



Our Last Meeting

Venue	Damien on Fisher
Guest Speaker	Lucy Dodd
Chairman	Sheila Evans
Apologies	Geoff Hill, Heather Kilsby, Briony & Jerry Casburn, Joan Reed, Mavis Martin, Pam Trimmer
Returning Rotarians	Lindsay England, Bob Laws
Visiting Rotarians	AG Bob Cooper
Guests	Kylie Harmer, Glenyss Steadman
Anniversaries	Lindsay England – birthday 17/1; Sheila Evans – induction 10/2/2004; David Payne – birthday 14/2
Attendance	18 members and 4 guests

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President Stephen's Announcements

1. Jerry has organised to have the Rotary Down Under magazines placed in medical and related waiting rooms in our area. Some members are being called upon to deliver the material once a month.
2. Emphasize again.....It is absolutely vital that club members consider how to contribute to a bowling triumph against RC Mitcham in 2 weeks' time at the new Clarence Gardens venue.
3. There is a Group 6 Presidents meeting this week at AG Bob Cooper's "castle on the hill".



President Stephen Baker

Guest Speaker – Lucy Dodd: ShelterBox – Worldwide Assistance

Sheila Evans introduced Lucy Dodd a South Australian farm girl who was an exchange student to Denmark (likely to be nuked by Donald Trump according to Ted Cruz). She studied International Relations at Adelaide Uni, and currently works for the SA Government in the Environment Department. She loves the outdoors and travelling and has found she can enjoy both and do good at the same time by being a ShelterBox Response Team Member.

Lucy started with a video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XZwWSrHsxus> as her introduction. She then told us of the rigorous requirements to become a ShelterBox Response Team Member with a large number of those who try failing to make the grade. There are 190 response volunteers around the world, 15 in Australia and 2 of them in Adelaide, and they are ready to be deployed when disaster strikes.

ShelterBox started in 2000 and in the past 15 years has been involved in 290 disasters across 90 countries. They help when there are earthquakes, floods, erupting volcanoes, tsunamis, hurricanes, landslides, typhoons (hurricanes near us and the Indians – not really a different thing. Tropical cyclones didn't get a mention), and conflict. Their mission is to rapidly deliver shelter, warmth and dignity to families made homeless by disasters. Their core values are; innovation, speed, collaboration, and accountability.

Innovation is demonstrated by the evolving design of the tent in response to feedback and experience and recently the addition of solar powered lights. To ensure rapid response they have boxes and people strategically located around the world so they can act quickly when disaster strikes. This is a small agency compared to others like the Red Cross and they collaborate with the others (although their slighter footprint makes them more nimble and able to reach to places the big agencies don't get to). And they are accountable to their donors by numbering each box so it can be tracked to those who donate the money for it. (This will possibly be changed as individual boxes can spend some time in a warehouse).



They assess the requirements when there is a disaster and often decide that a box, that has everything that might be needed by a family for six months to a year, is not required. In some cases shelter is an issue, but the needs would be better met by a shelter kit, that includes tarpaulins and tools to assist people to make better use of and repair the shelter that's already available. The kits are half the weight of boxes and take up less space for shipping.

In 2015 they responded to 22 disasters in 19 locations helping 28,000 families. More than 50% of their worldwide funding comes from Rotary but they are seeking to diversify by wider promotion and Lucy asked for suggestions. There were plenty of questions and Lucy was thanked by Sheila who, coincidentally, had introduced her.



Chairman Sheila Evans with guest speaker Lucy Dodd.

Spots

Bob Cooper advised that on 15th March there will be a combined Group 6 meeting hosted by Brownhill Creek club at the Edinburgh Hotel where Mark Huddleston will train us on recruiting young professionals as members.

Bob Cooper advised that on 6th April at 7am Mitcham club will be presenting information about Rotary's youth projects to Principals of high schools at the Royal Coach and they hope to be heard above the sound of sparrows farting outside.

Bob Cooper advised that the District Conference in Renmark from 28th April to 5th May will be worth attending.

Bob Cooper advised the District Assembly will be on 15th May at Murray Bridge and that the club is charged \$100 regardless of how many go. He encouraged us all to attend for the free lunch and other stuff.

Bob Cooper advised the Burnside Club had donated seven shelter boxes last year.

Bob Cooper sat down. This normally isn't noted in the spots section but on this occasion it was notable.

Lindsey England asked suggestion about what to do with all the brassieres he's collected (not from people's clothes lines but at the Thrift Shop) given that we no longer have an outlet. **Bob Cooper** advised (from his now seated position) that Mitcham Club has a project that could use them and as we are playing bowls against them soon and as each bowler has two bowling balls there may be dual use opportunity.

Sheila Evans is looking for participants for the influencing employers 6 week programme and suggested that if a Rotarian knew of a likely candidate they could call her on 0432 047 711 or email sevens@optusnet.com.au

Graham Beckett thanked the club on behalf of Days for Girls for the supplies. (I actually had no idea what this is about, but you can find out more about this important program at <http://www.daysforgirls.org/>.)

Patsy Becket didn't have a spot but asked me to tell you about the OSSAA film night at the Wallis Theatres in Mitcham on Sunday 6th March, 5.45 for 6.30 start. The cost is \$20 per person (very cheap) and this includes a light supper with white bubbly wine that we would have called champagne in less litigious times. The film is Lady in a Van starring Maggie Smith and others and it is reported to be hysterically funny. Patsy suggests we just turn up and meet there. You can watch a trailer by following this link http://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/the_lady_in_the_van/.

Sergeant's Session

For some inexplicable reason Guest Speaker Lucy twice drew out the marble of Sergeant Bob Mills for the atrocious squares.....under an ancient rule which prevents a felon being hung a third time after two failed attempts, Bob kept the money. Sergeant Mills delivered another fine anecdote about Bunnings and twins. Best story of the night was by David Payne who attempted, at considerable personal discomfort, to disrupt the Tour Down Under by rolling his recyclable glass soft drink bottle into the path of the peloton.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm (according to the ultra reliable watch of the Prez). (Well done I say. Not perfect, but progress should be acknowledged by a fair minded person like your editor).

Rotary News

Presidential conference explores routes to peace

By Ryan Hyland - Rotary News -- 1 Feb 2016

On 2 December, a terrorist attack killed 14 people and wounded more than 20 others in San Bernardino, California.

Less than two months later, an event nearby focused on peace: the Rotary World Peace Conference. The two-day meeting on 15-16 January brought together experts from around the world to explore ideas and solutions to violence and conflict.

The conference was the first of five Rotary presidential conferences planned for this year.

San Bernardino County official Janice Rutherford, a member of the Rotary Club of Fontana, California, told attendees at

the opening general session that the conference couldn't be timelier.

"Now more than ever, we need to come together and create peace and reduce human suffering," said Rutherford, who declared 15 January 2016 Rotary World Peace Day and a Day of Peace for San Bernardino County. "We appreciate your commitment to exploring these options and taking them back to your community and the rest of the world."

More than 150 leaders in the fields of peace, education, business, law, and health care led over 100 breakout sessions and workshops. Topics ranged from how to achieve peace through education to combating human trafficking to the role the media has in eliminating conflict.

Hosted by Rotary districts in California and attended by more than 1,500 people, the conference is an example of how Rotary members are taking peace into their own hands, said RI President K.R. Ravindran.

"We can't wait for governments to build peace, or the United Nations. We can't expect peace to be handed to us on a platter," said Ravindran. "We have to build peace from the bottom, from the foundation of our society. The valuable information you leave with at the end of this conference will aid you in managing conflict in your personal lives, local communities, and potentially around the world."

Actress and humanitarian Sharon Stone urged conference attendees to find tolerance within themselves as a way to develop compassion and understanding for others. Noting that today's technology makes it easy to learn about diverse cultures and beliefs, Stone encouraged Rotary members to embrace differences while learning about others' work.

"The more we understand the darkness of our enemies, the better we know what to do, how to respond and behave," said Stone.

Rotary is inching the world closer to meaningful change, said the Rev. Greg Boyle, executive director of Homeboy Industries, a Los Angeles-based gang intervention and reentry program.

"Rotary decided to dismantle the barriers that exclude people," said Boyle, a bestselling author and Catholic priest. "You [Rotary members] know that we must stand outside the margins so that the margins can be erased. You stand with the poor, the powerless, and those whose dignity has been denied."

Rotary's most formidable weapon against war, violence, and intolerance is its Rotary Peace Centers program. Through study and field work, peace fellows at the centers become catalysts for peace and conflict resolution in their communities and around the globe.

Dozens of Rotary peace fellows attended the conference to promote the program, learn about other peace initiatives, and help Rotary clubs understand the role they can play.

Peace Fellow Christopher Zambakari, who recently graduated from the University of Queensland in Australia, said the conference is a chance to increase awareness of what others are doing to achieve peace.

"Some people have only a local view toward peace," said Zambakari, whose consulting firm in Phoenix, Arizona, USA, provides advisory services to organizations in Africa and the Middle East. "An event like this, with so many diverse perspectives, can open up connections and different possibilities to how we all can work towards a more peaceful world."

Other speakers included Carrie Hessler-Radelet, director of the U.S. Peace Corps; Judge Daniel Nsereko, special tribunal for Lebanon; Gillian Sorensen, senior adviser at the United Nations Foundation; Steve Killelea, founder and executive chair of the Institute for Economics and Peace; Dan Lungren, former U.S. representative; and Mary Ann Peters, chief executive officer of The Carter Center and former U.S. ambassador to Bangladesh.



Actress and humanitarian Sharon Stone gives the peace sign after speaking at the Rotary World Peace Conference on 15 January in Ontario, California, USA.

About Days for Girls

Days for Girls was founded in 2008, when Executive Director Celeste Mergens prepared to travel back to Kenya to continue working with orphanages and communities in the wake of great political and economic upset. One night she awoke with a burning question: "Have you asked what the girls are doing for feminine hygiene?" When she asked the assistant director of the orphanage she was working with, the answer was shocking: "Nothing. They wait in their rooms."

The conditions were cramped, unsanitary, and would leave girls without food and water for days unless someone brought it to them. Furthermore, sanitary products were available, but only if girls were willing to suffer sexual exploitation in exchange. This moment was the beginning of awareness to the vulnerability millions of women and girls face throughout the world every month, simply due to this basic biological function. These women and girls suffer in silence, due to cultural ideas and taboos surrounding this issue. Because of this, girls and women can feel that they are tainted, or fundamentally flawed or less in some way. Washable, quality hygiene kits and accompanying education changes all that.

Days for Girls International is a grassroots, non-profit organisation creating a more dignified, humane and sustainable world for girls through advocacy, reproductive health awareness, education and sustainable feminine hygiene -- because no girl should go without. Women and girls discover their potential and self-value, are equal participants and agents of social change and are given opportunities to thrive, grow and contribute to their community's betterment while ensuring quality sustainable feminine hygiene. Tens of thousands of volunteers and important alliance partners work together to ensure access to culturally, physically and environmentally hygienic solutions around the globe.

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Set-up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
16 Feb	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Terry Davies: "Rotary Health Australia"	G Beckett	G Beckett	R Mills	J Reed J Russell
WED 24 Feb	Bailey Reserve	6 for 6.30pm	Bowls Challenge v RC Mitcham at Col Light Gardens Bowling Club Winona Avenue, Clarence Gardens	S Baker	P Beckett	NA	NA

Venue: Damien on Fisher, 123 Fisher Street, Fullarton SA 5063

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Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

February 2016

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
2	13 Feb 16	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	20 Feb 16	Joan Reed & Nathan White	Pam Trimmer & Ken Haines
4	27 Feb 16	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & David Pisoni	Stephen Westgarth & Reno Elms
1	5 Mar 16	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth

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

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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 29 February Morning shift: 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift: 12.30 – 5pm

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2016	Feb	Sun	21	District 9520 Leaders Training	Flinders University
	Mar	Tue	15	Group 6 Clubs Membership Seminar	Edinburgh Hotel, Mitcham
	Apr	Wed	6	Schools Youth Program Presentation	Royal Coach Hotel (Breakfast Meeting)
		Sun	10	PENTS Seminar	TBA
		28 Apr–1 May		District 9520 Conference	Renmark
	May	Sun	15	District Assembly	TBA
		Tue	17	SA Police Officer of the Year	Unley Soldiers Memorial Gardens & Kooyonga Golf Club

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The Geography of a Woman

(Inserted by the Editor to achieve balance for all those horrible blond jokes)

Between 18 and 22, a woman is like Africa. Half discovered, half wild, fertile and naturally beautiful!

Between 23 and 30, a woman is like Europe. Well developed and open to trade, especially for someone of real value.

Between 31 and 35, a woman is like Spain. Very hot, relaxed and convinced of her own beauty.

Between 36 and 40, a woman is like Greece. Gently aging but still a warm and desirable place to visit.

Between 41 and 50, a woman is like Great Britain, with a glorious and all conquering past.

Between 51 and 60, a woman is like Israel. Has been through war, doesn't make the same mistakes twice, takes care of business.

Between 61 and 70, a woman is like Canada. Self-preserving, but open to meeting new people.

After 70, she becomes Tibet. Wildly beautiful, with a mysterious past and the wisdom of the ages, an adventurous spirit and a thirst for spiritual knowledge.

The Geography of a Man

Between 1 and 90, a man is like North Korea and Zimbabwe.

Ruled by a pair of nuts.

About Paddy

Paddy goes to the vet with his goldfish.

"I think it's got epilepsy" he tells the vet. Vet takes a look and says, "It seems calm enough to me".

Paddy says, "I haven't taken it out of the bowl yet".

Paddy shouts frantically into the phone, "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only two minutes apart!"

"Is this her first child?" asks the Doctor.

"No", shouts Paddy, "this is her husband!"



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