

THE UNLEY ROTARIAN: Meeting 3968 – 18 August 2015

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Our Last Meeting

Venue	Café d'Vilis	
Occasion	casion Vocational Visit to Vili's Bakery	
Chairman	Valerie Bonython	
Apologies	Bob Mullins, Mavis Martin, Stephen Westgarth, Pam Trimmer	
Returning Rotarians Marlene Small, Colin Schirmer		
Guests	Jill Hill, Margaret Payne, Sandy Schirmer, Liz Christie & David Whan	
Visiting Rotarians	siting Rotarians Rtn Sue Phillips (Glenelg)	
Departing Rotarians None		
Attendance	ttendance 22 members & 7 guests	

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Venue: Public Schools Club

207 East Terrace, Adelaide

MEETING VENUE CHANGE: Next week's meeting on 25 August will be held at Damien on Fisher, 123 Fisher Street, Fullarton.

President Stephen's Announcements

1. Many thanks to Chandra, Briony, Graham & Patsy, Valerie and Alex for their assistance in moving gear for DIK at Sunset Lodge last Thursday. Briony & Jerry will be collecting surplus blinds this week from the Lodge.

The picture shows Chandra's 'army'..... not to be mistaken for Dad's Army....Graham, Briony, Patsy, Valerie, Stephen, Michael (upper) and David.

Apologies that the picture did not capture Chandra and Alex. Joining our crew were David Cockshell (DIK) and Rotarian Michael (talented removalist) from Gawler.







- 2. The Thrift Shop volunteers' afternoon last Sunday at the Unley Community Centre went well; local MP David Pisoni also attended. Many thanks to the Rotarians who helped, led by Bob and Glenyss, and Lindsay and Linda.
- Next week we are at Damien's on Fisher 6 for 6.30pm. We need to know numbers by Thursday
- 4. Jerry boasted that he immersed himself in the warm Glenelg sea on Sunday for 5 minutes......but he has yet to provide the documentary evidence......and his sponsorship list seems to have floated off with the tide.

Visit to Vili's Bakery: Vili Milisits

Valerie Bonython introduced Vili Milisits who regaled us with his inspirational story of a penniless, poorly educated immigrant making his fortune against the odds. He arrived at Adelaide railway station at age 11 with his family after escaping the Soviets in Hungary and passing through Germany, France and England looking for refuge. They spent enough time in England for him to get some schooling and to learn how to use a knife and fork. They had to wait 3 years to be resettled in the USA and 18 months for Australia, so we won them.

He only got to stay at school for three years when a change in his family circumstances meant all of the children had to get work. So Vili became an apprentice baker, riding his bike from Campbelltown to Kent Town every day at 4 am to work a 10 hour day. At 18½ he finished his apprenticeship, sold his car for \$50 and this gave him the capital base to start in business baking cakes.

The Unley Rotarian 1 18 August 2015 He couldn't borrow money from a bank and his family weren't in a position to help and at any rate thought he was crazy and that he'd just lose everything. At the time, everything amounted to \$50.

He married at 20 and managed to find a house with a shed in a back street in Mile End where he took his unenthusiastic new bride to live. The business operated on that site. He didn't like pies and pasties much, but you have to do what you do. His sister had a shop in town and he got the supply contract. Now he runs a large and successful business with products that have become familiar to everyone in South Australia and that are distributed throughout the country and throughout the world. He is an accountant's nightmare still running the empire in a partnership with his wife.

It's a great story of starting with nothing and building something grand, and while in itself this may reflect badly on many of us who had far more and have achieved much less, the vital ingredient of having nothing to start with and no option but to succeed is undoubtedly liberating.



Vili Milisits

The café has been in existence for a long time, right next to what was the family home and the factory. It's open 24/7 363 days per year, serving an average 2,000 people per day a meal that costs on average \$15. By my calculations this is a turnover of around \$10 million per year in an out-of-the-way industrial location with no passing traffic. This is a miracle in itself.

Vili kept us engaged for 40 minutes with his jovial and self-deprecating presentation, sprinkled with a number of maxims that could easily find their way into an entrepreneur's handbook.

- 1. In business you should stand your ground.
- 2. I'm in business, not in religion or politics.
- 3. Nobody in business should tell you what to do.
- 4. The two hardest things in business are to keep your feet on the ground and to delegate.
- 5. To be successful you don't have to do what you love but do what you're good at.
- 6. Stay small or get big, the middle ground dies.
- 7. Treat the people who work for you as equals.
- 8. Money shouldn't change you.
- 9. The only limitations to success are in your own head.
- 10. Don't expect success and then when it comes it will be a bonus.
- 11. Treat your smallest customer like your biggest customer and that's what they might become.
- 12. Don't be greedy, it's volume that creates wealth.

And my personal favourite

13. To be underestimated by competitors is the greatest asset you can have.

The assembled crew then partook of the cafe's fare and departed in dribs and drabs from around 8.30 onwards.



Spots

Jerry needs help to pick up awnings from a place in Mitcham on Friday morning. His request fell on deaf ears so the need persists.

Closing Time

President Stephen had closed the meeting before Vili was introduced and called upon us to **BE A GIFT TO THE WORLD**. We were spared the wealth destroying disaster of a Sergeant's Session and the wealth enhancing opportunity afforded by the unlucky squares.



Rotary News

Africa reaches important polio milestone

By Arnold R Grahl - Rotary News - 11 Aug 2015

A full year has passed since Africa's last reported case caused by the wild poliovirus.

Today marks a significant milestone for Africa in its effort to eradicate polio from the continent. A full year has passed since Africa's last reported case caused by the wild poliovirus.

Somalia was the last country to identify a new case, which occurred on 11 August 2014. While Africa has achieved an important public health milestone, the job is not yet finished. To end polio forever, all countries – both endemic and non-endemic – must strengthen routine immunization, address gaps in disease surveillance and do more to reach children who are still being missed by vaccinators.

"We cannot wind down our efforts now. We need to continue immunizing until the last country is certified polio-free, and thereafter," says Dr. Tunji Funsho, chair of Rotary's Nigeria PolioPlus Committee. "As long as the virus remains anywhere in the world, it is only a plane ride away."

Rotary members have played a key role in the eradication effort. They have led the way in raising funds, advocating for government support, building awareness, and mobilizing volunteers on the ground.

"The work of Rotary and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative has also cut through the clichéd narrative of Africa as the land of poverty, disease, and conflict," says RI General Secretary John Hewko. "Real human development has been achieved despite the toughest obstacles and despite the opinion of many who thought we could not eradicate this disease in Africa."

Strong continued support toward polio eradication in these final years of the campaign is the best way to ensure that today's milestone will indeed

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mark the last case of polio in Africa, says Michael McGovern, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee.

"Rotary members have many opportunities to make a difference, including being part of history as we seek a polio-free world," McGovern says. "Members have led the way in fundraising and lining up volunteer support for polio eradication."

Through 2018, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is matching 2-to-1 every dollar that Rotary commits for polio, up to \$35 million a year.

Rotary Young Professionals Forum

On Saturday 8th August 2015, District Membership Chair Mark Huddleston led the first District 9520 Young Professionals

Sixty students, professionals, Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike gathered at Flinders University to discuss the ways in which Rotary does and doesn't appeal to under 40's in both District 9520 and around Australia.

Participants of the forum were split into three categories:

- Rotarians over 40
- Rotarians under 40
- Non-Rotarian alumni

Key topics of the forum included:

- Aspects of Rotary which attract alumni and young professionals
- Major challenges Rotary needs to overcome
- · Club and District Social media
- Deterrents to young professionals
- Factors which keep alumni and young professionals involved in Rotary clubs

The forum revealed a lot about where Rotary stays consistently appealing across generations and where clubs could recalibrate, re-engineer and re-position themselves to ensure a bright future for both Rotary and the communities we support.



People who wanted to be seen at The Young Professionals Forum are DG Dick Wilson, DG Doug Layng D9500, Wendy Gaborit, Mark Huddleston, Steve Hayter, Kim Harvey and David Gambel with the camera.

Steve Hayter facilitated the under 40 group of people who looked specifically at reasons that attracted this group to Rotary, what is keeping them engaged, and what could be done to attract more members to this group.

All who attended this stimulating experience at Flinders University will continue to share the positive messages that emerged. The aim is to encourage changes in the way we operate and behave that will stimulate membership growth and make the involvement for us all more rewarding as well as more effective in achieving our common goal of Service above Self.

Our Upcoming Meetings

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Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
25 Aug	Damien on Fisher 123 Fisher St, Fullarton	6 for 6.30pm	Dr Phil Griffin: 'Rotary Helps Interplast Australia & NZ to Extend Helping Hands to Bhutan'	D Payne	B Casburn	J Reed	P Trimmer S Westgarth
1 Sep	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Peter Leolkes: VET Programs	W Andrews	J Casburn	J Reed	S Westgarth N White
8 Sep	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Ben Ernst (Unley Rotary Young Professionals Integration): Who are we? Adjusting to Technology.	P Trimmer	R Elms	J Reed	N White W Andrews
15 Sep	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Caroline Warman (SA Govt.): Food Labelling	G Hill	L England	Reed	W Andrews V Bonython
22 Sep	PSC	6 for 6.30pm	Quiz Night with Brownhill Creek	V Bonython & K Haines	S Evans	J Reed	B Casburn J Casburn

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

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Saturday Thrift Shop Roster July 2015

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
4	22 Aug 15	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5	29 Aug 15	Bob Mullins & Reno Elms	Stephen Westgarth & David Pisoni
1	5 Sep 15	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	12 Sep 15	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	15 Aug 15	Glenys Ferguson & Joan Reed	Nathan White & TBA

Rotarians, who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or as a very last resort contact: Lindsay England (T) 8445 8552; (M) 0408 857 775; e-mail: lengland@senet.com.au

Bunnings Mile End Barbeque

ALL the Bunnings Mile End Barbeque dates are the last Monday of the month from 8am to 5pm

Next Date: Monday 31 August Morning shift: 8.30am - 12.30pm Afternoon shift: 12.30 - 5pm

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2015	Sep	Sat	5	Riedel Emerging Winemakers Trophy	Public Schools Club
		Sun	27	Bay to Birdwood Classic - Start	Barrett Reserve, Adelaide Shores
	Oct	Tue	6	Big Red Ute [End Polio Now]	Unley Shopping Centre
		Tue	6	Rotary Health Hat Day	Club Event
		Fri-Sat	30-31	Membership Promotion	Unley Shopping Centre
	Nov	Tue	24	Unley Rotary Christmas Party	TBA
	Dec	Sun	13	Carols at the Rotunda	Unley Soldiers Memorial Gardens
2016	Feb	Sun	21	District Leaders Training	Flinders University
	Apr	Sun	10	PENTS Seminar	TBA
	May	Sun	15	District Assembly	TBA
		Tue	17	SA Police Officer of the Year	Unley Soldiers Memorial Gardens & Kooyonga Golf Club

The Back Page

God Loves Drunk People Too

A man and his wife were awakened at 3:00 am by a loud pounding on the door.

The man gets up and goes to the door where a drunken stranger, standing in the pouring rain, is asking for a push.

"Not a chance," says the husband, "it is 3:00 in the morning!"

He slams the door and returns to bed.

Who was that?" asked his wife.

"Just some drunk guy asking for a push," he answers.

"Did you help him?" she asks.

"No, I did not, it's 3am in the morning and bloomin' well pouring with rain out there!"

"Well, you have a short memory," says his wife. "Can't you remember about three months ago when we broke down, and those two guys helped us?

I think you should help him, and you should be ashamed of yourself!

"God loves drunk people too you know."

The man does as he is told, gets dressed, and goes out into the pounding rain.

He calls out into the dark, "Hello, are you still there?"

"Yes," comes back the answer.

"Do you still need a push?" calls out the husband.

"Yes, please!" comes the reply from the dark.

"Where are you?" asks the husband.

Over here on the swing," replied the drunk.

Lexophiles

"Lexophile" is a word used to describe those that have a love for words, such as "You can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", or "To write with a broken pencil is pointless." A competition to see who can come up with the best Lexophiles is held every year in an undisclosed location. These are this year's submissions.

- When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate
- A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- ~ When the smog lifts in Los Angeles, U.C.L.A.
- ~ The batteries were given out free of charge.
- A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- ~ A will is a dead giveaway.
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- ~ A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- When you've seen one shopping center you've seen a mall.
- Police were called to a Day Care Center where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.

- Did you hear about the fellow whose whole left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- ~ A bicycle can't stand alone; it is too tired.
- ~ When a clock is hungry, it goes back four seconds.
- ~ The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.
- He had a photographic memory, which was never developed.
- When she saw her first strands of grey hair, she thought she'd dye.
- Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it...And:
- Those who get too big for their pants will be exposed in the end.





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