



Our Last Meeting

Venue:	Damien on Fisher
Guest Speaker:	Pam Trimmer
Chairman:	Marlene Small
Apologies:	Graham & Patsy Beckett, Briony & Jerry Casburn, Lindsay England, Sheila Evans, Geoff Hill, Suresh Kumar, Stephen Westgarth, Marlene Small
Anniversaries:	-
Guests:	Robyn Carnachan, Leonie Kewen
Attendance:	16 members and 2 guests

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President Stephen's Announcements

1. District Assembly was successful, and those who attended will provide a brief report to tonight's meeting.
2. The Unley Road Association net-working event which Valerie and I attended last week was well organised.....good food, refreshments and networking.
3. We are debating with RC Hyde Park on June 1 – topic 'Should cyclists be made to sit for a licence and have their bicycles registered' and we need a team in a hurry. It was resolved that the team should be led by Trevor McGuirk, supported by Robyn Carnachan and David Middleton.
4. Sheila Evans is back home and getting better day by day, while Lindsay England is still in hospital getting rid of a bug.
5. Jerry and Briony are having a ball in the Big Apple.....is anyone following their misadventures on Facebook?
6. OSSAA will be holding its annual luncheon on Sunday June 19 at the Glenelg Golf Club – guest speaker Dr Brian Spain AM and cost is \$55pp.



President Stephen Baker



Guest Speaker – Pam Trimmer: Teaching English a la Professor Higgins?

Wendy Andrews read a lengthy introduction of our Pam Trimmer that basically said she started out in sales management, got retrenched at 50, studied teaching English, and spent a year in Can Tho in Vietnam doing it. Pam regards her time in Vietnam as one of the best things she has ever done despite the lacking facility of her accommodation.

She started her talk with references to Pygmalion and My Fair Lady before giving us the lowdown on what's involved in teaching English to those who weren't raised doing so. There's teaching English as a Foreign Language (EFL) when you're doing it in a country where English isn't the lingua franca, and then there's teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) when you're doing it where English is. Readers may assume that it'd be the same thing, but it ain't.

Those learning EFL are in classes where they all come from the same background and speak the same language. They don't have people outside of the class they can practice their English on and there's not a lot hingeing on the outcome as they can get along fine without learning English. The teacher needs to incorporate lots of practice into lessons and have resources that will engage the students to provide reasons for learning.



Guest speaker, our own Pam Trimmer,
with Chairman Wendy Andrews

Those learning ESL may all speak different languages and they have an immediate need to learn so they can survive in a new environment. They are required to practice outside of class, although some choose to live in communities where English is rarely spoken. The teacher must focus more on 'hands on' English including filling in forms, dealing with finances and listening skills. The lessons include cultural instruction and aim to provide a bridge towards integration.

The challenges in teaching EFL and ESL are much the same. Communication is difficult as the students have very low listening comprehension (what do you expect of people who are surrounded by gibberish all day long. Ed), they have varying levels of competence, the learning pace is slow due to the large and tricky English vocabulary. Different cultures have different behavioural norms and different rules when it comes to physical interaction.

To be effective, a teacher needs a good lesson plan and the skill to discard it if an unexpected learning opportunity emerges. It's wise to be over prepared and to establish authority from the get go. Learning the names of students is difficult but important, and so is showing an interest in them, their language and culture.

Pam recommends the experience for those who are interested but you need to become well equipped, and if doing so overseas you need to be prepared for some level of deprivation.

District Assembly

Ken Haines reported there was a lot of information provided. He attended the sessions on membership and on the new systems. He also enjoyed the fellowship

Greg McLeod agreed there was a lot of information (lifting the level a notch to the 'too much' setting). He focused more on the secretarial side of things that included the introduction of the Club Runner system that aims to assist the operation of clubs and integrate the flow of information right back to Rotary International.

Valerie Bonython was impressed by the Calperum project, passing on some information to the club and expressed an interest in a club weekend working on the station.

Wendy Andrews found few ideas about community projects but was interested in the market run by Encounter Bay club that raises \$61,000 per year, and in finding out more about the work of the Australian Rotary Health Foundation.

Trevor McGuirk was interested in the Rotary Foundation session and provided a short presentation on how the Rotary Foundation funding system works. (Editorial comment: The arcane and convoluted processes of the Rotary Foundation are so complicated they defy comprehension by anyone who isn't committed to knowing what they are, to the extent they lose the right to be taken seriously.)

There was a request that the information below be included in the bulletin.

DISTRICT GRANTS (9520) 2015-16: SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS			
	Club	Project Description	Payment A\$
1	Berri	India - low cost shelters	\$2,121.60
2	Berri	Container to Timor Leste of Educational goods	\$2,121.60
3	Blackwood	Measure, manufacture and fit prosthetic	\$2,121.60
4	Blakiston	To build a community garden	\$2,121.60
5	Burnside	Upgrade of ablution block at Helena Goldie	\$4,256.80
6	Goolwa	Construct a sand pit at school for disadvantaged	\$2,121.60
7	Holdfast Bay	Nepal - Solar panels to the school for computer classes	\$2,284.80
8	Loxton	Timor Leste Kindergarten project	\$3,196.00
9	Mildura	Birthing Kits	\$2,121.60
10	Mitcham	Provision of ballustrades at Nepal	\$1,088.00
11	Mitcham	10 Mechanical hands to Cambodia	\$1,632.00
12	Noarlunga	10 Mechanical hands	\$2,121.60
13	Norwood	Three sets of training modules	\$1,686.40
14	Red Cliffs	200 Days for Girls kits	\$1,604.80
15	Renmark	Provide sewing machines etc to Timor Leste	\$1,754.40
16	Robinvale-Euston	Birthing Kits	\$1,604.80
17	Stirling	Basic educational aids such as desks	\$2,121.60
18	Unley	Educational materials for schools Timor Leste	\$2,121.60
19	District	Contingencies	\$1,058.08
20	Norwood	Scholarship funds Aimee Brownbill	\$3,128.00
21	Strathalbyn	Adult exercise equipment for Park	\$1,991.04
22	Glenelg	Vanuatu - reading program	\$2,140.64
23	Norwood	Tanzeed - School room	\$2,100.00
24	District	Contingencies and costs	\$340.00
Total offers			\$48,960

Spots

David Middleton sought a scribe for next week and Valerie Bonython obliged once again – thank you.

Reno Elms reminded us about the upcoming Red Shield Appeal and encouraged donations by members that are matched dollar for dollar by the club.

Valerie Bonython reported on the networking event she attended with president Stephen. She found it interesting, ate crocodile bread (whatever that is) and met a guy from Fiji who was interested in finding out more about Rotary.

Bob Mullins was presented with a memento of his time as President, a pewter plate from Malaysia.

Sergeant's Session

In a really nice change from the McLeod juggernaut (he won the last 3), Heather Kilsby triumphed in the appalling squares. Sergeant Bob Mills was far too generous in allowing too many sinners to escape deserved fines. Perhaps the greatest moment of happiness (there weren't too many moments) was Joan reporting her fortunate escape from burning her house down.

The meeting closed at 8.07pm.

Rotary News

Pope welcomes Rotary to Jubilee audience

By Bryan Hyland – Rotary News – 2 May 2016

Thousands of Rotary members, motivated by a special invitation from Pope Francis, gathered at the Vatican in Rome on Saturday to celebrate a message of compassion, inclusiveness, and service to humanity.

At midmorning, the group -- numbering some 9,000 members from 80 countries -- made its way through the congested streets of Rome, past the tight security surrounding St. Peter's Square, and settled into the area reserved for Rotary in front of St. Peter's Basilica for the Jubilee audience.

Francis, a 79-year-old Argentine, urged the crowd of more than 100,000, which included members of the police and armed forces from around the world, "to build a culture of peace, security, and solidarity around the world."

His message of peace resonated with Rotary members, including R. Asokan from Tamil Nadu, India. "His message about peace is about accepting. Rotary, which accepts all walks of life, can carry his message to all our clubs, therefore carrying his message to all our communities," says Asokan.

Though Francis is the leader of the Roman Catholic Church, his words often reach a wider audience. A poll published earlier this year found him to be one of the most liked and trusted world leaders.

That's what made this event at the Vatican so appealing, says Adriana Lanting, who traveled from California, USA, to attend. "To have such a transcending figure together with a transcending organization like Rotary in the same place is something I just couldn't miss," says Lanting, a member of the Rotary Club of Long Beach.

Madrid Zimmerman, another Long Beach member, isn't Catholic but says Francis has a knack for touching people's hearts regardless of where they're from. "Rotary has the same effect," she adds. "We may have different ways of expressing it, but our [Rotary] action in helping others comes from the same place.

"This event is a reminder that we only have one goal and that's to give service to those who need it. I think that's the message I want to bring back to my club," Zimmerman says.

After the Jubilee audience, Francis met with a small delegation of Rotary members led by RI President K.R. Ravindran. The pope spoke to Ravindran about the importance of vaccinating children against polio and encouraged Rotary to continue its efforts against this disease.

"I have been honored and deeply touched to have had the opportunity to meet Pope Francis earlier today, and to have heard him tell us to continue our fight toward polio eradication," says Ravindran, who is Hindu. "It has given me even more pride in Rotary's past, even more faith in its present, and even more optimism about its future, than ever before."

Mitigating the migrant crisis

On Friday, Rotary hosted a panel discussion in Rome to highlight efforts to alleviate the plight of refugees from Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan. More than 60 million people, including 11 million Syrians, have been displaced by war and violence over the last four years. Such extensive displacement has not been seen since World War II.



Pope Francis greets Rotary International President K.R. Ravindran at a Jubilee audience at the Vatican on 30 April, where 9,000 Rotary members were special guests of the pontiff.

In the discussion, moderated by Vatican Radio, experts from the World Food Programme, the Jesuit Refugee Service, and UNHCR (UN Refugee Agency) talked about ways to help migrants start over in their new countries.

Rotary General Secretary John Hewko, speaking on the panel, pointed to several initiatives Rotary clubs have undertaken to integrate refugees into society, including computer coding schools and a vocational training project in Rimini, Italy.

"The plight of today's refugees is really a litmus test for today's compassion," Hewko said.

He encouraged audience members and panelists to use their connections to provide the resources and funding needed to address the humanitarian crisis.

After the panel discussion, Bonaventure Fohtung, a member of the Rotary Club of Upper Blue Mountains Sunrise in New South Wales, Australia, said that Rotary and the pope have the same agenda when it comes to helping migrants. Recently Francis took 12 Syrian migrants, three families including six children, back with him to the Vatican after visiting a camp on the Greek island of Lesbos.

"We need to go home from this event and set an example. Each club should do something. Just one thing to help these refugees can make a remarkable difference," he added.

The two-day Rotary event in Rome, tied to the Vatican's Jubilee of Mercy and dubbed the Jubilee of Rotarians by organizers from District 2080 (Italy), also included benefit concerts and three fundraising dinners for polio eradication.

Diary Dates

Year	Month	Day	Date	Activity Details	Venue
2016	Jun	Tue	28	Unley Rotary Changeover Dinner	Damien on Fisher

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Set-up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
24 May	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Jason Kuchel (Chamber of Minerals & Energy): "What's Under the Ground"	A Jonson	S Kumar	R Mills	H Kilsby R Mullins
1 Jun Wednesday	Hyde Park Tavern	6 for 6.30pm	Annual Debate Challenge v RC Hyde Park for the Ron Schubert Trophy	NA	T McGuirk	NA	R Mullins A Jonson
7 Jun	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Suzanne Carigianis: "Interplast"	H Kilsby	D Maneva	J Reed	A Jonson S Kumar
14 Jun	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Bob Cooper: "Helena Goldie Hospital, Munda, Western Province, Solomon Is."	W Andrews	G McLeod	J Reed	S Kumar D Maneva
21 Jun	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Club Discussion: "Creating a Roadmap for our Club for the Next Three Years"	S Baker	R Mullins	J Reed	D Maneva R Mills
28 Jun	Damien on Fisher	6.30 for 7pm	Club Changeover Dinner Partners & Guests Night	TBA	P Beckett V Bonython	J Reed	R Mills T McGuirk

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Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
3	21 May 16	Joan Reed & Nathan White	Pam Trimmer & Ken Haines
4	28 May 16	Bob Laws & Pam Trimmer	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & David Pisoni	Stephen Westgarth & Reno Elms
1	4 June 16	David Middleton & (Pam Trimmer sub for Jerry Casburn)	Bob Laws & Stephen Westgarth
2	11 June 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 30 May

Morning shift: 8.30am – 12.30pm

Afternoon shift: 12.30 – 5pm

The Back Page

Murphy's Law

Murphy drops some buttered toast on the kitchen floor and it lands butter-side-up.

He looks down in astonishment, for he knows that it's a law of nature of the universe that buttered toast always falls butter-down.

So he rushes round to the presbytery to fetch Father Flanagan. He tells the priest that a miracle has occurred in his kitchen. But he won't say what it is, so he asks Fr. Flanagan to come and see it with his own eyes. He leads Fr. Flanagan into the kitchen and asks him what he sees on the floor.

"Well," says the priest, "it's pretty obvious. Someone has dropped some buttered toast on the floor and then, for some reason, they flipped it over so that the butter was on top."

"No, Father, I dropped it and it landed like that!" exclaimed Murphy

"Oh my Lord," says Fr. Flanagan, "dropped toast never falls with the butter side up. It's a mir... Wait ... it's not for me to say it's a miracle. I'll have to report this matter to the Bishop and he'll have to deal with it. He'll send some people round, to interview you, take photos, etc."

A thorough investigation is conducted, not only by the archdiocese but by scientists sent over from the Curia in Rome. No expense is spared. There is great excitement in the town as everyone knows that a miracle will bring in much need tourism revenue.

Then, after 8 long weeks and with great fanfare, the Bishop announces the final ruling.

"It is certain that some kind of an extraordinary event took place in Murphy's kitchen, quite outside the natural laws of the universe. Yet the Holy See must be very cautious before ruling a miracle. All other explanations must be ruled out. Unfortunately, in this case, it has been declared 'No Miracle' because they think that Murphy may have buttered the toast on the wrong side!"

Too much chocolate

The old man watched as the small boy sitting next to him on the park bench ate chocolate bar after chocolate bar. He turned to him and said, "You know, it's bad for you to eat so much chocolate."

The boy stared back at the man. "I'll have you know my grandfather lived to be 110 years old," he said, taking another bite of chocolate.

"How did he do that?" asked the old man, surprised. "Did he eat a lot of chocolate too?"

"No," said the boy. "He minded his own bloody business."

