



Our Last Meeting

Venue	Damien on Fisher
Guest Speaker	Terry Davies
Chairman	Graham Beckett
Apologies	Heather Kilsby, Sheila Evans
Returning Rotarians	Lindsay England, Bob Laws
Visiting Rotarians	PDG Roy and Marilyn Armstrong, Andrew Benson, PDG Margaret Blake, David Jones, Don Law, Barbara Wheatcroft
Guests	Lachlan Reid (Rotary Community Club)
Anniversaries	Lindsay England induction 25/2; Reno Elms birthday 27/2; Greg McLeod induction 28/2/84; Stephen Westgarth wedding anniversary 1/3
Attendance	22 members and 9 guests

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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

President Stephen's Announcements

1. Next Wednesday is a vital day on the club's calendar, the annual bowls match with Mitcham, which I am informed will be the 50th anniversary. It is being held at a new venue, the Clarence Gardens Bowling Club, and is a must win match. Everyone is welcome and will be taking numbers before we leave tonight. For those who would like to have fun without actually participating in a team there will be spare rinks to do so. Cost is \$20 plus \$5 for hire of bowls.
2. The 111th birthday of Rotary is on 23 February and Wendy is coordinating with other clubs to provide books for babies born at that time.
3. Next months is classically branded as Mad March with the Fringe, Festival, Clipsal and other events. Following the District Conference is April we will have our own version of Mad May with our 4000th anniversary on May 5, District Assembly on May 15 and Police Officer of the Year on May 17. Other Group 6 clubs also have ambitious schedules.
4. There will be a brief Board meeting after this club meeting.



President Stephen Baker



Guest Speaker – Terry Davies: Australian Rotary Health

Graham Beckett introduced Terry Davies, a Rotarian from New South Wales, a past president of his Rotary Club, a significant contributor to his Rotary District, and the current Corporate Manager of the Rotary Health Foundation. He has an interesting background in various occupations including teaching, and that took him to a remote aboriginal community where he engaged with the local elders to inject some of their culture into the school by painting the doors to the classrooms. When the bureaucrats took umbrage, Terry arranged for the doors to be replaced and the painted ones were sent to the Adelaide Museum to now be valued at over \$1.5 million. An interesting story, but not the reason he was at the meeting. Instead there had been a meeting of the South Australian Rotary Health Foundation Committee and they chose to also attend our meeting as noted in the list of visiting Rotarians above.

Terry then told us the interesting tale about working with Graham Beckett in trying to get a bit of land on the grounds of the Nepean Hospital to build a Ronald MacDonald House, only to be frustrated by a different set of bureaucrats (it would have been an immense coincidence if they had been the same bureaucrats who insisted on the school doors being restored to their previous undecorated state). Rotary's involvement, Graham's no-nonsense attitude and the fact that Patsy Beckett's family had originally donated all of the land for the hospital eventually cut through and won the day. Another interesting story, but not why Terry was at the meeting.

But much time had been taken already, so the brief trairpse through the history of the Rotary Health Foundation, based on the assumption I suspect that we already knew all about it, was somewhat of an anticlimax and commendably brief.

The Foundation is a multi-district Rotary Project that has been going for 33 years. It had its genesis on the Mornington Peninsular and has grown to become the largest independent health research organization in the country. Initially, it tackled the Sudden Infant Death Syndrome and has covered many other issues over its history. Now it is heavily involved in issues surrounding Mental Health.

They have provided finance for Mental Health First Aid Training; a programme that now has 1,000 trainers throughout Oz, has conducted 80,000 courses, and expanded to 21 countries.

The Foundation has done much in the field of PTSD, including the programme Panic Online that has been shown to work just as well as face to face therapy.

Through the Foundation, the late Geoff Bailey from Mitcham Club (the inevitable winners of next week's bowling test match) established the Indigenous Medical Student programme that has become a nationwide project with some 60 graduates to date. David Jones from the Mitcham Club made a guest appearance and encouraged Unley, as an original participant, to re-engage with the project. (Someone should explain why we disengaged!)

Terry finished by calling upon us to champion the cause. Research is difficult to sell because the donors are guaranteed to get nothing from it personally. Roy Armstrong, an old friend of the club who has also been visiting the club for a long time, has tips on how we can deploy our expertise to give the Foundation greater exposure. The Foundations work in mental health is especially important. Many health conditions result in death but mental health results in years of disability. Progress in this area is both a human and an economic imperative.

Spots

Andrew Benson announced that he was participating in the 30th Rotary Ride to Research and will be cycling 600kms over 5 days from 14 March. More sponsorship would be appreciated; to support Andrew go to <https://rotaryrideforresearch2016.everydayhero.com/au/andrew>.

Briony Casburn is collecting food on behalf of *Rufus* (looking after homeless people) and would like everyone to go through their pantries for food items which have not passed their use by dates but have failed to tempt the taste buds in recent times. Of course, purposely shop-bought donations are perfectly acceptable. Bring to our next meetings.

Trevor McGuirk displayed water filters, suitable for his Peru project, which can cleanse 1,000 litres of water per day.

Alex Jonson urged members to attend the next OSSAA film event *The Lady in the Van* at 5.45 for 6.30pm on Sunday 6 March at the Wallis Cinema, Mitcham Shopping Centre. An absolute steal at \$20pp with bubbly and nibbles thrown in.

Reno Elms asked members for details of their attendance at the Salvos hosted dinner on March 1.

Sergeant's Session

Who said the tooth fairy was dead? Greg McLeod had a tooth extracted and promptly won the infernal squares (using Bob Laws' favourite number). Sergeant Bob Mills provided anecdotes on how to beat a used car salesman and how to relieve prudish behaviour with an alligator.

We were delighted with the auditorium venue, the food and those involved with Australian Rotary Health

According to Editor's Assistant Stephen Westgarth's mobile phone, the meeting closed at 7.59pm, or at 8.01pm if you prefer "official" time keeper Bob Mills' timepiece of dubious accuracy. Editor's note: Unfortunately I had to leave the meeting early and did not witness this miracle personally. All who were involved are to be congratulated. I am left with the lingering fear that my presence may be the cause of the meetings going far too long. I will try to do better.



Guest speaker Terry Davies (L) with Graham Beckett (R) and a wine aerator cleverly disguised as a gift

Rotary News

Germ reveals 'Rotary Serving Humanity' as 2016-17 presidential theme

By Ryan Hyland - Rotary News – 18 Jan 2016

Rotary International President-elect John F. Germ announces his presidential theme:

'Rotary Serving Humanity.'

Rotary's founder, Paul Harris, believed that serving humanity is "the most worthwhile thing a person can do," RI President-elect John F. Germ said, and that being a part of Rotary is a "great opportunity" to make that happen.

Germ unveiled the 2016-17 presidential theme, *Rotary Serving Humanity*, to incoming district governors on 18 January at the International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.

"I believe everyone recognizes the opportunity to serve Rotary for what it truly is: not a small opportunity, but a great one; an opportunity of a lifetime to change the world for the better, forever through Rotary's service to humanity," said Germ.

Rotary members around the globe are serving humanity by providing clean water to underdeveloped communities, promoting peace in conflict areas, and strengthening communities through basic education and literacy. But none more important than our work to eradicate polio worldwide, he said.

After a historic year in which transmission of the wild poliovirus was stopped in Nigeria and all of Africa, Germ said we are closer than ever to ending polio.

"We are at a crossroads in Rotary," he added. "We are looking ahead at a year that may one day be known as the greatest year in Rotary's history: the year that sees the world's last case of polio."

Last year's milestones leave just two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan, where the virus still circulates. Polio would be only the second human disease ever to be eradicated.

When that moment arrives, it's "tremendously important" that Rotary is ready for it, said Germ. "We need to be sure that we are recognized for that success, and leverage that success into more partnerships, greater growth, and even more ambitious service in the decades to come."

Germ, a member of the Rotary Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA, encouraged attendees to return to their clubs and communities and spread the word about Rotary's role in the fight for a polio-free world.

"People who want to do good will see that Rotary is a place where they can change the world. Every Rotary club needs to be ready to give them that opportunity," Germ said.

Enhancing Rotary's image isn't the only way to boost membership. "We need clubs that are flexible, so our service will be more attractive to younger members, recent retirees, and working people."

He added: "We need more willing hands, more caring hearts, and more bright minds to move our work forward."



RI President-Elect John F. Germ

Upcoming OSSAA Fundraiser



THE LADY IN THE VAN

STARRING:

MAGGIE SMITH, ALEX JENNINGS, JIM BROADBENT,
FRANCES DE LA TOUR, ROGER ALLAM

Wallis Theatre, Mitcham Shopping Centre

Sunday 6th March 2016 at 5:45 for 6:30pm

Tickets include a light supper and champagne

Cost: \$20.00 per person

For tickets contact: Alex Jonson; Mob: 0412 993 737

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Set-up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
23 Feb	No meeting on Tuesday night; meeting moved to Wednesday 24 Feb.						
WED 24 Feb	Bailey Reserve	6 for 6.30pm	Bowls Challenge v RC Mitcham at Clarence Gardens Bowling Club Winona Avenue, Clarence Gardens	S Baker	P Beckett	R Mills	NA
1 Mar	Unley Salvation Army	6 for 6.30pm	Reno Elms: "Where Life, Faith & Service Connect"; meeting at Unley Salvation Army (enter from Marion or Maud Streets)	P Trimmer	R Elms	J Reed	NA
8 Mar	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Grey Nomads Rotary Club	J Casburn	V Bonython	J Reed	J Russell M Small
15 Mar	Edinburgh Hotel	6 for 6.30pm	Group 6 Membership Meeting	G McLeod	B Casburn	J Reed	M Small P Trimmer
22 Mar	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Pam Trimmer: "Teaching English a la Professor Higgins?"	M Small	J Casburn	J Reed	P Trimmer S Westgarth
29 Mar	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Cassandra Attwood: "A Road Less Travelled"	B Casburn	R Elms	J Reed	S Westgarth N White
5 Apr	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Ben Ernst: "Unley Young Professionals"	S Westgarth	L England	H Kilsby	N White W Andrews

Usual Meeting 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
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
2	12 Mar 16	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin

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

The Back Page

Tommy Cooper one line jokes:

Two blondes (male) walked into a building....you'd think at least one of them would have seen it.

Answering machine message: 'If you want to buy marijuana, press the hash key.

I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day but I couldn't find any.

My friend drowned in a bowl of muesli. A strong currant pulled him in.

A man came round in hospital after a serious accident. He shouted, 'Doctor, doctor, I can't feel my legs!'

The doctor replied, 'I know you can't, I've cut your arms off.'

I went to a seafood disco last week...and pulled a muscle.

Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly. They lit a fire in the craft, it sank, proving once and for all that you can't have your kayak and heat it.

'Doc, I can't stop singing "The Green, Green Grass of Home".'

'That sounds like Tom Jones syndrome.'

'Is it common?'

'It's not unusual.'

A man takes his Rottweiler to the vet. 'My dog is cross-eyed, is there anything you can do for him?'

'Well,' said the vet, 'let's have a look at him.' So he picks the dog up and examines his eyes, then he checks his teeth. Finally, he says, 'I'm going to have to put him down.'

'What? Because he's cross-eyed?'

'No, because he's really heavy'.

Apparently, one in five people in the world are Chinese. There are five people in my family, so it must be one of them. It's either my Mum or my Dad, or my older brother Colin, or my younger brother Ho Cha Chu? But I think it's Colin.

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