



THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3896 – 18 February 2014

Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

### Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club	
Guest Speaker	Aileen Jefferis	
Chairman	Briony Casburn	
Apologies	Ken Haines, Geoff Hill, Heather Kilsby, Bob Mills, Joan Reed, Graham and Patsy Beckett,	
Guest	Marlene Small	
Returning Rotarians	ning Rotarians Sheila Evans, Colin Schirmer, Pam Trimmer	
Attendance	20 members and 2 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 Greg**

WE ARE BOWLING FOR THE HONOUR OF THE CLUB AGAINST OUR OLD FOES NEXT WEDNESDAY – PLEASE PRACTICE LONG AND HARD or at least think about the bias.

A brief Board meeting after this meeting.

**Community Link** is available for distribution. Members were requested to take a bundle and deliver them to businesses bounded by Unley Rd (both sides), Cross Rd, Fullarton Rd, Glen Osmond Rd (both sides) and Greenhill Rd.

Vera Holt will be finalising arrangements for Sunday.

Next scheduled Board meeting will be on 27 February.

**Medical supplies for the Philippines:** The Rotary Club of Kent Town is packing two containers with urgently needed medical supplies for Cebu in the Philippines. They are seeking our help on Saturday 22 February and Saturday 15 March (election day) at the Donations in Kind warehouse in Edinburgh – anyone able to assist should contact Jesse on 0437 527 121.

President Greg

# ENGAGE ROTARY CHANGE LIVES

## Guest Speaker - Aileen "AJ" Jefferis: "Homelessness"

Chairman Briony Casburn, in her introduction of AJ, related how she had been talking to AG Mark Huddleston seeking advice as to a worthwhile community project, and RU FUS was the one nominated. AJ was born on a farm on the South Island of New Zealand. When her parents died when she was 14 it was very difficult, but it taught her a number of lessons about survival and the need to reach out. She is a physiotherapist and came to South Australia 36 years ago.

She founded RUF US three and a half years ago after spending time on the streets over the last 12 years feeding and helping her son and his homeless friends. Her son had suffered brain damage at birth and continued to run away from home. He frequents the south east (Hutt St) corner of the Adelaide parklands. With her studies, the establishment of Rufus and the arrival of a grandson for whom she is now responsible, she can no longer serve the 150 meals a week that she was previously.

Across Australia there are an estimated 200,000 homeless people - 12% of these are under 18, and  $1/8^{th}$  of these are under 12. Primary homeless are those that are sleeping rough or in cars, and tertiary homeless are those in boarding houses. About 50% of the homeless suffer from mental issues....alcohol and drug abuse is prevalent. Very few people are homeless by choice. There are no clear homeless stereotypes; AJ has dealt with lawyers and a neurosurgeon.



Briony, AJ and the Rotary pen

While the original focus was on the homeless, RU FUS has broadened its scope to include victims of domestic violence, many of whom struggle to find shelter. Domestic violence is an increasing issue among newly arrived African and Chinese

women. Main areas of assistance are food support and furniture/furnishings, and sometimes with unpaid bills. AJ has outfitted 101 houses and provided 421 beds. She is grateful for the support provided by individuals and community organisations like Rotary, but without public funding there is a limit to what is achievable. Her aim is to have a Department of Homelessness established and to stimulate wider publicity/education within and outside the homeless community.

AJ was thanked by acclamation.

### **Spots**

**Jerry Casburn** sought and received extra assistance for the afternoon shift at the Bunnings BBQ on Monday. On March 11 we are hosting a group of young potential members.

**Stephen Baker** urged all attendees at next week's bowls match to bring the correct money; Lindsay has recruited Tom Tirrell.

**Vera Holt** asked all helpers to be at the Orphanage by 1pm; the concert is being held indoors. Reno is coordinating with Stephen Westgarth for supply of chairs. SEE ADVERT BELOW

Bob Laws is having his shift on 1 March covered by Sheila Evans.

**Mavis Martin** reminded members that the ANZO Directory of Australia, New Zealand and nearby islands Rotary club meeting venues and times produced by RC Pt Pirie is now on sale for \$2.50.

Briony Casburn stressed the need for a roller new banner to replace the existing banner which is torn.

### Sergeant's Session

Acting Sergeant Jerry Casburn niftily had AJ draw her own marble for the excellent squares....proceeds to Rufus. Pam was pleased with Rotary involvement during bushfires. Reno happily recounted all the donated goodies he had received for a Salvos luncheon with 48 needy people. Sheila expressed pleasure at having a clear mammogram. And the editor told some quality jokes.

The meeting closed at 8.06pm.

### Rotary International News

### India celebrates three years without polio

By Dan Nixon - Rotary News -- 13Jan 2014

Throughout India and around the world, Rotary clubs are celebrating a major milestone: India has gone three years without a new case of polio. The last reported case was a two-year-old girl in West Bengal on 13 January 2011.

To mark this historic triumph -- reached after a decades-long battle against polio -- Rotary clubs illuminated landmarks and iconic structures throughout the country with four simple but powerful words, "India is polio free."

The three-year achievement sets the stage for polio-free certification of the entire Southeast Asia region by the World Health Organization. The Indian government also plans to convene a polio summit in February to commemorate this victory in the global effort to eradicate polio.

The challenge now is to replicate India's success in neighboring Pakistan, one of three remaining polio-endemic countries, along with Afghanistan and Nigeria.

Rotary leaders in India are working with their Pakistani counterparts to share best practices and lessons learned during India's successful anti-polio campaign. Rotary was particularly effective in obtaining the support of influential religious leaders in India's Islamic communities. Pakistani Rotary leaders are playing a similar role to counter rumors and misinformation about polio vaccinations that keep some Muslim parents from immunizing their children.

Meanwhile, National Immunization Days continue in both countries. During these large-scale drives, Rotary volunteers join health workers to vaccinate every child under age five against polio.

"We must now stop polio in Pakistan to both protect Pakistani children and to safeguard our success in India and other countries where we have beaten this terrible disease," says India PolioPlus Committee Chair Deepak Kapur. "Until polio is finally



"India is polio free" (written in Hindi) illuminates Jodhpur Sojati Gate in Raiasthan.

eradicated globally, all unvaccinated children will remain at risk of infection and paralysis, no matter where they live."

### **Diary Dates**

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2014	Feb	Sun	23	Concert Catering	Tabor College (old Orphanage)
	Feb	Wed	26	Annual Bowls Challenge	Reade Park Bowling Club
	Mar	Thur-Sun	20-23	9520 District Conference	Warrnambool

# THE "NEW DOG PARK WRANGLERS"

# LIVE FROM TABOR COLLEGE CHAPEL OR QUADRANGLE Aka "The Orphanage" (Corner of Goodwood Road and Mitchell Street)

SUNDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2PM-5PM

# FREE - "A CONCERT OF POPULAR SONGS"

(BUT GOLD COLN DONATION GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED)

DOGS:

especially for Winnie and Crystal

DOGS:

MUSIC AND SOUND BY:
The "Dog Park Wrangler Concert Band"
The "Ukelele Dog Park Strummers"

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"International L Local Performers"
"Phil

AFTERNOON TEA & SCONES BY:

The Rotary Club of Unley

THIS EVENT IS PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY:

Unley City Council

Bring a chair in case we play outside

Players featured in alphabetical order:

🟲 Alan, Deric, Ian, Ian, Kane, Marion, John, Jonn , Laura, Peter, Ros, Shona & Sue - and Jan, Maureen and Sharon

### **Our Upcoming Meetings**

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
Wed	Reade	6 for 6.30pm	The Bowling Challenge with RC Mitcham	Scribe	n/a	n/a	J Newall
26 Feb 14	Park		Reade Park Bowling Club, Flinders Ave, Colonel Light Gardens	S Baker			D Payne
4 Mar 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Club Assembly	G McLeod	L England	K Haines	D Payne
				Scribe S Baker			J Reed
11 Mar 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Mark & Amanda Marston Ride with a Vision	D Middleton	S Evans	K Haines	J Reed
							J Russell
18 Mar 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Chandra Sluggett Adopt a Village	TBA	G Fergusson	K Haines	J Russell
							C Schirmer
25 Mar 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Mark Chellew Sherlock Holmes in Adelaide	D Middleton	G Hill	K Haines	C Schirmer
							C Sluggett

Venue: PSC = Public Schools Club

Apologies To: Wendy Andrews by e-mail to unley.attendance@rotaryclub.org.au or in an emergency on 8377 7830

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## Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### February - March 2014

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
4	22 Feb 14	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni
1	1 Mar 14	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Sheila Evans (for Bob Laws) & Stephen Westgarth
2	8 Mar 14	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	15 Mar 14	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White

### 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



### February 2014 Program

25 Feb 14 PP Joe Meuris (Flagstaff Hill)

Building in Fiji

### Bunnings Mile End Barbeque Dates

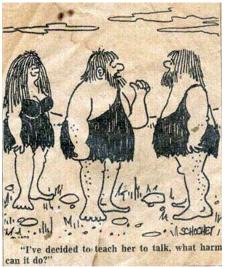
**ALL** the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque dates are the **last Monday** of the month from 8am to 5pm. **NEXT DATE: Monday 24 February; Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm

Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm** 

### On the Back Page

### A dose of real life







"Welcome back, sir. Are you planning on being our guest for one night only, or will this be your usual extended stay?"







Remember our Rotary Theme: