



2008 - 2009

# THORNIE WESTERN AUSTRALIA

PO Box 84, THORNIE WA 6988

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

**Apologies:** **Mike Raspa** (M) 0412 426 418 by 10.00AM Monday

**Pres.** Ron Bradborn (M) 040 021 0891 (H) 9459 3813

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**25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2008**

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Next Week		Week After
<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 08</b></p> <p><b>Attendance</b> Ron Sloan Ray Smith</p> <p><b>Property and Fellowship</b> Geoff Wiltshire Ron Bradock</p> <p><b>Chairman</b> Lloyd Dungey</p> <p><b>Vote of Thanks</b> Ross Evans</p> <p><b>REPORTS</b> Nil</p> <p><b>Bring-N-Buy</b> <b>30<sup>th</sup> Nov 08</b> Ray &amp; Lois Smith Geoff and Lorraine Wiltshire John Mitchell</p> <p><b>Bulletin Editor</b> <i>Colin Waters</i></p>	<p>The meeting commenced with the introduction of two guests, Graeme Hyland from the Olive Oil industry and Dani Nicholson who was checking out the club.</p> <p><b>President Ron</b> thanked Dani for attending and hoped that she would come back for a second look.</p> <p>Slight change to the Christmas function venue, due to John Mitchell copping an infection requiring IV antibiotics. He is slowly making progress and is being treated at home under Fremantle Hospital's "Hospital in the Home" Program.</p> <p>Ron Bradock volunteered for the function to be held at his house. Thanks extended to Yvonne and Ron for their offer.</p> <p>Gifts remain the same, can come out of the cupboard or can be bought \$15, they are to be wrapped, not labelled and can be camouflaged. A 3pm kickoff on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December.</p> <p><b>Geoff Wiltshire</b> requires a swap for this Sunday....Ross volunteered.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> December is the <b>DG's visit</b> and is a partner's night. Numbers to be confirmed, 6.30 for 7pm start.</p> <p><b>President Ron</b> wanted an opinion as to whether or not to have another speaker's night in 2009, A list was circulated and the result was positive and will be organised for sometime in February. It will be discussed further on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December</p>	<p><b>9<sup>th</sup> Dec 08</b></p> <p><b>Attendance</b> Lloyd Dungey Ross Evans</p> <p><b>Property and Fellowship</b> Ted Evans Phil Hinwood</p> <p><b>Chairman</b> Not Required</p> <p><b>Vote of Thanks</b> Not required</p> <p><b>REPORTS</b> Nil</p> <p><b>Bring-N-Buy</b> <b>7<sup>th</sup> Dec 08</b> Wayne &amp; Chris Brouwer Ross &amp; Margaret Evans John Stockbridge</p> <p><b>Bulletin Editor</b> <i>Colin Waters</i></p>
<p><b>Next weeks meeting program</b></p>	<p><b>District Governors Visit</b> <b>Pushpa Pushpalingham</b></p>	

**Note – DG's Visit.** The board will meet at 5.15 with the DG prior to the commencement of the meeting.

16<sup>th</sup> December will see Rod Styles presenting to the club as Thornlie Senior High School have taken up the option of the Rotary Driver Awareness.

**Maddington Rotary Club** are holding a fund raiser on 15<sup>th</sup> December....a movie night to see "Australia" \$15 per head, at Carousel for a 6.30 start.

**Secretary Doug** was volunteered to be the team leader for the Christmas Pageant function.

**President Ron** was proud to announce that for the first time in about five years Thornlie Rotary club have both an Awardee and a Buddie to sponsor for Handicamp.

**President Elect Mike** reminded everyone that the AGM is to be held in two weeks time and a list will be circulated for the volunteers for the positions for next year.

The B&B team leader **Ron Bradock** after given the weather report and the rendition of the flood cascading across the car park floor and observing the painters removing the graffiti from the K Mart wall, kindly left the Gents open to enable them to clean up. Apart from the heavens leaking the sum taken was \$910.

**Colin Waters** said that the missing toilet seat had been replaced.

**Sergeant John** and **Corporal Lloyd** then took centre stage to extract dollars from the pockets.

- **Mike Raspa** for trying to take the discipline role away from the sergeant.
- **Ron Bradock** for a boring rendition of events at B&B
- **Colin Waters** for enticing the potential member
- All Commonwealth Bank members that had been affected by the computer glitch
- **Doug Parker** for sporting a retirees haircut
- Several for arriving early to their seating
- **Andy Hopper** for putting out the song sheets
- **Mike Raspa** for failing to collect his plants and wanting them to be delivered
- **Colin Waters** for accusing Colin Ralph of collecting dollar coins to fund his trip to the UK

Box Buys

- **Ross Evans** on IT experts
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Chairperson **Chris Ralph** introduced the guest speaker Graeme Hyland who had a career change from hardware 10 years ago and ventured into Olives. The property is called "Neergabby" which is indigenous for "where the river meets the brook", and his property is where the Moore River joins the Gig Gin Brook and is 15 kms outside of Guilderton.

Graeme advised that olives had been around for over 2000 years. His company started in 1998 with 26 acres and he has 1000 olive trees which yields 2000 litres.

The property is comparatively small when compared to the other properties in the vicinity. Olives are the fruit of the olive tree and the difference between and green and black olives is the age. The olives are crushed to produce the oil and the best oil rises to the surface and that is virgin olive oil. Only 20% of the crushed product produces the oil and the fruit once harvested has to be processed within 48 hours otherwise it starts to deteriorate. A mature tree can produce 50 kilos of fruit.

The fruit is shaken from the trees and falls into a mat for collection and processing. Almost all of Australian Olive oil is virgin compared to Europe which is only 10%. Australian oil is better as it does not have a shelf life and does not improve with age, so there fore fresher and tastier as opposed to the imports which are usually 18 months old by the time they reach the shop shelves.

Graeme then gave everyone three samples to drink and explained the best way to appreciate the flavour of the oil.

**Vin Rogers** gave the vote of thanks to Graeme.

**President Ron** offered his thanks to both Graeme and to Dani and the meeting was closed with the charge and the national anthem.