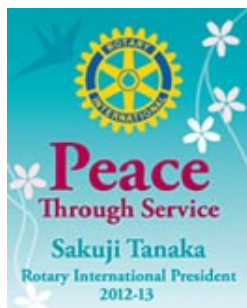


THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

Meeting 3839 – 11 December 2012

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Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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CHARTERED 17TH APRIL 1935



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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.	3839
Date	11 December 2012
Venue	Prescott House
Event	Christmas Dinner
Chairman	Stephen Westgarth
Apologies	Mavis Martin, Janet & Rohan Singh, Colin Schirmer,
Guests	Glenyss Steedman, Susan Westgarth, Barbara Russell, Margaret Payne, Honorary Member Ken & Pauline Daly, Suzanne Middleton, Neesha Nandasena, Maria Mills, Catherine & Tayla Pettinger, Genese Mullins, Jill Hill, Linda England, Alex Rundle
Visiting Rotarians	None
Anniversaries	Induction: Bob Mills (18/12); Wedding: Stephen Baker (29/12)
Attendance	23 members and 15 guests

It's Christmas Time in Unley!

Carols at the Rotunda:

On Sunday 9th December the Club staged the annual Carols at the Rotunda in the Unley Soldiers Memorial Gardens.

Organiser David Middleton made a 180 degree turn this year with the spectators seated on the west side of the rotunda to keep the sun out of their eyes, which worked well.

A bouncy castle, face painters and the Ticklish Allsorts were there again to entertain the children. This very professional and energetic group of performers successfully got the children actively involved in the action songs and games.

Matt Noble reprised his prior outstanding performances as compere and lead singer for the carols. The Australian Army Band was superb again under the leadership of Dean Griffith. The young ladies of the Australian Girls' Choir, were resplendent in purple, and sang several items and led beautifully in carol singing.

Major Reno Elms and folk from the Unley Salvation Army presented a nativity play with some surprises. Mary arrived mounted on a real live donkey, much to the delight of the Rotarians and other children, and Mary and Joseph were both life sized adults. Reno again narrated the Christmas story.

Club members, partners and friends provided a sausage sizzle and iced drinks for sale. This year a coffee truck was brought on site, which helped to provide some warmth against the cool wind that blew all evening.

David Middleton arranged for Santa Claus to make a visit to the Carols; he was quite animated and into uncoordinated dancing and ho-ho-ho-ing while trying to prevent his beard from doing a lap of his head. He had his elves hand out lollies to the children. It was another worthwhile and successful project for the Unley community.

Some photos from the Carols are on the next page.



Briony & Sheila sold raffle tickets and smiley face biscuits



Rohan got with the program



Open and shut: Mayor Lachlan Clyne and President Stephen



Operation Cleft raffle and ShelterBox display



The crowd arrives



Setting up the barbeque trailer



Cooking with gas



Nathan & Ken slicing onions; makes you want to cry



Jerry Casburn eating the profits



Santa's little helpers!?



What was Santa doing?



The ever popular bouncy castle



Rotary PR on display



The crowd continued to build



Reno Elms narrated the nativity play



The nativity play was performed by folk from the Unley Salvation Army



The Ticklish Allsorts entertained the children



Children of all ages joined in with the action songs; definitely not out of sorts



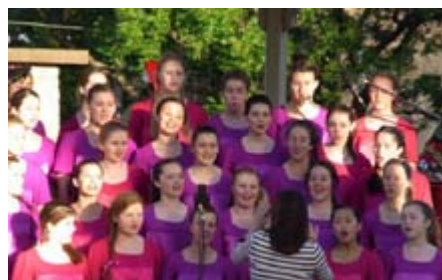
The newest friend of Unley Rotary carried Mary in the nativity play



Honorary Member Lachlan Clyne opened the Carols at the Rotunda



Matt Noble led the carol singing and sang solos



The wonderful Australian Girls' Choir sang carols and items



Santa gave a really energetic performance

Christmas Dinner:

This year the Club was delighted to accept an invitation from David and Sue Middleton to have our Christmas Dinner meeting in their home.

It was great to see so many partners of Rotarians attending, to have Honorary Member Ken and Pauline Daly joining us and to see Neesha Nandasena again.

Santa sent his senior elves Joan, Greg and Stephen along to help David and Sue set up and prepare food for the dinner. Sarah and Taylor from the Belair Hotel provided food and beverage service; thanks to Linda Noack for arranging that. Thank you to Greg McLeod for facilitating the logistics, staffing and attendance details for the dinner.

The evening began with drinks by the pool followed by a delicious buffet dinner with a selection of meats and salads followed by David's special recipe fruit salad and tea and coffee accompanied by Ken Haines' superb Christmas cake.

The members and guests present expressed their sincere thanks to David and Sue for their hospitality and obvious hard work in hosting the dinner; it seemed like they hardly sat down all night. Many thanks again to you both.

Thanks are due to Neesha Nandasena and Wendy Andrews for taking the photos below.



The Middletons' home ready for dinner



President Stephen & Susan Westgarth



Bob Laws and Glenys Steedman



David & Margaret Payne and Greg McLeod



Geoff & Jill Hill and Neesha Nandasena



Jim Newall and Jerry Casburn



Joan Reed and youngest guest Tayla



Joan Russell and Jill Hill



Reno Elms, Nathan White and Sheila Evans



Heather Kilsby and Joan Reed



Jill Hill and Lindsay England



Wendy Andrews, Pauline & Ken Daly, Bob & Maria Mills, Genese Mullins (partly hidden)

Spots

David Middleton thanked everyone involved in the staging of the Carols at the Rotunda last Sunday for their hard work. In particular he thanked Joan Reed for organising extra chairs for the Australian Army Band on very short notice.

Jerry Casburn made a repeated call for additional volunteers to help with the lunchtime barbeque at Detmold next Friday, 21 December. See Jerry for details.

Sergeant's Session

The Sergeants had the night off to enjoy their Christmas Dinner. Everyone else enjoyed them having a night off too.

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
Wednesday 19/12/12	Public Schools Club	7 for 7.30am	Joint Christmas Breakfast Meeting with RC Hyde Park and RC Eastwood	S Westgarth	C Schirmer	R Mullins	J Reed J Russell
26/12/12			Boxing Day - No Meeting	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
01/01/13			New Year's Day - No Meeting	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
08/01/13	President Stephen's	6.30 for 7.00pm	Kick-off Barbeque	S Westgarth	N/A	N/A	N/A

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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

December Program

18/12/12	PP John Banfield (Adelaide South)	Safe Water Saves Lives
25/12/12	Rtn Rob Handley (Hyde Park)	Youth Driver Awareness Program

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
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: December 2012 - January 2013

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
2	08/12/12	Jerry Casburn (for Greg McLeod & SB)	Wendy Andrews & Pam Trimmer (for Mavis Martin)
3	15/12/12	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	22/12/12	Chandra Sluggett & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Joan Reed & David Pisoni
1	05/01/13	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	12/01/13	Jerry Casburn (for Greg McLeod & SB)	Wendy Andrews & Pam Trimmer (for Mavis Martin)
3	19/01/13	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	26/01/13	Chandra Sluggett & Pam Trimmer	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:

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The Back Page

Bah humbug!

A man in Scotland calls his son in London the day before Christmas Eve and says, "I hate to ruin your day but I have to tell you that your mother and I are divorcing; forty-five years of misery is enough."

"Dad, what are you talking about?" the son screams.

"We can't stand the sight of each other any longer," the father says. "We're sick of each other and I'm sick of talking about this, so you call your sister in Leeds and tell her."

Frantically, the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone, "Like hell they're getting divorced", she shouts, "I'll take care of this."

She calls Scotland immediately and screams at her father, "You are NOT getting divorced. Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing, DO YOU HEAR ME?" and hangs up.

The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife.

"Done! They're coming for Christmas - and they're paying their own way."

Please Don't Drink and Drive this Christmas

