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## MONTHLY LUNCHEON MONDAY 17th October 1994

VENUE: Gallipoli Room Anzac House Perth

TIME: Fellowship 1150 Hours

Luncheon 1240 Hours

SPEAKER: M.W. Bro. The Hon. H.W. Gayfer O.A.M. J.P.

SUBJECT: "Freemasonry Today"

Mr Gayfer Jnr was born on August 12, 1925 at Kensington, London and educated at Claremont Practising School and Claremont Central. He received his secondary education at Scotch College from 1939 to 1942. He was school captain and head prefect and represented the school in cricket, football and rowing.

Bro. Gayfer was elected to the Corrigin Road Board in 1955 and undertook the role of Deputy Shire President in 1961-62. In 1962 he was elected to the State Legislative Assembly as a member for the seat of Avon, and in 1974 stood for and was elected to the Legislative Council to represent the Central Province seat. He retired from Parliament on May 22, 1990. Bro. Gayfer was initiated into Corrigin Lodge in 1951 and became Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia on October 8 1993. He is a Freeman of the Shire of Corrigin and a Paul Harris Fellow.

LAST MONTH'S GUEST SPEAKER: Our September speaker, John Flower, Commodore of the Royal Perth Yacht Club received a warm welcome at our luncheon meeting, as many of our members either knew him personally, or had a genuine interesting in yachting. John gave brief yet detailed history of yachting in Australia generally and Western Australia in particular which kept everyone's attention and was most informative.

The talk was especially interesting to our esteemed member Max Brice, who sailed in many of the early ocean races to Cape Naturaliste which were first organized by the Royal Perth Yacht Club to establish themselves in the Ocean Racing yachting fraternity.

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#### SUB WARDENS DUTIES:

Sunday 9th October 1445 for 1500hrs-World Freedom League Australia (Inc) Sunday 30th October 1215 for 1230hrs-Consulate of Greece.

Saturday 5th November 0915 for 0930hrs-Australian Ex Services Atomic Survivors Association.

Friday 11th November 1020 for 1030hrs-Remembrance Day. An extra special turn out of Sub Wardens is requested for this important day. Additionally to farewell the outgoing warden Mr Russell Thomas and to welcome the incoming warden Highgate member Rear Admiral P.G.N. Kennedy A.O. R.A.N. (Rtd). Mr Ron Stone will continue as Deputy Warden.

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LADIES' NIGHT DINNER: Always a popular event, and your co-operation is requested to ensure it continues that way. TIME 7pm for 7.30pm at the WA Club, 18 The Esplande, Perth. Cost is \$40 pp. Dress is dinner jacket with miniatures or lounge suit. As Ron Stone said at the luncheon, if your wedding day suit no longer fits, don't worry, your attendance is more important. A return slip is enclosed with this newsletter, which will be repeated in November. Closing date is Monday 21 November.

FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER: Poppy Day Street Collection from 7am onwards. We now have two collection points, the new Bus Port and the Wellington Street Bus Station. Ted Stevenson has offered, yet again, to organize it, assisted by Tom Horton and if necessary Warren Smith. A board was circulated at the September luncheon requesting volunteers, but it is possible it did not make the full circuit of the tables. Last year the amount collected was below previous years, mainly, it was believed, because there were insufficient collectors, particularly at the Bus Port, during the rush period 7am to 9am. The board will be circulated again at the October luncheon to give those attending a second bite at the apple. If you wish to volunteer your services, and will not be at the luncheon, please give either Ted Stevenson (3876703) or Tom Horton (3909071) a ring.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE:** Details in sub warden duties. Would you please note that if you are volunteering as a Poppy Day collector it will have to be before 10am if you are also attending the service as either a sub warden or a spectator.

#### WELCOME:

The following gentlemen have either joined Highgate directly or transferred to us from other Sub Branches:

Charles Tuckey, Army 16 Bn, Deane Hill Arm HQ 5 MD; Geoffrey Hourn, Army: Allen Bagshaw, RAAF; Gerald New, Army 2/5 FD SQN; William Dobson, RAN; Kenneth East, RAAF; Peter Heeney, Army; William Bamford, RAN; It is hoped they all have a long and happy association with our Sub Branch.

#### SICK LIST:

Both Len Ikin and Bob Mercer have had spells in hospital, but are home and hopefully making full recovery. By the time this letter reaches you Les Stewart should be proudly sporting a new knee and made sufficient progress to chase the nurses along the corridors of Hollywood Hospital. (Can you remember what to do if you catch one Les?).

WARDENSHIP OF STATE WAR MEMORIAL: A letter has been received from the State Secretary inviting Highgate to accept the Wardenship of the State War Memorial for the coming year. The letter went onto say "We are deeply indebted to your members for their outstanding and dedicated service as Sub Wardens of the Memorial. We are extremely proud of the way they carry out their duties" Pat on the back for all concerned.

MEDALS: It has been requested that the following extract from RSL Handbook be published."Orders, decorations and medals may only be worn by the person on whom they were conferred and in no case does the right to wear decorations and medals or their ribbons, devolve upon a widow, parent, son, or relative when the recipient is deceased. Modifications of the above rule are permitted in connection with Remembrance Day and Anzac Day ceremonies, when relatives who desire to avail themselves of the distinction of wearing the decorations and medals of deceased may do so on the right breast".

#### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT:**

The British Army is to reduce the number of Chefs by 800 and some officers' and warrent officers' messes within the Field Army are to be put out to contract by civilians



'Colonel, the contract caterer says if you don't eat your cabbage you'll get no pudding.

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TO THE TREASURER-E.L. Thomas
Ladies' Night Dinner Friday 25 November 1994.
My remittance for \$s enclosed\$40.00 Per Person.
I will be accompanied by:
I/We would like to sit next to:
Name