

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3871 – 6 August 2013

Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club	
Guest Speaker	Jerry Casburn	
Chairman	Jerry Casburn	
Apologies	Ken Daly, Sheila Evans, Vera Holt, Heather Kilsby, Nino Malvetti, Mavis Martin, Bob Mills, Bob Mullins, Anne Wehr	
Guest	Munjula Watts	
Returning Rotarian	Reno Elms	
Attendance	17 members 1 guest	

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Public Schools Club Venue:

207 East Terrace. Adelaide

President Greg's Announcements

Pam Trimmer was welcomed to her first meeting as a member.

President Greg and IPP Stephen Westgarth will be meeting with Mayor Lachlan Clyne tomorrow re Service Clubs.

Roving Lifestyles Wine Tasting: The Rotary Club of Eastwood invites Unley members to join them in its Roving Lifestyles Wine Tasting [Free] Event at the Sky Deck, Level 13 Aurora Building (147 Pirie Street) on 14 August 2013 from 5.15 pm - 7.30 pm. 'It will be a great evening for people interested in wines and the Rotary Projects in which our Club is involved'. RSVP Tel 7071 7298 info@rovinglifestyles.com.au.

RC Adelaide 90th Anniversary Celebration: The 90th anniversary of the founding of Rotary in SA will be held on 28 August. The Board decided that the club's meeting on 27 August will be cancelled and members are encouraged to attend the RC Adelaide celebration, which will be held at the National Wine Centre, 12 - 2pm, at a cost of \$55. Stephen Baker will coordinate the club's response.

The next Board meeting will be held on August 22 - each committee chair needs to submit program and budget for Board deliberation in preparation for the DG's visit on September 3. It is expected that the Board will meet with the DG at 4pm that day.

Community Links is now available for distribution. Our club boundary is Unley Rd - Cross Rd - Fullarton Rd - Glen Osmond Rd - Greenhill Rd.





Unley Celebration - Mayor Lachlan Clyne has issued an invitation to 'Celebrating Unley' with guest speaker Gabrielle Kelly (Director of External Relations, Department of Premier and Cabinet) at Unley Town Hall at 6.30pm - 8.30pm Thursday 15 August. Her subject will be 'Building Social Capacity for Positive Change'. Entertainment by the Germein Sisters and wine and canapés provided. RSVP by Tuesday 13 August - Tel 83725134.

District Conference 2014 with DG Wendy Gaborit will be held in Warrnambool on 20-23 March 2013. Members are exhorted to attend in preparation for our conference in Ballarat on 16-19 April 2015. A club coordinator is needed for Warrnambool.

Spots

Lindsay England provided an update on the Bob and Genese Mullins cruise....heading for Suez after rough seas.

Jerry Casburn has sent a thank you letter to Bunnings - the club has raised \$7,800 since January. He is organising a visit to Calperum in mid - late October. A schools night is being planned.

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Sergeants Session

Sergeant Ken Haines used Munjula to draw out Joan Reed's marble for the infernal squares. Stephen W managed to spill the marbles – just another balls-up which should be noted by members failing to win the squares in the weeks to come. Top fine of the night was for Jerry losing his water for three months. Joan and Jerry have been gluttons for the limelight in recent weeks.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2013	Aug Saturday 10		10	The Rotary Foundation Celebration Dinner	Stables at Morphettville 7 for 7.30pm \$45pp
		Wednesday	28	90 th Anniversary of Rotary in SA	National Wine Centre 12–2pm
				Hosted by Rotary Club of Adelaide	\$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

Guest Speaker - DGE Jerry Casburn:

"The Role of the District Governor (& Why I want to do it!)"in his own words

Our District 9520 has 53 clubs with 1,425 Rotarians in a District which covers an area from the south of the CBD, across to Campbelltown and the southern part of South Australia to Victor Harbor, up through the Riverland, across to Broken Hill and the Sunraysia clubs in Victoria. It even goes into a small part of Queensland but there are no clubs there yet. Our adjoining District 9500 and a partner we work closely with covers the city of Adelaide, the northern part of South Australia and up into the Northern Territory as far as Alice Springs.

The District Governor (DG) is the RI representative and spokesperson for the District they serve, they are appointed for one year with a two year build up and training programme as District Governor Nominee (DGN) and District Governor Elect (DGE). The responsibilities are many and include:



DGE Jerry Casburn

- Working with the "G Train", the current DG, DGE and DGN to plan activities for the District, including developing a strategic plan, ours is currently available on the District website and covers three years. The plan is currently being updated to reflect the current Rotary year.
- Promoting a positive image of Rotary and its activities both within and external to the clubs in the District.
- Encouraging clubs to communicate across Rotary
- Promoting membership and the development of new clubs.
- Appointing leaders and leading the District team comprising committees and Assistant Governors who work with groups of clubs.
- Developing club and District Leadership undertaking a series of training programmes, e.g., President Elect Training and specialist training, e.g., risk management.
- Overseeing the finances of the District and supporting Rotary's charity, the Rotary Foundation.
- Keeping clubs up to date with regular newsletters and dispatches.
- Undertake at least one visit to each of the District's Rotary Clubs

My path to becoming District Governor began as President of this club. I was asked to take on the role of Assistant Governor for the Group 5 clubs of Blackwood, Coromandel Valley, Flagstaff Hill, Hallett Cove, Noarlunga and Noarlunga East. In Roy's District Governor Elect year he asked me to take on the role of District Secretary for him and I also nominated for District Governor 2014/15 in the same year.

So why do I want to be DG??? Well for a start it would not even be contemplated without the support of a great partner and Briony is just that. We had not been together long when the opportunity surfaced, our courting involved a lot of Rotary dinners in the group 5 clubs and the rest as they say is history. She is very popular and most Rotarians ask who the bloke with Briony is which is when she introduces me as District Governor Elect.

When I joined Rotary it was largely for the social aspects and friendships, of which I have many. The added bonus is what we do for others. I do not believe there is another organisation in the world that punches at the weight we do. I am very passionate about Rotary and what we do. We can't give heaps of money but we can give time.

Briony has another version, she believes that I am becoming hard of hearing and the sight could be dicky so I need to sit near the front. It could also be the love of chicken and steak meals which we will get in abundance over these years. She also suggested it was a way for me to get out of the house and avoid the list of jobs on the refrigerator. It is so sad when you are busted.

The journey so far has seen us attend Governor Elect Training here at the Adelaide Institute, a gathering of DGs, past present and future. It continued in Parramatta a week ago with an intensive four days, hearing about the various programmes we support. In November we go for the next level of Governor Elect Training at the Canberra Institute and then finally to the International Institute in San Diego.

February will be the start of our training for incoming District leaders, Presidents Elect and then training incoming Boards at the District Assembly.

In closing I would like to talk about club support. This will be mainly at the conference which will be held in Ballarat from April 16th to 19th 2015. We have a committee chaired by David Middleton and comprising Stephen Westgarth (Admin and Financial), Stephen Baker (Speakers), Joan Reed (Entertainment), Janet Singh (Promotion), Colin Schirmer (Logistics), Briony and myself (Running Interference). We will need to expand that over coming weeks and I know many have offered help, so expect a tap on the shoulder.

Joan, as conference President, and I also need a strong contingent at the Warrnambool conference, 20 to 23 March 2014. Please put this in the diary now.

Would I do it again? IN A HEARTBEAT!!! Would I encourage involvement in District? ABSOLUTELY!!!

Rotary News

Rotary Membership and Extension Month - RI Message

Take steps to expand your club

Rotary News -- 1 August 2013

During Membership and Extension Month, we have planned a variety of activities to help you get your club members involved and share your passion for Rotary. Building strong and vibrant clubs is critical for Rotary's future. Here are some steps you can take this month to attract new members and engage the ones you already have: <u>Join our Thunderclap</u> and share a powerful membership message with the world on the last day of August. Thunderclap is a tool that allows thousands of people to connect their social media accounts to send a single, simple, amplified message all at once. Spread a message on Facebook and Twitter that is sure to be heard. <u>Learn more about Thunderclap and how it works</u>.

- Take part in our <u>Membership Challenge</u> and set concrete plans for increasing your club's membership. You choose
 your goals -- such as referring a new member, inviting a friend to your club or service project, or connecting with
 alumni. Once you submit your goals, we'll send you an email listing steps to take to meet your goals.
- Watch RI President Ron Burton's message on membership
- Learn more about **regional membership plans** with our new <u>infographic</u>. Regional membership plans, now in their second year, take advantage of each region's unique needs, customs, and historic trends to greatly enhance the ability of district leaders to bring in new members and retain existing ones.
- Look for our new publication **Connect for Good** (formerly known as Rotary Basics) in the September issue of *The Rotarian* to get insights on engaging members and keeping them involved.

Suggestions include:

- Sponsor a new member
- Recommend a friend or family member who doesn't live close to other clubs
- Volunteer as a mentor to a prospective or new member
- Tell a friend or colleague about Rotary and bring them to a club meeting or project
- Invite one or more participants of a Rotary program to a club meeting or community service project
- · Tweet about being a member of Rotary
- Change your Facebook profile picture to show friends you are proud to be a Rotarian
- Promote a service project on Rotary Showcase.

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
13/8/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	James Moore - Unley Road Traders	D Middleton	R Elms	K Haines	R Mills J Newall
20/8/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Club Assembly	Scribe S Baker	L England	K Haines	J Newall D Payne
27/8/13	Meeting Cancelled	d					
28/8/13	National Wine Centre Cnr Botanic & Hackney Roads	12- 2pm	90 th Anniversary of RC Adelaide Cost: \$55pp Bookings through S Baker	Coordinator S Baker	n/a	n/a	n/a

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

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



August 2013 Program

13/8/13	PP Andrew Benson (Encounter Bay)	Australian Rotary Health
20/8/13	DG Barbara Wheatcroft (Adelaide Parks)	The Yellow Brick Road
27/8/13	Pres Judy Shipp (Holdfast Bay)	Operation Cleft

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

August - September 2013

Week No.	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
2	10/08/13	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Joan Reed & Mavis Martin
3	17/08/13	Glenys Ferguson & Wendy Andrews	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	24/08/13	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	31/08/13	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	S Westgarth & David Pisoni
1	07/09/13	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: lengland@senet.com.au

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: 26 August Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm**Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm

The Back Page

Should I Really Join Facebook?

When I bought my Blackberry, I thought about the 30-year business I ran with 1,800 employees, all without a cell phone that plays music, takes videos, pictures and communicates with Facebook and Twitter. I signed up under duress for Twitter and Facebook, so my seven kids, their spouses, my 13 grand kids and 2 great grand kids could communicate with me in the modern way. I figured I could handle something as simple as Twitter with only 140 characters of space.

My phone was beeping every three minutes with the details of everything except the bowel movements of the entire next generation. I am not ready to live like this. I keep my mobile phone in the garage in my golf bag.

The kids bought me a GPS for my last birthday because they say I get lost every now and then going over to the grocery store or library. I keep that in a box under my tool bench with the Bluetooth [it's red] phone I am supposed to use when I drive. I wore it once and was standing in line at Bunnings talking to my wife and everyone in the nearest 50 metres was glaring at me. I had to take my hearing aid out to use it, and I got a little loud.

I mean, the GPS looked pretty smart on my dash board, but the lady inside that gadget was the most annoying, rudest person I had run into in a long time. Every 10 minutes, she would sarcastically say, "Re-calc-u-lating." You would think that she could be nicer. It was like she could barely tolerate me. She would let go with a deep sigh and then tell me to make a U-turn at the next light. Then if I made a right turn instead, well, it was not a good relationship...

When I get really lost now, I call my wife and tell her the name of the cross streets and while she is starting to develop the same tone as Gypsy, the GPS lady, at least she loves me.

To be perfectly frank, I am still trying to learn how to use the cordless phones in our house. We have had them for 4 years, but I still haven't figured out how I lose three phones all at once and have to run around digging under chair cushions, checking bathrooms, and the dirty laundry baskets when the phone rings. It was a lot easier when the phone was attached on the wall, at least then I knew where it was.... "always"!

The world is just getting too complex for me. They even mess me up every time I go to the supermarket. You would think they could settle on something themselves but this sudden "Reusable or Recyclable Bag?" every time I check out just knocks me for a loop. I bought some of those plastic cloth reusable bags to avoid looking confused, but I never remember to take them with me.

Now I toss it back to them. When they ask me, "Reusable or Recyclable Bag?" I just say, "Doesn't matter to me. I'm bi-sacksual;" then it's their turn to stare at me with a blank look.

I was recently asked if I tweet. I answered, "No, but I do fart a lot."

We senior citizens don't need any more gadgets.

The TV remote and the garage door remote are about all we can handle.

