



# THORNIE WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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

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**31<sup>st</sup> January 2006**

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Next Meeting	Serg Ken	Week After
<b>7<sup>th</sup> February</b>	The meeting opened as if a scrum and PP Lew asked if he could return to the bar until things settled down.	<b>14<sup>th</sup> February</b>
<b>Attendance</b> Ron Bradborn Lloyd Dungy	<b>Songmaster</b> Andy with respect to our guest speaker nominated Ear We Are Together.	<b>Attendance</b> John Mitchell Lew Pritchard
<b>Fellowship</b> Ron Bradock	<b>Toast Master</b> Lloyd selected Cyprus to toast on account of Marcos Baghdatis achieving so well in the Australian tennis. We toasted the rotary club of Paphos, formed in 1969, which has 26 members.	<b>Fellowship</b> Doug Parker
<b>Property</b> Ross Evans Ted Evans	<b>Pres Chris</b> – had fist full of papers. District conference is about 80 days away and the programme looks excellent. Please consider attending Teddy Bears Picnic, Sunday the 19 <sup>th</sup> of March at the Kent Street Weir Dam which is not far to go. This is 9470’s support for PMH Foundation Cannington Ladies Seminar. It is traditional that our ladies support this event. Louise will coordinate attendance <a href="mailto:bruce@apraytech.com.au">bruce@apraytech.com.au</a> for further information for a different approach. Tri District 4 Way Test Final 9470. Sunday Feb 26 <sup>th</sup> 1400 hrs Guildford Landing Function Centre. Helen Hosking Memorial Scholarship in Biochemistry. A thank you letter from UWA. This year’s scholarship was worth \$1,500 which is about half what it should be and this is the reason the club is progressively topping up the fund. UWA are to advise us of the current capital in the fund. Our objective is to raise the fund to close to \$50,000.	<b>Property</b> Colin Ralph Ron Sloan
<b>Chairman</b> Gary Flynn		<b>Chairman</b> Ray Smith
<b>Response</b> Andy Hopper		<b>Response</b> John Stockbridge
<b>Bring-N-Buy</b> <b>5<sup>th</sup> February</b> Geoff & Lorraine Wiltshire Ross & Margaret Evans John Mitchell Albert Allen		<b>Bring-N-Buy</b> <b>12<sup>th</sup> February</b> Ron & Yvonne Bradock Gary & Penny Flynn Ted Evans
<b>Bulletin Editor</b> Frank Keays		<b>Bulletin Editor</b> Frank Keays
<b>This Coming Weeks Guest Speaker</b>	<b>TBA</b>	

Johnny Walker Classic at the Vines 8<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Feb- in exchange for doing a few jobs you can obtain an all week ticket worth \$90

### **Directors**

**Albert** reported that the Bowel Scan project is progressing and he calls for volunteers to man selling booths in shopping centres.

**PP Doug** reported that PREM scholarships have been advertised and protected in that applicants must be students of UWA.

**John Stockbridge** has masterly arranged thru is son that PREM appear on ABC Stateline this Friday or next Friday

**Vocational Bevan** announced that 14<sup>th</sup> Feb is presentation of High School Scholarships and that it is a ladies night. Note the time is 6.30 for 7 pm.

**Social Lloyd** – Croquet night is Friday Feb 10<sup>th</sup> and was collecting money at the meeting.

Friday March the 10<sup>th</sup> (Ted says these date coincide each 3 years) Lloyd has arranged that the club attend The Hauanted Through Lounge & Recessed Dining Nook at the Don Russell Centre Forrest Lakes. Cost \$12 - Time 8 pm.

**PE Mike** is about to launch a membership drive. You are requested to give him some names as a starting point.

**BnB** – a week ago around \$2300 according to leader Ken and last week despite the wind Wayne says on second thoughts the takings were \$2281.

**PP Ian** wishes to sincerely thank a group of the 4.30 club for dismantling his large orchid shade house in a mere 1.5 hours. The same club will put it up at Donnybrook and I hope this time they will spin the job out until red wine time.

### **Serg Ken**

The Club chook is in quarantine due to Colin W letting it escape into Turkey

Ross Evans can remember the name of a sweet heart when he was aged 8 but cannot remember the date of his marriage. (glad you are one of us)

Wayne/Mike woke Arthur up to try and find the BnB keys at 5am.

Pres Chris at Handicamp was given a loving cup of tea only to find salt instead of sugar had been applied.

Birthday boy Bevan served a bottle of port for all to enjoy.

## **Guest Speaker**

### **Neville Nolan**

Neville is a spokesman for the noisy CICADA and a volunteer advocate for Cochlear transplants.

With all jesting aside this was the most captivating address we have had in many a year.

His family had a history of deafness and his hearing began to deteriorate when he was 25 yrs old and had his first hearing aid at 33 yrs. At 50 hearing aids were not maintaining his hearing. In 2002 his wife was diagnosed with cancer and she put him through a quick survival programme then suggested that he explore the new science of Cochlear.

He was diagnosed as being suitable for Cochlear assistance and had the appliance fitted. Two weeks later when the wound had healed he went back to the Doctor to have the device with it's 21 sensors tuned and was astonished that he was able to hear again-a miracle. He rushed home to show his wife his new life but sadly shortly afterwards she was not able to share the experience of him being able to hear again. (Wolfgang's wife works with children receiving Cochlear implants) Neville went on to say that it is important to have the implant before residual hearing is lost other wise the brain has lost the ability to interpret the sounds in a meaningful way.

## **Trivia**

Budapest Times

Global Alcohol Consumption

In Russia men stroll the streets with a stubby of beer in hand. It is cheaper than a bottle of water. Despite what I had read I did not see an intoxicated person in the street.

This is a partial extract from the Budapest Times:

The Top 50 Drinking Nations based on consumption of pure alcohol in litres for those 15 years and over :-

No 1 Uganda	19.47 litres
4 Ireland	14.45
6 France	13.54
16 Denmark	11.93
35 Australia	9.19
50 Romania	7.63

Assuming wine at 12% alcohol members need to only drink 102 bottles per year and if you drink mid strength beer you only need to drink 490 cans per year.

We are a club of extreme moderation.