



ON THE BALL !

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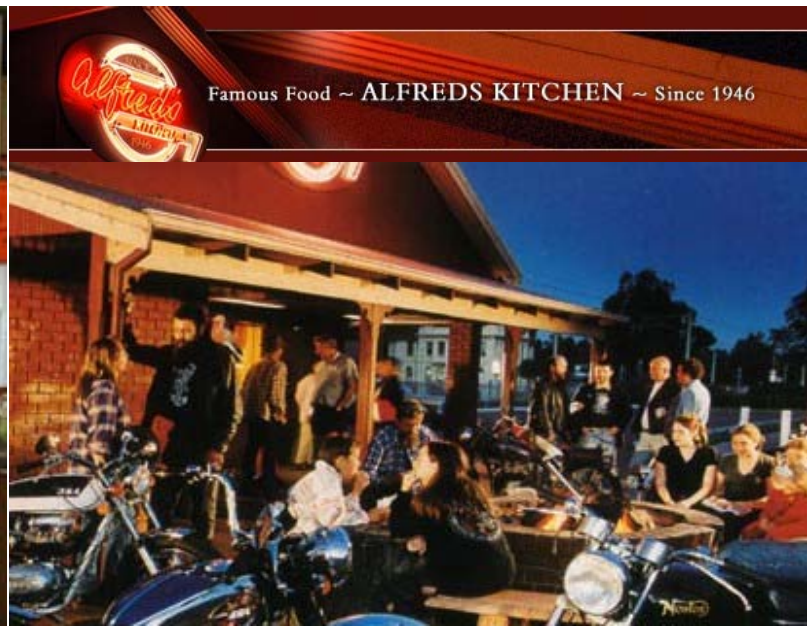
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June Dinner Guest Speaker – Burgerentrepreneur Neil Lawrence

Perth's longest operating roadside hamburger kitchen is only a few decent punt kicks from Steel Blue Oval.

Alfred's Kitchen in James St, Guildford was established in 1946 by English migrant Alfred Cook. One can not help wondering whether the road sign adorning its kitchen is a souvenir of Cook's transition to a new life in the colonies while at Graylands Migrant Hostel which then fronted a road of the same name.



Today, more than half a century later, 40 different styles of burgers and renowned pea and ham soup (made from a secret recipe and cooked over the slow-burning wood stove pictured above) are dispensed by Neil Lawrence and his efficient staff.

A former cook and manager of Fast Eddy's, Lawrence is quick to voice the opinion that *"This was the place meant for me!"* while Masterchef Australia's cravat-wearing, caustic critic, Matt Preston, rates Alfred's product as *"the best burger in Australia."*

Our Guest Speaker at the Swansmen June Dinner Meeting, members and guests will have an opportunity to quiz Burgerentrepreneur Lawrence on all aspects of the fast food enigma that attracts an orderly, yet diverse, mix of patrons – bikies, police, football supporters, dinner-suited opera aficionados - even families with pyjama-clad children.



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A Lighter Side of Mick

In a coup for Swans, Scott Cummings, the Football Club's Melbourne-based Director arranged an extraordinary interview with Magpies Coach Mick Malthouse on the night before his team did battle at Subiaco Oval with the Fremantle Dockers.

More than 250 football enthusiasts packed the Club's Function Centre to learn what lurked behind the master coach's serious façade portrayed by most television media.

Skillfully quizzed by Scott in his inimitable style, the evening provided a fascinating insight into the early life, unique, fate-dictated opportunities and motivations of the coach who successfully guided the West Coast Eagles to their first premiership in 1992 and then turned Collingwood's fortunes around.

It was interesting that Mick, Russell Crowe and America's Cup Yachtsman Dennis Conner share a similar disdain for reporters and journalists who do not exhibit the same level of professionalism as these stars strive to deliver.

Love or hate him, it was a pity that more Swansmen did not attend a very enjoyable night.



TOP (from Left) Graeme & Yvonne Ashworth and friend
ABOVE: Roy Jewell (centre) with friends

ABOVE: Mick Malthouse answers an audience question

Hotcakes have nothing on our AFL Grand Final Raffle Tickets!!

As usual, the appeal of a one in 10 chance of winning a prize in our Annual AFL Grand Final Raffle has resulted in a rush for tickets. Again, also as usual, Rod Greene has already moved 10 books. Only a handful of tickets remain. Get yours now!!

 <p>SWANSMEN ASSOCIATION</p>	<p>Swansmen Association Ticket No. SAMPLE</p>	<p><i>AFL Raffle on again!!</i> Share a ticket with a friend Pay by EFT or deposit to: Swansmen Association Inc Westpac BSB: 036-080 Account No: 276254. In Reference Box type in: AFL – [Your name]</p>
	<p>AFL 2010 GRAND FINAL RAFFLE</p> <p>First Prize AFL 2010 Grand Final tickets for two people with two nights accommodation, airfares, MCG ground entrance and reserved seats and Game Day AFL Brunch Valued at \$6,200 (Courtesy of Jet Set Travel Bassendean)</p>	
<p>Only 120 Tickets of \$100 Each</p>	<p>12 Consolation Prizes of \$100</p>	

In the absence of a Treasurer basking in the Broome and Gibb River Road sunshine, please email your delivery address and date of your EFT/Deposit to our bank account to: president.swansmen@gmail.com. Ticket(s) will be mailed to you after payment.

The Swansmen's A_ction will not be complete without U!!

Thanks to the handful of members who have suggested targets that we can approach for Auction items.

We can never have too many!!

Do your bit for the Swansmen by contributing to our major fund-raising activity of the year.

Here's how you can help – Give, email or call with the following information:

- 1. What items would you like to see included in either auction??
- 2. Have you any items/services that you would be prepared to donate (or offer at a low reserve price)
- 3. Do you know anyone that might be sympathetic to our cause who we could approach for an item. (Just tell us whether we can or can't use your name)
- 4. Are you prepared to be a Table Captain and try and assemble friends/family who can come along and enjoy a Sunday afternoon and maybe even buy an item or two to help the Club?

Contact Peter Snow on 9409 8819 or 0402 448 896 or: auction.swansmen@gmail.com.

Note in your diary: CLUB AUCTION - Noon Sunday 8th August, 2010

Tickets: \$50 includes meal and drinks to 4.00 pm. Advance purchase tables of 10: \$450.

Special General Meeting to consider Name Change

Last month's "On The Ball" included Notice of **Special General Meeting** to address technical omission/loss of paperwork when the Swan's Businessmen's Association Inc. resolved to change its name to Swansmen Association Inc. nearly 20 years ago.

Details are below as a further reminder of Members' need to attend our June dinner.

DATE: Wednesday, 16th June, 2010
TIME: 7.00 pm [The June Dinner will commence immediately after this meeting]
PLACE: Past Players & Officials' Room,
 Swan Districts Football Club, Old Perth Road, Bassendean

BUSINESS:

To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

"That the name of the association be changed to Swansmen Incorporated"

NOTE: To be passed, the above resolution requires a two thirds majority of eligible Members present and voting at a Special General Meeting.

Swansmen Member Database

Despite plaintiff pleas, our database remains incomplete. If **YOU** are an offender/have overlooked it, please complete and return the Member Information Form on the reverse

Next Dinner Meeting: Wednesday 16th June, 2010 6.30 for 7.00 pm			
Venue: Past Players' & Officials' Room Swan Districts Football Club		Guest Speaker: Neil Lawrence Proprietor: Alfred's Kitchen	
REST OF 2010 PROGRAM:	21st July	18th August	15th September
20th Oct	17th Nov (AGM)	Ladies "Thank You" Luncheon Sunday 28th November	



MEMBER INFORMATION

Name	
Residential Address
Email Address	
Tel - Home	Work Mobile
Date of Birth	Spouse/Partner Sp/Ptnr D.O.B / /XX
Occupation/Business	
If Retired – former Occupation/Business	
Followed Swans since	Year Joined Swansmen
WAFL Attendance	<input type="checkbox"/> All Swans games <input type="checkbox"/> Home games only <input type="checkbox"/> Some away games
AFL Attendance	<input type="checkbox"/> WCE <input type="checkbox"/> Freo <input type="checkbox"/> Other Member of:.....
Other Interests	<input type="checkbox"/> Horse Racing <input type="checkbox"/> Trots <input type="checkbox"/> Dogs <input type="checkbox"/> Cars <input type="checkbox"/> Golf <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Beverages	<input type="checkbox"/> Beer <input type="checkbox"/> Wine <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Non-alcoholic
Fundraising Suggestions	
Event Suggestions	
Other Comments	
Polo Shirt Request	CIRCLE DESIRED SIZE: S M L XL XXL XXXL
Please tick the box If YOU DO NOT wish to be reminded by phone about dinner meetings	

Please return this form completed to

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