



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 Ken Haines

Our Last Meeting

Venue:	Damien on Fisher
Event:	Visit by RC St Peters and Guest Speaker Tim James
Chairman:	Stephen the elder
Guests	Beckett grandchildren Andrew & Emma, Philip Byron, Margaret Payne, Dion Trimmer
Visiting Rotarians	St Peters – President Romaine Dawson; PDGs Keith Shore, Arthur Manser, Dennis Henschke; and 22 other notables
Apologies:	Sheila Evans, Geoff Hill, Mavis Martin, Joan Reed
Anniversaries:	Ken inducted 7/1/2003; Alex birthday 15/1/1900; Bob Mills married 52 years on 16/1
Attendance:	22 members, 5 guests & 26 visiting Rotarians (including partners) [53 in total]

President Ken's Announcements

- Ken welcomed visiting Rotarians from RC St Peters and guests
- He urged members to get an eyeful of the revamped interior of the Thrift Shop, thanks to Pam and her team

Guest Speaker: Tim James - Harvesting of Food

Chairman Stephen Baker introduced Tim who, with Hayley Everuss, is joint State Manager of Oz Harvest. Tim has a background in mechanical engineering (a junior Red Adair), business management, consulting and mentoring young entrepreneurs. He has a passion for charitable enterprise and previously coordinated OzHarvest's Adelaide nutritional education and simple cooking on the NEST program. He has developed funding programs for OzHarvest. Tim has experience across a wide range of industries, has travelled widely, is married and has two nearly grown-up children.

Tim explained that OzHarvest is all about Nourishing our country in 4 ways:

Rescue – rescue wholesome food from supermarkets, restaurants and other food outlets

Educate – which has a number of parts including the NEST wholesome food program from simple ingredients, Nourish those who are doing it tough, Train some of these in hospitality and work experience, Reduce food waste

Engage – gather together a volunteer work force. In SA there are 250 volunteers and 15 staff, mostly casual

Innovate – Generate and implement big new ideas.

In 2004 OzHarvest was initiated in Sydney by event organiser Ronni Khan who was appalled by the wastage of palatable food. Ronni squeezed a refrigerated vehicle out of Macquarrie Bank and started to collect perishables from various food



outlets and deliver the food to charities involved in feeding programs. There are now 37 refrigerated vehicles in use across the mainland States. In Adelaide the 4 vehicles collect 50 tons per month and deliver to 125 charities (including the Salvos here in Unley). He mentioned the way in which involvement in OzHarvest can lead to help being delivered in other areas such as education. Nothing is collected if past its use-by date. Laws have been amended to protect food donors from unwarranted litigation.

Food wastage across the nation is estimated at well over \$1000 per household per annum. Waste disposal currently costs \$150 per ton, and food waste emits noxious methane from landfill. All good reasons to make better use of food!

Funding comes from a variety of sources including foundations and trusts, merchandise sale, organisation link-up (eg Woolworths' recent program raised \$700k), Caltex fuel sponsorship, the Clipsal Chef's cook-off, V8 drivers etc. A number of these events involve volunteers and prove useful in attracting new helpers.

Foodbank, which our club visited, is more into preparing food and food parcels from gathered stock, whereas OzHarvest 'grabs and delivers'. Each provide a very helpful service to those most in need. Tim urged greater use of green bins for food scraps.

Tim was thanked by acclamation.....and presented with the Rotary stick.

Spots.....another measles outbreak

St Peter's President Romaine Dawson opened her club's meeting No 2972 and made announcements.

Graham Beckett is holding a 30 second International Committee meeting.....pants on fire.

Patsy Beckett is collecting donations for *Day for Girls*.....which unfortunately got swallowed up by the fines session.

Trevor McGuirk is disappearing off to Peru to pursue our international project on March 3.....the few remaining Incas have been alerted of sacrifice potential.

Jerry Casburn on his 5th try (outstanding persistence) has secured a powered site for the *Days for Girls* membership drive on 2-4 March at the Unley Shopping Centre. A new roster is to be circulated. (Question: Will Trevor be able to fulfil his overlock sewing assignment before disappearing to South America??). The Bunnings BBQ will be on Monday 30 January.

Pam Trimmer thanked Jerry, Bob Mullins and her son Dion for their sterling efforts on the Thrift Shop refit.

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Bob Mills somehow managed to have President Ken's marble extracted for the atrocious squares.....**score** - locals 1, guests 0. After a slow start to the happiness session everyone, except Heather who was happy to have attended her mum's 90th birthday, was still getting over New Year celebrations.....or just plain unhappy), PDG Arthur Manser of St Peters, who was co-hosting the final session, extracted widespread pain at \$5 per indiscretion/indulgence. Basically, breathing became a punishable offence and \$217.85 was extracted for the benefit of OzHarvest. One of the highlights of the evening was Sergeant Bob admitting that the doubts he had raised at the December meeting about the authenticity of Father Christmas were ill founded. Santa Klaus originated in Bavaria over a century ago and through 5 generations of high fertility, the world is now blessed with thousands of robust Santas across the globe. Good job Bob.....our faith has been restored.



Arthur

SPECIAL THANKS TO JASON SACK, GENERAL MANAGER OF LIVING CHOICE, FOR THE GENEROUS WINE PROVIDED ON THE TABLES

The meeting closed at 8.10pm, which was eminently acceptable.

2017-18 RI President Ian H.S. Riseley announces his presidential theme, *Rotary: Making a Difference*

Rotary International President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley made the case in San Diego that protecting the environment and curbing climate change are essential to Rotary's goal of sustainable service.

Riseley, a member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia, unveiled the 2017-18 presidential theme, *Rotary: Making a Difference*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.

Environmental degradation and global climate change are serious threats to everyone, Riseley said. "They are having a disproportionate impact on those who are most vulnerable, those to whom Rotary has the greatest responsibility. Yet environmental issues rarely register on the Rotary agenda," he said.



A testing time in San Diego

Environmental degradation is one of the major threats listed by the UN's High-level Panel on Threats, Challenges, and Change. Riseley added, "The time is long past when environmental sustainability can be dismissed as not Rotary's concern. It is, and must be, everyone's concern."

The president-elect challenged every Rotary club to make a difference by planting a tree for each of its members between the start of the Rotary year on 1 July and Earth Day on 22 April 2018. Trees remove carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases from the air, which slows global warming. "It is my hope that the result of that effort will be far greater than the environmental benefit that those 1.2 million new trees will bring," Riseley said. "I believe the greater result will be a Rotary that recognizes our responsibility not only to the people on our planet, but to the planet itself."

Securing Rotary's future

In his address to the 2017-18 class of district governors, Riseley also urged clubs to improve their gender balance and lower the average age of their members. Only 22 percent of Rotary's members are women, up from 13 percent 10 years ago. At that rate, Riseley said, it will take another three decades for Rotary to achieve gender parity. "Three decades is far too long to wait to achieve a Rotary that reflects the world in which we live. We need to make it a priority now," he said. Noting that 103 of the 539 incoming governors are women, Riseley said they are the type of women we need in Rotary, "leaders who will help Rotary connect with, and represent, and better serve, all of the members of all our communities."

Riseley also believes it is imperative that clubs find ways to attract and engage younger members. Today only 5 percent of reported members are under 40, and a majority of members are over 60, Riseley told the audience. "Consider what Rotary stands to look like 10 or 20 years from now if we don't get very serious, very soon, about bringing in younger members," Riseley said. Clubs will make a difference this year through their own decisions, said Riseley, but it will take teamwork on a global scale to move Rotary forward and secure its future.

"We know that we can do more together than we could ever hope to do alone," he told incoming governors. "I ask you to keep that spirit of teamwork and cooperation always in your minds and to take it back with you to your districts."

Upcoming Events

Sunday 26 February: District Leaders & Team Training, (Flinders Uni Science and Innovation Learning Centre)

16-21 March 2017: Terrific Trip to Tassie

Saturday 8 April: Presidents Elect and Nominees Dinner (Marion Sports and Community Club)

Sunday 9 April: Presidents Elect and Nominees Training (Flinders Uni Science and Innovation Learning Centre)

Sunday 28 May: District Assembly Office Bearers Training (Unity College, Murray Bridge)

Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Set-up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
24 Jan	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Clare McAdam Crossroads Teenage Retreat	NWhite	DPayne	The very best	LReid
31 Jan	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	John Cheesman An Amazing Life in the Philippines	MSmall	LReid	And another	JRussell
7 Feb	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Club Assembly	The Prez	J Russell	That one too	MSmall

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

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Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	4 Feb 17	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Robyn Carnachan
2	11 Feb 17	Greg McLeod & Stephen Baker	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	21 Jan 17	Nathan White & Vera Holt	Pam Trimmer & Ken Haines
4	28 Jan 17	Bob Laws & Stephen Baker	Sheila Evans & Ken Haines
5		Bob Mullins & David Pisoni	Jerry Casburn, Lachlan Reid, Reno Elms

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 shifts are from 8am to 5pm

Next Date: Monday 30 January Morning shift: 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift: 12.30 – 5pm

The Back Page

As we left 2016 behind, we examined the virtues of true celebration. In order to start 2017 in a positive fashion:



Now You Are in the Mood for Terrible Jokes:

If I had a dollar for every girl that found me unattractive, they'd eventually find me attractive.

I find it ironic that the colors red, white, and blue stand for freedom, until they're flashing behind you.

Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.

I'm great at multi-tasking--I can waste time, be unproductive, and procrastinate all at once.

If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.

Take my advice — I'm not using it.

Back on Track!

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