# unley rotary

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3889 – 18 December 2013

Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

#### Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club		
Event	Joint Breakfast with RCs Eastwood and Hyde Park		
Chairman	Greg McLeod		
Apologies	Ken Daly, Lindsay England, Sheila Evans, Vera Holt, Heather Kilsby, Bob Laws, David Middleton, Bob Mills, Bob Mullins, Joan Reed, Pam Trimmer, Anne Wehr, Nathan White, Stephen Westgarth		
Guests	Rtn Graham and Patsy Beckett, Cheri Isabella (Hawaii), DG Wendy Gaborit, PDG Euan Miller, AG Mark and Debra Huddleston, incoming AG Bob Cooper, District Trainer Damian Leach, President Dr Nhiem Lu and 15 members of Eastwood, President Sandy Matz and 12 members of Hyde Park		
Attendance	13 members and 37 guests		

# **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 Gred opened the meeting at 7.20am, and welcomed all guests.



Nhiem Lu



Greg and Sandy

Presidents Sandy Matz (Hyde Park) and Nhiem Lu (Eastwood) opened their respective meetings.



President Greg

**ENGAGE** ROTARY

**Spots** 



Don Will



Euan, Jerry & the Paul Harris Society certificate

Don Will of Eastwood Club provided an update on the Maldives and asked for support for the Club's desalination project.

PDG Euan Miller presented Jerry Casburn with a Paul Harris Society certificate in recognition of his commitment to make an annual donation of \$1000 to the Society.

**DG Wendy Gaborit** wished everyone a great Xmas.

#### **President Greq:**



- Reminded members of the upcoming Detmold (20/12) and Bunnings (30/12) BBQs
- Thanked all members, and particularly David Middleton and the Casburns, for their assistance with the Carols at the Rotunda last Sunday
- Advised that the Salvation Army would receive \$175 from this function.

Briony Casburn explained how \$266 had been raised for Operation Cleft at the Carols; how a school in Thailand would benefit from the hamper raffle; and how RC West Beach had bought a mobile coffee making business.....the one servicing the Carols.



## Guest Speaker - Major Reno Elms.....Stars

Reno's theme of Stars was launched with a display of his much loved stars that had been made by a range of committed people, including a 94yo. 'Everyone deserves a star at Christmas and it is the best of times to be a star'. He related how so often Rotary Clubs put on star performances; e.g. during his trip to see the Lobethal lights he consumed the RC Mt Barker donuts. The RC Unley donated bus to the War Veterans Home at Myrtle Bank was in the car park at the Mitcham Shopping Centre when he was picking up goods from the Salvos Christmas tree. RC Eastwood had made a special effort with the Salvos Christmas hampers as had RC Hyde Park. The Rotary star shines brightly and continues to spread. Now is a really good time for each Rotarian to put in a special individual starring effort. Reno was thanked by acclamation.



Reno cracking a cracker with Ken and Cheri

Nhiem Lu (Eastwood) and Andrew Sullivan (Hyde Park) closed their respective meetings. President Greg thanked all for coming, gave season greetings and closed the meeting at 8.25am.

## The Carols at the Rotunda - Pictorial

A brilliant night was had by all last Sunday! Here are a few reminders.



The charcoal creators



Happy happy happy



Ticklish situation



Wish our daughters could sing like this



Matt in full swing (step) with the army



Hats and Dogs - splendiferous



Santa capturing young hearts - rock idol



Reno in a star studded performance



The real unsung heroes giving out lollies

#### PS: Some of the better snaps were taken by Janet Singh

The weather was perfect.....the crowd was in full swing.....the church bells rang.....a great team effort by the club. The editor's gold star awards go to David Middleton for his organisation and North Pole performance, to Stephen Westgarth for building a stage which did not fall down, and Briony and Jerry Casburn for their special efforts. One unforgettable moment – Santa telling the kids to clean up their rooms because he did not want to fall over toys when delivering the Christmas presents.

#### **Rotary International News**

#### Nelson Mandela remembered as an ally for peace, polio eradication

Dan Nixon Rotary News 13-Dec-2013

In 1996, routine polio immunizations in Nigeria and other African countries were anything but routine. Competing health priorities and lack of funding hampered many governments from putting polio eradication high on their agenda. The drive for a polio-free Africa needed a playmaker.

Enter Nelson Mandela. Herb Brown, Rotary's president in 1995-96, recalls seeking the South African leader's support.

"President Mandela was so gracious and listened as we described the problem," Brown says. "I told him only he had the influence to persuade the countries to resume immunization."

Mandela agreed to help. "I'm well aware of Rotary and all the work you've done, and all the work you did while I was in jail," he



Nelson Mandela immunizes a child at a Kick Polio Out of Africa event in 1996

told Brown. At a press conference, with Brown at his side, Mandela asked all the heads of state in Africa to open their doors to polio National Immunization Days.

Mandela helped launch the Kick Polio Out of Africa campaign later that year with 1996-97 Rotary President Luis Giay and Rotary Foundation Chair Rajendra Saboo. Almost immediately, Africa's polio eradication effort was back on track. Using soccer matches and celebrity endorsements, the campaign raised public awareness of polio and helped spur more than 30 African countries to hold their first National Immunization Days.

In recognition of his vital work, Rotary presented the Rotary Award for World Understanding to Mandela in 1997, then Rotary's highest honor. "We chose President Mandela because of his significant contributions to world peace, human rights, and freedom," said Giay, adding that Rotary members especially appreciated "his strong support of the eradication of polio throughout Africa."

Mandela called the award "a tribute to the people of South Africa's rainbow nation." Rotary's work toward eradicating polio "has shown the power of a global network of people who are ready to roll up their sleeves and put their heart and soul into saving children from disability."

Mandela donated the award's \$100,000 prize to the Nelson Mandela Children's Fund.

Following his death, Rotary members in South Africa lauded Mandela as "one of the 20th century's iconic symbols of freedom and equality," "the father of the nation," and "a leader of service."

"Mandela was a man who overcame unimaginable hardships to emerge as one of the greatest leaders of our time — and one of our greatest humanitarians . . . . [His] legacy of courage, determination, and commitment will forever inspire us to move forward in our effort to achieve a better, more peaceful world," said Rotary President Ron Burton.

#### **Diary Dates**

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2014	Feb	Wed	26	Annual Bowls Challenge	Reade Park Bowling Club
	Mar	Thur-Sun	20-23	9520 District Conference	Warrnambool

#### Our Upcoming Meetings

_	Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	& Scribe	Welcome Sergeant	Desk Desk
	7 Jan 14	BarZaar	6.30 for 7pm	Fun Night with Partners Pasta, Plonk and Poetry	G McLeod Scribe S Baker	C Sluggett K Haines	J Russell

Venue: PSC = Public Schools Club

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# Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### December 2013 - January 2014

The thrift shop will close on Friday afternoon 20 December and reopen on 6 January 2014

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	21 Dec 13 Glenys Ferguson & Wendy Andrews		Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White
4	28 Dec 13	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni
1	4 Jan 14	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	11 Jan 14	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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## 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>



#### **December 2013 Program**

24 Dec 13	Rtn Roshni Thattengat (Prospect)	The Battle Against Malaria
31 Dec 13	Pres Russell Green (Walkerville)	Cycling Rotarians
7 Jan 14	Rtns Nelson Sanz Cadena & Melissa Laforge (Kent Town)	Peace Scholars in Japan 2011-13
14 Jan 14	Jeremy Urquhart	The Big Issue
21 Jan 14	Pr Elect Peter Kennedy (Noarlunga East)	White Ribbon Ambassador
28 Jan 14	Roy Ramon (Rotaract Singapore)	Rotaract International

# **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: 30 December** 

Afternoon shift 12.30 - 5pm Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm

#### The Back Page

#### A Heart Wrenching Christmas Tail

Four old timers were playing their weekly game of golf, one remarked how nice it would be to wake up on Christmas morning, roll out of bed and without an argument go directly to the golf course, meet his buddies and play a round.

His buddies all chimed in said, "Let's do it! We'll make it a priority; figure out a way and meet here early, Christmas morning."

Months later, that special morning arrives, and there they are on the golf course. The first guy says, "Boy this game cost me a fortune! I bought my wife a diamond ring that she can't take her eyes off of."

The second guy says, "I spent a ton too. My wife is at home planning the cruise I gave her. She was up to her eyeballs in brochures."

The third guy says "Well my wife is at home admiring her new car, reading the manual."

They all turned to the last guy in the group who is staring at them like they have lost their minds.

I can't believe you all went to such expense for this golf game.

I slapped my wife on the backside and said, 'Well babe, Merry Christmas! It's a great morning -- intercourse or golf course --'

She said, "Don't forget your hat."

# May the blue bird of happiness decorate your Christmas and may 2014 be just fabulous

