

Rotary Club of Unley Inc.

District 9520 - Chartered 17 April 1935

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Meetings: Tuesdays at 6.00 for 6.30pm

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



President Ken Haines

Our Last Meeting

Venue: Damien on Fisher

Guest Speaker: Rtn Bryan Harris

Chairman: David Middleton

Guests: Eve Yeh, Rhonda Hoare, Judi Corcoran

Apologies: Heather Kilsby, Dennis Liddle, Pam Trimmer

Returning Rotarian: Reno Elms

Anniversaries: Reno birthday 16/3 & 30th wedding anniversary; John Russell induction 13/3/80; David Middleton induction 27/3/89; Bob Mullins birthday 28/3/1918

Attendance: 22 Members 4 guests

President Ken's Announcements

- The roster for the Thrift Shop is being changed (Wendy for Stephen B) to accommodate Bunnings BBQ on Saturday; Lindsay will also help with the BBQ in the morning

Guest Speaker: Rtn Bryan Harris RAWCS - World Water Day

Chairman David Middleton expressed it as an 'unmitigated pleasure' to introduce Bryan who has been a Rotarian for 20 years, initially with Eastwood and now with Adelaide. Bryan has 40 years of experience in water and waste water management. He has been managing the Save Water, Save Lives component of RAWCS [Rotary Australia Wide Community Service] here in SA for 5 years. Tomorrow is World Water Day. Bryan is chair of the **Water and Sanitation Rotary Action Group (WASRAG)** which aims to supply potable water to communities in developing countries, by planning sustainable systems of water catchment, storage and reticulation.

Clean water is critical to sustaining life. 80% of the world's population lives in dry areas. 780million people do not have ready access to potable water and inadequate sanitation is a widespread problem. It is estimated that over 800,000 children below the age of 5 die each year from diarrhoea which is the major water borne disease. But there are a number of other dirty water related diseases which cause severe pain and death.

For its part WASRAG is dedicated to targeting areas where water borne disease is a severe problem. There is a program to provide clean water to every school in Lebanon and a partnership with USAID to similarly assist the Dominican Republic, Ghana and the Philippines. A UNESCO water and sanitation scholarship program is also being supported.



Bryan and David

Rotary clubs in South Australia are providing 5 overseas water projects including water tanks in Fiji, a clean water catchment in Ethiopia and micro-filtration in PNG. Across Australia there are 42 water projects operating under the WASH banner in 18 countries. In the latest *Rotary Down Under* there is a summary of an Indian village water program being supported by New Zealand Rotary District 9940 in collaboration with NSW Rotary. This is an integrated effort which in addition to WASH also includes immunisation, education, micro-financing and sanitation.

RAWCS makes life simple for delivering effective overseas aid because it provides professional project development and management expertise. It's annual budget is \$30m, soon to be \$50m and only incurs admin costs of 3%. It offers tax deductibility for donations, accountability for expenditures and good coordination. More clubs need to give it a go! Bryan was thanked by acclamation.

Spots

Jerry Casburn presented President Ken with the RC Sandy Bay banner collected on the group visit to Tasmania.

He also canvassed a new badge design which does away with all the tags....basically name and club remain. Some expressed concern about a loss of information relating to vocation and each individual's Rotary achievements. A straw poll at meeting end appeared to be mainly in favour of the change.

Patsy Beckett emphasised the need to sell 100 tickets to make the fashion parade on April 18 a success.....a little more salesmanship about the fabulous models would have helped.



Ken, Jerry and sand

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Bob Mills organised Lindsay England's marble to be extracted for the atrocious squares. Happiness was unmitigatedly (*this failed the spell check*) apparent for those intrepid travelers who had risked their lives visiting Tasmania. Top marks were awarded to Sheila who managed to convince the manager of the Irish hotel in her best native dialect to feed them on St Patrick's Day when the pub was predictably full.....now who forgot to book?? Graham had a good night with Patsy after gorging himself on oysters. A great time was had by all and so much so that Patsy is planning another adventure.....perhaps to Kings Cross. And Wendy wore different shoes/foot which everyone had failed to appreciate.....perhaps she needed to drop some cash on the floor.

Everyone was ecstatic about the opening of the AFL season and the success of the Crows women's side

The meeting closed at 7.52pm .

REMINDER The Nepal Festival will be 11am – 8pm next Saturday at Hindmarsh Square

Rotary News

Rotary members meet with EU officials to examine Rotary's role in achieving peace

By Bryant Brownlee

More than 240 Rotary members and other guests gathered in Brussels, Belgium, on 8 March for Rotary at the European Union, a special event that explored how Rotary and the European Union can work together to achieve peace.

The meeting was the first of its kind at the European Union (EU) and was modeled on the tradition of Rotary Day at the United Nations. Rotary members, EU officials, and business leaders at the two-hour event asked how business and civil society organizations like Rotary can work with the EU to achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and build more peaceful and stable societies.

Françoise Tulkens, a professor and former vice president of the European Court of Human Rights, moderated the meeting, which included presentations from Karmenu Vella, European commissioner for environment, maritime affairs, and fisheries; Jean de leu de Cecil, general secretary of the board of Colruyt Group; Rene Branders, president of the Belgian Federation of Chambers of Commerce; and John Hewko, Rotary general secretary.

Vella emphasized the importance of working with business and civil society to achieve the development goals. He also recognized the important role Rotary can play in this global effort.



"You have a massive asset, your vast network, and you can use it to bring community stakeholders together in order to turn the SDGs into reality. Rotary International is uniquely placed to create transformational alliances between business and civil society, pushing forward the implementation of our common agenda," said Vella.

Hewko highlighted Rotary's efforts to address the ongoing migration crisis and foster inclusive economic development. "At Rotary, we believe that we can only respond by forming smart partnerships in which the EU, governments, civil society, the private sector, and other organizations all play an important role. This is why the growing relationship between Rotary and the European Union is a cause for optimism," said Hewko.

Because the EU supports the global polio eradication effort, organizers of Rotary at the European Union are confident that there are other opportunities for collaboration between the organizations.

The event was coordinated with the European Commission and organized by Michel Coomans and Hugo-Maria Schally, RI representatives to the EU, with the support of Kathleen Van Rysseghem, Philippe Vanstalle, and Nathalie Huyghebaert, the governors of the Rotary districts in Belgium and Luxembourg.

Upcoming Events

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)

South Australia Police Officer of the Year 19 May 2017 – Rundle Mall noon, Glenelg Golf Club 7 for 7.30pm

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
28 Mar	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Carrie Foster SAPOL Detecting scammers	Geoff Hill	V Bonython	Another goodie	JCasburn
4 Apr	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Jerry Casburn Building a Strong Foundation (Rotary Foundation 100 th birthday)	Ken Haines	J Casburn	Another goodie	RCarnachan

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

Apologies to: Stephen Baker as early as possible by e-mail sandbbaker@internode.on.net or 0403 687 015

Meeting Chair Enquiries to: Secretary Greg McLeod on 0417 811 838 or email to unley.secretary@rotaryclub.org.au

Venue Set-up/Bar Enquiries to: Bulletin Editor – Stephen Baker 8377 7156 or M 0403 687 015

Attendance Desk Enquiries to: Wendy Andrews by e-mail to wendyjoyandrews@gmail.com or in an emergency on 8377 7830

Saturday Thrift Shop Roster

Week	Dates	Early Shift: 10am to 12.30pm	Late Shift: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
1	1 Apr 17	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Robyn Carnachan
2	8 Apr 17	Greg McLeod & Pam Trimmer	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	15 Apr 17	Nathan White & Vera Holt	Pam Trimmer & Ken Haines
4	25 Mar 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 (But no longer last Monday in month)

Next Date: This Saturday 25 March Morning shift: 8.30am – 12.30pm Afternoon shift: 12.30 – 5pm

The Back Page

The story that Donald forgot to tell during the election campaign

When Bill and Hillary first got married Bill said, "I put a box under the bed. You must promise never to look in it."

In all their 30 years of marriage, Hillary never looked. On the afternoon of their 30th anniversary, curiosity got the best of her and she lifted the lid and peeked inside.

In it were 3 empty beer cans and \$1,874.25 in cash. She closed the box and put it back under the bed. Now that she knew what was in the box, she was doubly curious as to why there was such a box and with those contents.

That evening, they were out for a special anniversary dinner. After dinner, Hillary could no longer contain her curiosity and she confessed, saying, I'm so sorry, Bill. For all these years, I kept my promise and never looked into the box under our bed.

However, today the temptation was too much and I gave in. But now I need to know, why do you keep the 3 beer cans in the box?

Bill thought for a while and said, "I guess after all these years you deserve to know the truth. Whenever I was unfaithful to you, I put an empty beer can in the box under the bed to remind myself not to do it again.

Hillary was shocked, but said, "Hmmm, Jennifer, Paula and Monica. I'm disappointed and saddened by your behavior; however, since you are addicted to sex I guess it does happen and I guess 3 times is not that bad considering your problem." Bill thanked her for being so understanding. They hugged and made their peace.

A little while later Hillary asked Bill, "So why do you have all that money in the box?" He answered, "Well, whenever the box filled up with empty cans, I took them to the recycling centre.

The nicer side.....grandparent anecdotes

On fire A grandfather was delivering his grandchildren to their home one day when a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting in the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian dog. The children started discussing the dog's duties.

"They use him to keep crowds back", said one child.

"No", said another. "He's just for good luck."

A third child brought the argument to a close. "You're both wrong . . . They use the dogs", she said firmly, "to find the fire hydrants."

Noise abatement After putting her grandchildren to bed, a grandmother changed into old slacks and a droopy blouse and proceeded to wash her hair.

As she heard the children getting more and more noisy, her patience grew thin.

Finally, she threw a towel around her head and stormed into their room, putting them back to bed with stern threats.

As she left the room, she heard the three-year-old say with a trembling voice, "Who was THAT?"

Creating a best seller A little girl was diligently pounding away on her grandfather's word processor.

She told him she was writing a story.

"What's it about?", he asked.

"I don't know", she replied. "I can't read."

Ageless My young grandson called the other day to wish me Happy Birthday.

He asked me how old I was, and I told him, "80".

My grandson was quiet for a moment, and then he asked, "Did you start at 1?"

