



Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	James Morris
Chairman	David Middleton
Apologies	Sheila Evans, Lindsay England, Bob Mullins, Pam Trimmer, Anne Wehr
Returning Rotarian	Mavis Martin, Reno Elms
Departing Rotarians	Briony and Jerry Casburn
Attendance	21 members 1 guest

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Venue: Public Schools Club
207 East Terrace, Adelaide

President Greg's Announcements

President Greg and IPP Stephen Westgarth had met with Mayor Lachlan Clyne and UCC about local service clubs.

Roving Lifestyles Wine Tasting: The Rotary Club of Eastwood's Wine Tasting Event at the Sky Deck, Level 13 Aurora Building (147 Pirie Street) is on 14 August 2013 from 5.15 pm - 7.30 pm (tomorrow night).

RC Adelaide 90th Anniversary Celebration: The 90th anniversary of the founding of Rotary in SA will be held on 28 August. Stephen Baker is coordinating the club's response.

The next Board meeting will be held on August 22 (perhaps now 29th).

Community Links is now available for distribution. Our club boundary is Unley Rd – Cross Rd – Fullarton Rd – Glen Osmond Rd – Greenhill Rd. More volunteers are needed.

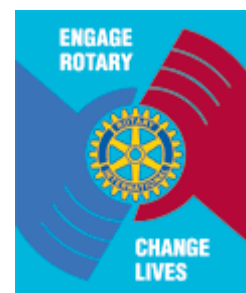
RC Mitcham book sale – The book sale is taking place at its shop on Goodwood Rd, Cumberland Park (opposite Mitre 10)

The 2019 Rotary World Convention (entitled **Africa is Calling**) is to be held in Durban South Africa.

The End Polio Campaign – new polio outbreaks had been detected in Somalia and Kenya – joining the existing problem areas of Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan.



President Greg



Guest Speaker - JAMES MORRIS: "The Unley Road"

Chairman David Middleton introduced James who is the chair of the Unley Road Association (URA). He studied architecture and environmental psychology and has worked for the Commonwealth Government. He is now involved in community affairs and as well as being Chair of the URA he is a member of the Unley City Council Economic and Business Development Committee.

James explained that he was born in Unley, has a passion for the local environment and has been chair of the URA for much of the last 12 years. The theme of his speech was 'Sustaining the High Street'. The URA was established to support the traders and the development/sustainability of Unley Rd precinct. Unley Road' businesses employ about 1800 people and have an annual turnover of \$200m - \$500m each year; 20% of Unley Council rates come from local businesses. URA is a non-profit volunteer organization funded by a small council levy – it has a part-time paid coordinator. As well as being proactive on issues important to its members, the URA supports networking and group advertising, events such as SALA (and on one previous occasion our club's Carols at the Rotunda), and organizations such as the Sturt Football Club. He lamented the fact that it was very difficult to achieve significant change in the local urban environment. Big retail organizations like Westfield carry disproportionate weight in achieving their aims. The council appears to be ineffectual. He cited Barcelona and a number of other European cities



David, James & the Rotary pen

where the incidence of high population densities enabled local roads to become vibrant shopping environments, serving the local communities and attracting tourists. The development of Australia with its preoccupation with the urban block had contributed to the significant sprawl and spread of cities. This trend needs to be reversed. High densities along and near our main roads had to be encouraged to revitalise the inner urban areas. People should have the choice of living in apartments close to shopping and entertainment. He wants good planning and good design....the strip shopping with many shops over 100 years old is not working. By lifting densities the local community will be invigorated as has been the case in many European cities. James wants to see the Unley High Street happen.

James was thanked by acclamation.

Spots

Stephen Baker reported on acceptances for the RC Adelaide 90th celebrations and he would book the table.

Jerry Casburn announced that the visit to Calperum will be 1- 3 November and there had been 7 acceptances to date.

The next Bunnings BBQ is due on 26 August, while he and Briony are away. Ken is the organiser and Nino is cooking all day – more volunteers were seconded.

Sergeants Session

Sergeant Ken Haines announced that there would be a new Sergeant next week. He somehow managed, due to David Middleton's ineptitude, to win the infernal squares. There were two top fines for the week. Reno Elms' son Levi played a great game for the Sturt Reserves last Saturday. Greg McLeod and Stephen Baker had failed to have the closed sign reversed to open at the Thrift Shop on Saturday.

The meeting closed at 8.04 pm.

Rotary News

Ravindran is choice for 2015-16 RI president

By Arnold R. Grahil - Rotary News -- 6 August 2013

K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran, a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo, Western Province, Sri Lanka, has been selected by the Nominating Committee for President of RI in 2015-16. Ravindran will become the president-nominee on 1 October if there are no challenging candidates.

Ravindran said his top priority for Rotary will be to increase membership, which he called the bedrock of any organization.

"The emphasis on membership has to continue with focus on the younger generation," Ravindran said. "Additionally, we must seek to attract the just retired and experienced people into Rotary."

Creating regional membership plans and realizing that "one size does not fit all" has been a move in the right direction, he said.

"Albert Einstein defined insanity as 'doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results.' In many ways this has been the story of Rotary's poor membership advance," he said. "Thankfully, our approach this time has been studied and altered. We have created 22 different membership regions so that each region would develop and execute a plan that would suit that particular region."

Ravindran said it's important for Rotarians to share their stories, especially through social media, so others can see the impact Rotary has had in their lives. He said it's also important for the organization to speak with a consistent voice. "Our identity must remain simple and be based on our core values. It must be clear and straightforward to both our internal and external audience."

Ravindran holds a degree in commerce and is founder and CEO of Printcare PLC, a publicly listed company and global leader in the tea packaging industry. He also serves on the board of several other companies and charitable trusts. He is the founding president of the Sri Lanka Anti Narcotics Association, the largest antinarcotics organization in Sri Lanka.

As his country's PolioPlus chair, Ravindran headed a task force with members from the government, UNICEF, and Rotary and worked closely with UNICEF to negotiate a cease-fire with northern militants during National Immunization Days.

A Rotarian since 1974, Ravindran has served Rotary as a director and treasurer of RI and as a trustee of The Rotary Foundation. He has also served as an International Assembly group discussion leader, district governor, Council on Legislation representative, and zone institute chair. He chaired the Schools Reawakening project, sponsored by Rotary clubs and districts in Sri Lanka, which rebuilt 25 tsunami-devastated schools, benefiting 15,000 children.

Ravindran has been awarded The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award and the Service Award for a Polio-Free World.

He and his wife, Vanathy, have two children, and are level 4 Major Donors to the Foundation.



RIPND K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2013	Aug	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
	Oct	Tuesday	15	Quiz with RC Brownhill Creek	Public Schools Club

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Plaque Board	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
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						
28/8/13	National Wine Centre Cnr Botanic & Hackney Roads	12- 2pm	90th Anniversary of RC Adelaide Cost: \$55pp Bookings through S Baker	Coordinator S Baker	n/a	n/a	n/a
3/09/13	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Visit of District Governor	G Mcleod Scribe S Baker	S Evans	K Haines	D Payne J Reed

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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: emandcee@bigpond.com



August 2013 Program

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
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
2	14/09/13	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Joan Reed & Mavis Martin

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

The Back Page

A new US strategy for fighting wars with the over 60s

I am over 60 and the Armed Forces thinks I'm too old to track down terrorists. You can't be older than 42 to join the military. They've got the whole thing arse backwards.

Instead of sending 18-year olds off to fight, they ought to take us old guys. You shouldn't be able to join a military unit until you're at least 35. For starters, researchers say 18-year-olds think about sex every 10 seconds. Old guys only think about sex a couple of times a day, leaving us more than 28,000 additional seconds per day to concentrate on the enemy.



Young guys haven't lived long enough to be cranky, and a cranky soldier is a dangerous soldier. 'My back hurts! I can't sleep, I'm tired and hungry..' We are normally bad-tempered and impatient, and maybe letting us kill some asshole that desperately deserves it will make us feel better and shut us up for a while.

An 18-year-old doesn't even like to get up before 10am. Old guys always get up early to pee, so what the hell. Besides, like I said, I'm tired and can't sleep and since I'm already up, I may as well be up killing some fanatical son-of-a-bitch.

If captured we couldn't spill the beans because we'd forget where we put them. In fact, name, rank, and serial number would be a real brainteaser.

Boot camp would be easier for old guys. We're used to getting screamed and yelled at and we're used to soft food. We've also developed an appreciation for guns. We've been using them for years as an excuse to get out of the house, away from the screaming and yelling.

They could lighten up on the obstacle course however... I've been in combat and never saw a single 20-foot wall with rope hanging over the side, nor did I ever do any press-ups after completing basic training.

Actually, the running part is kind of a waste of energy, too... I've never seen anyone outrun a bullet.

An 18-year-old has the whole world ahead of him. He's still learning to shave, to start a conversation with a pretty girl. He still hasn't figured out that a baseball cap has a brim to shade his eyes, not the back of his head.

These are all great reasons to keep our kids at home to learn a little more about life before sending them off into harm's way.

Let us old guys track down those terrorists. The last thing an enemy would want to see is a couple million pissed off old farts with bad attitudes and automatic weapons, who know that their best years are already behind them.

HEY!! How about recruiting Women over 50...in menopause!!! You think MEN have attitudes??

Ohhhhhhhhhhhh my God!!! If nothing else, put them on border patrol. They'll have it secured the first night!

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for those Veterans losing their eyesight

