



# COBBA NEWS



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### SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Hi everyone! Here we are again with another Social Club update. All is going well with the running of our Happy Hours and Tavern Nights, as usual. Chris is doing a terrific job with Tavern Night Suppers! He is a real asset to our village with his likeable personality, cooking skills and



**HIS HAT!**



Coming Events: **Sunday 16th August** **FREE CONCERT**  
Come along and enjoy an afternoon of foot tapping music from the fabulous



## MILTON Q.



With the unbelievable repertoire Milton embraces and excels in many genres of music, and can entertain you with everything from Jazz, Old Standers, Country Classical, just about anything in between. Milton is a dynamic entertainer and we are excited that he is coming to our village. **Don't miss this show.**

Bar open 1.30pm

Show starts 2pm.

Cheese and biscuits supplied. BYO nibbles ok. Raffles on sale.

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**FUNCTIONS IN THE HALL.** We would like to mention that the hall is not always left in a clean and tidy condition. Please make sure it is returned to a cleaned state with all dishes cups etc washed and returned to their place of residence. Any spills on the floor are mopped. This makes it pleasant for who comes after to enjoy their activity.

Thank you TO OUR HELPERS. You're the best. We do appreciate your help and support.

HERE IS A QUESTION: Why do I have MORE aches and pains since they gave me a pension card with "AGED" written on it.

Keep well and warm! Love Trish



# CONGRATULATIONS

## COBAKI LITTLE THEATRE

If you missed their show, you missed a wonderful night of entertainment. There was a very good mixture of humour plus song and dance. Their costuming was very well accomplished. The audience was asked to take their own drinks and nibbles, proving to be another winner. The cast can be very proud of once again giving their all, to an audience that appreciated every act. Their helpers also did a first class job in making sure everything was in place on time. The music, the lights, the raffle helpers, the curtain organiser not forgetting the back stage people. Without your help the cast couldn't do their part. A show takes a lot of people all working together in harmony. Thank you for another night of fun, laughter and song.

### Photos of the show





**More  
show  
photos**





More photos of the  
show.  
Blast from the Past



## WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS



We welcome **PAM & IAN**, who have moved into house **266**. They had a short move from Banora to the village. When we called Ian was visiting friends they have here. They have already been to a Happy Hour. They both enjoy Monday's indoor bowls. Pam's interests are craft, exercises, swimming in the mornings and doing research on her family history. Ian enjoys music, organ recitals, his church and his own company.

A lady hurried to the pharmacy to get medication, arrived back to her car and found that she had locked her keys inside. The woman found an old rusty coat hanger left on the ground. She looked at it and said, "I don't know how to use this." She bowed her head and asked God to send her some **HELP**. Within 5 minutes a beat-up old motorcycle pulled up, driven by a bearded man who was wearing an old biker skull rag. He climbed off of his cycle and asked if he could help. She said: "Yes, my daughter is sick. I've locked my keys in my car. I must get home. Please, can you use this hanger to unlock my car?" "He said, "Sure." He walked over to the car, and in less than a minute the car was open. She hugged the man and through tears said, "Thank You, God, for sending me such a very nice man. "Lady, I am NOT a nice man. I just came out of prison yesterday, I was in prison for car theft. "The woman hugged the man again, sobbing, "Oh, thank you, God! You even sent me a professional!"



## GARGENING WITH ROSS

Hello all gardeners.



Well the cold has now slowed down the growth of all plants that like the warm weather. When you go to the people that sell seedlings, ask for their take on what grows best for the cold times of the year. August is our "spring" and from now on the weather will warm up. Plants that grow in the flower garden now are dahlia's. Don't be in a hurry to plant; dahlias will struggle in cold soil, so find a warm section in the garden where it will get about 6 hours sun. You will need rich well drained soil.

Vegetables: well; this is the best time of the year in the veg garden. Looking forward when the soil start to warm in that warm part of the garden, you should be able to germinate bean seeds. Climbing "Blue Lake" are the best to grow in the village. Find a warm corner in your yard that has well drained rich soil and plant the seed or plants. I grow my seedlings in pots first , making sure that the pots are under cover & in the hottest spot you can find. Do not over water. Sow the seed into moist seedling mix; cover each pot with an empty two litre milk container, after you have cut the bottom off. Ten plants will grow more beans than most of us can use. Fertilize with blood and bone after you plant out the seedlings.

Smiles and happy gardening. **Ross**



A new teacher was trying to make use of her psychology courses. She started her class by saying, 'Everyone who thinks they're stupid, stand up!' After a few seconds, Little Larry stood up. The teacher said, "Do you think you are stupid Larry?' 'No, ma'am, but I didn't like to see you standing there all by yourself!'

## CONGRATULATIONS HENRY.

We would like to special thank you to **HENRY KIMBER**, for the years of driving our bus at weekends, we will miss him. He has been doing it for a very long time, well over 15 years. He came into the village with his wife Glennis in 1998. They stayed 4 years before moving on, but he continued driving our bus. His quiet manner and friendliness to one and all made him a very important part of Cobaki Village.

Henry has decided to call it quits due to his health. Henry your time with us has been appreciated and we do hope that you can now enjoy you retirement.

*From all residents of the village*

The lady was a Southern Baptist who attended services and taught Sunday School every week. One Sunday an out of town gentleman was in the pew right behind her and noticed what a fine looking woman she was. While they were taking up the collection, the man leaned forward and said: "Hey, how about you and I having dinner on Tuesday?" "Why yes, that would be nice", the lady responded. Well, the gentleman couldn't believe his luck. On Tuesday he picked the lady up and took her to the finest restaurant in that part of South Carolina. When they sat down, the gentleman looked over at her and suggested: "Would you like a cocktail before dinner?" "Oh, no," said the fine example of southern womanhood "What ever would I tell my Sunday School class?" Well, the gentleman was set back a bit, so he didn't say much until after dinner, when he pulled out a pack of cigarettes and asked: "Would you like a smoke?" "Oh my goodness no," said the woman. "I couldn't face my Sunday School class if I did !" Well, the man felt pretty low after that, so they left, got in his car and as he was driving the lady home, they passed the local Holiday Inn. He'd been morally rebuffed twice already, so he figured he had nothing to lose so he ventured forth with: "Ahhh, mmmm, how would you like to stop at this motel?" "Oh yes, that would be exciting," she said in anticipation. The gentleman couldn't believe his ears. He did a fast u-turn right then and there, drove back to the motel and checked in! The next morning, after a wild and passionate night of the most incredible lovemaking imaginable, the gentleman awoke first. He looked at the lovely Dixie darlin' lying there in the bed and with remorse thought: "What the hell have I done?" He shook her awake and pleaded, "I hope I haven't compromised your virtue. Whatever are you going to tell your Sunday School class?" The lady said: "The same thing I always tell them, 'You don't have to smoke and drink to have a good time.'"



## LEADERS OF ACTIVITIES

HALL BOOKINGS	CHRIS POOLEY 55998198
CANASTA JOY ROACH 55997359	LIBRARY IAN POOLEY 55998198
INDOOR BOWLS JIM MORTON 55998956	BINGO JEAN & Mick BRUNT 55998321
THEATRE TRISH McKINLEY 55999571	CRAFT PAM COLE 55999366
COMPUTER STEWART McLEOD 55999029	SINGLE LADIES CAROLYN BELL 55999428
TRIVIA MYRNA HUGHES 55999061	SOCIAL GOMAGGIE SYNON 55997586
GARDENING ROSS DAVIS 55997576	KEEPING FIT CHRISTINE HALL 55999003
CROQUET GRAHAM MAHONEY 55998802	LAWN BOWLS JIM MORTON 55998956
SNOOKER TREVOR HARDY 59974175	AEROBICJEANETTE JORDON 0414851217



**KEEPING FIT CLASS** The recent cold snap certainly tested our resolve to keep up our exercises throughout winter, and hopefully the worst of the cold mornings are behind us. I became a victim of one of the nastier bugs circulating in the air, but in my absence “the team” have carried on without me - thanks to Elizabeth’s video expertise! We may be small in numbers, but we are mighty in spirit!! We meet **MON : WED : FRI 7.00am to 7.45am** *Christine*



**INDOOR BOWLS** Another month gone by already. Welcome to our new bowlers, Ivor, Ian, Pam and Peggy, who haven't taken too long to settle in to Monday morning bowls in the Rec Hall. Great to have you along! Plenty of competition bowling between our members. Lots of fun and laughter. Quiet time is when we break for morning tea. For any one wishing to join us on **Monday mornings**, you will find us in the **Rec Hall between 9.30am and 11.30am**. Even if you can't bowl, it doesn't take long to get the hang of it. Thanks again to our helpers. *Jim*



**BINGO** We are sorry to say the attendance for bingo has dropped dramatically, and so we have had to stop the lucky door prize and the \$10 house prize. If we don't have the money coming in we cannot keep them going. Due to this, with a village with 343 houses, we sometimes only get 12-14 players, making Jean and I wonder if it is worth continuing. We would like to thank the regulars who have been supporting us, and kept the flag flying, but we must wonder for how much longer!

We start every **Monday at 1-30 pm** so if you want a very pleasant afternoon, with good company and a nice cuppa come along and pay us a visit. You will be made most welcome.

*Mick & Jean*

**MEMORIES** from a friend.

My Dad is cleaning out my grandmother's house (she died in December) and he brought me an old lemonade bottle. In the bottle top was a stopper with a bunch of holes in it. I knew immediately what it was, but my daughter had no idea. She thought they had tried to make it a salt shaker or something. I knew it as the bottle that sat on the end of the ironing board to 'sprinkle' clothes with because we didn't have steam irons. Man, I am old?



**LADIES GROUP** Even with the chilly mornings we are seeing a lovely group of ladies come to our 10am Wednesday meetings each week. On the morning of the 17th July we boarded the bus for a day out. Up the motorway to the botanical gardens in Benowa for morning tea, although a bit windy and cool we all enjoyed a hot cuppa and homemade goodies. Then a nice drive around the seaway near SeaWorld then into Surfers Paradise to board the boat for a lovely lunch and cruise around the Broadwater. Think we all found the commentary very interesting, learning things about the local area we never knew. On the way home we sighted the new tram going around the Gold Coast, looks impressive. Our next outing is on the **19th August**. We are going by bus to visit "Miegunyah" historical house in Bowen Hills near Breakfast Creek. This lovely house belongs to the Qld Women's Historical Assoc. We look forward to welcoming any new ladies that would like to join us for a cuppa and chat on Wednesdays.

*Carolyn*



**COBAKI COBBA's SOCIAL LAWN BOWLS CLUB** Our yearly calendar of monthly bowls club visits is being ticked off quickly. Already past the half way mark! A group of us set off to Cabarita Bowls on Sunday, 19th July in the sunshine. Didn't take long for the clouds to come up and the rain come down.

Fortunately, it didn't stay around too long and our bowlers enjoyed their games competing against the opposition. Lots of friendships and rivalry. A welcome cuppa before starting was followed by a very enjoyable lunch of 'build a burger' for everyone afterwards. Our club hadn't visited Cabarita for a couple of years, but it will be on the list for a return visit in the future. Very friendly! The monthly meeting is next, on **Sunday, 9th August** in the **Rec Hall @ 10.30am** followed by a members sausage sizzle. Please add your name to the list on the notice board if you will be having lunch. Hope to see you all there! Next day out - the clubs first visit to Alstonville Bowls Club on **Sunday, 23rd August**. We will be travelling by coach. Please watch the notice board for more information on times, lunch and costs. Anyone wishing to join us on the bus for a day out, please contact one of our committee members for more information. (Names & phone numbers on notice board). **20th September** has been confirmed for our visit to Ocean Shores Club. More information later. Thank you to all people travelling with us on our 3 day/2 night trip in October for confirming and paying deposits to help with accommodation bookings. Any further enquiries, please contact Denise - 55998956. I would like to thank everyone for your continued support each month. Until next time -

Happy Bowl-

ing.

*Jim*



**TRIVIA** Another good evening. Lots of laughs. Not too much brain strain. Just how it should be. Again, very close between the teams with 'Alco Pops' the highest scorers. Lucky Door Prize was won by Dianne. I guess she didn't win a fortune with her prize of a Scratchie as she is still in the Village. Come and join us, we would like more players. Next session is on **Wednesday 5th August**, usual time of **6.30pm. (1st Wed in any month.)** My sisters and I will make you very welcome.

*Myrna*



Every time I hear the dirty word 'exercise',  
I wash my mouth out with chocolate.

I do have flabby thighs, but fortunately my stomach covers them.  
The advantage of exercising every day is so when you die, they'll say,  
'Well, he looks good doesn't he.'





**ROOKIES SNOOKER CLUB** It was a sad month for the snooker club with the passing of popular member John Van der Byl. A wake was held in the social hall Sunday 19th July attended by family and friends. A large contingent of snooker members were there to farewell John. "Rest in peace mate".

The family day held in the social hall was again a great success due to the help put in by the members especially Trevor and Duncan. A top day finished off by Barbara's out of this world sweets.

The ladies draw raffle for the day was won by Hilda Farnsworth who won the wine and Kathleen Cronk was well pleased with her chocolates. The overall members draw was won by Bill Annerbel, the bottle of scotch and Don Carrick the six pack of beer

Next function will be on **Wednesday 12th August** at Seagulls for lunch Use your own transport or have Seagulls bus do a pick up, sheet on the board next week.

Further down the track the next function will be lunch at the Coolangatta Tweed Heads Golf Club. The snooker club will provide free transport. Please support your club by calling into the snooker room, saying hello and having a stubby or two. Regards **Garry**



**COMPUTER** Discussed this month - How to download movies via the Presto app. – Printer Cartridges - Sound Cards, - how to get the best quality photos from your devices – Phone Plans and the Government starting to upgrade black spot areas. We actually might get better reception on our mobiles. Come along if you have a question. We probably have heard it before and can help.

Every Friday in the Library at 10am. **Stewart**



**CANASTA REPORT** It is with much pleasure that we welcome a newcomer to the village and a new player to our Canasta Club. Kevin, previously from Kempsey, had not played for quite some time but came along and after just one afternoon, was playing (and winning!) and hopefully enjoying himself.

Unfortunately that is the only good news I have. We arrived at the hall today (day of writing this report) to find two of our card tables had been damaged. One had two really bad cuts on the surface and another had a broken leg. These cards tables had been bought by the Social Club for the exclusive use of the Canasta Club. We who use them make sure they are stored correctly so that no damage is caused to them. They should not be used by any other group. Now the Social Club has to use their funds to replace them. There are lots of other tables that can be used for other purposes so I appeal to everyone to respect other people's property. This is not the first time that damage has been done to our tables, so please make sure that in future these tables are used **ONLY FOR CARDS**. **JOY**

Someone asked the other day, 'What was your favourite 'fast food' when you were growing up?' 'We didn't have fast food when I was growing up,' I informed him. 'All the food was slow.' 'C'mon, seriously. Where did you eat?' 'It was a place called 'home,' I explained.! 'Mum cooked every day and when Dad got home from work, we sat down together at the dining room table, and if I didn't like what she put on my plate, I was allowed to sit there until I did like it.' By this time, the lad was laughing so hard I was afraid he was going to suffer serious internal damage, so

I didn't tell him the part about how I had to have permission to





**CRAFT** Hello again, this year is slipping by fast. Our group are looking forward to our luncheon on the 23rd July. We are going to La Porchetta Restaurant, in Coolangatta. I have been told the food is very good. The only thing is they serve a big meal, so we should be feeling very full when we leave. I will update you in the next newsletter. Some of our group are unable to come this time, owing to holidays and illness, so we will raise our glasses to friends and look forward to them joining us next time. We would like to wish any of our ladies on the sick list a speedy recovery. Hope to see everyone at the next craft afternoon in the Rec Hall. We meet every Thursday afternoon at 1.00pm.

*Pam*



**GOLF CROQUET** Golf croquet is played on the lawns overlooking the lake just down from our library every Saturday morning from 8.30am. Our friendly team is there to show you how to play what is an easy, but at times a very challenging, game. New players will be made most welcome and please remember that it costs nothing to play, and all the equipment is provided. If Saturday morning is not suitable I am available to show you the finer points of the game at another time/day. Just give me a ring on 5500 8802.

It's one of the few outdoor activities that our village provides, so your support would be greatly appreciated. It's a game for all ages and it's a great excuse for a walk and talk whilst taking in the clean fresh air..

By the time you read this notice we will have completed our match against the 'Sultry Seagulls' down at their own home ground. What Dennis' mob don't reckon on is that we are the current holders of the Coolangatta Cup which was won a couple of seasons ago from what we perceive were far greater opponents and we will be ready to 'take no prisoners' in an event that has been billed, at least by them, as just another easy day out on their lawns. Happy hoop running until next time.

*Graham*



**LIBRARY** Thank you to all the people who have donated books, keep those donations coming, as we rotate the books. Thank you to **FAY** for doing the books.



*Ian*

A woman stops by unannounced at her son's house. She knocks on the door and immediately walks in. She is shocked to see her daughter in law lying on the couch, totally naked, soft music is playing, candles are lit, and the aroma of perfume fills the air.

"What are you doing?" she asks "I'm waiting for hubby to come home from work" the daughter in law explains "But you're naked" mother in law says "This is my love dress" the daughter in law answers, hubby loves me and wants me to wear this dress, it excites him to no end, every time he sees me in this dress, he instantly becomes romantic and can't get enough of me. The mother in law leaves inspired by what she has seen and learned. When she gets home she undresses showers, puts on her best perfume, dims the lights puts on a romantic CD, lay's on the couch expectantly awaiting her husband.

Finally he comes home walks in see's her lying there in a provocative pose, "what the hell are you doing?" he asks "this is my love dress" she whispers sensually.

**"Needs Ironing"** "he says. "What's for Dinner?"

Early prognosis is he will be out of intensive care in two to three weeks !!

*Garry*



**SOCIAL GOLF** After 2 wash out months our July day was nice and sunny. With 15 players, 6 Ladies and 9 men we decided to play an Ambrose which proved very popular and a good mix around for all the players. We welcomed a new lady golfer Lee Von Holdt. We hope she enjoys our happy group. It's good for us to see how an idea 2yrs ago to start a Village Golf Club has gone from 9 original players to 16, sometimes more. Our Ambrose Winners were Joy Chapman, Cliff Boyd, Graham Crisp and Garry Parker, well done all. As usual our B.B.Q. was a good night and we welcomed Kevin, Lee's partner. Unfortunately our fines master was ill but it was taken over very well by Graham Crisp at the last moment so we did not escape having to pay up, our bank is looking good for our end of year Presentation Dinner thanks to our fines! We will commence our Club championships on **16<sup>th</sup> Sept** and they will take place over the next 3 months. Our next day will be! **9<sup>th</sup> August** and all new members are most welcome, we're not all perfect we just enjoy a good day out with friends and a few good laughs. Hope to see you then Maggie & Geoff



Ambrose winners'  
J Chapman G Crisp G Parker



Enjoying their BBQ

**CAN YOU HELP.** Margo Scott at house 152, in 4th Ave, needs someone to read her short stories back to her after she has written them. To explain this better is to mention that she has very little to no sight and writes her stories and then needs someone to read them back to her, sometimes decipher what she has written. It is not a hard job to do but all takes a little time. Margo is very easy to work with.

If you would like to give her some help with this she would be very grateful. You can give her a ring on **5599 7180, please give her time to get to the phone.**

Your help would be really appreciated.

Larry's class were on a field trip to their local police station where they saw pictures tacked to a bulletin board of the 10 most wanted criminals. One of the youngsters pointed to a picture and asked if it really was the photo of a wanted person. 'Yes,' said the policeman. 'The detectives want very badly to capture him.

Larry asked, "Why didn't you keep him when you took his picture ? "



## HOW'S THIS FOR HIDDEN TALENT

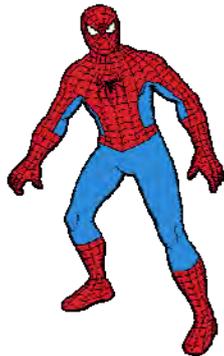
We have been asked by Faye to thank these folk for their assistance in making a photo shoot to help her friend Patrick with his final shoot to pass his university course in photography.

Thanks to Superman, Bebe ( house 82) Spiderman, (Gary house 81) Flash, Don (house 341) Wonder woman, Faye (house 80) and Judy ( house151) who played the part of the one being saved by Superman.

Faye would like to thank Chris & Trish for the use of the hall for a 3 hour photo shoot. They wish Patrick well with his career.



Superman Bebe



Spiderman Gary



Flash Don



Wonder Woman Faye



Superman rescuing damsel  
in distress Judy.

Thank you for sharing this fun time with us. The talent in the village is endless.  
What great sports these folks were doing this to help a friend with his university course.

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**F R O G** we all need one. Isn't the little green guy sort of cute?

I was told a story about a lady in the hospital who was near death when an area Chaplain came to visit her. This Chaplain was a very young female with long blond hair. She listened to the lady who was ill and left her a small gift for comfort. It was a tiny ceramic frog. The next day one of the people from the lady's church came to visit. The lady told her friend about the beautiful young Chaplain who had come to visit her. The friend was so impressed with the way the lady had improved and felt the need to talk to the young Chaplain. In her search to find the young girl gal, she was repeatedly reassured that the chaplains are never very young and that there was never a girl that fit the description given. Upon returning to the lady in the hospital, a visiting nurse entered the room and noticed the ceramic frog. The nurse made the comment 'I see you have a guardian angel with you.' As she held the little frog.

We asked why she made the comment we were informed that the frog stood for

**F**=Forever **R**=Rely **O**= On **G**= God



To The World You Might Be One Person; But To One Person You Might Be the World.

# TWEED HOSPITAL AUXILIARY PRESENTS

## ‘A NIGHT FULL OF TRIVIA’

COME AND JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN, LAUGHTER AND TRIVIA.

**WHERE - SOUTH TWEED COMMUNITY CENTRE,  
Cnr Heffron St & Minjungbal Drv South Tweed Heads.**

**WHEN: Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2015**

**TIME: Doors open 6.30pm for 7pm start**

**ENTRY COST: \$10.00 PER PERSON**

**Tea, coffee & biscuits supplied. Bring your own nibbles & non-alcoholic drinks**

TEAMS OF 6. DON'T WORRY IF YOU DON'T HAVE A TEAM  
COME ALONG AND WE WILL PLACE YOU IN A TEAM

GREAT PRIZES INCLUDE DOOR PRIZE, WINNING TEAM, SPOT PRIZES,  
SILLIEST ANSWER OF THE EVENING - & WHAT ELSE?

Limited space so phone **0421930069** and book your table or seat.

THIS EVENT IS RUN BY THE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY TO RAISE FUNDS IN  
ORDER TO PURCHASE NEEDED EQUIPMENT FOR OUR LOCAL HOSPITAL



**CHEMIST HELP.** Did you know that Ramsay Pharmacy  
(people caring for people in our community)  
are open 7 days a week 24 hours a day.

You can find them at

John Flynn Private Hospital Ground floor. Phone number **55073000**.



We all get heavier as we get older, because there's a lot more information in our heads.  
That's my story and I'm sticking to it.

AND

Every time I start thinking too much about how I look, I just find a pub with a  
Happy Hour and by the time I leave, I look just fine.

## NEWS FROM LYN AND OWEN HOLIDAYING

We had a email from, them telling us some of their travels. They had been away 8 weeks when we heard form them first, they had been to Cooktown and said it was such a pity seeing towns from the 'Boom & Bust' now looking like ghost towns full of beautiful houses. They tried to learn corroboree steps from a chap called Charlie. Burke town was famous for it's Barra pies (beautiful). Off to Katherine then onto Darwin and Kakadu.

Now in Katherine on 1st July. It's a time when the northern territory celebrate Self Government. They celebrate with fireworks going off everywhere, 20 people ended up in hospital with burns. A favourite was Twin Falls, 50ks of dirt and 10ks of sandy road. WA little boat transferred us up to the gorge. Up to 12 years ago you could swim there but a large salt water Crocodile broke through the net now there is no swimming.

In Darwin at present, beautiful weather (sorry). The Caravan needed a wash, It is nice to see the original colour. Next, we are heading off to Litchfield National Park, from there we will be heading west.



Owen at Den Hotel Cooktown, holding up the bar. See arrow.



Lyn, at Sausage tree in Greenville Old. Came from Africa., and are very



'Maguk' National Park NT

## THE GOOD OLD DAYS.

Here are some things about my childhood. Today's young ones would never believe it, and would not accept it. The part about how I had to have permission to leave the table, here are some other things I could tell you. Some parents NEVER owned their own home, wore jeans, set foot on a golf course, travelled out of the country or had a credit card. My parents never drove me to school. I had a bicycle that weighed probably 50 pounds, and only had one speed (slow). We didn't have a television in our house until I was 10, if we were lucky. It was, of course, black and white, and the station went off the air at 10 PM, after playing the national anthem and epilogue; it came back on the air at about 6 am. And there was usually a locally produced news and farm show on, featuring local people...Pizzas were not delivered to our home's, but milk was. Film stars kissed with their mouths shut. At least, they did in the films. There were no movie ratings because all movies were responsibly produced for everyone to enjoy viewing, without profanity or violence or almost anything offensive.



It's with sadness we bring you the news of the passing of

**JOHN VAN de BYL** house 132.

John has been battling his illness bravely for some time  
He passed away on 9th July 2015, in the Tweed Hospital.



All through his illness John still had a smile for everyone and a cheery word.  
He had been in the village 5 years.

With sincere thanks to all those who expressed their condolences and sympathy in the recent passing of my wonderful husband John.  
Kath and her family would like to express their great gratitude and appreciation at the efficiency of their catering and bar staff who assisted at John's wake.



Sadly we report the passing of

**MERV SHEPPARD**

He passed away in July 2015.

Merv lived in house 130, before moving down south recently  
To be near his family.

He was in a lovely nursing home in the Blue Mountains at the time of his passing.

Merv used to always go for a walk in the early mornings and met up with others doing the same.

He was a very happy and likeable man, who loved travelling on bus tours.

Merv came into the village with his wife Marie in 2003.



## MANAGEMENT MESSAGE

**SPEEDING.** YES, this is still happening.

This is what **WILL** happen unless we all **SLOW DOWN** to **15 kph.**



Please **DO NOT** park on the grass. Use the designated areas.

**CARAVANS.** If you are thinking of buying a caravan, please check with Bruno that there is a space to store **first.**

**PHONE NUMBERS.** If you have changed your phone number would you

**LOOKING AHEAD** This is not a subject that some people like to talk or think about , but it is very important that we do for many reasons. It's thinking well ahead to when we pass on. Save your family a lot of unnecessary trouble trying to find out vital information, That will be needed. Having a will made and making sure that you have an enduring Power of Attorney.

Also it is a good idea if you let your family know your wishes on your passing. The office does need to know your next to kin. If you have not filled in a form kept in the office or you have not updated yours, we ask you to do so. All of these things don't take a lot of time, but are a massive help to those who are left, they are shattered by your passing and having try to find out what your wishes were or where all the necessary papers and information are only adds to their trying to accept that you are no longer here. Make it easy for them and also puts your mind at ease knowing that your wishes will be adhered too.

Give all this some serious thought.

 **MOBILE PHONE RECEPTION BOOST.** In The Bulletin on July 9 it said that the Federal Government announced the first round of Mobile Black spots program funding. Funding has been announced to improve infrastructure at Farrants Hill, Burringbar, Kunghur, and Currumbin Creek road and will improve coverage in some areas of the Tweed Council's corporate and economic planner, Mark Tickle, said the Mobile black Spot Program funding was greatly appreciated. The areas receiving funding have some of the worst mobile reception in the Tweed. The funding is expected to be rolled out before the end of 2015.



To all who are celebrating an important occasion  
Our best wishes.

To our sick friends we hope that you are on the road to recovery  
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