

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3852 – 26 March 2013

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# **Our Last Meeting**

Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	Rtn. David Cockshell (RC Gawler Light)
Chairman	Stephen Westgarth
Apologies	Joan Reed, Alex Johnson, Mavis Martin, Nathan White
Guests	Nino Malvetti, Robyn Patterson
Anniversaries	Birthdays: Bob Mullins (28/3) Induction: David Middleton (27/3)
Attendance	18 members and 2 guests

# Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

## District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Venue: Public Schools Club

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# **President Stephen's Announcements**

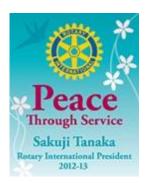
Thrift Shop Volunteers Roster: The Thrift Shop Committee has advised me that Lindsay England wishes to relinquish his role as Coordinator of the Thrift Shop volunteers roster as soon as possible as the dual tasks of chairing the Committee and handling the roster are now beyond him health-wise. Out club depends on our volunteers for the Thrift Shop to operate successfully and raise the funds necessary for our Rotary projects. The Thrift Shop volunteers' roster is one of the vital roles that we have in our Club and we need a new person to take it on who has some time, some patience and can exercise some initiative. We have so many people in our club who fit this description that I'm sure we can find at least one who could offer to take over from Lindsay. Please let either Lindsay or Pres. Stephen know when you would like to start.

Group 6: Meet the GSE Team from Taiwan: This is a reminder of the Group 6 Meeting on Wednesday 10 April, 2013 to meet and hear the Group Study Exchange team arriving from Taiwan, District 3470. The meeting will be at 7:00 for 7:30 pm at Club Marion, Marion Sports and Community Club, 262 Sturt Road, Marion. The cost is \$22 per head (choice of two main courses and dessert, cash bar). I am sure that all members of the International Committee would want to attend. As I mentioned at a previous meeting, tonight I am seeking firm commitments supported by cash money from Rotarians who wish to attend this event. Rotarians not at tonight's meeting can advise me by phone or email.

**InterCity Peace Forum:** Our club's normal meeting date of 9<sup>th</sup> April has been replaced by the InterCity Peace Forum, involving clubs from District 9500's Group 1 (Adelaide) and the Rotary Club of Unley will be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 12 for 12.30pm thru 2.45pm at the Meridien Lodge in Melbourne Street, North Adelaide. The luncheon will be two courses, each with a choice of dishes, with tea and coffee to follow. The cost is \$27 per person plus drinks from the bar.



President Stephen



The three speakers at the Forum will be:

- Graham Brown, CEO of Southern Junction Community Services, on "Responding to Homelessness".
- Peter Greeneklee, from the Salvation Army, on "The Status of Aboriginal Reconciliation".
- Chris Moore, Rotarian and member of the DIK Board, on the "Containers of Hope" program.

Our aim in arranging speakers on these three topics is to provide food for thought for Rotarians as we seek to identify new and worthwhile opportunities for service project both here in Australia and abroad, so it is an event that should be a "must attend" for all members of the International, Community and Vocational & Youth Committees.

Tonight and in the coming days I would like an indication of those members who will be attending so that we can advise numbers to the venue.

See the InterCity Peace Forum flyer on page 5, below.

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**The Centenary of Canberra – 2013:** In 2013 Canberra will celebrate its Centenary – 100 years since a Foundation Stone was laid for our Nation's Capital and this will be celebrated on 12 March in front of Parliament House.

To support the celebrations of Canberra's Centenary, Rotary District 9710 in partnership with the Centenary of Canberra Committee and the ACT Government are inviting people who have never been to Canberra before, to come for a visit. There are many special events planned for the year to help celebrate and details of these are available at www.canberra100.com.au. These, along with some of the annual events such as Floriade and the other attractions in Canberra such as the War Memorial, the National Museum and Questacon, make Canberra a great place to visit this year.

People who have never been to Canberra before are being offered the opportunity to visit and attend some of the events being held. A travel subsidy of \$200 per person is available and accommodation will be provided with Rotarians from the ACT Clubs for a maximum of four nights. It is hoped that Rotary Clubs around Australia will support this initiative by seeking out suitably qualified people to go to Canberra to help celebrate the Centenary. Clubs have been asked to advertise this opportunity in their community and work with other Clubs such as the RSL, CWA, Scouts, etc., to find people to be sponsored go to Canberra.

District 9710 needs Rotary Clubs to act as their agents to find people who meet the selection criteria and co-ordinate the visit from their end and forward applications to D9710. Rotarians from Canberra will co-ordinate everything for the visitors when they are in Canberra. This may also be an opportunity for people who have been affected recently by floods or bushfires to take a few days off and relax in Canberra.

For further details and copies of the application form contact President Stephen.

**Invitation for Volunteers to a fence building Team in Kenya during September:** For all Rotarians with a desire to work in an international humanitarian team project, this is your opportunity to volunteer. RAWCS (Project No. 51/2011-12) (District 9570) is organising a team to travel to Diani Beach/ Ukunda, Kenya to erect a perimeter coral brick and mesh fence on a 17 acre property – the future home of Umoja Orphanage. No further building can proceed without the security this fence will provide.

The Team will consist of eight members and requires men and women who are capable and /or experienced in wire fencing and cement/coral block laying and related tasks.

Volunteering is the experience of a lifetime. As usual, Volunteers will enjoy the ambience, the culture, mateship, and the experience, yet know they are contributing in a project to improve the lives of Kenyan orphan children.

Dates: The team will leave on 16<sup>th</sup> September and return to Australia on 3<sup>rd</sup> October. The trip includes: 4 day Wildlife Safari, Volunteer experience at Kikambala Children's feeding station, Guided tour of our Mentoring Orphanage' in Kilifi, North of Mombasa, free days to explore your chosen adventure and of course erecting perimeter fence for the Orphanage. Be Passport ready. For more details contact PDG Terry Daley - RAWCS NR PV Co-Ordinator (e) tddaley@bigpond.com and (m) 0447 361 631. RSVP Expressions of Interest by April 20 at latest and a RAWCS Application form will be sent for completion.

The Rotary Club of Flagstaff Hill is holding its Mungo National Park Outback Experience at the Top Hut Sheep Station on 5–8 April 2013, with proceeds to Interplast. Contact Pam St Clair 8322 0444

**SAPOL Police and Community engagement forums** – the next forum will be held at the Marion City Council Chambers at 7pm on 3 April.

# Guest Speaker - David Cockshell: "Donations in Kind"

At the beginning of the meeting President Stephen presented DIK Chair David Cockshell with a battery operated drill and screwdriver with its Makita tool kit to replace the screwdriver recently stolen from DIK. David thanked the club, reported that other clubs had also assisted with gear replacement, and that security had been upgraded.

David provided a background and summary of DIK, which is part of Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS). It seeks to distribute surplus goods to areas of need. Its first export was a load of baked beans to Papua New Guinea. The warehouse is now sited in Salisbury and caters for a wide range of goods and equipment. Some of the more popular equipment items include classroom, medical, dental, domiciliary, and literacy. Recent unusual items which were donated and used in Fiji were hearing aids and breast prosthetics. Sorting through the numerous donations, which on average happen every second day, is challenging.

There has been an effort to continue to improve DIK performance. Extra effort is being made to keep everything tidy, to refuse equipment which is difficult to move, to reduce



Stephen, David and the new kit

waste going to landfill [8 skips a year reduced to 1], and to better utilise available volunteers (eg to pick-up of material on offer). Some goods like filing cabinets, beds and desks are sold locally. There are about 12-15 club working bees each year – the next combined Rotary Districts work day will be on 11 May. Each year there are over 4000 hours of volunteer effort. Overseas students are helping to distribute smaller donations in their countries. To date 2 containers have been despatched in 2013 and there are 4 which will be leaving shortly. Sponsorship is important to defray the container related costs which can be as high as \$20,000 each.

David was thanked for his presentation [but did not receive the Unley Rotary pen!].

# **Spots**

**Jerry Casburn** made a 'last call' for attendees to the 'Magnificent Amazons' performance on 19 April. The Monday BBQ at Bunnings had made a profit of \$847.60 (a float of \$100 had been retained); Jerry thanked all those that had helped. Due to Rotary duties Jerry would not be able to organise the BBQ for 3 months – Ken Haines and Alex Jonson had undertaken to take over the management

**Wendy Andrews** announced an invitation from Reno Elms to attend Easter Sunday worship with the Salvation Army in Marion Street followed by fun and food.

**Briony Casburn** had several free Rotary tops from a previous Rotary Governor, and commented on the success of the Sunraysia Ball in Mildura which she and Jerry had attended and which raised \$27,000.

**Robyn Patterson** from 2H (Cambodia) announced that the next film fundraiser would be at the Capri Theatre at 7 pm on 3 June featuring 'The Great Gatsby' at a cost of \$25.....accompanied by bubbly and chocolates; proceeds would benefit their 'Sight for Life' program being conducted through an eye clinic in Battambang.

**Stephen Baker** announced that Unley would be hosting the debate with Hyde Park on 30 April and the debate topic would be "That on-line shopping poses a serious threat to retail therapy". Hyde Park has the right to opt for the pro or con side. Briony Casburn and Ken Haines offered to lead our defence of the trophy; Joan Reed was suggested as a third team member.

Greg McLeod conducted surveys of members on District 9520 questionnaires about computer use, access to Rotary District and club web sites, and social



Guests Nino & Robyn on each side of Briony

media...there were one or two issues about the survey design. Greg also wants members to place their orders with him for the Entertainment Book which is about to be released.

# Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Bob Laws managed to draw guest Robyn Patterson's marble for the infernal squares.....the remarkable record of guests continues, as does the habit of donating back the prize. Bob entertained with a soccer millipede joke and a Hercules membership story, and neatly extracted penalties for unbecoming behaviour.

President Stephen announced a convening of the Thrift Shop Committee, found his replacement on the Thrift Shop roster in the form of Briony Casburn for April 6 and closed the meeting at 8.27pm.

# **Rotary News**

## Lessons learned from the International H2O Collaboration

By Arnold R. Grahl - Rotary News - 20 March 2013

Dozens of broken hand pumps dot villages in Ghana — evidence of well-intentioned efforts gone awry because sustainability wasn't built into the projects that installed them. Perhaps fees weren't collected to fund repairs, or local officials weren't recruited to manage and oversee continued operations. School latrines also fail at a high rate, as projects often overlook the fact that they must be emptied periodically.

These are just two of the findings from a recent review of the International H2O Collaboration, a partnership between Rotary International and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) that is beginning its fifth year.

As part of the partnership's commitment to sustainability, it hired an independent contractor, Aguaconsult, to review the more than 15,000 measures — from water systems and hygiene training to wastewater treatment plants — funded by the partnership in Ghana, the Dominican Republic, and the Philippines.

María pours filtered water into a pan for cooking in her home in the Dominican Republic. Rotarians installed the filters.

#### Sustainability index

The review included the creation of the WASH Sustainability Index, a tool designed to Rotarians installed the filters. assess the long-term success and sustainability of these projects. The tool eventually will be available for Rotarians to use in planning more effective water and sanitation projects.

Water and sanitation projects often are measured by the systems built and the number of people they are expected to serve. But experts are finding that these numbers don't tell the whole story. Other conditions must be in place for projects to outlast their initial funding. These so-called soft elements include reliable management, long-term support, sound financial planning, training, and supportive government policies.

The WASH Sustainability Index essentially is a series of questions that determine whether these soft elements exist. To grade each action, Aguaconsult applied these questions to three levels of project involvement - individuals and organizations responsible for managing a service or system; local governments, nongovernmental organizations, and public agencies that provide support or oversight; and government and regulatory agencies that set policies, adopt technical standards, and conduct periodic review.

"The Aquaconsult team made a valiant effort in attempting to quantify the uniquely qualitative aspects of sustainability," says Sean Cantella, of Relief International, an organization that worked with USAID to implement the index in Ghana. "They should be applauded for their novel effort to look beyond simply counting the number of facilities in order to estimate the likelihood that facilities will be available for the long term."

**Report findings:** Aguaconsult's report had high praise for Rotarians' expertise, noting that equipment like wells, pumps and water systems have been well designed and meet all technical standards. But it found weaknesses in most other areas. Among the findings and conclusions:

- Collecting tariffs or user fees is important for long-term success. In many of the projects reviewed, user fees were
  either not collected or were set too low to provide enough money to replace worn-out equipment and parts.
  Considering the life cycle of equipment, and having frank discussions about what costs will be faced and by whom,
  can help projects avoid failure.
- Implementing projects in an institutional or policy vacuum increases the risk they will simply "fall through the cracks"
  once the project partners leave. In some communities, no agency was assigned to oversee results. Rotarians should
  involve relevant authorities from the outset and ensure that newly built systems are registered and integrated with
  other public works so they receive support and monitoring.
- The ability and willingness of local agencies to provide long-term follow-up are critical to sustainability. Ghana and the Dominican Republic have a national program for promoting hygiene, and their health ministries have strong urban branches. But such support is often absent in rural areas. In the Philippines, rural community-managed systems were found to suffer from a "lack of political will." Training local government staff to manage and administer projects, and improving supply chains and services, can help.
- Advocacy aimed at correcting policy or capacity gaps is an important and valid investment in long-term success.

**World Water Day:** The H2O Collaboration is one example of how Rotarians are working year-round to provide access to safe drinking water and proper sanitation. On 22 March, Rotarians joined the observance of <u>World Water Day</u>. Established by the United Nations in 1992, the day highlights the importance of fresh water and the need for sustainable management of water resources. This year's theme is water cooperation.

## Engineering sustainable water solutions in Latin America

By Sallyann Price - The Rotarian -- March 2013

Perched in the rugged mountains of central Ecuador, the village of Tingo Pucará seems an unlikely place for artistic inspiration to strike. Tony Riggio, a watchmaker by trade, has been leading youth expeditions to Central and South America since 2001, when his daughter participated in a program of Builders Beyond Borders (B3), a nonprofit based in Connecticut, USA. Construction projects have included hurricane shelters in the Dominican Republic, bridges in Nicaragua, and day care centers and classrooms in Costa Rica. Water and sanitation are always primary components.

As a member of the Rotary Club of Westport, Riggio understands the global need for clean water and improved sanitation, one of Rotary's six areas of focus. "People don't believe what you tell them sometimes – that things are how they are in parts of Central and South America," he says. "Water is such a precious commodity."

In April 2011, Riggio traveled to Tingo Pucará – one of five B3 project sites across Ecuador that season – to build pipelines in a joint effort with the Peace Corps and Engineers Without Borders. The village stands at an altitude of 12,600 feet, with the nearest spring about 4,900 feet down a steep path. The engineers designed a pumping system to draw water from the spring-fed stream, and the B3 team, made up of high school students and adult advisers, worked with locals to install the pipes, which now bring running water to homes.



Rotarians work with young people in the Builders Beyond Borders program to install pipes to carry water to the mountain town.

#### Shortage of running water

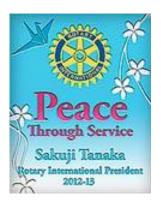
Historically, faced with a lack of potable water and arable land, the men of Tingo Pucará have headed to the lowlands to find work, leaving the women to transport water for cooking, washing, and drinking. Before the project was completed, the 26 village families had as little as 15 minutes of running water per month, sent from a neighboring area when available.

Living and working alongside the community members, B3 students and advisers learn about service and living with less. They confronted an array of challenges in Tingo Pucará: cold nights, debilitating altitude, and a mile of pipeline trenches waiting to be dug.

"For our kids, that project was not very rewarding – until the last day, when we got to turn the water on," Schroeder-Riggio says. "When you're doing a water project, you are laying the pipe, you're covering it over, and it doesn't even look like you were there. But when they turn the water on and everybody's crying, it's an incredible moment."

"That was the first time running water had been in that part of the village," Riggio says. "Some of the children there had never seen water come out of a faucet."

# INTERCITY PEACE FORUM





In keeping with our 2012-13 Rotary theme of

# **Peace Through Service**

you are invited to an

# **InterCity Peace Forum**

and luncheon for the



Rotary Clubs from District 9500 Group 1 & District 9500 Group 6

Date: Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April

**Forum Aim:** To provide Rotarians with information and encouragement to think

widely and innovatively to identify new service project opportunities

in all avenues of Rotary service.

Guest Speakers: Graham Brown, CEO of Southern Junction Community Services:

"Responding to Homelessness"

Peter Greeneklee, Salvation Army: "Progress in Reconciliation"

**Chris Moore**, Rotarian and member of the DIK Board:

"Containers of Hope"

**Time:** 12:00 for 12:30pm

**Venue:** Adelaide Meridien

21-39 Melbourne Street North Adelaide SA 5006

**Parking:** At the rear of the Adelaide Meridien via Reception driveway

**Luncheon:** 2 courses (choice of 2 mains and 2 desserts), tea & coffee

Cost: \$27pp + Drinks from the bar

**Bookings:** Essential, through your Rotary Club

RSVP 10<sup>th</sup> April at the latest

**Enquiries:** Stephen Westgarth 0419 279 928 email: unley.president@rotaryclub.org.au

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## **Diary Dates**

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2013	Apr	Wed	10	Group 6: Meet the GSE Team from Taiwan	Marion Sports & Community Club
		Sat	13	InterCity Peace Forum	Public Schools Club
		Sat	13	Eastwood Rotary 21st Birthday Celebration	Royal Coach Motor Inn
		Thu to Sun	25-28	<b>District Conference</b>	Tanunda
	May	Fri	3	GSE Team Returning from Taiwan	Norwood Town Hall
		Tues	21	Police Officer of the Year	Glenelg Golf Club
	Jun	Sun to Wed	23-26	RI Convention	Lisbon, Portugal

Our Upcoming Meetings					Set up &		
Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
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
9/4/13	No Meeting – transferred to 13/4						
<b>Saturday</b> 13/04/13	Meridien Adelaide Melbourne Street North Adelaide	6 for 6.30pm	InterCity Peace Forum	S Westgarth	K Haines	G McLeod	D Middleton R Mills
16/04/13	Waffle King 85b Sturt Road Dover Gardens	6.30 for 7pm	Vocational Visit and 78 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Partners event	S Baker	NA	R Mullins	NA

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

# Bunnings Mile End Barbeque Dates

**ALL** the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque dates are the **last Monday** of the month from 8am to 5pm. **NEXT 29 April Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm** 

# 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



### April 2013 Program

02/4/13	PP Peter Mayer (Morialta)	Breakfast in the Park
09/4/13	Malcolm Snell (Tea Tree Gully)	Children with Disability
16/4/13	PP Jeff Hunter (Blackwood)	Workplace Mental Health Forum
23/4/13	Pres Max McSorley (West Torrens)	School Projects in East Timor
30/4/13	PDG Peter Rostron (Tea Tree Gully)	A Sanitation Project in the Philippines

# Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### March - April 2013

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
Closed fo	r Easter	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Joan Reed & David Pisoni
1	06/04/13	David Middleton & Stephen Baker (for Jerry Casburn)	Bob Laws & Briony Casburn (for Stephen Westgarth)
2	13/04/13	Greg McLeod & Jerry Casburn (for Stephen Baker)	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	20/04/13	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	27/04/13	Wendy Andrews & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines

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## Heavenly Games

St. Peter and Satan were having an argument one day about baseball. Satan proposed a game to be played on neutral grounds between a select team from the heavenly host and his own hand-picked boys.

"Very well," said the gatekeeper of Heaven. "But you realise, I hope, that we've got all the good players and the best coaches."

"I know, and that's all right," Satan answered unperturbed. "We've got all the umpires."

# Got a Newspaper?

I asked my girlfriend to get me a newspaper. "Don't be silly", she replied. "Just use the iPad." Needless to say, the spider never saw it coming.

