Life of an Inner West private investigator

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FORGET men being the main culprits of cheating on their partners, women are just as guilty.

Is it a surprise? Not to our very own Drummoyne private investigator of 34 years, Warren Mallard.

"What was once 40 years ago a 80/20 balance in favour of men being the guilty party in infidelity, we now have a quantum shift where it's now 60/40 in the same favour," Mr Mallard said.



Managing director of Luonswood Investigations and Forensic Group Warren Mallard

"Naturally the internet revolution, dating sites, the prevalence of brothels and the legalisation of prostitution, this can only grow further."

While his business is located in the inner west, he's busted cheaters all over Sydney.

"Cheaters are everywhere in every social demographic, it doesn't cost much to cheat so there really are no social or economic boundaries.

"There are as many brothels, for instance, in the inner west as there are in the northern and eastern suburbs," Mr Mallard said.

Unlike the American TV Show Cheaters, Mr Mallard never takes clients along to locations to bust their partners cheating.

He said he would never put them in a position where they can be exposed to risks of harm or stress.

"Professional investigators will gather the evidence and ascertain the psychological situation of their clients and always be considerate and sympathetic when delivering bad news."

MALLARD'S PATH TO PRIVATE EYE

* Left school at 16 and became a goldsmith

* Joined the NSW Police Force, serving for 11 years until he retired after being run over by a petrol tanker on duty and underwent 52 operations in that year

* His passion for investigation had already been lit, so he started working for an investigation company at Concord

* A year later opened his own business on Lyons Rd, Drummoyne, plus five regional offices in Gosford, Newcastle, Orange, Tamworth and Canberra, employing 80 investigators

* He has been at Drummoyne for 33 years

* Lyonswood Investigations & Forensic Group also investigate bogus theft and personal injury claims, theft in the workplace and family law matters, including breaches of court orders related to child custody