



Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	Geoff Wake – White Lion Foundation
Chairman	Mavis Martin
Apologies	Wendy Andrews, Joan Reed, Briony Casburn, Vera Holt, Reno Elms, Stephen Baker, Lindsay England, Jerry Casburn, Ken Daly, Nathan White
Guests	Rtn Graham and Patsy Beckett
Returning Rotarians	None
Departing Rotarians	Bob Mullins
Attendance	14 members and 3 guests

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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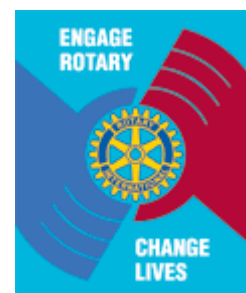
Venue: Public Schools Club
207 East Terrace, Adelaide

President Greg's Announcements

- 1. RC Adelaide's 90th Anniversary:** A reminder of a general invitation from the RC of Adelaide to all Rotarians to join Adelaide Club members at the National Wine Centre on Wed. 28/8/13 at noon to 2pm to celebrate the founding of the RC of Adelaide 90 years ago and the commencement of Rotary in South Australia. Cost is \$55.00 per person. Specific details have already appeared in the Bulletin.
- 2. Board Meeting:** A reminder to the members of the Board of a meeting on 11/7/13 at Mavis Martin's house. The formal July Board meeting will take place on 25/7/13 – venue yet to be determined.
- 3. Around About:** My recent or pending activities as President or on behalf of the Club:
 - Attendance at the District Changeover on 7/7/13 at Mt Barker at which Wendy Gaborit was inducted as the DG of D9520.
 - Making of an oral submission on 8/7/13 to the Unley Council relating to the Club's interest in the use of shared clubrooms in any development of common onsite function facilities as part of the Concept Master Plan for the redevelopment of Unley Oval. President Greg outlined the current redevelopment plans; see Greg for further details.
- 4. Fundraising Barbeque Reminders:**
 - The club's upcoming Detmold BBQ commitment has now been moved back to 20/9/13.
 - Advance warning that our next Bunnings BBQ commitment is on 29/7/13 – support is required from all Club members.



President Greg



Presidential Presentation

President Greg presented Immediate Past President Stephen with a wooden plaque as a memento of his year as President of Unley Rotary in 2012-2013 and noted that the Past Presidents "honour board" had been updated and would be hung in the Thrift Shop.

President Greg thanked Bob Mills for his craftsmanship and efforts in making the plaques for Stephen and a long line of our Past Presidents.

Guest Speaker - Geoff Wake: "Youth at Risk"

Our guest speaker Geoff Wake was introduced by chairman for the evening, Mavis Martin. Geoff is a member of the Rotary Club of Port Adelaide, having been introduced to Rotary through his father-in-law, a member of the Hyde Park Club.

Geoff is the Employment and Training Manager for the Whitelion organisation, a position to which he was promoted within the past week. The purpose of this organisation is to



President Greg, IPP Stephen and the plaque

assist young indigenous people at 'risk', e.g. a history of stealing, drug taking etc., to gain training and employment. Locations are at Croydon TAFE and Waikerie. Whitelion is funded by the SA Government Department of Further Education, Employment & Training and several organisations from the corporate sector. Examples of the latter are Schweppes, Solexo at Prominent Hill and Western Futures. As well as providing funding these organizations assist with training, mentoring and employment for the young people who have participated in their programs. New drivers wishing to get their log book hours up are able to do so at Whitelion through the assistance of the SA government and Allan Miller Driving School. Unfortunately there are problems with this program such as costs and public liability issues and it is not as successful as desired at this point. There are up-skilling programs for people in the workforce.

Programs known as Flexible Learning Options are based in some metropolitan and Waikerie high schools for introducing students to trades programs.

Other community organizations provide assistance by providing places in their programs for Whitelion youth, e.g. Young Lions Breakfast Club which runs 6 to 10 weeks programs for young people not interested in community engagement. The purpose of this is to enable a healthier body and therefore a healthier and more motivated mindset. There is also the annual Aboriginal Power Cup with the Port Adelaide Club. Leyton Contractors provide a Serious Fun program 'Life Be in It' and participants then assist with this program in primary schools.

The 'The One and All' has also featured with Whitelion. Over a two year 'Setting Sail for Success' program 44 young people assisted with maintenance and upgrade issues. From this 26 obtained employment elsewhere.

Geoff answered many questions both during his presentation and in question time.

The chairman presented Geoff with the traditional gift of a Rotary pen stating that it would come in useful for all the additional forms he would have to sign as a result of his promotion!

NB: There was so much information presented in this session it was not possible to record many of the figures relating to job placements; suffice to state that the program has much success with its mission.

Geoff was warmly thanked for his presentation.



Chairperson Mavis Martin with guest speaker Geoff Wake

Spots

Sheila Evans reported that she had recorded a "Voice of Rotary" interview about the club's recent Art Exhibition; the interview will be broadcast on 8th August 2013. Sheila would be grateful if someone could record the broadcast for her as she will be away on the day.

Sheila thanked the members of the Art Exhibition Committee for their very hard work in making the event a success, especially when compared to the results achieved by other art shows that took place in Adelaide around the same time. Sheila reported that the Art Exhibition had raised at least \$1,200 for The Rotary Foundation.

There will be a wrap-up/debriefing meeting of the Art Exhibition Committee immediately following next week's meeting.

Stephen Westgarth thanked the members for their kind gift of a digital mantle radio which was presented to him by the club at the Changeover Dinner.

Stephen also thanked Bob Laws for holding the fort on his own at the Thrift Shop last Saturday afternoon.

IPP Stephen reported on the RC Brownhill Creek Changeover Dinner that he attended last week representing Greg McLeod who was otherwise engaged at his first full club meeting as our newly inducted President.

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Ken Haines enlisted Geoff Wake's assistance in translating the hieroglyphics on the lucky bingo ball, which turned out to be visiting Rotarian Geoff Beckett's number; Geoff promptly donated his cash prize to club project funds. Sergeant Ken extracted a couple of fines and then opened the floor to a flurry of happy fines.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Rotary News

Straight shooter: New RI President Ron D Burton

The Rotarian - July 2013

With his congenial manner and his inclination to keep things simple, Ron Burton has a natural ability to put people at ease. But don't let the easygoing demeanor of Rotary International's new president lull you into thinking that he doesn't get serious when it's time for business.

"If you ask my opinion, you're going to get it," Burton says, his neighborly look morphing into a solemn gaze. "When I feel strongly about something, I will argue like crazy for my position. I suppose that's sort of an ego thing, but if I discern that someone has a vested interest or may be looking at a personal economic benefit, I have a simple suggestion: Apply The Four-Way Test."

An uncompromising sense of ethics may be the only personal quality that the former president of the University of Oklahoma Foundation Inc. is willing to wear on his sleeve. "Like most people, I don't like to be told I'm wrong," he says. "But I can be convinced that there's another way to look at something, and sometimes I'll change my mind. If it's an ethical issue, though, you're not going to tell me I'm wrong. It's not going to happen. I've dealt with too many people over the years who wanted to misuse funds. I've looked them in the eye and said, 'I'm not going to jail for you or anyone else.'"

Burton says most of his career success came from being "in the right place at the right time." It started with growing up in a small town (Duncan, Okla., USA) in the postwar era and having a chance to operate his own business at age 13. "Delivering newspapers was a business back then," he says, recalling his days as a *Duncan Banner* carrier. "You had to buy your papers, buy your rubber bands, buy your bag; you had to wait for the papers, roll them, and deliver them; you had to collect, you had to pay your bill. Anything left over was yours."

A few years later, as a student at the University of Oklahoma in the late 1960s, Burton worked part time in the accounting office. Between graduation and law school, he was hired to replace a close friend at the office who had been drafted into the military. (Burton did his own military service through advanced ROTC and the National Guard.)

"I ended up being the number two accountant for the University of Oklahoma a week after I got out of school," he says. He continued in the job during his first year in law school, but soon was recommended to replace the outgoing treasurer of the University of Oklahoma Foundation. "When I graduated, my boss, who was a past governor of our Rotary district, asked me to stay on, with the idea that I might be selected to succeed him when he retired. I took over his position as president in 1978 and retired in 2007. That's my career at Oklahoma – storybook, really."

When it came to meeting his future wife, Jetta, Burton was initially in the right place, but his timing was a bit off. Both charter members of the baby boom generation, they were born in the same year and at the same overcrowded hospital, where dresser drawers substituted for basins. But he arrived three months ahead of her. They had mutual friends growing up and finally met in high school, where they were members of the band. He was a junior and played trombone. She was a sophomore and played bassoon. Their first date was 18 September 1962. They tied the knot in college.

After 45 years of marriage, with a daughter, a son, and three grandchildren, Burton emphasizes that their life together has been a partnership, especially when it comes to Rotary.

"Jetta is my best critic," says Burton, a member of the Rotary Club of Norman. "She will level with me, on whether I made a natural and believable presentation – on all sorts of things. She's been supportive all along the way, from presidents-elect training seminars to district assemblies and conferences. If she had not supported me in this, I wouldn't be here today."

The vital role of the family in Rotary is at the core of Burton's beliefs. "When we talk about the family of Rotary, I know public relations is a part of that," he says. "But to me, it really is the family of Rotary. If you get your own family involved in this, with your own heart, and it expands to the world, that's the family of Rotary – that's community service."

Throughout his time in Rotary, especially during this past year of traveling and meeting Rotarians from various countries, that perspective has helped Burton appreciate the diversity and ever-growing potential of the organization. "Speaking to Rotarians from around the world has made me more tolerant of different points of view," he says. "You learn that there is another way to do things, that there are differences in cultures and differences in individuals. But the basic tenets come through for all of us, no matter where we are. I'd like to think there are no regional differences in the integrity aspect of the organization, but I believe we may need to do a better job of working on that and highlighting it."

Burton is firm in his view of the relationship between Rotary International and Rotarians. "Rotary International is nothing more than an association of Rotary clubs, and the Secretariat is here to serve those clubs," he says. "Rotary International's job is to support the clubs, and Rotarians are the ones who do things. We need to keep that in mind. The Secretariat is a sacred place, and it should be respected, just like the office of the president. Our job is to inspire people, to act as an inspirational pivot point to bring the senior leadership in, to serve those clubs and districts so that we can make things happen. But Rotary International is not an end in itself."

Burton is enthusiastic about the success of his "first class" campaign, which aims to make the 2013-14 class of Rotary leaders the first in which every district governor and club president contributes to The Rotary Foundation. "We've already raised \$3.6 million, and we've only got 8,128 club presidents so far," he says. "All the governors are in, for the first time in history."

Success in fundraising was a hallmark of Burton's three decades of service at the University of Oklahoma Foundation. During his tenure, he notes, the foundation's assets grew from \$17.5 million to \$890 million. But that achievement is not on the short list of his proudest accomplishments.

"There are two things I take great pride in," he says. "One is that there was never a penny out of place – every single cent was always accounted for. The other is that, more than five years after I've left, except for subsequent retirements, everyone who was working for me is still there. I think that's a great testament that I did something right."



RI President Ron D Burton

The management style that led to that success is unlikely to change much, but Burton, whose reading pleasure runs toward biographies of American presidents, believes that his experience watching and working with past Rotary presidents will help him hone an effective approach.

"I don't want to leave anyone out, but some of them do stick out in my mind," he says. "Bill Boyd had a big impact on me – he's a great communicator. I learned a lot about tolerance from Carlo Ravizza. Jim Lacy ran a great meeting and was businesslike in his approach. Jon Majiyagbe is a great role model as a gentle person with a steady manner. And then there's Frank Devlyn. I'll tell you what: If you don't like Frank Devlyn, I don't like you. It's that simple."

Seeing and expressing things in simple, straightforward terms is one of Burton's most apparent strengths. "If I had one wish for the American people," he says, "it's that they could go to one of the impoverished countries that Rotarians do so much work in and see how good we have it here."

For Burton, there's no doubt about how good he's had it. "I've had a blessed life," he says. "I had a great family life growing up, and I look at our kids and our grandkids, and I think they've done pretty well too. You worry about things, of course, and you want the best for your family. I think Rotary gives me an opportunity to help make this world a little bit better and help give others a better life – not only my grandkids but other people's grandkids too."

A year from now, Burton will look back and measure his success by a standard that is pure Oklahoma: "At the end of the day, I hope to leave the woodpile just a little higher."

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2013	Aug	Saturday	10	The Rotary Foundation Celebration Dinner	Stables at Morphettville 7 for 7.30pm \$45pp
		Wednesday	28	90th Anniversary of Rotary in SA Hosted by Rotary Club of Adelaide	National Wine Centre 12–2pm \$55pp
	Sep	Tuesday	3	Visit of District Governor Wendy Gaborit	Public Schools Club
		Friday	20	Detmold BBQ	Detmold Group, Brompton
		Tuesday	24	Quiz with RC Brownhill Creek	Public Schools Club

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
16/7/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	POOTY – Sergeant John Illingworth	S Baker	N White	K Haines	A Jonson H Kilsby

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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: emandcee@bigpond.com



July 2013 Program

16/7/13	Rtn Jeff Candy (Noarlunga East)	An ambulance for Tonga
23/7/13	PP Bill Spraggs (Coromandel Valley)	Tagalong Tours
30/7/13	Pres Conrad Melvaine (Prospect)	ShelterBox Update

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

June – July 2013

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
2	13/07/13	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Sheila Evans (sub for Mavis Martin)
3	20/07/13	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	27/07/13	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Mavis Martin (sub for Sheila Evans) & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Joan Reed & David Pisoni
1	03/08/13	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:

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Bunnings Mile End Barbeque Dates

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

On the Back Page

Locked Car

A woman was at work when she received a phone call that her daughter was very sick with a fever. She left her work and stopped by the pharmacy to get some medication. She got back to her car and found that she had locked her keys in the car.

She didn't know what to do, so she called home and told the baby sitter what had happened. The baby sitter told her that the fever was getting worse. She said, "You might find a coat hanger and use that to open the door."

The woman looked around and found an old rusty coat hanger that had been thrown down on the ground, possibly by someone else who at some time or other had locked their keys in their car. Then she looked at the hanger and said, "I don't know how to use this."

So she bowed her head and asked God to send her some help. Within five minutes an old rusty car pulled up, with a dirty, greasy, bearded man who was wearing an old biker skull rag on his head. The woman thought, "This is what you sent to help me?" But, she was desperate, so she was also very thankful.

The man got out of his car and asked her if he could help. She said, "Yes, my daughter is very sick. I stopped to get her some medication and I locked my keys in my car. I must get home to her. Please, can you use this hanger to unlock my car?"

He said, "Sure". He walked over to the car, and in less than a minute the car was opened. She hugged the man and through her tears she said, "Thank You so much! You are a very nice man."

The man replied, "I am not a nice man. I just got out of prison today. I was in prison for car theft and have only been out for about an hour."

The woman hugged the man again and with sobbing tears cried out loud, "Oh, Thank you God! You even sent me a Professional!"

The First Stall

Leaving Adelaide for Melbourne, I decided to stop at one of those rest areas on the side of the road. I went into the toilets. The first stall was taken, so I went into the second stall. I had just sat down when I heard a voice from the other stall.....

"Hi there, how is it going?"

Okay, I am not the type to strike up conversations with strangers in toilets on the side of the road. I didn't know what to say, so finally I say:

"Not bad....."

Then the voice says:

"So, what are you doing?"

I am starting to find this a bit weird, but I say: "Well, I'm going to Melbourne....."

Then I hear the person, all flustered, say:

"Look, I'll call you back. Every time I ask you a question, this idiot in the next stall keeps answering me!!!"

