

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3928 – 7 October 2014

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Our Last Meeting

Venue	Thrift Shop
Chairman	Wendy Andrews
Apologies	DG Jerry & Briony Casburn, Graham & Patsy Beckett, Glenys Ferguson, Bob Laws, Mavis Martin, David Middleton, Bob Mills, John Russell, Pam Trimmer
Guests	Margaret Bosisto, Jill Hill
Returning Rotarians	Joan Reed, Bob Laws
Attendance	16 members, 2 guests

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

Venue: Public Schools Club

207 East Terrace, Adelaide

Vice President Wendy Andrews chaired the meeting

Announcements

Mad Hat Day which raises funds for mental health research brought out a range of strange head gear. Margaret Bosisto was appointed as hat judge. Members were invited to donate generously (particularly those hatless) to the cause.

RC Mitcham is holding a sale of second-hand books at its shop 448 Goodwood Rd, Cumberland Park from 8am – 4pm next Saturday.....nothing over \$2

RC Noarlunga is holding its Games Night on 31 October at Rotary Hall, Christies Beach – a mere 10 bucks for total entertainment.



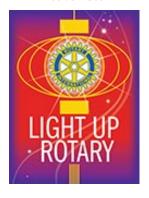
President Joan

Thrift Shop Consultations

Ken Haines opened the batting by outlining potential changes to the Thrift Shop which are under consideration:

- Taking off the back door and creating extra space for a book nook and children's corner through compactus realignment
- · Moving more clothing stock into the main area
- Cleaning up the front of the shop and raising the visibility of the premises with colourful decor and banners.

Ken stressed the process would be carefully undertaken in test fashion with an ability to restore the shop if the new arrangements were not working. Glenyss Steadman had offered to look after the rosters, and there will be monthly meetings of the TS committee.



Margaret Bosisto endorsed the book nook proposal and explained that the books could be displayed in the compactuses. With the help of Sally, Brett and Annie, improvements would be made to display areas. Carpet squares have been donated and would be professionally laid. The smaller rear section would be used mainly for sorting (no more storage space).

Stephen Baker explained that over the past 4 years profits had declined from \$32,000 to \$21,000. Rent is now absorbing more than 50% of gross revenue. In 2013-14 the rent was \$30,600 but the landlady would wish to raise it to \$33,500 (or \$212 per square metre for the 158 squares) plus annual CPI increases. Vacant premises on Unley Road are leasing for \$200-\$250 per square metre per annum. Our premises are the worst appointed of all those looked into.

Discussions ensued and covered the following issues:

Bob Laws mentioned that when the club moved from 170 to 130 Unley Rd the annual profit halved (\$45k to \$22.5k).

A number of members commented on the friendliness and generosity of the landlady – she is willing to improve the lighting and install air conditioning in the back area.

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Concerns were raised that there are too many people who make unilateral decisions without consultation (too many chiefs) and that the diminished storage/sorting area may not work effectively given the practice of seasonal clothing displays.

There was a general feeling that the changes were worth trying and that every endeavour should be made to strike a more reasonable leasing arrangement with the landlady

Ken intends to arrange a meeting with her (and any advisers) next week and is likely to be accompanied by Greg McLeod and Stephen Baker.

Sheila was selected as the most worthy Mad Hat wearer by Margaret.

At 7.30pm Bob Mullins declared that he was hungry and Wendy responded by closing the meeting.....off to BarZaar.







A Guinness leprechaun

The top table at BarZaar....

....and the premier table

Rotary International News

Mending the lingering effects of Japan's triple disaster

By Ryan Hyland Rotary News 2 Oct 2014

More than three years after an earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear disaster triggered widespread devastation in Japan, the physical scars are beginning to mend. Debris has been removed. Coastal communities are being rebuilt. Farming and fishing have resumed, and thousands of people have moved in to new housing.

But the Rotary Clubs of Koriyama West, Japan, and Englewood, New Jersey, USA, are concerned with the emotional and psychological impact caused by the triple disaster, known in Japan as 3/11, which claimed more than 19,000 lives and displaced hundreds of thousands of people.



Mourner prays at the memorial for students and teachers of the Elementary School of Okawa in Ishinomaki, Miyagi Prefecture

In a country that prides itself on stoicism, it is difficult for survivors to seek and accept mental health care. "We believe that the first step to overcome the grief is to be able to talk about what they're going through and share their personal experiences," says Englewood club member Ikuyo Yanagisawa.

With a Rotary global grant, the clubs purchased mobile video conference equipment for four mental health clinics in areas most affected by the Fukushima nuclear power plant crisis. These tools now connect mental health care providers in Japan with trauma experts at the Arnhold Global Health Institute in New York City, where psychologists treated survivors and witnesses of the September 11 attacks.

To augment the new resources, Koriyama West members will organize multidisciplinary mental health care teams from Fukushima Medical University to make outreach visits to temporary shelters and schools in and around Tohoku, a town near Fukushima. Additionally, survivors of 3/11 will be able to talk via video conference to 9/11 family members and first responders who lost loved ones and colleagues in the tragedy.

"Despite the differences between 9/11 and 3/11, survivors of both events share a similar healing process by overcoming the shock, grief, and isolation," adds Yanagisawa. Last November, the Englewood club teamed up with Japanese Medical Society of America and American Airlines to fly five members of the September 11th Families Association to Tohoku to share their stories and give encouragement to 3/11 survivors still displaced by the tsunami and Fukushima nuclear disaster.

"The 9/11 members would open each conversation with the Japanese expression otagaisama which means 'we are all in the same boat," says Yanagisawa, who accompanied the team. "This helped 3/11 members open up more and feel at ease with sharing their story. I could see how deeply connected the two groups were. It was remarkable to see."

Yanagisawa says that 3/11 survivors came to her after group sessions to say how encouraged they were to move forward with their lives.

"This is our [the two participating clubs] goal: to help communities in Japan overcome their grief and find the strength to rebuild their lives," she says. "Bringing together survivors from two different disasters, from opposite ends of the world, we hope will bring about a sense of international community.

Our Upcoming Meetings

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Date	Venue	Time	Occasion		Welcome	Sergeant	Desk
14 Oct 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Megan Webber Influences from Can Do Hearing and Townsend House	L Christie	M Small	K Haines	G Ferguson G Hill
21 Oct 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Janet Weir Stroke Foundation	K Haines	P Trimmer	tba	G Hill A Jonson
28 Oct 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Committees	J Reed	S Westgart	hK Haines	A Jonson H Kilsby

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

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Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

October - November 2014

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
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
1	1 Nov 14	David Middleton & Lalita Lopez	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth

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 27 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 Paolo, Brazil

The Voice of Rotary

Broadcast on 1197 AM RPH Adelaide each Tuesday 7.30-8.00 am

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October Program

7 Oct	DGE Dick Wilson (Stirling)	Australian Rotary Health – Hat Day
14 Oct	Pres Anthony Masson (Henley Beach)	The Carousel Project
21 Oct	TBA	
28 Oct	PP Rodger Thomas (Hyde Park)	The Rotary Club of Bandung

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Good Management

A young Programmer and his Project Manager board a train headed through the mountains on its way to Wichita. They can find no place to sit except for two seats right across the aisle from a young woman and her grandmother. After a while, it is obvious that the young woman and the young programmer are interested in each other, because they are giving each other looks. Soon the train passes into a tunnel and it is pitch black. There is a sound of a kiss followed by the sound of a slap.

When the train emerges from the tunnel, the four sit there without saying a word. The grandmother is thinking to herself, "It was very brash for that young man to kiss my granddaughter, but I'm glad she slapped him."

The Project manager is sitting there thinking, "I didn't know the young tech was brave enough to kiss the girl, but I sure wish she hadn't missed him when she slapped me!"

The young woman was sitting and thinking, "I'm glad the guy kissed me, but I wish my grandmother had not slapped him!"

The young programmer sat there with a satisfied smile on his face. He thought to himself, "Life is good. How often does a guy have the chance to kiss a beautiful girl and slap his Project Manager all at the same time?"



