

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3932 – 11 November 2014 Website: unley.rotaryclub.org.au

Our Last Meeting

Venue	Public Schools Club		
Guest Speaker	Anthony Clarke		
Chairman	Liz Christie		
Apologies	DG Jerry & Briony Casburn, David Middleton, Colin Schirmer		
Guests	csts Chen Chou, Raj Vasan		
Returning Rotarians	Graham & Patsy Beckett, Geoff Hill		
Attendance	22 members, 3 guests		

NEXT TUESDAY IS A VOCATIONAL VISIT TO THE REPATRIATION HOSPITAL AT DAW PARK

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Venue: Public Schools Club

207 East Terrace, Adelaide

President Joan's Announcements

Unley Road Traders Association is holding its "Evening Under the Stars" event at the Soldiers Memorial Gardens Rotunda on 14 February 2015. Association President Steve Finos has asked whether Unley Rotary would wish to be nominated as their charity of choice and use the event as a publicity and fundraising occasion. The meeting endorsed the proposal.

RC Murray Bridge is hosting Dr Felice Jacka who is speaking on the link between mental illness and eating habits on 21 November - cost \$45. Book this week if attending.

Upcoming events include:

- Joint Group 6 Breakfast on 10 December at the Royal Coach Motel.
- Carols at the Rotunda on 14 December.
- Christmas celebrations with finger food at the Stamford Grand Hotel Glenelg.

Maximum participation in all events would be appreciated.

The Club's AGM is scheduled for 2 December – A President nomination is needed.

can be made online.

Conference registration forms will be provided at our next meeting at the PSC, but bookings Guest Speaker - Anthony Clarke

from Blind Sporting Council

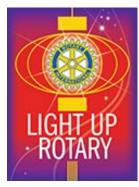
Chairman Liz Christie introduced Raj Vasan and Anthony Clarke. Raj is the CEO of the Blind Sporting Council and has a background in hotel and charitable organisation management after arriving in Adelaide from India in 1996. Anthony lost his sight as a result of a car accident at age 17 but this has not prevented him becoming an elite performer in judo (2 world championships) and weightlifting (national champion), and being a strong advocate for people with disabilities. His latest passion is dancing. In 2007 he was awarded an OAM.

Anthony smashed his car into a stobie pole while under the influence in 1978 and lost sight in both eyes. He vividly remembers the experience of the accident and waking up in hospital blind. He was grateful for the care and humour of the nursing staff at the RAH. After 6 weeks in hospital he went to Melbourne and learnt about how to use a white cane, walk in a straight line, personal grooming and cooking.

His desire for independence led him to take a flat in Kilburn which was at that time a tough area....and it did not work out well. He made the decision to change his life and achieve goals through re-education, sport (judo) and hitch hiking around Australia and NZ. In judo he held 7 national titles. Hitchhiking was a motivating experience....he could talk incessantly for 8 hours and keep flagging drivers awake.....and experience the value of networking. Because of his vulnerability he was mindful of the Truro and Milat murders.



President Joan



Using John Russell, he showed how the simple task of getting on a bus could be problematic. He was angry at people's inability to adjust to him and this generated fear. Once he came to terms with the fact that people really were looking for ways to help the whole experience changed and he was able to travel with far less drama.

A signature moment was at the Sydney Paralympics 2000 when huge crowds turned up. He recalls the efforts of an Australian runner with cerebral palsy in the 1500 metres. He lagged the field dramatically and officials tried to take him off, but he persevered. The Dutch team started singing Waltzing Matilda as he courageously continued his race, long after the others had finished.......80,000 people joined in to spur him to the finishing line.



The bus experience with 'Passenger' John,
Anthony and his guide dog



Anthony's banjo rendition of Waltzing Matilda



Liz delighted, and Anthony considering how to best use the Rotary pen

Anthony was thanked by acclamation.....the epitome of courage and determination...and rewarded with the fabulous Rotary pen.

Spots and Sergeant's Session

Stephen Baker introduced visitor Chen Chu who is from Taiwan, has been in Australia for 3years, and is studying IT at UniSA. His wife is studying early childhood care, also at UniSA.

Wendy Andrews passed on the message from David Middleton that the outstanding issues for the Carols on December 14 are BBQ, sweets, insurance and banner

Mavis Martin confirmed that we would be touring latest 'state of the art' facilities at Repatriation Hospital next Tuesday and thence to the Goodwood Park Hotel for a meal. 14 people signified their intention to attend. Further details in this bulletin.

Stephen Westgarth reported that the website for next year's District Conference in is operational and can be viewed at www.rotary9520conference.org.au – the registration form can be downloaded.

Ken Haines announced that \$1,104 had been banked from last month's Bunnings BBQ.

Joan Reed swapped her Thrift Shop roster on Saturday with Wendy.

Sergeant Ken Haines managed to have Greg McLeod's marble drawn for the infernal squares. Mobile misuse headed the fine session. Happiness events included Alex and his partner celebrating 27 years together, Graham winning the Melbourne Cup Sweep after a 48 year drought, Mavis revisiting RC Clare where she had been the first female club member, the Salvos celebrating 130 years in Unley, and Graham's moving experience visiting the Tower of London where 880,000 ceramic red poppies were on display. Wendy declared that of her three horses in the Melbourne Cup sweep, two died.....hmmmmm!



Member Duncan McKendrick and Mavis at RC Clare 50th anniversary

The meeting closed at 7.59!

Rotary International News

Dynamic young club uses social media to grow

By Arnold R. Grahl - Rotary News -- 22 Oct 2014

Erin Mills had just finished teaching for the day in Montevideo, Uruguay, when her smartphone buzzed with a message.

An impromptu gathering to watch Uruguay's World Cup soccer match was being organized. Through the power of a mobile messaging app, a majority of the Rotary Club of Plaza Matriz had soon assembled at a member's home to munch on baked goods and chips while rooting for their national team.

That enthusiasm and ability to draw a crowd has made the club, which just received its charter in July, a success in the country's capital city. Made up almost entirely of young professionals, it is the kind of club Rotary is eager to have more of. It has also served as a bridge back to Rotary for former members of Rotaract, who must leave when they turn 30.

Mills says she could tell the club had something special by its third meeting. "It turned into a brainstorming session of all the projects we wanted to do. No idea was too large or too small."

An "Oscars for Rotary"

The club has partnered with PORSALEU, a local charity that provides a place for leukemia patients and their families to stay close to the hospital when they travel to the city for treatment. They held their first fundraiser during the World Cup, auctioning off a jersey signed by Uruguayan footballer Cristian Rodríguez -- through social media. And they're planning a Rotary award night to recognize and encourage humanitarian service, which they are calling the "Golden Wheel."

"It's like an Oscars for Rotary," Mills explains. "Clubs that enter have a chance to win a Golden Wheel in categories such as best outreach program for new members, best service project."

Members are conducting workshops to teach other Rotary members in the city how to use social media to their advantage.

How the club got started

For Mills, the club has also offered a way to get reestablished in Uruguay. She came to Montevideo in 2008 on a scholarship sponsored by the Rotary Club of Casa Grande, Arizona, USA, and joined the Rotaract Club of Paso Molino.

After completing her scholarship, she returned to Arizona and began a long-distance relationship with one of the Rotaractors she had met during her studies. Realizing that her heart was in Uruguay in more ways than one, she completed an advanced degree in bilingual education and returned. She is now teaching future English language educators at the University of Montevideo and middle school students from around the world at an American International School.

Finding a new group to connect with wasn't initially easy. She looked for a Rotary club to join but couldn't find one that "had the right vibe." They either were too far from her home or didn't offer the sense of family she was searching for as an expatriate.



Members of the Rotary Club of Plaza Matriz at a social

Many of her friends had left the Paso Molino Rotaract Club.

About the same time, Nicolas Ortiz, a member of the Rotary Club of Montevideo and chair of the district's New Generations committee, began running into many of Mills' old friends. He realized that all of these former Rotaractors and the former Rotary Scholar would be the ideal core for a new club, so he encouraged them to start one.

"We were all a little intimidated by the responsibility. Where do you even start? And then there's the financial responsibility involved," Mills recalls. "But he helped us and got his club to sponsor many of our costs, and his club eventually became our sponsor club."

From there, district leaders took the group under their wing. Past District Governor Antonio Nocetti Ruiz got other district officers together to advise them on the steps they needed to take to found the club and even attended many of the unofficial planning meetings.

"We're excited to bring Rotary into the next generation," says Mills.

Our Upcoming Meetings

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Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion		Welcome	Sergeant	Desk
18 Nov 14	Repat Hospital SPF Hall See below *	6 for 6.15pm sharp	Vocational Visit Cassandra Douglas 'Twilight Tour' Partner's Event	M Martin	n/a	n/a	n/a
25 Nov 14	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	DG Jerry Casburn	J Reed	S Baker	K Haines	R Laws G McLeod

^{*} Take Gate 8 entrance on Goodwood Rd (200m north of Daws Rd) and park in Carpark 2 on the right. At the end of the road on the left there is a path which leads to SPF Hall which is 30m down on the RHS corner.

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

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Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

November - December 2014

'	Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
	3	15 Nov 14	Glenys Ferguson, Wendy Andrews (4 Joan Reed)	Nathan White, Neesha Nandasena & Hiro Yamamoto
	4	22 Nov 14	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
	5	29 Nov 14	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni
	1	6 Dec 14	David Middleton & Lalita Lopez	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
	2	13 Dec 14	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin

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

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



November Program

18 Nov	Rtn Wade Bekesi (Port Adelaide)	The Golf Day Fundraiser
25 Nov	PP Kevin Roberts (Rtd)	A Long Term Experience in Rotary

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 November Morning shift: 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift: 12.30 – 5pm

On the Back Page

Fine Art

The lawyer says to his CEO client: "I have good news for you - and some bad news."

The CEO replies: "I've had an awful day, let's hear the good news first."

The lawyer says: "Your wife invested \$20,000 in five pictures that are worth a minimum of \$2 million."

The CEO replies enthusiastically: "Well done, that's very good news indeed! You've made my day. Now what's the bad news?"

The lawyer answers: "The pictures are of you in bed with your secretary."

Enduring one-liners

- ❖ I've been in love with the same woman for 49 years! If my wife ever finds out, she'll kill me!
- Someone stole all my credit cards but I won't be reporting it. The thief spends less than my wife did.
- We always hold hands. If I let go, she shops.
- She was at the beauty shop for two hours. That was only for the estimate. She got a mudpack and looked great for two days. Then the mud fell off.
- The Doctor gave a man six months to live. The man couldn't pay his bill so the doctor gave him another six months.
- The Doctor called Mrs. Cohen saying, "Mrs. Cohen, your cheque came back. Mrs. Cohen answered, "So did my arthritis!"

