

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3849 – 5 March 2013

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# **Our Last Meeting**

Venue	Public Schools Club
Speakers	Local tribe members Ken Daly, David Middleton & Jim Newell
Chairman	Stephen Westgarth
Apologies	Alex Jonson, Heather Kilsby, Mavis Martin, Bob Mills, Nathan White
Guests	Tracey Blakey, Pam Trimmer
Anniversaries	Birthdays: Janet Singh (27/2), Heather Kilsby (12/3), Reno Elms (16/3), Anne Wehr (17/3) Inductions: Greg McLeod (18/2), Joan Reed (13/3) Wedding: Susan and Stephen Westgarth (1/3)
Attendance	19 members and 2 guests

# Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

#### District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Venue: Public Schools Club

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## **President Stephen's Announcements**

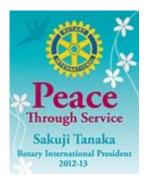
Annual Bicycle Ride to Conference: Australian Rotary Health is calling for your support to ride from Summertown to Tanunda on Thursday, 25th April, 2013. It will be a one day ride of 80 km. as an individual or as teams riding sections. ARH is appealing for donations to support this great Australian Rotary program. All donations received will be credited to the individual Clubs' contributions to Australian Rotary Health. Since Dr. Dick Wilson's solo effort riding from Adelaide to Tanunda in terrible conditions in 2005, ARH has raised close to \$20,000 over the past number of years. For further information, contact Ian Parson via email nettian@iinet.net.au or telephone 08 8323 9284, mobile 0408 337 155.

Multi-District Working Bee at Donations in Kind: At the RAWCS meeting the other night it was suggested that another multi -district working bee be held at DIK as a way of many clubs getting together, meeting others, becoming more aware of RAWCS programs and getting much needed work done at DIK. The last multi-district working bee at DIK was held in April 2011 which was very successful. I would like to call on your support to hold such a working bee again this year. It has been suggested that Saturday 11 May 2013 would fit with what is currently known of club and district events. It may also fit with a number of country club members who would be in Adelaide for district meetings on Friday 10 May.

Theft at Donations In Kind - Help Requested: At our RAWCS Donations in Kind facility at Edinburgh Parks, there was a break-in over the New Year resulting in the theft of our near-new cordless drills, angle grinder and chargers. All up, nearly \$800 worth of tools was stolen. This has been particularly disheartening to the DIK committee who has worked so hard in this challenging program getting surplus goods to needy communities world-wide. The committee works hard to raise funds, with support from clubs in Districts 9500 and 9520, to operate this humanitarian program. The loss of our cordless drills etc. is a particular nuisance as they are a key tool for our operation but the total of the loss is only marginally more than the insurance excess. Hence



President Stephen



making an insurance claim is only marginal and does risk higher insurance premiums for Rotary in the future. DG Roy Armstrong has put a call out to Rotarians/clubs in the two districts for support in kind – if you can provide a good cordless drill (with batteries and charger) it would really be appreciated. Contact Dave Cockshell – Chair RAWCS Donations In Kind Central Region Mob 0401 995 996. *Members thought it made sense for the club to purchase and donate the cordless drill, with Briony Casburn to follow up.* 

**Foundation Update:** John Hewko - General Secretary - Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation has provided an update on TRF.

This past year was one of major accomplishments for Rotary and The Rotary Foundation. Extraordinary progress was made toward the eradication of polio. We made history when India was removed from the list of polio-endemic countries

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— leaving just Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. A difficult road lies ahead, but thanks to the commitment and generosity of Rotarians and friends, we are confident that Rotary will lead the way toward a polio-free world.

We also expanded Rotary's reach in new and effective ways by entering into partnerships with Mercy Ships and UNESCO-IHE. And we built on our record of humanitarian service by continuing our strong relationships with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, USAID, Aga Khan University, Oikocredit and the Rotary Peace Centres.

Over half a million young people worldwide participated in our New Generations programs. Their involvement in Rotary Youth Exchange, Rotaract and Interact clubs, and RYLA events helped them develop skills that they'll need to become service-minded community and global leaders - and future Rotarians.

In 2012, The Rotary Foundation also earned top marks from several independent charity evaluators, including the American Institute of Philanthropy, Charity Navigator and the Wise Giving Alliance.

As we look ahead, we can be proud of all that Rotarians have accomplished. I am pleased to share the digital version of the 2011-12 Rotary International and Rotary Foundation Annual Report (click here), which offers a firsthand look at how Rotarians are working to improve the lives of people in need. I encourage you to review our annual report carefully, and to share it with others who may be interested in joining, partnering with, or donating to Rotary.

Norwood Rotary – GSE Team Returning from Taiwan: Invites you to join our members to welcome the D3470 GSE Team from Taiwan at Don Pyatt Room, Norwood Town Hall, George Street, Norwood on Friday 3 May 2013 from 6.00 pm Drinks and nibbles will be served - Cost: \$15.00 per head. RSVP: 19 April 2013 to Robyn Baker on Mob: 0466 694 361 or Email: robyn.baker46@optusnet.com.au

Eastwood Rotary - 21st Birthday Celebrations of Community Service: President Annie and the Rotary Club of Eastwood invite Rotarians and partners to attend their 21st Birthday Celebrations of Community Service on Saturday 13th April 2012 at the Royal Coach Motor Inn, Dequetteville Terrace, Kent Town at 7- 7.30pm. Proceeds will go to assist Catherine House, provider of supported accommodation for those affected by homelessness. Keynote Speaker will be International Cricket Council Elite Umpire Steve Davis. Dress code is Cocktail/Jacket & Tie; cost is \$55 per head with wine available for purchase. RSVP by 6th April to Brian Lange is essential, by email to <a href="mailto:lange-brian@hotmail.com">lange-brian@hotmail.com</a>.

## Speakers ..... member's selection

**Ken Daly** 'opened the batting'. He was born in 1930, the third of 4 children. His father unfortunately died in WW2. Ken attended Colonel Light Gardens School and Goodwood Boys Technical School. He took up a 5 year apprenticeship in French Polishing and stayed with the firm in Unley for 7 years before starting his own polishing business with a partner. That partnership lasted 5 years. Ken's polishing business on Unley Rd near Wattle St lasted over 30 years. The lure of renting out his premises in this prime locale enticed Ken to downsize his business and operate from home. Because of the personalized nature of the business the transition was successful. After his wife Pauline, the next great love of his life was sport, particularly soccer. He had a long and rewarding engagement with Cumberland United as a player and then as an official. When he stopped playing, he joined Unley Rotary in 1972. Among the many memorable moments with Unley, his involvement with the setting up of the Hyde Park Club some 30 years ago was special. Ken thanked the club for all the pleasure it had brought him and members recalled what a brilliant contribution he had made over the last 41 years.



The polished leprechaun

**Jim Newell** was born in Woollongong, the older brother of 3 sisters (including one set of twins). His father worked at the local steel mills. The highlight of Jim's younger years was involvement in sport and outdoor activities. He attended local schools and after matriculating in 1961, took up an accounting apprenticeship with Australian Iron and Steel, which was later bought out by BHP. While working in production and services departments, he gained his AASA accounting qualification and then followed up with management studies. In 1973 he went to Newcastle in his role as supplies purchaser, and then to BHP (Long Products Division) Whyalla where he worked from 1974 – 1997. He took over the responsibility of managing supplies for the steelworks and the various SA mines owned by BHP. Highlights of his career included an industrial mobilization exercise in 1984, a fact-finding purchasing trip to China in 1987, and a trip to the USA in 1989 to look at total quality control (TQC). He married Anne in 1981, and they have had the pleasure of travelling extensively and being grandparents to quads. His special interests include clocks and watches, wine collecting, Australian history and gardening. He joined Rotary in Whyalla during the 1980s.



The man of steel

**David Middleton** told a cracking tale of high finance. In 1987, he and his brother set up a financial planning company called Pembroke, which then became Godfrey Pembroke. There were global aspirations and sought to expand. A joint venture was formed with Ord Minnett, then one of the largest broking firms in Australia which was interested in building a financial planning arm. When OM was bought out by JP Morgan, Adelaide became expendable. A new venture was formed with Investor Group as the business owner and so became Prescott Consultants and Securities. Prescott acquired 3 other firms and at its peak there were 27 advisors and 100 employees. While it was the largest firm of its type

in Australia, it was mainly confined to South Australia. From 2006-2011 Investor Group changed its focus to accounting, thereby reducing the importance of its financial planning role. A management buyout was planned but this failed with the advent of the GFC when the share-market crashed. After parting ways with Prescott, David and his brother set up Middleton Securities. What followed then was a high profile legal fight with accusations that clients had been illegally approached to join Middletons. A settlement was reached which restricted Middletons from any further approaches to former clients at Prescott for a year. Later this month, that restriction will expire. David reflected adversely on the risks, frustrations and costs involved in litigation. The aim of Middletons Securities is to provide an advisory service of quality.

# Peak

The astute adviser

#### **SPOTS**

**Stephen Baker** sought numbers for the bowls match next Tuesday against Mitcham Rotary at the Unley Park Sports Club.

**Jerry Casburn** announced that a healthy \$835 net profit had been made at the Bunnings'

BBQ the previous Monday and called for someone to take over his role in May while he is away. Jerry proposes to make a group booking for the Independent Theatre's production of 'Magnificent Amazons' on 19 April and called for a show of interest.

Stephen Westgarth reminded members of the Membership Committee meeting to follow.

## Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Greg Mcleod with the help of guest Tracey chose Jerry Casburn as the winner of infernal squares. He punished members with fines for having (or not having) some association with the Clipsal and Fringe events. The highlight of the session was the list of instructions for maintaining decorum, etiquette and good manners.

The President closed the meeting at 8.08pm

## **Rotary News**

#### Team of experts helps Rotarians design a sustainable project in India

By Arnold R. Grahl - Rotary News -- 26 February 2013

A Rotarian-led team of hydrologists, engineers, geologists, and other experts traveled to the Thane district of northwest India in October to help local Rotarians and their international partners design a global grant project to bring clean water and sanitation to more than 1,800 villagers.

The team, funded by The Rotary Foundation and a grant from the Annenberg Foundation, is one of the first of its kind. It's the product of the <u>Project Enhancement Process</u> (PEP) pilot, which is designed to enlist the help of Rotarians with expertise in the water and sanitation area of focus so that clubs and districts can put together larger-scale, sustainable projects.

The PEP pilot runs through July and involves nine districts testing The Rotary Foundation's new grant model. The Foundation also collaborated with the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group (WASRAG) to produce technical guides that walk Rotarians through planning an effective water and sanitation project.

"This process is an excellent approach," says Arvind Phukan, a civil engineer and member of the Rotary Club of Tacoma, Washington, USA, who served as team leader. "Sometimes districts don't have the technical expertise or the experience to do a larger project. This approach helps them think bigger and promotes better projects that will have a more significant impact."

After deciding to pursue a water, sanitation, and hygiene project in the Akre Gram Panchayat region of India, the Rotary Club of Thane North and its international

A woman in the Thane district of northwest India carries water back to her village.

partner, the Tacoma club, requested an evaluation team through the PEP Pilot to help them assess and plan their project. The project would benefit about 350 households in nine villages in the Supi River watershed, where villagers are trying to eke out a living growing rice.

#### **Needs assessment**

The team met with villagers to assess their needs and determined that many of the local wells ran dry during non-rainy seasons because the area's shallow, impervious rock prevents water from seeping into the ground and replenishing the wells. In addition, some of the wells were poorly designed or damaged, and systems intended to funnel groundwater were inadequate.

As a result, many of the women are forced to haul water from the Supi River or one of its tributaries. The villagers use the same water for cleaning and bathing, and also share it with their livestock, all of which introduces contaminants into the

drinking water. And since there is no running water, the toilets that do exist go unused. The villagers' lack of good hygiene contributes to the spread of disease.

The team's findings were the basis for recommendations that the Thane North and Tacoma clubs will turn into a global grant application with a budget of about US\$333,000. The recommendations constitute a holistic approach to the area's needs that includes installing bore wells with submersible pumps near several of the existing wells to pump water to storage tanks, with the water flowing by gravity to the villages, where it would be treated and purified. A variety of rainwater-harvesting structures such as check dams and surface ponds would be built to replenish the groundwater.

#### Sustainability

A cluster of latrines would also be built in each village, along with washing basins and cattle troughs. Trenching and diesel pumps would be used for irrigation so the villagers can grow vegetables along with the rice. Adults and schoolchildren would receive instruction in hygiene and its impact on disease and health.

Phukin notes that the process began by talking to villagers, a key step in making a project sustainable. "It all starts with the community. You must involve the community at every step of the process. You can't just hand them things."

Sustainable, large-scale projects also require a broad base of support. Phukan and team members have been helping to recruit other clubs and districts to join the Thane North and Tacoma clubs in supporting this project.

"When this is done, and it can be done in phases, it will bring lasting change to the community," Phukin notes. "The villagers' lifestyle will change for the better."

## **Our Upcoming Meetings**

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
12/03/13	Unley Park Sports Club 8 Northgate St Unley Park	6 for 6.30pm	Annual Bowls Challenge vs Mitcham Rotary (\$25) Partners Event	S Westgarth Scribe: S Baker	n/a	n/a	G Hill A Jonson
19/03/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	<b>Nick Secombe</b> : SA Feral Camel Management Project	TBA	S Evans	R Mullins	A Jonson R Laws
26/03/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	ТВА	TBA	G Ferguson	R Mullins	R Laws G McLeod
2/04/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	<b>Leone Immelman</b> – National Youth Science Forum	S Baker	G Hill	R Mullins	G McLeod D Middleton

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: <a href="mailto:emandcee@bigpond.com">emandcee@bigpond.com</a>



Set up &

#### March 2013 Program

12/3/13	PP Rob McLennan (Adelaide Light)	Latin Fiesta
19/3/13	Pres. Cecilie Christensen (Flinders Rotaract)	Rotaract Activities
26/3/13	Roshni Thattengat (Prospect)	Rotary Against Malaria

## Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### March 2013

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
2	09/03/13	Jerry Casburn (for Greg McLeod) & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	16/03/13	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	23/03/13	Wendy Andrews & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	30/03/13	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Joan Reed & David Pisoni
1	06/04/13	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth

Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or as a very last resort contact: Lindsay England: 8445 8552; (M) 0408 857 775; e-mail: <a href="mailto:lengland@senet.com.au">lengland@senet.com.au</a>

## Bunnings Mile End Barbeque Dates

**ALL** the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque dates are the **last Monday** of the month from 8am to 5pm. **NEXT 25 March Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm** 

## **Diary Dates**

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2013	Apr	Thu to Sun	25-28	<b>District Conference</b>	Tanunda
	May	Tues	21	Police Officer of the Year	Glenelg Golf Club
	Jun	Sun to Wed	23-26	RI Convention	Lisbon, Portugal

## On the Back Page

#### Winter parking in Dublin!

On a bitterly cold winters morning a husband and wife in Dublin were listening to the radio during breakfast. They heard the announcer say, "We are going to have 8 to 10 inches of snow today. You must park your car on the even-numbered side of the street, so the Snow ploughs can get through." So the good wife went out and moved her car.

A week later while they are eating breakfast again, the radio announcer said, "We are expecting 10 to 12 inches of snow today. You must park your car on the odd-numbered side of the street, so the snow ploughs can get through." The good wife went out and moved her car again.

The next week they are again having breakfast, when the radio announcer says, "We are expecting 12 to 14 inches of snow today. You must park...." Then the electric power went out. The good wife was very upset, and with a worried look on her face she said, "I don't know what to do. Which side of the street do I need to park on so the snow ploughs can get through?"

Then with the love and understanding in his voice that all men who are married to blondes exhibit, the husband replied, "Why don't you just leave the car in the garage this time."

#### A Wee Scottish Tale.

A golfer is cupping his hand to scoop water from a Highland burn on the St Andrews course.

A groundskeeper shouts: 'Dinnae drink tha waater! Et's foo ae coo's shite an pish!'

The golfer replies: 'My Good fellow, I'm from England. Could you repeat that for me, in English!?'

The keeper replies: 'I said, use two hands - you'll spill less that way!

