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**16<sup>th</sup> October 2007**

# THORNIE

## WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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**Meeting:** 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm Tuesday at the Gosnells Golf Club,  
Warton Road Thornlie –

**Apologies to Ron Bradborn (M) 0400210891 by 10  
.00AM Monday**

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| <p><b>Next Week</b></p>  | <p><b>President Andy</b> opened the meeting, being once more the complete man (with chain) and welcomed our visitors from the Bendigo Community Bank, Gosnells.</p>   | <p><b>Week After</b></p>   |
| <p><b>23<sup>rd</sup> October</b></p>  |   | <p><b>30<sup>th</sup> October</b></p>  |
| <p><b>Attendance</b><br/>Mike Raspa<br/>Vin Rogers<br/><b>Property and Fellowship</b><br/>Ron Sloan<br/>Ray Smith</p>          | <p><b>Presidents Report.</b> Brief report on a very successful and worthwhile District Conference, held at Fremantle Passenger Terminal. Those whom attended rated the Conference as one of the best yet. Pres. Andy to enlighten us further at a future meeting.</p> | <p><b>Attendance</b><br/>Bevan<br/>Baskerville<br/>Ron Bradborn<br/><b>Property and Fellowship</b><br/>Wayne Brouwer<br/>Lloyd Dungey</p>    |
| <p><b>Chairman</b><br/>John<br/>Stockbridge</p>  | <p>Report on the recent nocturnal visit to the Kanyana Wildlife Park, which was a success although Wren had to buy a lotto ticket on the strength of ... (the usual reason). Fortunately she was the only person to suffer a direct hit.</p>                          | <p><b>Chairman</b><br/>Ross Evans</p>  |
| <p><b>REPORTS</b><br/>3<sup>rd</sup> International (Colin Ralph), and New generations (Vin Rogers)</p>                         | <p>Report on the latest information about our investment in the proposed Perth Rotary Markets. Apparently a different venue on the Esplanade has been selected and negotiations with the PCC and others are continuing. Our money is safe ...for now.</p>             | <p><b>REPORTS</b><br/>Social – Lloyd Dungey and Fund Raising - Colin</p>   |
| <p><b>Bring-N-Buy 21<sup>st</sup> October</b><br/>Wayne &amp; Chris Brouwer<br/>Bernie O’Dea<br/>Ross &amp; Margaret Evans</p> | <p>The problems with vehicle access to B n B have not gone away and are not likely to for some time. A bit of Docker style handballing going on at the moment. Don’t get caught with the ball!</p>  | <p><b>Bring-N-Buy 28<sup>th</sup> October</b><br/>Lew &amp; Wendy Pritchard<br/>Mike &amp; Louise Raspa<br/>Geoff and Lorraine Wiltshire</p> |
| <p><b>Bulletin Editor</b><br/>Geoff Wiltshire</p>  | <p><b>Acting Sergeant Bevan</b> was in sparkling form and managed to gain control of the meeting in quick time. As the amount of business to be discussed was substantial, Bevan kept a tight control all through the night.</p>                                      | <p><b>Bulletin Editor</b><br/>Geoff Wiltshire</p>  |
| <p><b>Next weeks meeting program</b></p>   | <p><b>Trevor DeLandgraft, President, WA Farmers Federation</b></p>  |  |

**Frank and Ron S** reported that Bill W was progressing well and was now making plans for future appointments of a non medical nature – good news.

**Geoff** mentioned Bob Hansen's recent spell in hospital and that he was recovering reasonably well at home.

**Ray S** provided an update on the Clubs previous involvement in the development of the concept plans for the Tom Bateman Reserve, Thornlie, including the substantial investment of Club funds and effort in ensuring that the site was eventually developed into a major sporting and recreation facility for the area. Ray delved into the history of the Clubs involvement over a period of years and the significant contribution of several past Presidents, including the late John Dickson. The Club noted with disappointment the City of Gosnells usual failure to adequately recognise and acknowledge the Rotary connection to the development, although some mention was made at the official opening and dedication last weekend.

**Social Lloyd** reminded members that the Rotary Christmas function in 2007 would be at the Mitchell's ranch and that numbers would be required shortly for catering purposes.

**Geoff** advised members of an opportunity to attend a Roleystone Theatre production of Andrew Lloyd Weber's 'By Jeeves' on Wednesday 28 November, proceeds to support Citizen Advocacy South Metro. Tickets available from Geoff or by contacting CASM on 9356 2814.

**Lew P** advertised a couple of used port barrels for sale. One went immediately and the other will be the subject of some serious negotiations. Forklift Ron offered to move them around for Lew, but had his offer refused on safety grounds.

**Secretary Doug** advised that Police Clearances were now required and handed out application forms to those who don't have a current certificate. Applications to be taken to your local police station together with the ID mentioned on the reverse of the form. Copies of new and current certificates (less than 5 years) were required to be back with Doug by mid November, 2007. Applications cost \$44.50 which will be reimbursed by the Club. Note that from 5 November all applications will be handled by post offices and not the Police, so get in quick!

**Forklift Ron** (at last we have some way of distinguishing at least one Ron from the other two) advised the B n B total was \$2033 for the 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Sgt (acting) Bevan** fined almost every body in a speedy session that left Vic wondering why he shouldn't have recovered from the flu, Colin R for gloating about the World Cup handball results featuring the Poms, Ted and Ron S for confusing us all about who earned the T E award for the night, Bernie for losing a staff member to t' other side, and a few other fines as well.

Our Guest speaker was **Michelle from the Bendigo Community Bank of Gosnells**. Michelle gave an informative presentation on the difference between The Bendigo Bank (established in Gosnells in 2002) concept and the major banks. The niche market Bendigo is chasing is the disenfranchised locals who seek superior personal service provided by real people and competitive products and rates. Her presentation highlighted the local emphasis placed by the Bank and its focus on community support. The Directors are voluntary and advisory rather than management. The franchise for the Gosnells Branch is owned by the company formed in 2002 for that purpose and it's shareholders.