xmas Hamper to be raffled including via the Thrift Shop. Please bring some goodies next week. Also there is the baby sitting of the Unley Shopping Centre Salvation Army Xmas Tree. A roster sheet will be circulated next meeting.

Lindsay England asked all Thrift Shop Committee members to attend a meeting immediately after the Club meeting finished.

Sheila Evans is investigating venues for an Art Exhibition to provide funds for the Rotary Foundation. After contacting several potential venues, she is investigating use of the Unley Fullarton Centre which is available 11-24 June 2013 which would only take an 11% commission allowing the Club to take 14% plus a registration fee. She has been talking to other Clubs which hold art exhibitions to better plan the Unley initiative. An email will be circulated shortly seeking members for a committee to manage the event.

Sheila also spoke of the Adelaide White Ribbon Committee which has been established for 5 years with the objective of preventing violence against women and asking if men in the Unley Club could consider seeking to be a White Ribbon Ambassador.

Chandra Sluggett advised that the matching grant project of Unley with the Rotary Club of Pinhais, D4730, Brazil, in which President Ivete Maria Bertello handed over the equipment which will be used in the rehabilitation of people with problems with their psychomotor functions. For further information see D9520 website, the website of the Rotary Club of Pinhais and the newspaper of the city of Pinhais "Agora Parane" via the links:

<http://rotary4730.org.br/wp314/2012/10/rotary-club-de-pinhais-realiza-projeto-de-subsidios-equivalentes-em-prol-da-apae/#more-5233>

<http://www.rotarypinhais.org.br/> (select the last news item, on the list to the right hand side of the webpage).

<https://www.facebook.com/Rotaryclubdepinhais?ref=hl#/photo.php?fbid=447511878640650&set=a.364828550242317.85037.327328973992275&type=1&theater>

Sergeant's Session

The merciless Sgt. Bob Mullins advanced into the front line and boldly fined the DG for the deemed quality of his jokes.

The high point was reached when Jerry Casburn revealed that Briony didn't mind how her Christian name was pronounced as long as her surname was pronounced Casburn. They were married last Thursday with DG Roy as best man and Marilyn Armstrong as bridesmaid. All Club members cheerfully, warmly and enthusiastically congratulated them both.

President Stephen reminded Board Members of a meeting at Wendy Andrew's place at 7 pm next Thursday and closed meeting number 3833.

Rotary News

Rotary Peace Fellow passionate about water

By Paul Engleman - Rotary Canada -- October 2012

As a child growing up in Montreal, Ryan Rowe resented his parents' requirement that he learn a second language. "I hated having to learn French," says the 2010-12 Rotary Peace Fellow, who earned a master's degree in public health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in May, along with a certificate in peace and conflict resolution. "I never expected that I would come to love learning new languages."

Rowe, 34, now speaks Spanish and Portuguese in addition to English and French, and he's recently taken up Mandarin Chinese. Learning new languages is something Rowe does as a hobby. His official line of work – the stuff he's really serious about – is water and sanitation. That was his specialty at UNC, where he studied at the internationally acclaimed Water Institute. Today he is a part-time communications officer at the institute and quenches his thirst for volunteer opportunities on water projects in Africa, with Rotary and other organizations. *Ryan Rowe Photo by Anne-Marie Di Lullo/Tabasamu Education Fund*

"A lot of people think the water crisis is just too daunting," he says. "I believe if we work together and remain committed to investing our energy, our skills, and our money, we can have a positive impact."

To hear Rowe tell it, that blend of optimism and determination has been part of his outlook at least since college. While an undergraduate at Concordia University in Montreal, Rowe took a semester off and travelled by bus through Mexico and Central America, immersing himself in the language and cultures to prepare for an exchange program in Colombia, where he took most of his courses in Spanish.

That bus trip, he says, is what opened his eyes to the impoverished conditions that many people face. "But instead of seeing poverty," he says, "I saw opportunity. I've always had an entrepreneurial quality, and I saw how the issues of poverty related to lack of infrastructure."

After earning a bachelor's degree in commerce and finance, Rowe pursued an international master's in strategic management at York University in Toronto. He studied in Brazil, taking a third of his courses in Portuguese and conducting an independent-study project on private-sector investment in water infrastructure in Latin America.

Rowe recalls that during his childhood, he heard tales of world travel and service projects from an aunt and uncle who are Rotarians in Ottawa. "But I wasn't clued in to Rotary's impact on the world," he says. That changed in 2009, when he was living in Abu Dhabi, United



Ryan Rowe

Arab Emirates, and working in infrastructure development for the Australian investment bank Macquarie Group. While doing volunteer work, Rowe learned about the Rotary Peace Centers program and saw an opportunity to help address water issues with some of the world's best experts.

"The public health program at UNC is fantastic. This is an amazing partnership for Rotary," he says. "Applying to the Rotary Peace Centers program was the best decision I ever made."

In June, just four weeks after completing his fellowship, Rowe packed up his laptop, strapped on a backpack, and set off on his latest adventure: a six-month working tour of Africa that began with stops in Zambia, Malawi, and Mozambique, where he spoke at a conference sponsored by the World Health Organization and UNICEF. He plans to visit Nairobi, Kenya, where he serves on the board of trustees of the Tabasamu Education Fund, a nonprofit that provides funding to help children stay in school.

While Rowe continues his work for the Water Institute, this goal is to create a social investment fund to provide sustainable financing for infrastructure and development projects that improve the health and welfare of people in vulnerable areas.

He also expects that his career path will lead to collaborations with other peace fellows. "We're all in the same army," he says. "I'm following my passion, and I think that may be the most important thing a human being can do to be successful. I thank Rotary for enabling me to do that."

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
06/11/12	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Andy Poad & Leanne Madison: "AA"	TBA	J Newall	R Mullins	R Laws B Lyon
13/11/12	Belair Park Country Club	6 for 6.30pm	Community Forum: "Police Commissioner Gary Burns"	TBA	NA	NA	B Lyon G McLeod
20/11/12	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Shane Mitchell: "When You Need a Plumber in the Antarctic"	S Westgarth	D Payne	J Reed	G McLeod D Middleton
27/11/12	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Danial Rahman, Lulu Hails & Kharisma Surtani: "RYLA 2012 Experience"	N White	J Reed	R Mullins	D Middleton R Mills

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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

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

October Program

30/10/12	Pres. Peter Poulton (Norwood)	RYLA and RYPEN Awards
6/11/12	PP Terry Carson (Morialta)	Club's Golf Fun Day – November 15
13/11/12	PP Oleh Bilyk (Brownhill Creek)	Roger Woodward's Concert for ROMAC – November 25
20/11/12	Rtn John Sandham (Coromandel Valley)	Indigenous Health Scholarships
27/11/12	Speaker to be confirmed	Rotary's Macular Degeneration Project

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2012	Nov	Thu	29	RI Pres Elect Ron D Burton	Adelaide Oval luncheon
2013	Feb	Sat	23	9500/9520 Community Peace Forum	Adelaide University + Dinner at Adelaide Oval
	Apr	Thu to Sun	25-28	District Conference	Tanunda
	Jun	Sun to Wed	23-26	RI Convention	Lisbon, Portugal

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster: October - November 2012

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	03/11/12	David Middleton & Greg McLeod (for Jerry Casburn)	Bob Laws & Joan Reed (for Stephen Westgarth)
2	10/11/12	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	17/11/12	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	24/11/12	Chandra Sluggett & Stephen Westgarth	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Joan Reed & David Pisoni

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

Lindsay England: 8445 8552; (M) 0408 857 775; e-mail: lengland@senet.com.au

The Back Page

GOLDEN OLDIES

Reporters interviewing a 104-year-old woman:

'And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?' the reporter asked.

She simply replied, 'No peer pressure.'

I feel like my body has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor's permission to join a fitness club and start exercising.

I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors.

I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour.

But, by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over.

An elderly woman decided to prepare her will and told her preacher she had two final requests.

First, she wanted to be cremated, and second, she wanted her ashes scattered over Wal-Mart.

'Wal-Mart?' the preacher exclaimed.

'Why Wal-Mart?'

'Then I'll be sure my daughters visit me twice a week'

Know how to prevent sagging?

Just eat till the wrinkles fill out.

These days about half the stuff in my shopping cart says,

'For fast relief.'

THE SENILITY PRAYER:

Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway,

the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and

the eyesight to tell the difference.

