

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3911 – 3 June 2014

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Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club
Event	Club Assembly
Chairman	Greg McLeod
Apologies	Wendy Andrews, Heather Kilsby, Mavis Martin, Colin Schirmer, Jerry Casburn, Briony Casburn, Stephen Baker, Vera Holt, Sheila Evans
Guests	None
Returning Rotarian	Bob Mullins
Attendance	17 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's Announcements

Meeting with RC Prospect: Thanks to all members who attended last Wednesday night's joint meeting with the Rotary Club of Prospect at which the respective District governors of Districts 9500 and 9520 were recognised with gifts for their leadership during this Rotary year.

Detmold BBQ: Thanks to those members who assisted at the three Detmold sessions last Thursday evening and Friday breakfast and lunchtimes. Jerry Casburn will have final fundraising figures for us when he returns from the RI Convention.

President 2015-16: Vera Holt has advised that she will be unable to take on the Presidency of the Club for the 2015-16 year. A vacancy therefore arises and members are asked to reconsider nominating for that role over the next couple of months.

Coffee Table: Vera Holt has asked that no-one seeks to sell the coffee table on which the puzzles currently are displayed in the Thrift Shop as she has sold it for the advertised price of \$20.

Changeover Night: A reminder that the Changeover Night is coming up on 24th June; President Elect Joan Reed will have a spot later about this.

District Changeover: Jerry Casburn's changeover is on Sunday 6th June, also at Kooyonga golf club. He has sent invitations to all members to attend the lunch; cost is \$58 per head. I hope as any members of this club as possible support Jerry on that day as he takes on the role of District Governor for our District. Please don't direct your payments or acceptances to Jerry; your invitations contain the details of how to book and pay online at http://www.trybooking.com/EXEQ.

Next Board Meeting: A reminder that there will be a meeting of the combined 2013-14 and 2014-15 Boards on Thursday 12 June at the home of Joan Reed.



AutismSA BBQ: The Club will assist AutismSA with a BBQ in late July 2014 at the Goodwood Community Centre as an act of community service. Ken Haines has kindly agreed to take this on and he will speak to members about this event as the date gets closer.

Club Assembly

Community Service - Briony Casburn (read by Greg McLeod)

This Year's Donations:

• <u>Rufus</u> – We have a great relationship with Aileen Jefferis (AJ) who spends her life assisting the homeless and victims of domestic violence. We have helped her in numerous ways, from cleaning her home while she was suffering from pneumonia to sorting her van of goods to go to our Thrift Shop, RC Edwardstown's bookshop and the Salvos. We now collect quality linen, which AJ uses to equip the homes she sets up with the Housing SA. We were also able to procure a new sign to advertise her physiotherapy business; it was donated by Nigel Caluar, whom we have asked to

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do new signage for the Thrift Shop when we are ready. We have also made two donations of \$500 to assist Rufus. Donations In Kind helped to provide beds and other furniture for Rufus as well.

- Christmas Party for Special Children \$275
- <u>Hampers for Carers</u> Christmas Hampers were supplied to the Carers group and a letter of thanks to the club was received via Wendy Andrews.
- <u>Food Bank Hampers</u> were purchased from the Food Bank at a cost of \$275. This was money well spent and maybe a fundraising event could be planned so we can donate more as there are many more families that could benefit.
- <u>Presentations to Young Carers</u> Wendy Andrews went to Government House to see a group of young carers receive awards from the Governor. All the carers dressed in their best, some with trousers a bit too short, reflecting the wear and tear of their situation, all worn on their faces and clothes.
- Mark Marston is a Rotarian who is raising money for the Little Heroes Foundation by cycling to Melbourne and visiting schools along the way. He came and spoke to our club to say thank you for our donation of \$500 and to tell us about his upcoming trip; I believe he raised over \$13,000.
- <u>Salvation Army:</u> A new upright freezer has been installed at Unley Salvation Army using our donation of \$3,000; Reno elms personally thanked the Club for its contribution. The freezer has also been very helpful to the club as Reno will store excess stock from our barbeques in it. We will also match on a dollar for dollar basis Unley Rotarians' personal donations to the Red Shield Appeal, which has just finished.
 - The Salvos were also pleased to get volunteers to man their gift-giving Christmas tree in the Unley Shopping Centre, which also gave us the opportunity to promote our Christmas Carols event.
 - On 1st February the Unley Traders staged and event to recognise 130 years of the Salvation Army in Unley. Jerry and Briony Casburn attended; it was a great event.
- <u>Bang Jo School:</u> The Milk Money Quiz Night and the Christmas Hamper Raffle raised \$332, which Treasurer Heather Kilsby has arranged to be transferred to the Rotary Club in Phuket, Thailand.
- Christmas Puddings: Heather Kilsby brought to our attention that, unlike Meals on Wheels which is supported by Government, the Italian Meals on Wheels has no such support. So it was decided to donate 64 Christmas puddings (purchased through Glenelg Rotary); since then packs of four small Christmas cakes costing \$7 have been sourced and are supplied in packaging displaying Rotary logos. These cakes are more appropriate for hampers provided to aged persons and, as they are half the cost, we can quadruple the number of cakes given to Italian Meals on Wheels. All but one of the remaining puddings was sold after the donation to Italian Meals on Wheels, and this was provided as a booby prize at the Club's fantastic Pasta, Plonk and Poetry Night in January.
- <u>Christmas Carols:</u> A great success: Large crowd, great weather, fantastic program and a fabulous Father Christmas (who had the kids cleaning their rooms before Christmas Eve). The higher profile given to Rotary by extra signage highlighting Rotary's presence at the event, was pleasing.
 - Unley Council provided a grant of \$3,000 and money raised through the barbeque came to \$1,764. In all the event cost the Club \$about \$1,000.
 - Over 600 "happy face" biscuits made by Briony's daughter Jacqui and daughter-in-law Bianca were sold netting \$266 for Operation Cleft, our 17th donation in the last 2½ years; we have received a Certificate of Thanks from Operation Cleft.

Lots of Iollies were given out to the children; the leftover Iollies were sold in the Thrift Shop at 50 cents a bag.

We used the same coffee supplier as last year (they are in the process of being taken over by a Rotary club) who donated \$50 from sales.

A big thank you goes to David Middleton for his organisational skills in managing the event.

International Service - Alex Jonson

Projects & Activities 2013-14; Proposed Commitments: Total Budget - \$12,300.

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Matching Grants/Rotary International World Community Service Projects:

- The Rotary Foundation Annual Program: Donation to TRF: \$1000.00
- <u>Sustainable Farming Project STAGE 1:</u> A Matching Grant project to clear 229 acres of land belonging to 126 families in India was completed in 2012-13.
- <u>Sustainable Farming Project STAGE 2:</u> Our funding for a Global Grant project to supply irrigation and training on the cleared land was \$5000 with the balance of the funds to be made up from a donation of \$4000 by Mr. & Mrs. Wasley. The grant has been approved and the project has commenced.

RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) Projects:

<u>Donations in Kind (DIK)</u>: Donation \$1200.

A call from Dave Cockshell for assistance in collecting over 30 computers from a company in Unley was delivered to DIK in mid-December on the condition we receive 20 computers to send to East Timor. RC Berri experienced financial difficulties due to one of the clubs withdrawing financial assistance. RC Unley assisted by increasing the donation to DIK by \$700 and has been finalised.

• Timor Lesté Shipping Container; Purchase of school supplies: \$2000.

The Shipping Container loading and shipping will be co-ordinated by the Rotary Club of Berri again this year.

The school supplies will be distributed to three projects; two in East Timor one in Thailand (Briony Casburn's project). The shipping container was loaded on 24 May 2014. Approximately 21 people made up of volunteers from RC Berri, DIK, RC Unley (five Rotarians) and three Rotaractors from the University of Adelaide. RC Unley provided a BBQ lunch for the volunteers. I want to personally thank David Middleton, Jim Newall and Briony and Jerry Casburn for their assistance. The container was loaded in record time and the Customs seal was snapped on at 2.43 pm. Overall it was a very productive day. The container should reach Dili harbor within the next two weeks.

• Shelter Boxes Australia: Donate funding for one shelter box: \$1,000.

Partnership Projects - International via Local Groups:

• Overseas Specialist Surgical Association of Australia (OSSAA); Donation and annual subscription: \$1,100; Finalised.

New Prospective Projects:

- 2H Cambodian Project Donated \$1500.00 towards Jerry Casburn's 2H project "SAFE ARRIVALS" to supplement
 the District Simplified Gant arranged by Jerry. Project has been completed. Total cost \$2,495.66 to purchase training
 aids for the training of Birthing Attendants in Cambodia. FINALISED
- <u>CWA Country Women's Association Victoria</u> members knit baby clothes for the babies in East Timor on an annual basis and over the past few years have requested assistance with the postage of the goods costing \$200. To date one large parcel of baby clothes has been forwarded to East Timor; Finalised.

Sponsored Projects:

- Funds Donated by Mr. & Mrs Wasley
- International Project/s to be determined; Balance \$33,648.

Vocational & Youth Service - Vera Holt (read by Stephen Westgarth)

The Vocational and Youth Service Committee funded a number of initiatives during 2013-14 including:

- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA): \$1,600
- Youth Opportunities Association, to enable two students to participate in a course: \$1,000
- Whitelion, for two starter kits (funded by CSI Trust): \$1,000
- · SA Police Officer of the Year
- Donation to Cherryvale Country Fire Service Station: \$1,000

The Committee's expenditure for the year will be well within budget of \$6,500, excluding the CSI Trust contribution.

Other projects were considered by the Committee but they did not fall within Club's or the CSI Trust's guidelines.

In the coming year other initiatives should be sought with more specific supporting information and clearly identifiable objectives provided by those seeking funding. The Committee's members should be actively involved in seeking project opportunities and provide support, feedback and recommendations to the Chair so that they can be considered by the whole Committee.

Fundraising - Joan Reed

The primary fundraising projects for the Club this year have been the Thrift shop and the Bunnings Mile End and Detmold barbecues, with the fundraising from the barbecues approaching the level achieved from the Thrift Shop. As net returns from the Thrift Shop continue to decline and as the deadline for renewal of our lease is due in a few months, the club will need to give serious consideration to the continued viability of the Thrift Shop as a significant fundraising source in future, the preferred term of any lease extension and how we operate and present the Shop should the club decide to continue with it.

Other very handy fundraising sources were a Devonshire Teas project organised by Vera Holt at a Millswood Dog Park musical afternoon, which raised \$200, and proceeds from the sale of Entertainment Books. The sale of Christmas cakes and puddings was not pursued this year.

Other reports were not available due to the absence overseas of our Secretary and attendance at the Rotary International Convention in Sydney by our Treasurer and Club Service and Membership Directors.

Thrift Shop - Lindsay England

Lindsay England reported that our Thrift Shop landlady has kindly waived the on-charging to the Club of the Essential Services Levy for this year, which means an estimated fundraising boost to us of over \$600. It was noted that there are occasions when volunteers find themselves doing a shift on their own for various reasons; Lindsay explained that it is the Thrift Shop Committee's policy that volunteers in that situation can freely choose for themselves whether to continue with their shift or to close the shop and go home.

Lindsay reiterated the point that the Thrift Shop's lease is coming up for renewal early next year and commended to members the upcoming special purpose meeting to discuss the future of the Shop.

Spots

Joan Reed reported on the great success of the Bunnings Mile End and Detmold barbeque fundraisers and expressed her appreciation and gratitude for the contributions of all Rotarians, partners and Friends of Unley Rotary who have been involved in these projects.

Joan still has a small number of Entertainment Books remaining for sale, so get in quick before they're all gone. Remember too that there is the online version of the Entertainment Book that only requires downloading a smart phone app to use.

Reno Elms expressed his gratitude for the support given to him by the club during the busy month of Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal activities and fundraising. Many Club members have been supporting the Appeal during this time with personal donations, which will be graciously and generously be matched by the Club. Any more personal donations will be most welcome and contribute to the past months Unley efforts. Again, the club's support is much appreciated!

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant for the evening Bob Mills informed members that one Lucky Squares marble (No. 29) is missing from the barrel, so President Greg was assigned no. 28 instead of his chosen no. 29 and, as luck would have it, barrel attendant Jim Newall, claiming no bias, subsequently drew President Greg's newly assigned number. Sergeant Bob then proceed to levy fines on reluctant sergeants and supporters of the Yo-Yo football Club and invited several Happy Fines.

For those who really need to know, the meeting closed at around 8pm.

Rotary International News

Rotary brings the World to Sydney

Adapted from an article by Maureen Vaught - Rotary News -- 29-May-2014

It may be the start of winter in Sydney, Australia, but things heated up down under as more than 18,000 Rotary members from over 150 countries arrived for their biggest international event of the year, the Rotary Convention.

The four-day event, held 1-4 June, offered the perfect venue for our members, their families, and friends to experience the global reach of Rotary. Through workshops, special events, and social activities, attendees had the chance to discover and celebrate our members' diverse backgrounds and exchange ideas for making the world a better place.

"At a convention, for a few short days, we see a world where men and women from every corner of the globe come together to build peace, to serve others, and simply to enjoy one another's company," says Rotary President Ron Burton.

This year's convention highlighted Rotary's progress in eradicating polio, providing clean water and improving sanitation, building peace, fighting poverty, and empowering our youth.

The world is this close to ending this disease once and for all, and Rotary's role in advocacy, fundraising, and education are key to our success. Former Paralympian and polio survivor Ade Adepitan was one of several keynote speakers who inspired convention goers with his story. Dr. Bruce Aylward, assistant director-general for Polio, Emergencies, and Country Collaboration at the World Health Organization, updated attendees on our status in the fight to end polio.

The Water & Sanitation Rotarian Action Group



hosted its annual <u>World Water Summit</u> before the convention. The program focused on collaborations and features prominent water experts including Dr. Braimah Apambire from the <u>Centre for International Water & Sustainability</u> at the Desert Research Institute in Reno, Nevada, in the U.S. and Edward Kairu, executive director at <u>Maji na Ufanisi</u> in Nairobi, Kenya.

During the convention, Jack Sim, founder of the <u>World Toilet Organization</u> and the World Toilet College, took to the stage to share his passion for improved sanitation. Sim participated in last year's World Water Summit and is committed to getting people talking about a subject often considered taboo.

Other keynote speakers included:

- Gemma Sisia, founder of the School of St. Jude in Tanzania, shared her ideas for fighting poverty through education
- Brett Lee, Australian cricket star and founder of Mewsic, a foundation supporting music centers for disadvantaged children in India

Workshops on topics ranging from child slavery to malaria and food security to peace and conflict resolution gave Rotary members the opportunity to learn from experts in the field.

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2014	June	Sun-Wed	1-4	International Conference	Sydney
		Tue	24	Club Changeover	Kooyonga Golf Club 6.30 for 7.00pm
	July	Sun	6	District Changeover (Cost \$58pp)	Kooyonga Golf Club 12 for 12.30pm

Our Upcoming Meetings

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Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	& Scribe	Welcome	Sergeant	Desk
10 Jun 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Graham & Patsy Beckett	G McLeod Scribe S Baker	P Trimmer	K Haines	D Middleton R Mills
17 Jun 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Rtn Dr Joseph Masika from Tanzania	S Baker	N White	K Haines	R Mills R Mullins
24 Jun 14	Kooyonga Golf Club	6.30 for 7pm	Club Changeover	D Middleton Scribe D Baker	W Andrews	K Haines	R Mullins J Newall
1 July 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	ТВА	TBA	TBA	TBA	J Newall D Payne
Sunday 6 July 14	Kooyonga Golf Club	12 for 12.30pm	District Changeover	NA	NA	NA	NA

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
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
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4	28 Jun 14	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines

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

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



Jun 2014 Program

10 Jun	DGE John Campbell (Adelaide Light)	District 9500 – The Coming Year
17 Jun	DGE Jerry Casburn (Unley)	District 9520 – The Coming Year
24 Jun	Rotarian Teresa Evans (Adelaide Edge)	The Journeymen

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 30 Jun: Morning shift 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift 12.30 – 5pm

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Why you should always follow instructions

Lucy's dishwasher stopped working so she called a repairman. Since she had to go to work the next day, she told the repairman, "I'll leave the key under the mat. Fix the dishwasher, leave the bill on the bench, and I'll mail you a cheque."

"Oh, by the way don't worry about my bulldog Spike. He won't bother you. But, whatever you do, do NOT, under ANY circumstances, talk to my parrot!" "I REPEAT, DO NOT TALK TO MY PARROT!!!"

When the repairman arrived at Wanda's apartment the following day, he discovered the biggest, meanest looking bulldog he has ever seen. But, just as she had said, the dog just lay there on the mat watching the repairman go about his work.

The parrot, however, drove him nuts the whole time with his incessant yelling, cursing and name calling. Finally the repairman couldn't contain himself any longer and yelled, "Shut up, you stupid, ugly bird!"

To which the parrot replied, "Get him, Spike!"

Church Squirrels

There were five houses of religion in a small town; the Uniting, Baptist, Pentecostal and Catholic Churches and the Jewish Synagogue. Each church and the synagogue was overrun with pesky squirrels.

One day, the Uniting Church called a meeting to decide what to do about the squirrels. After much prayer and consideration they determined that the squirrels were predestined to be there and they shouldn't interfere with God's divine will.

In the Baptist Church the squirrels had taken up habitation in the baptistery. The deacons met and decided to put a cover on the baptistery and drown the squirrels in it. The squirrels escaped somehow and there were twice as many there the next week

The Pentecostal Church got together and decided that they were not in a position to harm any of God's creation. So, they humanely trapped the squirrels and set them free a few kilometres away. Three days later, the squirrels were back.

But the Catholic Church came up with the best and most effective solution. They baptised the squirrels and registered them as members of the church. Now they only see them on Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday and Easter.

Not much was heard about the Jewish Synagogue, but they took one squirrel and had a short service with him called circumcision and they haven't seen a squirrel on the property since.



The rarely photographed Victor Harbor squirrel

