



COBBA NEWS



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SOCIAL CLUB NEWS



DINNER /RAFFLE. Friday 11th, went very well and congratulations to all the committee for the way they all worked together. **Good Friday, 25th March,** we will be having an Easter dinner with Easter raffle prizes.

TAVERN NIGHTS have been supported well. These nights are a relaxing night with a snack and drinks plus a time to have a chat to everyone. **6th of May** will be a Tavern Night. Giving us three Tavern nights in a row.

BUS TRIP to Redcliffe, home of the 'Bee Gees'. There will be markets there plus the RSL close by. It's a nice spot to have a stroll. **Cost is \$27** for the bus. No meals included. Form is on the board for you to add your name. **Leaving Sunday 1st May at 7.00am.**

MOTHERS DAY 8th May. We will be having a luncheon, consisting of cold meats and salads buffet. Followed by a selection of sweets and cakes. **Bar open. Cost \$10** each. Watch the notice board for more details. Flyers will be out.

A new stove top has been purchased and installed by Management, a thank you card has been sent to Harry Kucko, on behalf of all the Social Club Members.

A new Freezer was purchased, the old one needed replacing it had not been working for some time and was unable to be repaired.

Ideas for future functions would be appreciated by the committee, drop your ideas into the Social Club box. We appreciate any feed back you would like to give us, it's a great help.

Thanks to all who have supported us in our first three months

President *Mary Learmont*

COBAKI BROADWATER VILLAGE HOME OWNERS ASSOC.

As the small parcels will not be accepted at the office for legal reasons, the arrangements are as follows. Any small parcel that will not fit through the letter box, will be given to the parcel post to deliver to your door. If you are not home a card will be left and you can pick it up from the post office. *Check the post office mentioned on the card.*

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR SOLAR ENERGY IN THE VILLAGE.

Solar rebate comes to an end at the end of December 2016. Most of us who receive the 60cents rebate are probably on a **Gross Meter**. At the end of the year, if we wish to receive payment from the supplier for our contribution back to the grid, this meter will have to be replaced by a **Net Meter**, which we will have to pay for.

A level 2 electrician will be required to install the meter. The cost of the meter on its own is about \$100, installation is negotiable depending on how many in the village he gets. Then there is a question of which company we sell our electricity to **THIS IS NEGOTIABLE**.

There is an Australian owned company that we may be able to sell to at more than our present supplier. As we get closer to the cut off time we will advise the best information we have. *Above information is from the Village home owners Assoc committee.*



BIGGEST MORNING TEA. Just a reminder that the date for this year's Biggest Morning Tea will be **Tuesday, May 31st in the Rec Hall**. We will be having items to sell, raffles, lucky door prizes etc, not forgetting morning tea. All proceeds raised on the day will go towards the Cancer Foundation. Keep watching for more information. *Denise M, Jean C &*

helpers

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS

BARRY WILLIAMS house **162** Barry travelled down from Brisbane.

MARIAN & EDDIE HARRISON house **154** moved here from Banora.

JOHN GOULDING house **194** travelling from North Queensland.

PAT & PETE BERGMAN house **48** joined us coming from Burleigh Waters.

For one reason or another these folks were not available when we called, but we welcome them all and hope once they are settled they will join in and enjoy village life.



IMPORTANT MESSAGE. We have heard that Piggabeen Road will be closed very soon, allowing the workmen to widen the bridge. This is going to be a big job and will take about six weeks. The council realise that we cannot survive all that time without going to Tweed City, which is a central location to the buses. What the council propose is we would travel by boat to the Ivory Hotel. There you would be transferred by bus to Tweed City. They would leave every hour on the hour, a return trip would cost \$10.

They would depart from near the Cobaki boat ramp, near the vegie patches, on the Tweed River. This exercise will start on **FRIDAY 1st. APRIL**. We hope we have your full support.

LEADERS OF ACTIVITIES

HALL BOOKINGS CHRIS POOLEY 55998198

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| CANASTA JOY ROACH 55997359 | LIBRARY CHRIS POOLEY 55998198 |
| CRAFT PAM COLE 55999366 | AEROBIC JEANETTE JORDON 0414851217 |
| THEATRE JEAN GWYNN 55999721 | INDOOR BOWLS DENISE MORTON 55998956 |
| COMPUTER STEWART McLEOD 55999029 | LADIES GROUP CAROLYN BELL 55999428 |
| TRIVIA MYRNA HUGHES 55999061 | SOCIAL GOLF MAGGIE SYNON 55997586 |
| GARDENING ROSS DAVIS 55997576 | KEEPING FIT CHRISTINE HALL 55999003 |
| CROQUET GRAHAM MAHONEY 55998802 | LAWN BOWLS JIM MORTON 55998956 |
| SNOOKER TREVOR HARDY 55997417 | |



KEEPING FIT CLASS. Hurry up first Sunday in April and the end of daylight saving! Mornings are getting a bit dim for us 7am exercisers, At least we can look forward to a few weeks of brighter mornings until winter approaches. Further to my exercise guru visit that I spoke about last month, my second visit proved a bit more positive, and with the additional exercise moves he has given me, I can see that if I'm a good girl and do them every day (takes only 15 minutes of my precious time) plus a 30 minute walk on the days I don't come to exercise class, I should in time strengthen my back and leg muscles and relieve some of my sciatic pressure only time (and actually doing the exercises) will tell. **MON : WED : FRI 7.00am to 7.45am .**

Christine



CRAFT LADIES. Hello and welcome to another craft update. We are enjoying our afternoon meetings, our numbers are down a bit, so if any new ladies in the village would like to come and join us for a chat and a cuppa to see what we are doing, you would be very welcome. To any of our members who are not feeling the best, we wish you a speedy recovery. We meet every **Thurs at the Rec. Hall at 1pm,**
You would be very welcome.

Pam



LADIES GROUP. On Wednesday 16th we are had a special morning tea to celebrate **Patti Fitzsimmons 91st birthday.** She is a very lovely lady and we hope she enjoyed her morning among friends. We have a two day trip over nightingale in Casino. **Wednesday 20th/ Thursday 21st April.** All details are on the notice board. Everyone is welcome to join us. Don't forget Seniors Week from **1st April - 10th April** Details in seniors paper or Tweed Daily News. Let's just hope the heat and humidity leaves us soon.
Until next Cobba News stay happy and healthy.

Carolyn



Wife texts husband on a cold winter's morning: "Windows frozen."
Husband texts back: "Pour some luke warm water over it."
Wife texts back: "Computer completely bugged now."





CROQUET NEWS. Golf croquet is played on the lawns overlooking the lake just down from the library from 8.30am every Saturday morning, and new members will be made most welcome. All the equipment and coaching is provided. It's great for the mind and the body and there is nothing like a dose of cool fresh clean air to rev up the body for the rest of the day. Just wear a hat, shoes and a friendly smile (really) and you will be accepted with open arms. Ricochet is also now available from **8.30am every Wednesday**, John and Joan are very keen to show you this very exciting alternative form of the mallets sports game. You might ask is there much to hitting balls through a number of hoops to complete a game? Well it's great exercise because wherever the ball goes you have to follow it and after an hour or so you have had a very nice walk without even knowing it. Strategy and teamwork is also a vital part of the game and this can bring out the competitive side of most sports people. Its also great brain food because you have to remember things like whose turn is it, which is your ball and which way you have to go through the hoops. Having said all of that, playing croquet is also a great excuse just for a chat with other friendly people whilst wandering around on our well preserved lawns. Happy swinging until next time. **Graham**



INDOOR BOWLS. On Monday mornings in the rec hall is a great place to meet up with a friendly group of villagers that get together for a fun game of bowls and morning tea. Plenty of rivalry, along with laughter. Come along and join in the fun. **Monday 9.30 to 11.30am.** **Denise**



WATER AEROBICS. First of all many thanks to Peter and Trevor for the cleaning of the pool. It is looking lovely. We are all having a great time in the pool. The water has been nice and warm, and our numbers are still up, I am very pleased to say. Easter will soon be here, I would like to wish everybody a very Happy Easter, Water Aerobics will be going right through **Easter Mon to Fri 7am until 8am.**

I will see you all there **Jeanette**



COMPUTER CLUB. We are getting a lot of interest shown in our club. Is it any wonder? Residents are being introduced to computers and all the other electronic gear that comes with them. Skype is becoming very popular and people want to know more. Well our club is the place to go. We meet in the library on a **Friday at 10-00 am.** We go for about one hour. Hope to see you there. **Stewart**



LIBRARY. Have you paid a visit to our library. Have you seen all the books. DVD's, jig saw puzzles? The list just goes on and on. Call in and have a look around, and unlike the shops, we are **FREE.** Please return your selection To the trolley once you have finished with them.

Thank You **Chris**





COBAKI COBBA's SOCIAL LAWN BOWLS CLUB. What a great day everyone had on our Mystery Trip. We started heading north, then back to south. Our coach driver, Andrew, really took us on a mystery ride! After enjoying a great scenic drive, with morning tea on the way, the Mystery was revealed when we ended up at Lennox Head Bowls Club, which our club had never been to before. What a welcome! After enjoying lunch, the bowlers all met up and had a great afternoon on the greens. For others it was a trip to Ballina Fair for some retail therapy! We are all certain that another trip to Lennox is a must to put on the list. Thanks to everyone that came along for the day and for your support. We followed up in March with a trip to Gold Coast Bowls Club. Always a popular day! We have had a change for April! Our proposed trip to Iluka has been cancelled, and in its place we will now be revisiting Mount Tamborine, travelling by coach, on **Sunday, 24th April**. Keep watching for notice on board with more info re Costs, times etc. Hoping to follow up in May a trip to **Alstonville**. More on that later. As a reminder! The away trip in October will be from **Friday, 21st October 21st to Sunday 23rd October** heading for the Toowoomba area. Details available soon. Next meeting will be in the rec hall on Sunday **April 3rd** and at **10.30am**.

Jim



TRIVIA. Unfortunately Myrna has ended up in hospital with a heart problem, and after an operation she is now doing well. She will be recuperating for a while, and at this time we are not sure just when she will be back with Trivia.

Everyone will be notified and a notice will be on the notice board with details. Trivia is normally the first Wednesday in the month at 6.30pm. These evenings are a lot of fun, the questions are normally of general information. We do wish Myrna the very best for a quick recovery.



CANASTA. is a very exciting game, it is a very easy game to learn. The best way to start is come along to one of our meetings, within no time you will want to get involved. The aim of the game is to get the old brain working, it does not matter who or what team wins, all we want is to have a nice relaxing afternoon. We meet each **Wed. afternoon 1-00 untill about 4-30pm**. Looking forward to seeing you.

Joy

SOCIAL GOLF. Unfortunately Maggie and Geoff were unable to attend our monthly game as they had to fly to Melbourne for a funeral. The game was help in atrocious conditions on Wednesday 16th march. While 10 started, only 8 completed the 18 holes and they would be in the running for water golfer of the year. Lee again beat the men for first. Many thanks to Garry for organising and running the golf. Our usual BBQ was held in the hall, with Carolyn and Chris doing the honours in the cooking department, a big thankyou to them also. Our next game will be on Wednesday 20th April, let's hope for better. New members are



"Oh come on Jeff, just concede the point."



Sadly we bring you the passing of
ELAINE HIGGISON (formally house 119)



On 22nd March 2016.

Elaine came into the village in 1997 and was here for around 16 years.

Due to illness she moved to a nursing home in Sydney closer to family.

Elaine loved to travel and did quite a lot on her own.

COBAKI LITTLE THEATRE



The Cobaki Little Theatre is back this year with a new show and a new director Jean Gwynn will be the director and the show will be named 'Music & Mayhem'

The performances will be on **Saturday 2 July in the evening and Sunday 3 July in the afternoon.** Tickets will be \$5 per person. BYO drinks and nibbles.

Put these dates in your diaries so you don't miss out on a fun and entertaining time by our local performers. More details closer to the dates.

Maureen

GARDENING WITH ROSS



Autumn already. it really is a second spring for gardeners on the Tweed.

There are so many plants that want the colder weather to thrive. In the veggie garden, potatoes and beans like the cooler weather and the warm soil, both can be successfully sown now. The two varieties I use are Blue Lakes climbing beans & Dutch cream potatoes. The climbing beans can be very successfully grown in a large pot, able to hold 40 litres of potting mix. Sow the seed in the pot now while the soil is warm about 6 plant will produce enough beans for two people at least once a week if you give the soil a good feed of seaweed and fish liquid to start and every six weeks thereafter. Dutch cream potatoes are a waxy potato with a yellow flesh that will NOT boil into mush when cooked, I think it's the best potato we grow here and great mashed with lashings of cream and butter (naughty I know, but you only live once) and it makes a change once a month, smiles. Flowers, Dalias grow very well here and the bulbs should be just about ready to buy now, and of course the good old petunia in hanging baskets or garden, with such a wide variety of styles.

Happy Gardening *Ross.*

The Tweed Hospital Auxiliary do appreciate all the people who have already donated their 5c pieces towards our '5c piece fundraising' to help raise additional funds to go towards much needed equipment at the Tweed Hospital. Total raised so far from our various outlets in the area have raised in excess of \$700. The jar is on the bar at Tavern & Dinner nights for anyone wishing to keep donating those 5c pieces. Keep up the good work.



Denise M & Auxiliary members



A lady was picking through the frozen turkeys at a branch of Coles but she couldn't find one big enough for her family. She asked a passing assistant, "Do these turkeys get any bigger?" The assistant replied, "I'm afraid not, they're dead."



PUZZLE PAGE.

1. The Martian Rub

After his spaceship landed on Mars, astronaut, Jonathan Mark disembarked and approached the first Martian he saw. 'Am I headed for the geological dig?' he asked. The Martian rubbed his stomach. Mark knew that Martians could understand some Earth-talk, but were not able to speak it. And astronaut Mark, like so many Earthlings, could neither speak nor understand Martian gestures. He didn't know whether rubbing the stomach meant yes or no. But by asking one additional question, Mark was able to find out. What was that question?

2. Stone Stew

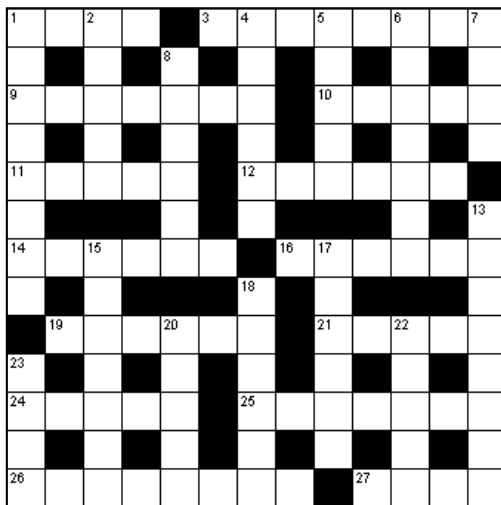
After astronaut Mark got to the dig, he collected rock specimens to take back to the Earth scientists. He packed the rocks into three sacks: one for igneous rocks, one for sedimentary and one for metamorphic. But, rushing to return to the aircraft before his portable oxygen ran out, he mislabelled all the sacks. How many rocks did he have to take out of how many sacks in order to find out what was in each one?

3. Friend or Foe?

Among the inhabitants of Mars were various kinds of creatures. One type was friendly to visitors from Earth and always told the truth. Another was hostile and always lied to Earthlings. But the astronauts couldn't tell the difference between them. 'Are you a truth-teller?' astronaut John Armstrong asked a striped Martian he met on the way to the dig. 'He'll say, 'Yes,' " commented a spotted Martian who was nearby. "But he'll be lying." Who was the truth-teller, the striped Martian or the spotted one?

4. How Many Liars?

Molly Ride, pilot of the spacecraft, knew that some Martians were truth-tellers and some were not. So when she came face to face with three of them, she asked, 'Are you truth-tellers?' The finned Martian answered her by rubbing his stomach. His friend, a tall Martian with feathered ears, told her that the finned Martian had said he was a truth-teller. However, the other Martian, who had horns, said that the finned Martian was lying. How many of these Martians were liars?



ACROSS

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| <p>1 Intermittently (2,3,3) 2 Personnel (5) 4 Merited (6) 5 Loose flowing garments (5) 6 Keep at bay (4,3) 7 Part of the leg (4) 8 Engine fuel (6) 13 Novice (8)</p> | <p>15 Diminish, shrink slowly (7) 17 Preposterous (6) 18 Marine mollusc (6) 20 Bottomless gulf (5) 22 Vex (5) 23 -- and circumstance (4)</p> |
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Answers to the crossword puzzle on page 8. Don't cheat.



It has come to the notice of some residents, that the 10 acres for sale, *on the* corner of Sky-line drive and Piggabeen Road, is in the process of being sold to the Public housing Group and will be converted to a *home for wayward children*. When this occurs a cost of one dollar per house, per week will be levied on all residents of the village. This levy will be to build a concrete footpath to the bus shelter and a pedestrian crossing at same. This levy should only be in place for approximately five years. Work should be starting on **April 1st**.

Cross word answers

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Kia Johnson house 133. On the 8th March 2016 we lost our baby girl Kia. She was 15 years old. We would like to thank all the people that knew her and loved her here at Cobaki Village. Kia will be sadly missed but her memories will be close to our hearts forever RIP.
Robyn & Neil



DAY LIGHT SAVING ENDS
ON SUNDAY APRIL 3RD
TURN YOUR CLOCKS & WATCHES
BACK ONE HOUR



We wish everyone a happy Easter, and hope you enjoy it, keeping away from too many Easter Eggs. If you have visitors joining you please make sure that you enlighten them on the rules in the village regarding **parking and speeding**, also watching their grand children.



COBBA NEWS is written by residents for residents.

To all our sick folk we hope your recovery is quick.

Kath Ashby (140) Harry Baines (201)

