



Rotary Club of Murray Bridge

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2008/09 President: Sam Cozens Secretary: Jerry Wilson



Bulletin

<p>ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR Australians all let us rejoice For we are young and free We've golden soil and wealth for toil Our home is girt by sea Our land abounds in nature's gifts Of beauty rich and rare In history's page let every stage Advance Australia fair In joyful strains then let us sing Advance Australia Fair</p>	<p>THIS WEEK:</p> <p>TOPIC:</p> <p>SPEAKER:</p> <p>CHAIR:</p> <p>FELLOWSHIP:</p> <p>RESERVE:</p> <p>INVOCATION:</p> <p>National Anthem:</p>	<p>Meeting No. : 2796 10/2/09 Foundation Night John Whimpress International “ “ “</p>
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<p>LAST WEEK ATTENDING: 39- 92.85% APOLOGIES: D Webb, G Peake, A Hay, B Lewis, G Wilson. M Jarvis, D Mellen, M Blight, R LeGallez, B Murdoch MAKE UPS: D Webb at District Committee, W Jackson at HS BBQ, D Mellen at GSE, M Klem at youth exchange. Silent: W Richards GUESTS: Sue Foster, Vicki Mason, Bev Curtis Merilyn Schultz and Mick Smith, David Altmann, Sharon Secker, Pia, Rob Walters, Jenny Alexander-Walters HEADS & TAILS: Club RAFFLE: M Klem</p>	<p>INVOCATION: For good food, good fellowship, and the opportunity of service through Rotary, we give thanks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Four Way Test Of the things we think, say or do: Is it the truth? Will it build better goodwill & relationships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned? Is it fair to all concerned?</p> <p>Thought for the week: Never take life too seriously. Nobody gets out alive anyway</p>
<p>BIRTHDAYS: Paul Price 13/2, Wayne Richards 16/2, Kathy Webb 15/2 ANNIVERSARIES: nil</p>	

Calendar Draw

3/2/09	Won by	#	Sold by
\$100.00	Steve Smart	242	M Klem
\$30.00	Valuation & Property Services	414	Sponsor
\$20.00	Sam Cozens	717	MBHS

Speedway Roster

21/2/09	4 - 7pm	Gordon Schultz	Chris Jarvis	X	X
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NOTICE BOARD

- If anyone needs to use the Club's **Data Projector** for a Guest Speaker, contact President Sam as Ron Jericho is away until the end of February.
- **Stacey Schubert** has arrived safely in Belgium. Although it is freezing cold she is settling in well after buying a new wardrobe.
- Contact Brian Foster to register your interest for accommodation for the **District Conference** in Lobethal on 9th – 11th October 2009.
- **RYLA candidates wanted.** Members are asked to identify young (18-25) potential leaders to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards camp 18-24 April. The program encourages and promotes leadership skills as desired qualities. Support a young person and nominate them! Contact Daryl Webb.
- **“Rotary on the River”:** History of the club, some copies still available \$50.00. See Jim Mason
- "I think if you can't laugh at yourself, you could be missing the joke of the century, couldn't you?" *Dame Edna Everage*

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PROGRAM

<u>NEXT WEEK:</u> TOPIC: SPEAKER: CHAIR: FELLOWSHIP: RESERVE: INVOCATION: National Anthem	17/2/09 Home & Community Care Helen March/Kylie Cornish Don McLean Ivan Winter, Harry Beauchamp Malcolm Blight Ivan Winter Harry Beauchamp	<u>FOLLOWING WEEK:</u> TOPIC: SPEAKER: CHAIR: FELLOWSHIP: RESERVE: INVOCATION: National Anthem <u>Partners Night</u>	24/2/09 Lower Lakes & Coorong Prof David Paton Jack Reddin Trevor Curtis, Barb Elston Ian Elston Trevor Curtis Barb Elston Combined meeting with Mt Barker & Unley
DIARY DATES	15/2/09 Swap Meet 18/3/09 Trivia night with Mobilong (Wednesday) 31/3/09 Progressive Dinner 21/4/09 Combined Bowls Night with Mobilong		

Rotary Information: Invocation

In 2006 our club adopted the policy that our invocation was to be ecumenical, that is, one not tied to religion. Some members still use a religious grace which others may find uncomfortable, if not offensive. Members are therefore encouraged to use the ecumenical (universal) invocation as printed on the front page of the Bulletin. A recent letter in *Rotary Down Under* summed up the position very well and is partly reproduced as follows:

"To give thanks for the food we eat and the fellowship we share in Rotary seems to be something we should do without question. Whether we be theists, atheists or agnostics seems to me to be irrelevant to the case for pausing for a moment at the beginning of a meeting to give thanks.

One can accept that there are those in our membership who accept no God or who come from a wide range of faiths. There is no question that we should respect their position and do nothing that might be perceived as trying to impose a particular religious point of view. However none of this should prevent us from pausing for a moment of reflection at the beginning of our meetings to give thanks for all the opportunities Rotary presents for us to be of service to our communities, our nation and the world." (John Mitchell – RC Melbourne)

LAST WEEK

Brian Foster, aided by Sue, gave an extensive travelogue on their European tour last year. Billed as a "Where are they now" regarding past exchange students Brian did manage to mention the students amongst the travel pics. They caught up with Stine Smedegard in Denmark, Nina Rademacher in Germany, Andrew & Natalie Hay's daughter Vanessa in Switzerland, Irene Fenart from France in Monte Carlo, Philippe Bouillier in Switzerland and Aude Bougard in Belgium, although further details of their current situations remain unclear, presumably due to time constraints! Nevertheless an interesting presentation made in Brian's inimitable way.

Last week we also saw the induction of two new members, **Rob Walters and Jenny Alexander-Walters**, sponsored by Jerry Wilson but (oddly) introduced by Gary Frazer. It is the first time a husband and wife have been inducted to the club on the one night. Jenny, a past Rotarian, has been appointed to the International committee, and Rob to Community. Welcome to Rob and Jenny.

