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# 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

207 East Terrace

Adelaide

President Stephen opened the meeting and welcomed the Rotary Club of Prospect and other guests. President Doug Layng from Prospect opened his meeting 3028 and thanked Unley for sponsoring the visit.

PDG Euan Miller introduced Jerad Tan who is a Rotaractor from Malaysia and a student at UniSA, and who would like to volunteer his services.

# President Stephen's Announcements

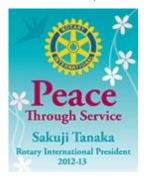
**Board Report:** At its meeting last week the Board considered the recommendations made by members at the last Club Assembly and made the following decisions:

- Sergeants Sessions will continue to be conducted but, for a trial period of six months, without jokes. Humourous and merited fines and "happy" fines will be retained but members may not be fined just for being at the meeting or just for being themselves.
- Starting from this Rotary year the Rotary Club of Unley will be a Centurion Club; i.e. each year the club will donate at least \$100 per member to The Rotary Foundation. Monies collected in Sergeants' fines and through the Lucky Squares draw will go into Project Funds and will not be hypothecated to achieving Centurion Club status, however these funds will inevitably contribute to the achievement through annual committee budgets.
- From next week we will trial a change to our meeting structure by hearing our guest speaker and conducting all our business before dinner and every effort will be made by Sergeants to ensure that meetings conclude by 7:45pm.

City of Unley Invitation: Last Saturday afternoon I was the guest of the Mayor of the City of Unley, Lachlan Clyne, at the Sturt Football Club's home game against West Adelaide. After an exciting and very close game, Sturt sadly lost to the league leaders by a just a few points, which augers well for the Sturt in future games. I took the opportunity to discuss with Mayor Clyne the lack of suitable meeting venues for groups like ours in the City of Unley. The Mayor is quite aware of the problem and Lachlan, Hyde Park Rotary President Robert Handley and I discussed a number of potential options that may become available in the coming Rotary year.



President Stephen



**District 9520 – Strategic Plan:** For the first time, the District has a Strategic Plan. The G Train (DG, DGE, DGN) have tried to keep it short and to the point. Comments would be welcome. To see a copy click this link: <a href="http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/District\*20Docs/2013/District\_Strategic\_Plan\_2013-2016.pdf">http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/District\*20Docs/2013/District\_Strategic\_Plan\_2013-2016.pdf</a>

**Student Journalist Prize:** On Wednesday May 22 the Student Journalist Prize for School of Communication, International Studies & Languages, and UniSA was launched. This District 9500 and District 9520 initiated proposal is designed to encourage emerging journalists and communications students to write or produce news stories (suitable for all media types) about Rotary projects. This will then be available for your club (or District) website, newsletter, local or social media or any other use you may have. It may also be a prize-winning entry for the student!

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This Project is being funded by the two Rotary Districts for three years – and prizes of \$700 for each of the best stories will be awarded for three media streams – Broadcast (TV/radio); Press; and Online/Social Media.

How will it work? Students will contact Rotary Clubs to gather information to write an article, media release or news item.

**Polio Plus:** Last Saturday evening Penni Hamilton-Smith – President RC Mitcham recorded an interview on Channel 44, the national community television station, and was able to plug Rotary and Polio Plus. The interview goes to air on Monday 1st July at 7.30 pm with repeats on Wednesday 3rd July at 1 pm and Friday 5th July at 4.30 pm.

Member Access: Rotarians have a very special place on the Rotary International website and it's called Member Access. To access this exclusive part of the RI website, you need to register and one you've done that a whole new range of options is available to you. You can access:

- Rotary Showcase Share successful service projects
- Rotary Club Central Set and track club goals
- Learn Get free online training
- Convention Registration Attend our annual international gathering
- Update your information Manage your own account details
- Apply for grants Manage your Foundation grants online
- Contribute Support The Rotary Foundation with tax deductible contributions in Australian dollars

Here's how to get started:

- 1. Go to www.rotary.org/memberaccess
- 2. Select "Create Account"
- 3. Enter and confirm your email address\*

\*Creating a member Access account requires a unique email address (shared or club addresses can't be used). If your email address is in the RI database, your account will be created immediately. If not, RI will contact your club to confirm your membership.

# Guest Speaker - D'Arcy Lunn: "Polio Plus....the end game"

Chairman Briony Casburn introduced guest speaker D'Arcy Lunn. D'Arcy was born on the Yorke Peninsula and educated in SA. He graduated with a Bachelor of Education and taught for 10 years. He then embarked on a mission to reduce poverty around the world. His current project to eliminate polio has taken him to 50 countries. He has been to Pakistan and India supported by UNICEF. Currently he is raising awareness and funds in Canada and Australia.

D'Arcy explained that he is part of the Global Poverty Project which is all about lifting awareness, understanding and support for the poor. In 2008 he became a volunteer and worked in Ethiopia with Australian Volunteers Abroad. His last 2 years have been spent on polio. He has many interesting and rewarding experiences and quoted the role played by famous Indian cricketer Chandra Vadrasaika, himself a polio victim, in increasing awareness of the need for vaccination. On 13 January 2012, India finally became polio free. There are three countries – Nigeria, Afghanistan and Pakistan – which are not polio free, but the situation is improving in that there were 223 cases last year but only 34 to date this year. This compares with 350,000 cases per year in 1985



Briony Casburn, D'arcy Lunn and the treasured Rotary pen

He stressed the importance of maintaining effort in that countries such as China, Chad, Kenya and Somalia had had outbreaks in recent years. Last year, resulting from GFC-

related aid tightening by 33 countries, 144m less doses of polio vaccine were applied. This is cause for concern. He was particularly pleased that Canada (\$240m) and Australia (\$50m) were now committed to assisting. He reflected on the effectiveness of the 'purple pinkie' in raising awareness among school children in Asian countries. The strategies being pursued by he and his colleagues are to get people and governments committed to eliminating polio.....volunteering, donating and shouting about polio will all help. In Canada for example a former PM had become a key advocate and here in Australia, Akram Azim (Young Australian of the Year) has also. He praised the work of Rotary and the Bill Gates Foundation. The strategy for 2013-18 is to move from oral vaccines to injections which have a much longer life and to make immunization a routine part of child health. Improvements to water and sanitation are also on the agenda because of their influence on the spreading of the disease.

### **Spots**

**Heather Kilsby** announced that Kennedy & Co had completed a thorough audit (free of charge) of Unley's books and that the audit report would be considered by the Board.

**Greg McLeod** reported that the Bunnings BBQ on Monday had raised approximately \$800 and thanked Jim, the two Stephens, the two Kens, Nino, Wendy, Heather, Alex, Glenyss and Mavis.

**Reno Elms** reminded members that our club subsidises members' contributions to the Red Shield Appeal \$1 for \$1 and he would like to raise \$60,000 this year (not just from Unley Rotarians 'though).

Mavis Martin asked members suffering from arthritis to fill out a student's questionnaire.

Wendy Andrews announced that she was filling a roster for the upcoming Art Exhibition in June. The shifts to be manned by Rotarians, friend and relatives are from 10am - 1.00pm and 1.00 - 4.00pm each day from Tuesday 11 th June until Monday 24th June. One person each shift per day, except for Wednesday 12th June when 5 people are needed to hang the art work, and 3 on Monday 24th June for the collection of all art work. The chores are few. We just need someone to be there. Fullarton staff are handling money from sales except at the weekend. We also need more volunteers on Friday 14th June from 5.00 to 7.30 for the official opening by Carole Whitelock. We have had many entries and have had to turn people away. Please contact Wendy by e-mail or phone 8377 7830 ASAP.

Stephen Westgarth thanked Stephen Baker and David Middleton for last week's POOTY events.

# Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Bob Mullins delicately extracted Ken Daly's marble for the atrocious squares with the help of Judith Barr. He also delicately extracted fines from those who failed to sit next to a guest. Some good happy fines applied, perhaps the best from Euan Miller who declared he had had a chicken lunch at PSC earlier in the day and hoped it was not the same chicken.....or something like that.

President Doug Layng then closed his club's meeting with thanks again.

President Stephen thanked Prospect Rotary and other guests and closed the meeting at 7.59pm.....onya SW

### **Rotary News**

**United States:** After three years of work, the Rotary Club of Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii, USA, completed a US\$300,000 renovation of the Lahaina Public Library, a 57-year-old structure that had fallen into disrepair due to a lack of state funds. The club collaborated with Maui Friends of the Library and the Hawaii State Library System to raise money, commission a redesign, remove and re-shelve 35,000 books, and recruit 21 companies and more than 100 volunteers to provide pro bono services. It was the largest project in the club's history.

**Great Britain:** In August, the Rotary Club of Ellon, Scotland, and the Ythan Cycle Club hosted their third annual Ellon Pedal Car Race. (A pedal car is a four-wheeled, one-person bike.) The closed-road race around a half-mile course drew pedal-car cyclists from Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Perth. Eighteen teams, sponsored by local businesses, competed to rack up the highest number of laps in the hour-long event, which raised more than US\$9,000 for Maggie's Cancer Centre in Aberdeen.

**Honduras:** Rotarians from seven clubs in Tegucigalpa worked together to fund two outreach centers for young people in the capital city. The clubs teamed up with the USAID Regional Youth Alliance project, the Rotarian Action Group for Population Growth and Sustainable Development, and Save the Children, which operates the facilities. Located in Buenas Nuevas and Villa Franca, both neighborhoods with high rates of gang activity, the centers offer tutoring, vocational training, and sports programs to children and young adults aged 10 to 29.



The renovated Lahaina Public Library

**Liberia:** After enduring years of civil war, beginning in the 1980s and ending in 2003, Liberia has few facilities for youth recreation, so children often play in empty lots or streets without supervision. In January, the Rotary Club of Sinkor broke ground on a center for young people in a suburb of Monrovia. The Liberia Girl Guides Association donated an acre of land, which will accommodate an outdoor basketball court; two palaver huts, which are traditional spaces for dialogue; a cafeteria; and a playground.

**New Zealand:** Hundreds of New Zealanders got down and dirty in June at the Naki Run Amuck mud run in the village of Urenui. Hosted by the Rotary Club of New Plymouth North, the event featured a 2.5-mile course with a variety of mudcovered obstacles. The runners raised more than NZ\$10,000, most of which went to help the local Taranaki Coastguard construct a new rescue boat. More than 800 participants are expected for the next event, also scheduled for June.

**Sri Lanka:** Land mines laid during the Sri Lanka's quarter-century civil war have injured tens of thousands of people. Rotary clubs in districts 3220 (Sri Lanka) and 3140 (part of India) worked with the Colombo Friend-in-Need Society to host the International Jaipur Foot Prosthetic Limb camp in the capital in July. The workshop provided prosthetic limbs, gait training, and counseling to more than 350 people who had lost limbs to land mines.

**Tanzania:** Six Rotary clubs in Dar es Salaam came together to organize a fundraising "marathon" in October. The event included 13-mile run and 5.5-mile walk options for 5,000 participants from across Tanzania and Uganda, the two countries in the new Rotary District 9211. It raised more than US\$330,000 for a pediatric oncology ward at the Muhimbili National Hospital, which sees more than 300 new cases every year. The ward will feature a 17-bed inpatient facility and six isolation rooms for children in danger of infection.

**Turkey:** In 1988, the Rotary Club of Istanbul-Findikli built the Findikli Primary School, which serves 650 students in its 20 classrooms. Last year, as part of its continued sponsorship of the school, the club installed solar panels. The new system is designed to produce enough power for the computers, kitchen, and emergency lighting. The club educated teachers and students about green energy and set up a computer that provides a digital measurement of the power produced.

**Venezuela:** Bed nets can save lives in tropical areas where mosquitoes transmit malaria. The Rotary Club of Key Biscayne, Fla., USA, received a Matching Grant from The Rotary Foundation to purchase 1,500 insecticide-treated bed nets, or *mosquiteros*, designed to fit the hammocks used in indigenous communities. Steve Baker, of the Key Biscayne club, joined with members of the Rotary clubs of Cachamay Nuevas Generaciones-Ciudad Guayana, Puerto Ordaz, and Caroni de Puerto Ordaz to distribute the nets in Bolívar State in October.

### **Diary Dates**

Year	Month	Day	Dat	e Activity Details	Venue
2013	Jun	Thurs - Su	ın 13-:	23 Unley Rotary Art Exhibition	Hughes Gallery, Fullarton Community Centre
		Sun to We	ed 23-	26 RI Convention	Lisbon, Portugal

### Bunnings Mile End Barbeque Dates

**ALL** the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque dates are the **last Monday** of the month from 8am to 5pm. **NEXT 24 June Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm** 

# **Our Upcoming Meetings**

	•			Chairman	Set up &		Attendance
Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	& Scribe	Plaque Board	Sergeant	Desk
04/06/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Paul & Aileen Munn: "Aid Wor Cambodia"	k in M Martin	D Payne	R Mullins	W Andrews S Baker
11/06/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	International Night David Rusk: "RAWCS Nepal Description of the Normal School Project" Partners Even	age	J Reed	R Mullins	S Baker B Casburn
18/06/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Warren Wilson: "How Inventor Invent"	s TBA	J Russell	R Mullins	B Casburn R Elms
25/06/13	Kooyonga Golf Club	7 for 7.30pm	Changeover Dinner Partners Event	MC S Baker	C Schirmer	R Mullins	R Elms S Evans

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



#### June 2013 Program

4/6/13	PDG Peter Sandercock (Holdfast Bay)	Rotary Down Under
11/6/13	Hon Rtn D'Arcy Lunn PHF	Polio Plus – the End game
18/6/13	PP Don Will (Eastwood)	Rotary in the Maldives – Pt 2
25/6/13	DGE 9500 Barbara Wheatcroft & DGE 9520 Wendy Gaborit	District Governor's Plans for 2013/14

# Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### **June 2013**

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	01/06/13	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	08/06/13	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	15/06/13	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	22/06/13	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	29/06/13	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Joan Reed & David Pisoni

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: lengland@senet.com.au

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#### The sensitive male

The room was full of pregnant women with their husbands.

The instructor said, "Ladies, remember that exercise is good for you. Walking is especially beneficial. It strengthens the pelvic muscles and will make delivery that much easier. Just pace yourself, make plenty of stops and try to stay on a soft surface like grass or a path."

"Gentlemen, remember -- you're in this together. It wouldn't hurt you to go walking with her. In fact, that shared experience would be good for you both."

The room suddenly became very quiet as the men absorbed this information. After a few moments a man, name unknown, at the back of the room, slowly raised his hand.

"Yes?" said the Instructor.

"I was just wondering if it would be all right if she carries a golf bag while we walk."

This kind of sensitivity just can't be taught.

#### A short but beautiful love story

A man and a woman who had never met before, but who were both married to other people, found themselves assigned to the same sleeping room on a transcontinental train.

Though initially embarrassed and uneasy over sharing a room, they were both very tired and fell asleep quickly, he in the upper berth and she in the lower.

At 1:00 AM, the man leaned down and gently woke the woman saying, 'Ma'am, I'm sorry to bother you, but would you be willing to reach into the closet to get me a second blanket? I'm awfully cold.'

'I have a better idea,' she replied, 'Just for tonight, let's pretend that we're married.'

'Wow! That's a great idea!' he exclaimed.

'Good,' she replied, 'Get your own xxxx blanket.'

After a moment of silence, he farted.

### Love in a digital world

On the phone to his wife at work, Jack asked - 'Hi Baby.....I can't open up our PC.....did you change the password? She replied 'Yes, honey - I made it the date of our wedding anniversary'

Oh xxxxx! MMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMM

#### The Millionaire

At a church meeting a very wealthy man rose to tell the rest of those present about his Christian faith.

"I'm a millionaire," he said, "and I attribute it all to the rich blessings of God in my life. I remember that turning point in my faith. I had just earned my first dollar and I went to a church meeting that night. The speaker was a missionary who told about his work. I knew that I only had a dollar bill and had to either give it all to God's work or nothing at all. So at that moment I decided to give my whole dollar to God. I believe that God blessed that decision, and that is why I am a rich man today."

He finished and there was an awed silence at his testimony as he moved toward his seat. As he sat down a little old lady sitting in the same pew leaned over and said to him: "I dare you to do it again."

