

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3909 – 20 May 2014 Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

## Our Last Meeting

Venue	Glenelg Golf Club
Event	SA Police Officer of the Year Award Dinner
MC	David Middleton
Chairman	Stephen Westgarth
Apologies	Mavis Martin, Bob Mullins, Colin Schirmer, Nathan White
Guests	Rotary Royalty: PDG Roy & Marilyn Armstrong, PDG Bruce & Cathy Richardson, AG Mark Huddleston, PDG lan & Kim Priestly (UK - District 1050)
	Unley Rotary: Liz Christie, Pauline Daly, Vera Holt, Ann

Newall, Suzanne Middleton, Maria Mills, Margaret Payne,
Barbara Russell, Susan Westgarth, Bashar Baghdadi

Visiting Rotarians: Penni Anne Hamilton-Smith & Sue Thompson (RC Mitcham),

Margaret Blake (RC Hyde Park) **SA Police:** Commissioner Gary & Denise Burns, Chief Supt Scott & Karen Duval, Supt Les Buckley, Carol Bristow (POOTY 2011), Sergeant John & Catherine

Illingworth, SCFC Danny McGurgan and family (Alison, Desiree, Shaun, Tim, Amie,

Dakota, Jia), Geraldine White & The Two Dads

Sponsors: Mid Murray Council Deputy Mayor Kevin, Rosslyn & Kieran Myles

Attendance 24 members and 42 guests

# **Rotary Club of Unley Inc.**

#### District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Venue: Public Schools Club

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President Greg

# South Australia Police Officer of the Year 2013 Presentation Ceremony at Unley Soldiers Memorial Garden

The Police Band entertained the gathering from 11.45am until 12.30pm.

Mayor Lachlan Clyne welcomed police, Rotarians and other guests. DG Wendy Gaborit and PDG Roy Armstrong were in attendance. President Greg McLeod outlined the history of POOTY and provided a summary of why Senior Constable First Class Daniel McGurgan had been chosen as the recipient.....courtesy, kindness, understanding and courage. Danny McGurgan joined the Police Force in 1984 from the family farm at Cadell. Much of his earlier policing was in remote indigenous communities. His outstanding efforts within the police force and the local community have earned him numerous awards including from SA Great in 2007, Citizen of the Year in the Mid Murray in 2011 and an OAM in 2013.



Danny was presented with this POOTY citation and shield. Acting Commissioner Grant Stevens provided further details of Danny's excellent service and thanked Unley for sponsoring the award.

### Presentation Dinner at Glenelg Golf Club

MC David Middleton opened proceedings at 7.30pm with a welcome, the National Anthem and the traditional toasts. Reno Elms provided the invocation.

DGE Jerry Casburn spoke about Vocational Service and the legacy of Paul Harris who founded Rotary in 1905 and his emphasis on ethical standards, service and understanding. Rotary's most important project since 1978 has been ridding the world of polio. Involvement in youth leadership and international projects are key elements of Vocational, as is POOTY for our club

Sergeant John Illingworth (POOTY 2012) explained that the performance of the new Road Safety Centre had exceeded expectations – 10,300 participants, 300 more than the target for the first year. New products are continually being developed, including life-like simulators, to heighten the risk faced by new drivers. He has enjoyed his year as POOTY and reflected on the hazards of bike riding in lycra (he's now a MAMIL). Somehow the highly valued pink tiara was damaged beyond repair – instead he presented Danny with a Humphrey B Bear head piece (replacing the coveted but broken fluffy pink tiara).

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Chairman Stephen Westgarth explained that this was the 36<sup>th</sup> POOTY award since 1978. POOTY is a meaningful way of bringing to the public's attention the great service delivered by our police force.10 high quality nominations had been received and the selection task was difficult. The reasons for Danny's selection were explained (see above under award ceremony). President Greg Mcleod again presented Danny with his plaque and shield, plus his special lapel badge.

Danny thanked his family for their forbearance, particularly during the time spent in remote communities. He praised his colleagues and loves being a 'country copper'. His welcome to his first posting in Whyalla centred around his football ability and choice of club. The fight to save the Cadell ferry was fuelled by his passion for Cadell and its residents. He thanked Rotary and all the other service clubs which have put so much into country communities.

President Greg presented the perpetual trophy to Commissioner Gary Burns, who had come off leave for this special occasion. Gary spoke about how important people like Danny, who has been an outstanding contributor, are to the police force. Community leadership by police was stressed. There have been significant achievements over the last decade (40% crime reduction) but the fight must continue to reduce the number of victims of crime and road trauma. The SA Police enjoy the highest public confidence of any State in Australia. This the 175<sup>th</sup> year of centralised policing in SA. Gary thanked our club for POOTY.



Stephen in the Chair

Stephen Westgarth thanked all those involved and participating in this event.

President Greg presented Alison McGurgan with flowers.

PDG Ian Priestly from dam-buster territory in England presented Greg with his club's banner.

Staff of the Glenelg Golf Club were thanked for the meal and service, as were The Two Dads for their music.

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm.....another excellent night!



Mayor Lachlan Clyne looking splendid



Greg & Danny at the Rotunda



Acting Commissioner Grant Stevens & Danny McGurgan with shield



Greg knows the way to Alison McGurgan's heart



Danny (wearing Humphrey Bear head band) & John Illingworth



Commissioner Gary Burns receiving trophy from Greg



Greg and PDG Ian



Danny and his small McGurgan clan

# **Rotary International News**

## How Rotary Ideas is changing the landscape of crowdsourcing

By Daniela Garcia - Rotary News

Aurelio's club was looking for \$3,000 to buy eyeglasses for needy children in the Philippines. Audino's club, located in the United States, had exactly that much money earmarked for an international service project.

"We searched Rotary Ideas for a project that fit our budget, one we thought would be effective if supported," says Audino, international projects committee chair for the Rotary Club of Hyannis in Massachusetts. The eye project in the Philippines met their criteria so they contacted them. "We're very happy with our choice," he adds.

More than 300 schoolchildren at two elementary schools in Caloocan City received eye exams and new glasses because of the partnership forged through Rotary Ideas. It marks the first project to be fully funded and completed using Rotary's crowdsourcing platform.

Rotary Ideas helps clubs connect for funding, volunteers, partnerships, and in-kind donations. Where once they had to rely on Rotary to make this connection -- either through ProjectLINK or by phone or email -- clubs can now post their needs and find projects to support themselves. More than 83 projects have been featured on Rotary Ideas since it launched in August 2013.

And unlike other crowdfunding sites, such as Kickstarter and Indiegogo, Rotary Ideas emphasizes partnerships over simply funding.

"Most crowdfunding tools are only about getting money," says Kristin Brown, service connections manager at Rotary International. "With Rotary Ideas, we're expanding that concept to provide a platform for matching clubs to donors, volunteers, and partnerships."



Students at Libis Talisay Elementary School in Caloocan City, Philippines with their newly distributed eyeglasses

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Throughout the eye project, Aurelio, who serves as Foundation chair for the Rotary Club of Sampaguita-Grace Park in Makati City, sent Audino and his club updates and photos showing students taking eye exams and wearing their new glasses. Both Audino and Aurelio agree they will continue to use Rotary Ideas to find support for their own projects as well as to help other clubs.

"Rotary Ideas helped us show Rotarians abroad the urgent needs of children whose parents can't afford to pay for eyeglasses," says Aurelio, whose club has posted other projects on Rotary Ideas with similar success. "We're thankful for this new website," she says.

## **Diary Dates**

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue	
2014	MAY	Thurs/Fri	29&30	Detmold BBQ	Detmold	
				Thu 29/5/14 <b>5.30 - 7pm</b>	Fri 30/5/14 <b>5 - 7.30am</b> & <b>10.30am - 1.30pm</b>	
	JUN	Sun-Wed	1-4	International Conference	Sydney	
		Tues	24	Club Changeover	Kooyonga Golf Club	
	JUL	Sun	6	District Changeover (Cost \$58pp)	Kooyonga Golf Club 12 for 12.30pm	

## **Our Upcoming Meetings**

Date	Venue Time		Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
Wednesday 28 May 14	Quality Hotel Old Adelaide 160 O'Connell St North Adelaide	6 for 6.15pm	Joint Meeting with RC Prospect Guest Speaker: Mike Sinkunas DGs from 9500 & 9520 present	Scribe S Baker	J Reed	n/a	A Jonson R Laws
3 Jun 14	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	CLUB ASSEMBLY	G McLeod	J Russell	K Haines	R Laws D Middleton
10 Jun 14	Public Schools Club	6 for 6.30pm	Graham & Patsy Beckett	Scribe S Baker	P Trimmer	K Haines	D Middleton R Mills

Venue: PSC = Public Schools Club

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# Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

#### May - June 2014

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
4	24 May 14	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	31 May 14	Bob Mullins & Vera Holt (for Reno Elms)	Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni
1	7 Jun 14	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	14 Jun 14	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	21 Jun 14	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Neesha Nandasena & Nathan White

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: <a href="mailto:lengland@senet.com.au">lengland@senet.com.au</a>

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

# 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



#### May 2014 Program

27 May Dr Cristian Birzer (University of Adelaide)

Humanitarian Technology

## On the Back Page

### Golf Poem - ye ancient version lives on

In my hand I hold a ball, white and dimpled, rather small.

Oh, how bland it does appear, this harmless looking little sphere.

By its size I could not guess, the awesome strength it does possess.

But since I fell beneath its spell, I've wandered through the fires of Hell.

My life has not been guite the same, since I chose to play this stupid game.

It rules my mind for hours on end, a fortune it has made me spend.

It has made me yell, curse and cry. I hate myself and want to die.

It promises a thing called par, if I can hit it straight and far.

To master such a tiny ball, should not be very hard at all.

But my desires the ball refuses, and does exactly as it chooses.

It hooks and slices, dribbles and dies, and even disappears before my eyes.

Often it will have a whim, to hit a tree or take a swim.

With miles of grass on which to land, it finds a tiny patch of sand.

Then has me offering up my soul, if only it would find the hole.

It's made me whimper like a pup, and swear that I will give it up.

And take to drink to ease my sorrow, but the ball knows I'll be back tomorrow.

A recent study found the average golfer walks about 900 miles a year.

Another study found golfers drink, on average, 22 gallons of alcohol a Year.

That means, on average, golfers get about 41 miles to the gallon.

Kind of makes you proud.

### Break Dancing

Husband takes his wife to a disco.

There's a guy on the dance floor living it large.....break dancing, moon walking, back flips, the works.

The wife turns to her husband and says: "See that guy? 25 years ago he proposed to me and I turned him down."

Husband says: "Looks like he's still celebrating!!!

