

# C O B B A NEWS

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## SOCIAL CLUB REPORT.

**Hi Folks !** Well we are back into the swing of things again after an enjoyable break over Christmas and the New Year. Our first Tavern night for 2010 was very well attended by around 50 residents and friends. Following this we had a Happy Hour which attracted about 110 residents for dinner and drinks! It was good to see everyone back again!

We celebrated Australia Day a little differently this year because of the heat during the day we decided to hold a dinner instead of a lunch. This was well received with 120 attending the dinner. Ron Patterson entertained us with a variety of easy listening music. Thanks to all helpers!

On Friday 29th January we put on a sausage sizzle to raise money for the people who suffered so much from the earthquake in Haiti. As usual the wonderful residents of this village rallied around and dug deep into their pockets. The boys cooked around 300 plus sausages and there were not many left over! **THE SUM RAISED WAS \$2,131-50**, many thanks to all! This money has been given to CARITAS, who send 100% to Haiti. There will be more in the March edition on this subject. **Many thanks to all who gave to this very worthy cause.** Pres. **Trish**

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## Cobaki Social Club Committee 2010



Bill Lafferty . Bruce Wall. (Barman) . Jeanne Noake (Tres) . Trish McKinley (Pres)  
Norma Wood. (Vic Pres) . Betty Lafferty (Sec) . Bill Hunwich (absent)

Introducing our new committee for 2010.

The meeting was well attended.

The Mid year AGM will be July 11th. 2.00pm.

A sausage sizzle was held at the end of the meeting.

Unfortunately Bill Hunwich is missing from the club photo he was unable to attend.

We wish the new Committee all the very best for another successful years.

The committees hard work was acknowledged by all in attendance.



Congratulations to Deana & Colin Acton house 202.

Their golden anniversary, 50 years is a real mile stone. We wish them all the very best. There would be so many memories over all those years, to reflect back on. May the years ahead still be filled with more happy added memories.



Happy 88th Birthday to JOHN HYDE house 258.

Congratulations John on reaching this grand age. Birthdays are all very important regardless of the age. Opening the presents, kiss's all round and all the well wishes from all your friends here at Cobaki.

**SHIRLEY'S BUS TRIP.** Our very first trip for 2010 was to a big favorite with everyone to the 'Bronco's League Club' on Wed 10th Feb. The entertainer Steven Hill was singing a Tom Jones number and was disappointed no knickers came forth, when he mentioned that Pam Anderson grabbed a very large pair out of her bag and raced up with them, all enjoyed a good laugh. We now look forward to our second trip on **Thurs. March 18th to Redcliffe**, entertainment will be one of the features with this trip. All details will be on the '**Social Club Board**', you just have to add your name and house number to the list. Keep your eyes on the notice board.

**Shirley**

**PIGGABEEN DEVIATION:- THE LATEST:-** Leda Holdings who has been working on the Piggabeen Deviation tell me that they have now finished all the water and sewerage works on the deviation for the Cobaki Lakes Development. Evidently Tweed Council have also been on site, installing sound barriers for the houses backing onto the new road. The latest from Bob Hanby of Tweed Council regarding a completion date. They are meeting with Leda on Tuesday 9th Feb. for Leda to sign off. Council will have a much larger crew on site from Monday 8th and they **expect** the By-Pass to be partially open within weeks (not months) and fully open as soon as they have completed a small round-a-bout near the Church. Except for the fact that we will have the inconvenience of Leda digging more trenches outside our entrance as they continue water & sewerage works heading further up Piggabeen Rd. This is the best news so far.

*Myrna*

### GARDENING WITH ROSS.



The year is HOT as usual and at this time of the year you need to mulch and mulch your garden. It's the best way to keep the Soil in good condition. Soil is a living thing and Mulch or a cover crop are the best ways to keep the soil in living condition. In the veg garden I have Lablab beans growing as a cover crop, they look a bit of a mess, but the soil is benefiting from them. They put nitrogen in the soil as well as shade it. The Bacteria love to have shaded soil, either by mulch or cover crop. Right now you can start off a crop of Tomatoes in your back yard. You will need a well drained area with rich soil (add Blood & Bone), cover the soil with Mulch, dried lawn clippings will do. **The soil**; needs to be loose, per water the area before you plant the seedlings.

You will have 6 month to get a super crop off before the cold weather gets here. Healthy home grown Tomatoes' are still the best. Try "Beef steak" seedlings, I have grown these over 65 years

## LEADERS OF ACTIVITIES

<u>CANASTA</u> MARIAN GIDDINGS	5599 8952	<u>LIBRARY</u> IAN POOLEY	5599 8198
<u>BOWLS</u> ALF SUTTON	5599 7745	<u>BINGO</u> JEAN BRUNT	5599 8321
<u>THEATRE GROUP</u> KATH ASHBY	5599 8109	<u>CRAFT</u> CLARICE EDMOND	5599 8745
<u>COMPUTER CLUB</u> MAC JONES	5599 7401	<u>SINGLE GIRLS</u> MAUREEN DALZIEL	5599 7657
<u>LINE DANCING</u> ELIZABETH RYAN	5599 8625	<u>TRIVIA NIGHT</u> ROY DAVIES..	5599 7081
<u>GARDENING</u> ROSS DAVIS	5599 7576	<u>GENTLE EXERCISE</u> DENISE MORTON	5599 8956
<u>SHIRLEY'S BUS TRIPS</u>	5599 7493	<u>CROQUET</u> HANNAH SHARPE	5599 7013
<u>WATER AEROBICS</u> ..TESS FALISZEWSKI	5599 7487	<u>SNOOKER</u> LYNDON WALLACE	5599 7492
<u>LAWN BOWLS</u> VIC RICHARDSON	5599 7516	<u>DANCE</u> JOCEY COLLINS	55997217
<u>THEATRE BOOKINGS.</u> TRISH MCKINLEY	5599 9571		

**TRIVIA:-** It seems so long ago now but the December Trivia night resulted in a tie between '4 from 3' & 'Alco Pops' . 'Hot Shots' took 3rd place. A good time was had by all with Christmas Drinks & Nibbles. It was amazing that any of us got the right answers to anything. As usual we had a lot of fun & laughter. Results for Feb.3rd hosted by *Roy & Val* will be in March Cobba News. We were deeply saddened by the loss of Keith Horne, he made our score board for Trivia and was our very efficient score keeper. We will really miss him.

Next Trivia night **Weds. 3rd March** at 6.30pm in the Rec Hall with *Myrna & her Sisters*

**SINGLE GIRLS:-** Welcome to the New Year and to our two new members, Barbara and Freda. We are getting plans underway for the coming months. We will be organising a trip to the new show at the 'Australian Outback Spectacular' and a day trip to northern NSW.

Plus our usual monthly lunch and maybe a stage show. New single ladies are welcome to join our group. We meet each **Wednesday at 10am in the Rec.Hall.**

There will be more information from me in the March Cobba News. *Maureen*

**COMPUTER CLUB:-**We are continuing with our menu covering basic topics in using your computer. **Feb.19th:** Using 'Help & Support' **Feb.26th:** How to change 'Display' to suit YOU. **Mar.5th:** Using 'Spybot, Search & Destroy'. If anyone needs a specific topic covered, let us know! **AND** we still do our general problem solving and have lots of fun along the way.

Come and join us on **Fridays at 10am in the DK Centre.**

*Mac*

**AQUA AEROBICS:-** Here we are again, another year ahead for us to enjoy. Let's hope it's a good one for all of us. Everything is going well at the pool. Every morning sees an enthusiastic group enjoying the exercise as well as the social aspect. We finally had our 'Pool Breakfast' (postponed from New Years Day due to circumstances beyond our control). It was enjoyed by all who attended. Thank you to 'Chef Trevor' and his wonderful band of helpers. If you would like to become a member of this happy group come along at

**7am each weekday morning.** You will be welcome. See you there.

*Tess*

**A Friend is someone who knows you well, BUT likes you anyway !**

**CANASTA:-** Our Club is 15 years old this month. In **February 1995** the newly formed Social Club under it's President Chris Pooley called a meeting of residents during which a request was made for anyone to start new clubs in the village. The Snooker Club already had a Pool Table next to the shop at the top end of the Recreation Hall. Also, under the enthusiastic direction of Dagmar London a Drama Group put on an excellent show. When the shop went curtains were erected in front of the Pool Table giving the "thespians" room to change. Many a giggle was heard from Backstage!! With a small start of only six keen players the Canasta Club began every Wednesday. Today we have a happy and enthusiastic team who play every week through holidays, rain or shine and there is always a welcome for new folk. Cards cut sharp **1pm every Wednesday in Rec.Room.** *Marian G*

**LINE DANCING:-** After a long break the class is back. The first session was on Feb. 4th. A Happy and Healthy New Year to everyone. We are looking forward to good attendances with regulars returning and newcomers coming along to join us. Good music and a gentle aerobic workout. It's fun and good for you. **Thursdays 9.30 to 11am** *Elizabeth*

**COBBA LAWN BOWLERS:-** A new year to look forward to and new venues to visit. A reminder that meetings will be held on the **first Sunday of every month at 10am in the DK Centre.** All are welcome! The next Bowls Day is on **Sunday Feb.21st at 'Kingscliff Bowls'** which is a great place to visit. **Play starts at 1pm.** Go earlier and have a great lunch (at own expense) before getting down to the serious part of the day. Further day games are being organised at other clubs so keep an eye on our Village notice board. Any bowlers, male or female can join us on any of these social game days, so come along, bring your supporters and have a fun day. Hope to see you there. Membership Fees now due for 2010 pay into Treasurer Trish's **Box 273** please. *Vic 55997516 or Jim 55998956*

**BINGO:-** An enjoyable afternoon was spent in the Hall with all the ladies—and not forgetting Anthony—back playing our favorite game 'Bingo'. Lillian and I would love to see a few more players coming along. If you have a spare hour or two come along and join us, you too could be a winner. **Monday's 1.30pm. January in the hall.** *Jean & Lillian*

**CRAFT:-** Happy New Year everyone. How are the New Year Resolutions faring? If one resolution was to attack the UFO's in your spare room, then please come and join us in the Rec.Hall Remember, to keep young we have to keep the joints moving and the 'Crafties' certainly keep their finger joints moving. A warm welcome from Minnie and the girls is assured and we pride ourselves on helping one-another. We look forward to having you join us every **Thursday 1 to 3pm DST.** *Yvonne Brand*

**Ps: For those who are new UFO stands for 'Un-Finished Objects'**

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**\*\*Mac Jones**—you are what Cobaki is all about—a really good neighbour. Your help with the messy ropes on my Flag Pole was wonderful .\*\* *Myrna @ H 150*

**LIBRARY:-** Another year, so many books to read, video's to view, jigsaw puzzles to work out. You must all be tired of me each month thanking people but without them we have no library. Thanks this month to Ernie Lidgard for Video's and Betty Bacon for 'Mills & Boon' and also my trusty assistant, Jim. All donations of material are very much appreciated. *Ian*

**EXERCISE:-** We're back! We are a small friendly group of ladies that get together twice a week to do gentle exercises as a kick start to our busy days. We are always looking for new folk to come along and join in the fun. The easy to follow programme with walking as your basic step may be just what you are looking for to start you off on a regular exercise routine. Come along and see how easy it is. Would love to see you join us. **We are in the Rec.Hall 7.15 to 8am on Tuesdays & 7.15 to 7.45am on Thursdays.** *Denise*

**GOLF CROQUET:-** The Group is back with organised games on **Saturday mornings starting at 8am DST.** Whether you are a beginner (we can give you a few tips) or have played before you will be very welcome to join us at our gorgeous venue at the top of the lake. We supply all the equipment and have lots of laughs along the way. *Hannah*

**BOWLS:-** Well the year couldn't have started any better, a Full House of 24 Cobakites (which is all we can fit in at present)) We may have to find another carpet. One of our regular players, Audrey Roberts is having a pretty rough time of it at present and has been in hospital for a while. We are all thinking of you Audrey and send our best wishes Our Christmas Party went off very well, the food was great and everyone enjoyed the music. Come along and join us. We will fit you in. **Mondays 's 9.30am in the Hall.** *Alf*

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**COMPUTER Repairers.** . We have been given some information on repairers that may be of help to all the computer buffs in the village.

LAPTOP2GO at 40 Wharf street Tweed heads. They are changing their name to

**MOORE 4 ALL COMPUTERS.. Phone 5536 6918. Open Mon– Fri 9 to 5 Sat 9 to 1.**

They do not do Apple or Mac computers. Yes they do have house calls. I (Kath Ashby) have used these people quite a few times and found them very good.

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**ALAN LYNCH** from Teranora **5590 4616**, another successful repairer who has helped another resident and was very happy with both the repair and the price.

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A man goes to see the Rabbi. 'Rabbi, something terrible is happening and I have to talk to you about it'. The Rabbi asked, "What's wrong?" The man replied. "My wife is poisoning me." The Rabbi, very surprised by this, asks. "How can that be?" The man pleads. "I'm telling you, I'm certain she's poisoning me, what should I do?" The Rabbi then offers. "Tell you what. Let me talk to her, I'll see what I can find out and I'll let you know." A week later the Rabbi calls the man and says,. "Well, I spoke to your wife on the phone for three hours. You want my advice."

The man said "Yes" Rabbi replied . "Take the poison."

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**Outside a MUMBIA restaurant 'OPEN & DAYS,AND WEEKENDS'**

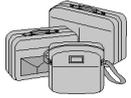


### **Who said there was no monster in the creek!!!**

This beauty was landed by Bruno recently. At the time of receiving this photo, only half the poor 'grand-daddy crab' had been eaten, Bruno did try eating it all in one go but couldn't manage. Folks have been catching crabs and fish, in the creek at the side of the village for a very long time.

But this beauty is the best so far that has been landed.

### **TRIP TO CAIRNS for 2012**



The dates are **last week in September 2012** for seven days, we must have 40 people to make this a viable, This can be made up of singles and doubles. If you are interested please contact **BILL ANDERSON 55997174. House 189.**



The reason for the trip being in 2012, this enables people to pay off the trip installments over that time. When Bill knows the number interested in doing this trip a price can then be given, with the accommodations and travel information. Bill has taken a group up to Cairns some years ago and that was a big success. If you would like to know more about the trip give Bill a call as soon as possible, he can start to finalise everything for the trip. You will be flying to and from, Bill will also have the itinerary full of things of interest, including tours.

### **WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS.**

It is always a delight to welcome new residents into our village.

**MARGARET & FRED SCHMITZ house 338.** They didn't have far to move, they were already enjoying life in Tweed Heads. They did move in in November. They both enjoy tripping about in their caravan. Fred is a busy boy at present getting all those finishing touches to the garden etc. Margaret enjoys her time on her sewing machine.

**JOE WALKER house 57.** Joe is another who didn't have far to travel, just a step across the border from Tugun to here. Joe is delighted with his move. He's main hobby is his computer.

**ANN BROWN house 9.** Another new residents who lived just down the road before joining us in the village. Ann already has friends here in the village, she is a very keen bingo player. Ann's is quite settled in now and is lucky that she has her family living close by.

**GEORGIE CATANZARITI house 40.** Georgie has been here for few months now and is well settled in, after moving here from Banora. Georgie has already joined in many activities, she also enjoys her computer, reading, movies along with bingo.

We give a very big welcome to all our news residents, as they join in Village life.

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**USEFUL INFORMATION.** All residents who have had electricity Panels installed on their roofs (not hot water panels) have already received a letters telling them that there is a new meter that must be installed. We have information regarding this. These meters will be available in March and must be installed by a **Countryenergy** qualified electrician. We have contacted one who is willing to do this. There is a fee incurred, if he can do it all at the one time it could work out cheaper. To make this easier Anne in the office, has been collecting names of all who wish to take this offer. If you have not added your name, please do so as soon as possible, this list is being sent to the electrician. As more information comes available it will go on the notice board



**LEARN TO DANCE...** Latin.. New Vogue.. Waltz.. Quickstep.. Tango..

If you have always wanted a bit of help with these dances, there is an answer to that for you. Every **TUESDAY both AFTERNOON and EVENING CLASSES** are held at **St PETERS CHURCH HALL**. Corner of Lanham and Dutton Streets Coolangatta. You can call RUBY 5513 0732 or 0413 945 478.



**An interesting letter we received..** On Saturday Boxing Day 26-12-09, our weekend bus driver Henry was stopped and tested by the police breathalyser unit at 9.10 am in Ducat Street. But our Henry had no need to worry he came through with flying colours. ( Name supplied)



*We think this is a first, and a bit unusual pulling up a bus of old folk, with a first class driver.*

**A WORD FROM JOHN YOUR TV HELPER 'ETC'.** I believe channel nine (NBN) have a new transmitter, now is a good time to scan (retune) your digital channels, or call me **5599 7984**. Is there anyone who could donate a standard **definition 'set top box'** they no longer need, we need one for the TV in the hall. I will install it. If anyone has a lamp heirloom! That holds the old 'bc' bulbs? I can convert them for you if you wish. *John Worrall*

**THANK YOU.** I would like to say a very big thank to **Harry & Myrna** for the great job they did of the 'Cobba News' last month. Harry stepping in, putting his thinking cap on, and helping out, really solved a problem when I became ill and not able to do the Cobba news. I am making progress and look forward to a better year health wise in 2010. All the wonderful help and concern shown to us, over the last few months, only confirmed my love of the village and the wonderful people who show so much compassion, to all folks in times of need. **Kath Ashby**

**JEAN & LAWRIE SOUTHWAY**— would like to thank the many residents of Cobaki for their kind wishes and offers of help during Lawrie's recent trip to Tweed Hospital for the fitting of a stent in his esophagus. The recovery is going well. We live in a really wonderful village.

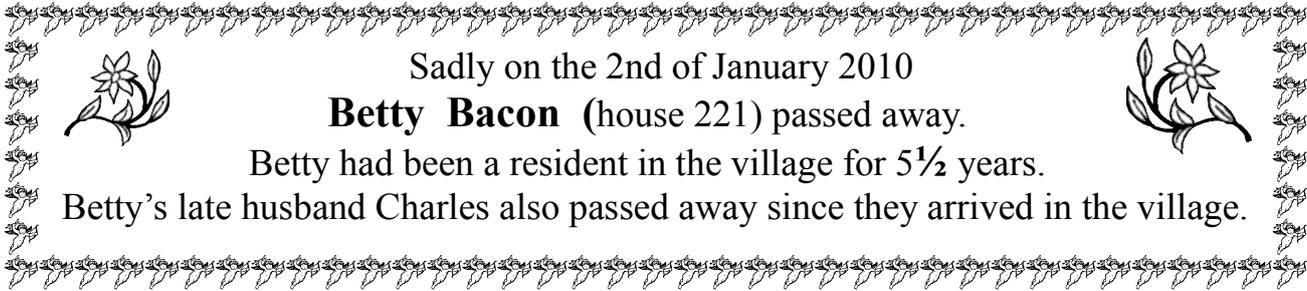
**A LITTLE SMILE FFOR YOU.**

Margaret McManus, just had a visit to her son down south and it meant changing planes 3 times. This will bring a little smile to you face. No trouble until on the returning journey, being country understandably it was a small plane. Margaret only had carry on luggage, they popped the bag on the scales and it was a kilo over, the lass very nicely explained it was company rules and she would need to remove the kilo out of the bag. Margaret being very obliging and removed her toilet bag out and placed it in her handbag making everyone very happy.

If you would like something in the 'Cobba News' all you need to do is put it in writing and drop it into Box 140. All letters **MUST** be signed. The closing date is 20th of the month. We do appreciate all items given to us and we do our best to share your news with the residents.

The March edition will be out at the beginning of March just two weeks away, this is due to the AGM. We always put the first 'Cobba News' out after the AGM.

**One of the keys to happiness is a bad memory.** ( think about it!)

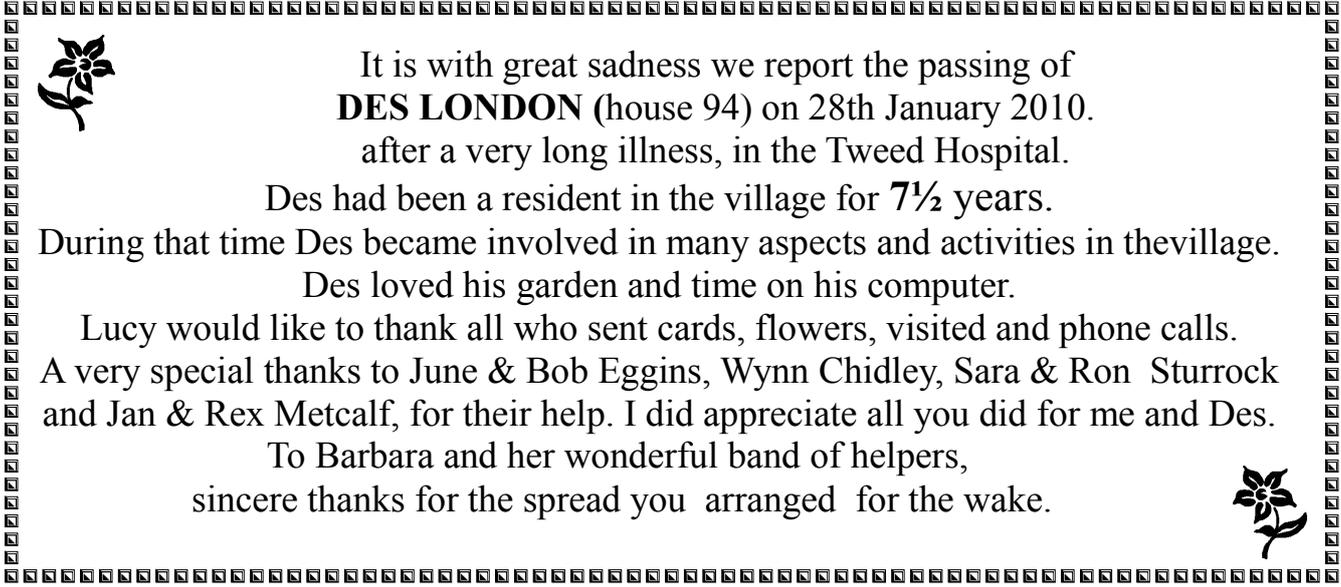


Sadly on the 2nd of January 2010

**Betty Bacon** (house 221) passed away.

Betty had been a resident in the village for 5½ years.

Betty's late husband Charles also passed away since they arrived in the village.



It is with great sadness we report the passing of  
**DES LONDON** (house 94) on 28th January 2010.  
after a very long illness, in the Tweed Hospital.

Des had been a resident in the village for 7½ years.

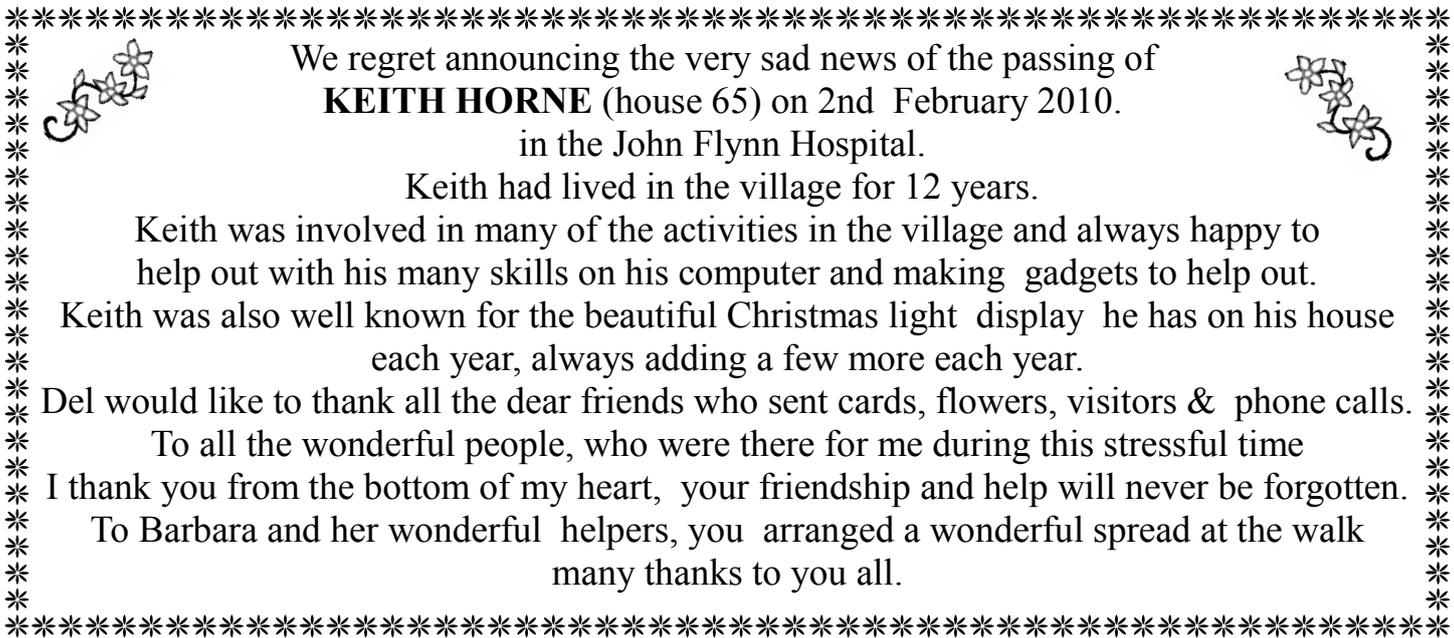
During that time Des became involved in many aspects and activities in the village.

Des loved his garden and time on his computer.

Lucy would like to thank all who sent cards, flowers, visited and phone calls.

A very special thanks to June & Bob Eggins, Wynn Chidley, Sara & Ron Sturrock and Jan & Rex Metcalf, for their help. I did appreciate all you did for me and Des.

To Barbara and her wonderful band of helpers,  
sincere thanks for the spread you arranged for the wake.



We regret announcing the very sad news of the passing of

**KEITH HORNE** (house 65) on 2nd February 2010.

in the John Flynn Hospital.

Keith had lived in the village for 12 years.

Keith was involved in many of the activities in the village and always happy to help out with his many skills on his computer and making gadgets to help out.

Keith was also well known for the beautiful Christmas light display he has on his house each year, always adding a few more each year.

Del would like to thank all the dear friends who sent cards, flowers, visitors & phone calls.

To all the wonderful people, who were there for me during this stressful time

I thank you from the bottom of my heart, your friendship and help will never be forgotten.

To Barbara and her wonderful helpers, you arranged a wonderful spread at the walk  
many thanks to you all.

**MESSAGE FROM MANAGEMENT.**

Residents are at all times responsible for their visitors and must abide by the village rules.

At no time are visitors allowed to bring their dog or cat into the village

**SPEED:** Residents must make their visitors aware of our speed limit.

**MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT IS 15KM for everyone.**

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