



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
Event:	Club Assembly + TTT photo comp
Chairman:	The Pres.
Guests:	Tim Klar (Group 6 Assistant Governor)
Apologies:	Stephen Baker, Stephen Bone, Robyn Carnachan
Attendance:	24 Members 1 guest

President Ken's Announcements

- Reported that the BBQ, for which our club stood in for Mitcham Rotary club, made a profit of \$1,365.
- Reported that the roof of the Thrift shop has been repaired and that the rubbish has now been cleared.

Club Assembly

Brief reports were provided as follows:

Community Service (Wendy Andrews)

Kick Start for Kids (<https://www.kickstartforkids.com.au/>)

Four Primary schools will be sponsored, Marion, Warradale, Lonsdale Heights and Seaford at a cost of \$1,200 per school. The club contribution will be recognised in a newsletter and will be mentioned on their website. Ian Steele will also visit the club to express his thanks personally.

Salvation Army

Currently renovating the present toilet block to include an "Access Toilet" at a total cost of \$36,871. They have raised \$30,000 of the monies as well as receiving a contribution of tiles from Bunnings, via Seaford Rotary. The shortfall is \$6,871 and the club has agreed to finance the deficit.

At a later stage in the meeting, **Reno Elms**, expressed his thanks for this and past club support for his unit, noting that the facilities offered by the Unley Salvos had dramatically changed over recent years. (Editor's Note: We all know that he has been the driving force for this along with wife Roslyn.)

The Teenage Retreat

The project is making headway with the teenagers helping the refurbishment. A committee meeting is planned next week to progress two projects on this topic.

Treasurer (Pam Trimmer)

Pam reported that the current accounts total assets were circa \$160,000. The Membership Account is currently in deficit but due to unpaid dues. The profits for the Thrift Shop are down due to the expenditure on new equipment and not due to any drop in sales.

International (Graham Beckett)

India

A project started some years ago is to clear land and build dams for agriculture for a village has two of three stages completed. The third is about to commence.

Mitre 10 BBQ

The club has been offered a new Sausage Sizzle opportunity at Mitre 10 in Unley, currently for catalogue release days in May and June. The project has been reserved for the newer Rotarians to engage in and old hands at BBQs should stay out.

Days for Girls

As mentioned in the spots, Ali will lead a new project to support Days for Girls sanitary pack production. The team needs volunteers with some being sought externally.

Vocational (Heather Kilsby)

Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN)

The club supported an attendee to RYPEN and Heather is attempting to get them to a meeting to provide feedback on the weekend and to receive their certificate of attendance.

Police Officer of the Year (POOTY)

Heather supported the spot given by Leonie Kewen and encouraged members to attend the dinner and presentation ceremony.

Membership (Jerry Casburn)

Membership Drive at Unley Shopping Centre

Members were thanked for their support at the sessions. To date three ladies have applied to join the club, Kay Cooke and Judi Corcoran will be inducted this Rotary year and Rhonda Hoare will be inducted following her return to Adelaide in July.

Spots

(The Plethora of Announcements must be because Stephen Baker is away!!!)

Patsy Beckett announced that:

- She had arranged for the photographs, best and worst, taken by the attendees of the Terrific Tassie Tour to be posted on the wall and asked members to vote for their favourites in each of the categories.
- Reminded members that she had arranged a fondue meal in Hahndorf for Sunday 25th June, cost \$25 per person.
Post the meeting Patsy asked for club members to be advised that the dinner was not a farewell for Ken but rather the last social event in Ken's year. Members are also reminded that the Changeover is scheduled for Kooyonga Golf Club the following Tuesday and that this will be a partner event.
- **A sheet with suggested topics for the upcoming debate with Hyde Park was circulated. Members were asked to consider these and vote on their choice at the next meeting.**

Sheila Evans gave details of the upcoming weekend at Calperum and asked to be advised of any special dietary needs or suggestions for menu items. She looks forward to meeting those attending, at Banrock station for lunch on Friday or at Calperum later in the day.

Leonie Kewen reminded the club of the arrangements for the Police Officer of the Year Award and particularly the dinner at the Glenelg Golf Club on Tuesday 19th May. Cost is \$50 per head and Leonie would like to collect monies at our next Rotary meeting.

Heather Kilsby advised club members of the District Assembly which will be held at Unity College, Owl Drive, Murray Bridge, S.A. 5253. This provides an opportunity for all Rotarians to update themselves on current Rotary activities and is particularly useful for new Rotarians. There is no cost as the club pays a flat fee. The assembly commences with tea and coffee at 9am on Sunday 28th May and will conclude at 4pm. Car-pooling can be arranged.

Reno Elms sought help from the club for the Red Shield Appeal, which takes place over the next month. The target for Unley is to exceed \$60,000. Volunteers, to door knock, are desperately needed. Please contact Reno if you are able to help. Donations from club members can be given over the next few weeks, a receipt will be issued for tax deductibility and the club will match donations up to \$1,000. **Wendy Andrews** suggested that this could be a good way to provide Mother's Day gifts of a donation.

Trevor McGuirk and Jerry Casburn provided an update on the District Conference:

- The conference was the second best they had attended. The speakers were exceptional and the highlights were a talk on Rotary Heroes and the Foundation from Dr Siva Ananthan. Also, one by Sarah Brown on the Purple House, a

group providing a static and mobile dialysis service to Aboriginal communities in the Northern Territory and Western Australia, soon to start a service in South Australia. These were at the pinnacle of a group of brilliant speakers.

- Next year's conference will be in the Barossa from March 23rd to 25th and will be combined for D9500 and D9520, our own District. Jerry has found accommodation, which will be hard to get, but urgently needs advice from those wanting to attend. Again, this is particularly recommended to new Rotarians who can get a feel for the amazing number of programmes and projects that Rotary supports.
- Jerry also advised the club that it had received the District award for best Vocational Service project.

Trevor McGuirk also:

- Advised he will give a report on recent trip to Peru to start the project following our recent Global Grant success. The meeting is open to partners and guests.
- Spoke of the forthcoming friendship visit from Indian Rotarians and is seeking home hosting from club members. A more detailed itinerary is shown below this message. There is also an opportunity to meet and engage with the visitors.

	Jun-15	Jun-16	Jun-17	Jun-18	Jun-19	Jun-20	Jun-21	Jun-22	Jun-23
AM	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Arrive	City Tour	Time for	Free Time	Pack bags	Adelaide Oval	Boat Trip on	Tour	Depart
	Adelaide	Central Market	Local		for transfer	at 9.30	the Murray	Fleurieu	Various
	Airport	North Tce	Shopping		to MB	booked for 20			Times
	8.30.am	Parliament			via				TBA
	Collected	House etc		Hills tour					
	by	details to be		via windy Point					
	Hosts	finalised							
LUNCH	with Hosts	Parliament House to be finalised	Mc Laren Vale Winery	Hahndorf	Mt Lofty	at Restaurant behind Museum	On Boat	Goolwa	
	Hosts	Tram			Transfer to New Hosts				
	to	to Glenelg	Southern	Optional visits		2.00 Afternoon	Monarto Zoo		
	Entertain		Beaches	Melbas	Cleland	Tea @	or	Afternoon	
	for the		Marino Cliff	Beerenberg		Gov't House	Mushroom farm	tea @	
	Afternoon		walk	Prancing Pony		booked for 20		Strath	
			Coffee @						
			Marino Rocks						
			Café						
DINNER	with Hosts	Group Dinner	Group BBQ	with hosts	with Hosts	MB Rotary	Club BBQ?	with Hosts	

Ali Mostaghim spoke of the establishment of a "Days for Girls" group who would make and assemble the sanitary wear kits. Damians have agreed to provide the room free of charge. Ali is seeking working sewing machines and in particular Interlockers. Further information to be supplied later.

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Bob Mills delivered his usual joke and thought for the week. The infernal squares were won by President Ken. The thought for the week, from Bob, "A Wise Man Once Said Nothing" - salient advice.

Rotary News

Education Breaks the Modern Cycle of Slavery

Précised Article by Nikki Kallio

While many people would like to think that slavery was a tragedy of the past, the truth is that it still exists today, with up to 46 million people enslaved worldwide. The **Rotarian Action Group Against Slavery (RAGAS)** has a strategy for fighting this horrible problem, working at the local level.

"It's this Rotarian attitude – you give them a problem and instead of throwing their hands up in dismay, they start chipping away at it piece by piece," says Carol Hart Metzker, a member of the action group. "Maybe slavery won't be solved in my lifetime, but in two more years, we're going to have a whole hamlet free."

The students learn to use a computer, which is also used to document the project: Voices4Freedom/Schools4Freedom.

In a village in northeastern India, the action group is tackling the problem of debt bondage. With the help of 13 clubs, a district grant through the Rotary Club of Binghamton, New York, USA, and other sources, the action group is providing \$36,000 toward the work of **Schools4Freedom**, a project of the organization Voices4Freedom. Schools4Freedom works with local partner organization **Manav Sansadhan Evam Mahila Vikas Sansthan (MSEMVS)** to battle debt bondage.



The RAGAS project will support the efforts in one of those villages for three years. The name of the village, which is in the Uttar Pradesh state, is kept secret to protect the villagers and aid workers. Poverty, illiteracy, innumeracy, and natural disasters that destroy crops or homes can leave villagers vulnerable to debt bondage in rural villages. "When people don't have enough to eat, and they barely have the ability to keep a roof over their head and their family quite literally alive, they will often turn to whatever means are possible for survival," Metzker says.

Families may seek an arrangement with a business owner, who asks them to sign a contract that they can't read and therefore can't understand, and they inadvertently trade their freedom for survival, she says. "The slaveholder creates a scheme such that the interest is more than the family ever makes, so no money really changes hands, and the family gets further and further into debt," Metzker says. "That contract is never paid off."

Of the village's 400 residents, 132 are living in debt bondage, enslaved in the slaveholder's brick kilns, farm, or construction projects, she says. "The others are at risk because they, too, are in abject poverty." Hundreds of thousands of people in Uttar Pradesh and the neighboring state of Bihar are working in forced labor in industries including agriculture, domestic servitude, commercial sex, stone quarries, or brick kilns, says Bhanuja Sharan Lal, director of MSEMVS.

The problem is exacerbated by inaction on anti-slavery laws, caste discrimination, discrimination and violence against women, lack of effective protection for children, lack of training of front-line officials, and corruption, Lal says.

The Schools4Freedom project establishes a school, including funding for two teachers. Children receive school supplies and three years of hot lunches. The village gets a computer to document the project. A solar light is installed in the village

to help protect children from snakebites and help prevent sexual assault against women. Women are trained in a trade. "What's so amazing about Schools4Freedom is that one removes all of these vulnerabilities," Metzker says. "You strengthen the people and then you teach them that they have basic rights so that they can go and, in a sense, demand that freedom themselves."

Most important, the project pays for two front-line workers who are local and highly specialized in educating the villagers. The workers teach them that they have basic human rights such as freedom and access to government services – and all of this is done quietly at first,

Students learn the alphabet in the open-air school structure.

The school structure is usually the first sign to the slaveholders that something may be happening, and they may ridicule the children for getting an education,

trying to convince them that it's pointless.

Sometimes slaveholders, not wanting to lose the labor, will create employment arrangements with the villagers. Other times, slaveholders become violent and the situation requires legal action, she says. The three-year process ensures time for the entire village to see that it is in a position of strength. Additionally, liberated villages are connected to a network of other freed villages, to continue supporting one another, says Peggy Callahan, co-founder of Voices4Freedom.

The problem of debt bondage is insidious because it can entrap multiple generations. But with the project efforts, "not only will these people be free and educated and able to build a life of dignity, but their children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren will be born in freedom," Callahan says.

Upcoming Events

South Australia Police Officer of the Year:

Thursday 19 May

Rundle Mall at noon

Glenelg Golf Club 7 for 7.30pm

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

Sunday 18 June: OSSAA luncheon (Glenelg Golf Club)

Sunday 25 June: Udder Delights outing at Hahndorf

Tuesday 27 June, club Changeover at Kooyonga Golf Club.



Our Upcoming Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Speaker/Occasion	Chairman	Set-up & Welcome	Sergeant	Attendance
9 May	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Trevor McGuirk Peru Health Project	Trevor	L England	Another goodie	S Evans
16 May	Transferred to 19 May						
19 May	Glenelg Golf Club	7 for 7.30pm	POOTY AWARD DINNER	H Klisby	MC D Middleton	n/a	T McGuirk R Harding
23 May	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	New n Old in Rotary - Nicholas Burton (RYLA), Rachel Harding, Geoff Hill	S Evans	S Evans	Another goodie	R Harding
30 May	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Hosting of Prospect Club GS - Tracey Dixon (Public Trustee)	RMullins	R Harding	Another goodie	G Hill
6 June	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Debate with Hyde Park	The Prez	G Hill	Another goodie	A Jonson
13 June	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Sheree Dunsford (Udder Delights) & Stephen Bone	V Bonython	A Jonson	Another goodie	D Liddle
20 June	Damien on Fisher	6 for 6.30pm	Hosting of visitors from India; 'It's a wrap'	Ken & Jerry	D Liddle	Another goodie	T McGuirk
27 June	Kooyonga Golf Club	6.30 for 7pm	Changeover		T McGuirk	n/a	R Mills

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

Apologies to: Jerry Casburn as early as possible by e-mail jerry@thecasburns.com.au 0407 646 396

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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	6 May 17	David Middleton & Jerry Casburn	Bob Laws & Robyn Carnachan
2	13 May 17	Greg McLeod & Pam Trimmer	Wendy Andrews & Mavis Martin
3	20 May 17	Nathan White & Vera Holt	Pam Trimmer & Ken Haines
4	27 May 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: Monday May 29

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

The Back Page

A child asked his father, "How were people born?"

So his father said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on."

The child then went to his mother, asked her the same question and she told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now."

The child ran back to his father and said, "You lied to me!"

His father replied, "No, your Mum was talking about her side of the family."

Q: Is Google male or female?

A: Female, because it doesn't let you finish a sentence before making a suggestion



Emotional Outlet

