



2006 – 2007

10th October 2006

THORN LIE 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 ANDY HOPPER 0409 099 941 by noon Monday

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Next Week 17 th October	Diary – There will be no meeting at the Golf Club next Tuesday. The Club will be holding a joint meeting with the Rotary Club of Maddington on Monday the 23rd of October. The meeting will be held at the Atfield Tavern, Atfield St Maddington, The meeting time is the same as our own 18.00 hrs for 18.30 hrs	Week After 24 th October
<p>Attendance Ron Bradborn Wayne Brouwer</p> <p>Fellowship Ron Bradock</p> <p>Property Lloyd Dungy Ross Evans</p> <p>Chairman Ted Evans</p> <p>Response Phil Hinwood</p> <p>Bring-N-Buy 15th October Ron & Yvonne Bradock Andy & Wren Hopper Ted Evans</p> <p>Bulletin Editor Gary Flynn</p>	<p>Guests tonight were District Governor Elect Robyn Thorpe, Ambassadorial Scholar Simone Pamhorst and Assistant District Governor Rod Style.</p> <p>President Elect Andy chaired the meeting in the absence of President Mike.</p> <p>International Toast was to the Rotary Club of Muniguda in Orissa, India. This Club was formed in 2006 and has 20 members. The President is Ruth Rose and the meetings are held at New Hope Leprosy Trust.</p> <p>Club members welcomed back Ron Bradborn. Ron advised the meeting that his grandson was now out of intensive care.</p> <p>A reminder that it is partners night next week. Visiting guests will be Eliazar and Ruth Rose from New Hope in India. The meeting will be 6.30 for 7.00.</p> <p>Secretary Doug advised the meeting that the New President of the local Citizens Advocacy will be Geoff Wiltshire.</p>	<p>Attendance Not Required</p> <p>Fellowship Not Required</p> <p>Property Not Required</p> <p>Chairman Not Required</p> <p>Response Not Required</p> <p>Bring-N-Buy 22nd October Doug & Anet Parker Lew & Wendy Pritchard John Stockbridge</p> <p>Bulletin Editor Colin Waters</p>
<p>This Coming Weeks Guest Speaker</p>	<p>Eliazar and Ruth Rose - New Hope Trust. The meeting will be 6.30 for 7.00</p>	

Assistant District Governor Rod Style informed the meeting of the three tri-district seminars held so far this year and the success of the seminar held last Sunday on membership. He mentioned the many positive stories told by successful clubs. He was supportive of the amalgamation of Thornlie and Maddington Clubs but of the need for a net **gain in membership** across the District. He has personally been involved in a successful amalgamation of another two clubs

Youth Director Ron then took the floor with gusto. He reported on:

- The revisiting of the **Youth Exchange Program** and suggesting foster homes to attract new members.
- **Handicamp** and the problems finding able bodied buddies.
- The **Parkwood School Camps** for refugee children to assist in their assimilation into Australian culture.
- RYLA and RYPEN Camps.
- Rotoract **Dial-a-Santa** Program.
- **Teen Spirit** has now obtained through the Gosnells City Council new premises in Maddington.

Social butterfly Lloyd asked for confirmation of those attending the Christmas function this year. Lloyd then spoke of his intention to redeem himself after the chook award for the last play attended by members. He is encouraging members to attend the musical "**Class of 77**". Details were handed to members. Cost is \$16.00 each. Pre-view night is Wednesday 15th November, 2006. If this performance is a failure he will eat the chook.

Community Service Director Albert reported that his committee had agreed to purchase 1000 **Emergency Medication Cards** produced by St Johns Ambulance. Albert also delivered **the new computer** to Probus Club of Thornlie. His committee's plans to provide a memorial to the young girl murdered in the Canning vale Shopping Centre will not proceed.

International Frank provided details of an **Australia-Japan Rotary Youth Group Exchange. Program** is designed for 18 to 30 year olds. Applications close on 15 October 2006. See Frank for details

Sergeant Lew with his heart of stone then sentenced the following:

- Arthur - for his new special love life rejuvenating spa
- Catch all fine – Those who had survived a Nuclear Bomb (Cockroaches & Sgt)
- Gary – Wine blending.
- Docker Doug – For Chris Tarrant wanting to join the Eagles
- Frank – For his new van
- Catch all - No tie and therefore not meeting Maddington standards
- Doug – Gardening
- Rod & Robyn – Being silly enough to visit us.
- Andy – On the meal
- Gary – For his no pumpkin comments
- Lew – The size of his office
- Bevan – His flight of fancy on becoming a student pilot

Guest Speaker DGE Robyn then spoke briefly on her need to build a team to assist her next year in District 9740. Those with a passion and skill in some area of Rotary are encouraged to contact either herself or District Governor Nominee Pushpa Pushpalingam.

A list of jobs and the skills desired are being prepared and will be given to club presidents for distribution.

Robyn also updated members on her involvement with television Channel Access 31. Rotary Programs appear at 7.00pm on Fridays. Much to Colin's surprise some members actually watch the program. Programs are national and televised in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

21-Oct	Pritchard's		Anniversary
23-Oct	Raspa	Louise	Birthday
25-Oct	Allen	Albert	Birthday
31-Oct	Evans	Ted	Birthday

President Elect Andy gave an outline of the Steering Committee's recommendations regarding the proposed amalgamation of the Maddington and Thornlie Rotary Clubs. The report of the steering Committee follows.

THORNLIE MADDINGTON AMALGAMATION

In August of 2006 the members of the Rotary club Of Maddington and the Rotary club of Thornlie met and voted to enter into discussions regarding a possible amalgamation of the two clubs.

Both clubs nominated members to a steering committee who would examine the issues and make recommendations to members. The steering committee comprised President Warren Brook (Maddington), President Mike Raspa (Thornlie), PE Andy Hopper (Thornlie), PE David Fleming (Maddington), PP Don Richichi (Maddington) and PP Colin Waters (Thornlie),

The steering committee has met regularly and has taken into account the legal and legislative requirements of the two Clubs and the need to safe guard the income streams of the two clubs.

The steering Committee is of the opinion that there are benefits to be obtained in the two clubs amalgamating and recommends such a course to members

The Committee submits to members the following time table and recommendations.

- The timetable is selected as it allows maximum advantage and flexibility to be taken for elections, if the recommendations are accepted, or for individual club elections if the recommendations are rejected
- A joint advice has been sent by the two presidents advising District of the process being undertaken.

- Both clubs are to be responsible of their own commitments until full amalgamation occurs -
- **The name of the new Club would be the Rotary Club of Thornlie- Maddington**
 - In the event of full amalgamation, Thornlie members would continue to utilise their existing uniforms (with a new name patch) and new uniforms would be acquired for Maddington members
- There are no recommendations on a venue or Meeting days following the amalgamation as it was felt this matter should not be considered until a number of joint meetings had been held and members from both clubs were familiar with the two existing venues.
 - the option is also available to seek alternatives outside the existing venues
- Staffing the food van
 - The Committee has developed a two stage plan based on anticipated total numbers of the new entity
 - Plan A - If numbers remained the same as the two individual clubs – expression of interests would be invited from those members who may prefer to be rostered to the van rather than BnB
 - Plan B - If total numbers look like being reduced, action would be taken to sub let the operation of the van to another community group – EG Kenwick Rotary and the Gosnells scouts were mentioned – for insurance purposes a Rotarian would have to be present if it was outsourced to a non Rotary group
- Joint Meetings - From October 2006 the clubs would combine to have two joint meeting a month. This would continue until the voting was held
 - Thornlie would join Maddington at one of their regular meeting. It would be a Maddington meeting chaired and run by Maddington.
 - The dates being 23rd Oct, 13th Nov, and 4th Dec
 - Only urgent Thornlie business would be discussed
 - The following week the roles would be reversed and Maddington would visit Thornlie at a regular Thornlie meeting
 - The dates being 31st Oct, 21st Nov and 12th Dec
- On Tue the 12th of December the two clubs will hold a combined meeting at the Gosnells Golf club to-
 - Have a final briefing from the steering committee outlining the agreement, the proposed motion and answer any members questions re the amalgamation
 - Outline the voting process and move a motion to be put to the individual clubs

- Suggested Motion – That the Rotary Clubs of Thornlie and Maddington amalgamate to become the Rotary Club of Thornlie-Maddington

agree/disagree

- Speakers for and against the motion will be heard and the motion may be amended
- The final motion on the night will be the motion that is voted on by the individual club members at their clubs voting meeting
- Club members will vote at their respective clubs at their regular meeting on the 18th and 19th of December 2006
 - Each club will conduct their own individual voting meeting
 - Seventy percent of members voting (70%) must vote in favour of the motion for the amalgamation to proceed
 - The motion to be put, may not be amended at these voting meeting as the same motion must be voted on by both clubs
 - The vote is to be held at a regular club meeting by those members present – absentees will be excluded from the vote unless they lodge a proxy with the President 24 hrs prior to the meeting
- The final agreed voting process will be put to all members in November and the details included in the two bulletins for the benefit of members who may not be present

If the motion is put and approved by members, the steering committee will meet and arrange for a joint meeting of both clubs in early January to

- Ratify any changes required to one / both/ or a new constitution
- Elect office bearers for the coming year
 - It was agreed that the president of the new entity should be one of the President elects from the two clubs
 - The Presidents Elect of the two clubs have agreed that The Incoming President will be Andy Hopper and David Fleming will be president elect.
 - The nomination of officers for other positions will be distribute equally amongst the two clubs in the first year
- As there will be a common President as from the night of change over – Therefore there will be a common change over night
- Full amalgamation will be aimed for on the 1st July 2007 – in the period between January and June
 - the legalities will be completed – overseen by the steering Committee
 - Election of Officers
 - Annual meeting held
 - Charters returned and new charter issued
 - Constitution registered

- New club incorporated and name registered with the assoc section of Consumer affairs
- The BnB trading licence transferred to the new entity
- the following outline will apply to the clubs operations
 - The existing Presidents will “see out their year”
 - The clubs will continue to meet individually each week but hold two combined meeting a month
 - The two boards will hold joint Board meeting from Feb 2007
 - The Committees will combine from Feb 2007
 - All social functions and Partners evenings will be combined as from Jan 2007
 - The clubs accounts will be amalgamated by May 2007
 - A vote will be held on the question of venue and future meeting nights

General Information presented to the steering committee

Clubs	MADDINGTON	THORNIE
Venue	ATTFIELD	GGC
Current meeting night	Monday	Tuesday
Available alternative nights	Tues?	Tue, Possible Thurs
Meeting time	18,00 hrs for 18.30 hrs	18,00 hrs for 18.30 hrs
Meal Cost	\$20	\$20
No of meal courses	2	Currently 2
Quality of meal – Below Ave, Ave or above Ave	Above Average	Average
General ambience – out of 100%	80%	90%
Drink prices - Middy	\$3.20	\$2.80
Accommodation – partners night	60 if Tavern agrees to open doors to meals area	100 with comfort
Maximum accommodation	60	200
Storage avail for club gear TV, Projector Screen etc	Not good	yes
Membership fees	\$200	\$200
No of partners nights a year - excluding changeover	6	6
Membership numbers	14	26

- The feeling was that the tavern would not be able to accommodate the numbers require – particularly on a Partners night
 - Other options would be considered

- As both clubs were incorporated – one set of a constitution and bylaws would be selected and amended to reflect the amalgamation
- Past history of both clubs – would be dealt with at the second combined Board meeting March 2007
- Because of timing – separate Xmas functions would be held in 2006 but after the vote, all partners nights would be combined until full amalgamation on the 1st July

Any comments or questions can be directed to the Steering Committee at info@thornlie-rotary.com