



Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club
Guest Speaker	Julie Presser
Chairman	Chandra Sluggett
Apologies	Joan Reed, DG Jerry & Briony Casburn, Stephen Baker, Ken Haines, Valerie Bonython, Graham & Patsy Beckett, Bob Laws, Bob Mills, Pam Trimmer, Jim Newall
Guests	Abrao Soares, Pedro Ximenes (both students from Timor Lesté)
Visiting Rotarians	Joseph Masika, Don Williams, Colin Ames and Rodrigo Gomez from RC Eastwood, and PDG Euan Miller from RC Norwood.
Departing Rotarians	John Russell, David Middleton
Attendance	11 members, 8 guests

Vice President Wendy Andrews presided at the meeting in the absence of President Joan who is on leave until 7 October.



Vice President Wendy

Vice President Wendy's Announcements

The District AGM will be held on 12 October; see the Weekly Herald.

Hat Day which raises funds for mental health research initiatives will be held next week from 5 to 12 October, so we are expecting you to wear a hat to the meeting at the Thrift Shop. If you forget you can hire one at the shop by the hour. Fines will apply. After the meeting we will adjourn to Bazaar for dinner. Margaret will be attending the meeting and the dinner.

The Bunnings BBQ on Monday was very successful with Ken banking \$1146. With Detmold happening over the next two days Ken and his team will be BBQed out. Thanks Ken for all your efforts.

The **RYLA Graduation Dinner** is on this Thursday night 2 October.

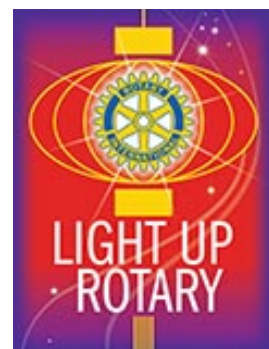
Promoting Rotary in High Schools: Our Group 6 is organising a presentation to all the high schools in our area, of the youth programs provided by Rotary. We are to endeavour to have Walford involved at a venue and date to be decided, where a module will be shown on each of the programs offered.

Resignation: I was saddened to receive Jim Newall's resignation from the club. He decided three years ago to resign but President Joan was able to convince him to stay. Jim has been an active member of Rotary for 30 years, and has volunteered to stay on to help at Bunnings and the Thrift Shop for the rest of the year, and thereafter become a Friend of Rotary.

President Joan is returning next week; VP Wendy thanked all members for their support over the past weeks.



President Joan



Guest Speaker – Julie Presser: Adelaide Secondary School of English

Chairman Chandra Sluggett introduced Julie Presser who is the Principal of the Adelaide Secondary School of English. Julie grew up in Bordertown and was an AFS exchange student to New York State in 1972-73. She became interested in working in an international environment and trained as a physical education and English as a second language teacher at Flinders University. Julie worked for two years at Immanuel College and in the mid-eighties worked in an international school in Kodaikanal-Tamil Nadu in India. On her return to Australia she trained and worked as a School Counsellor for

seven years at the Cowandilla, Blair Athol and The Parks Language Centres. Julie completed her Master's Degree in Education Management studies in the early 1990s, managed the international programs for the Department of Education and Childhood Development from 2000-03, was appointed Deputy Principal of the Adelaide Secondary School of English (ASSE) in 2004 and took over as Principal in July 2011.

The ASSE was established in the 1970s and is accredited by the Council of International Schools. The school's early centres were located in Port Adelaide, Blair Athol, Gilles Street, Marden, Cowandilla, The Parks and Daws Road. These individual centres merged in the 1990s to create one school which has been based at Croydon High School since 1997.

The school has 42 classrooms across all its sites with 517 students from diverse cultural groups and include 460 migrants and refugees, 60 international students and 42 students in immigration detention in the community. A substantial number of the students are NAP funded and a high proportion are on School Card as their parents/caregivers are either not in work or are themselves in school. Student numbers fluctuate wildly with about 100 students leaving or enrolling at ASSE each term.

ASSE is run like a normal high school although class sizes (12-18) tend to be smaller than in regular schools and staffing needs to be a term by term exercise. ASSE has 120 contract, permanent, administration and support staff.

Four different pathways for the school's students depending on the regularity and standard of their previous schooling. For example, some students have migrated from countries with a similar education systems and standard to Australia's while other students arrive not knowing how to hold a pen.

Subjects in addition to English are taught – in English – and short courses including retail, typing, driver's licence and horticulture are offered along with peer mentoring, personal well-being and child protection training.

The school places emphasis on future careers and transition to high school education, both government and private, and further education.

Julie was asked a number of pertinent questions from the floor and she provided illuminating answers.

Members thanked Julie by acclamation as she accepted her Unley Rotary pen from Chandra.



Julie Prosser with Chandra Sluggett

Spots and Sergeant's Session

Stephen Westgarth asked members and visiting Rotarians present to stay back after the meeting to help "road test" the District Conference Registration Form and to critique the Conference Guide – and they all did.

Pitch Hitter Sergeant Greg McLeod managed, with the able assistance of our most trustworthy guest speaker Julie Prosser, to extract VP Wendy's marble from the Thunderdome; apparently it was just the third time Wendy has won the infernal squares in eight years yet even so, several members commented on how her luck was so much better than theirs.

As no Hawthorn Hawks or Sydney Swans supporters were in attendance to savagely fine, Sergeant Greg invited happy/sad fines and needed two hands to collect them all.

Rotary International News

Free vegetable gardens sprouting up around France

By Dan Nixon - Rotary News -- 12 Sep 2014

Imagine a community where the residents are all free to plant, grow, harvest, and eat healthy food whenever they want without having to pay for it.

Sound too good to be true?

That's exactly what residents of more than 20 cities and towns in France are doing through a project called Potalib. Launched by the Rotaract Club of Versailles, Potalib was inspired by the Incredible Edible project, an international food-sharing movement founded by Nick Green in England. The Rotaract members obtained Green's permission to apply the concept in France, changing the name to "Potalib," a contraction of "potager libre" (free vegetable garden).

The club registered the Potalib name, created a brand, and now sells the project as a kit to French institutions, local communities, and corporations. The materials include seeds for as many as 18 kinds of vegetables, information on how to cultivate them, and 12 wooden bins, each about a cubic meter in size and filled with around 270 kilograms of soil. In cities where the gardens are planted, the club sponsors a festive opening-day ceremony, featuring a free meal cooked by club members and a professional chef.



Versailles Rotaractors and friends launch a Potalib project in Vélizy-Villacoublay

"The goal is quite simple: To give everyone, from the wealthiest to the poorest, the opportunity to eat quality vegetables," says Club President Thibaut Mathieu.

"Everyone" includes parents who want to teach their children "that fries do not grow in the ground," joke the project's supporters. According to a recent survey, one in four children in France doesn't know that fries come from potatoes.

Potalib also offers the homeless a reliable source of free healthy food.

Mathieu says that people readily take responsibility for maintaining the vegetable gardens and no instances of theft, hoarding, or vandalism have been reported. Instead, Potalib is bringing communities closer together.

"I was almost afraid to take some vegetables at first," says Nathalie from Plaisir, a suburb of Paris. "But now I do it with great pleasure. I made new friends there. We plant seeds and we have a good time!"

Each Potalib package costs more than \$15,000. Mathieu says that would be a high price for one person to pay, but not for a town, government department, or a company. The money is paid directly to the club, which then pays the suppliers, "who have become genuine and trusted partners," he says.

Potalib is also good for local business. If the community isn't able to fund the entire project, the club contacts companies in the area. Mathieu says a local company can finance one or several bins in its city, and in doing so, improve its image by showing the public that it cares.

Outside of France, Rotaract clubs in Belgium, Canada, and Germany have inquired about duplicating the project.

"We receive, on average, four new applications from cities per week," says Mathieu, adding that the Versailles club is planning to create a separate Potalib website soon.

The Versailles Rotaractors started Potalib in 2012, around the time they were forming their club, which was chartered in 2013. The project has not only benefited an increasing number of communities, it's also helped to expand the club's membership, which has mushroomed from 16 members to 60.

Mathieu credits the project's success to the Rotaract club's sponsor, the Rotary Club of Versailles. "They have always given us good counseling. Without 'our' Rotarians, we would not be here today," says Mathieu.

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion	Chairman & Scribe	Set up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance Desk
7 Oct 14	Thrift Shop then BarZaar	6 for 6.30pm	Thrift Shop deliberations and thence to BarZaar	K Haines	na	na	na

Venue: PSC = Public Schools Club, 270 East Terrace, Adelaide

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

Meeting Chair Enquiries To: Secretary Mavis Martin 81780076 0408 399 834 or email to unley.secretary@rotaryclub.org.au

Venue Set-up/Bar Enquiries To: Bulletin Editor - Stephen Baker on 8379 7105

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Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

October 2014

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	4 Oct 14	David Middleton & Lalita Lopez	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	11 Oct 14	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	18 Oct 14	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Nathan White & (?)
4	25 Oct 14	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni

Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or as a very last resort contact:

Ken Haines 83325138; (M) 0417 896 261; e-mail: kj.haines@bigpond.com

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 October **Morning shift: 8.30am – 12.30pm** **Afternoon shift: 12.30 – 5pm**

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2014	Dec	Sun	14	Carols in the Rotunda	Unley Rotunda
2015	Apr	Thu-Sun	16-19	District 9520 Conference	Ballarat, Victoria
	Jun	Sat-Tue	6-9	Rotary International Convention	Sao Paulo, Brazil

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



October Program

7 Oct	DGE Dick Wilson (Stirling)	Australian Rotary Health – Hat Day
14 Oct	Pres Anthony Masson (Henley Beach)	The Carousel Project

On the Back Page

Talking Dog for Sale

A guy is driving around the back woods of Montana and he sees a sign in front of a broken down shanty-style house: 'Talking Dog For Sale' He rings the bell and the owner appears and tells him the dog is in the backyard.

The guy goes into the backyard and sees a nice looking Labrador retriever sitting there.

'You talk?' he asks.

'Yep,' the Lab replies.

After the guy recovers from the shock of hearing a dog talk, he says 'So, what's your story?'

The Lab looks up and says, 'Well, I discovered that I could talk when I was pretty young. I wanted to help the government, so... I told the CIA.

'In no time at all they had me jetting from country to country, sitting in rooms with spies and world leaders, because no one figured a dog would be eavesdropping.

'I was one of their most valuable spies for eight years running...but the jetting around really tired me out, and I knew I wasn't getting any younger so I decided to settle down. I signed up for a job at the airport to do some undercover security, wandering near suspicious characters and listening in.

'I uncovered some incredible dealings and was awarded a batch of medals. I got married, had a mess of puppies, and now I'm just retired.'

The guy is amazed. He goes back in and asks the owner what he wants for the dog.

'Ten dollars,' the guy says.

'Ten dollars? This dog is amazing! Why on earth are you selling him so cheap?'

'Because he's a bullshitter. He's never been out of the yard.'

