

# COBBA NEWS

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## SOCIAL CLUB COMMITTEE 2012.

Bruce Kettle (Vic Pres) Denise Wall (Tres) Trish McKinley (Pres) Betty Lafferty (Sec)  
Back row— Jim Gwynn Bill Lafferty Bruce Wall ( Bar licensee)

**REPORT ON THE AGM..** This was well attended, with the meeting starting on time. The Reports were read by the President Trish McKinley & Treasurer Denise Wall. Our financial report showed that the Club is doing very well. Trish Thanked Norma Wood for the 4 years she had been on the committee. Questions were taken from the floor and answered. Dianne Pepper was elected as Auditor. A vote was taken on having a half yearly meeting and it was decided not to have one. The next AGM will be 20th January 2013.

Meeting closed and drinks were served along with a sausage sizzle enjoyed by all.

**SOCIAL CLUB NEWS..** Committee will be away from the 6th to the 16th February  
**Happy Hours** 3rd Feb.. 24th Feb. Nothing on 10th Feb.

**Tavern night** will be on 17th Feb. pies etc are now on sale at Tavern nights.

There will be a list of all the functions in your letter box this week.

**SATURDAY MORNING RAFFLES..** These have started again and will continue while the committee are away.

**HALL BOOKING.** Chris Pooley only house 3. 55998198

Pres.. *Trish*



## LEADERS OF ACTIVITIES

HALL BOOKINGS. CHRIS POOLEY 5599 8198

<u>CANASTA</u> JOY ROACH	5599 7359	<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> MARY COLGATE	5599 7506
<u>COMPUTER CLUB</u> MAC JONES	5599 7401	<u>SINGLE LADIES</u> JEAN CARTER	5599 9273
<u>TRIVIA NIGHT</u> MYRNA HUGHES	55997061	<u>POKIE BUS TRIPS</u> PAM CURRY	55997097
<u>GARDENING</u> ROSS DAVIS	5599 7576	<u>GENTLE EXERCISE</u> DENISE MORTON	5599 8956
<u>CROQUET</u> HANNAH SHARPE	5599 7013	<u>LAWN BOWLS</u> VIC RICHARDSON	5599 7516
<u>SNOOKER</u> RODNEY CATON	5599 9272	<u>AQUA AEROBICS</u> TESS FALISZEWSKI	5599 7487

All the activities are back in full swing now. Everyday we have something for you to do, why not "*give it a go*", you may be surprised. I know you will be made most welcome. ***Harry***



**BINGO** is back and in full swing We meet every **MONDAY 1-30pm**. Those people who are not feeling the best, we wish you a speedy recovery. Any new residents who would like to try their luck would be most welcome, we have a very happy group. The hall is vacant at 1-00pm, the games commence at 1-30pm. Admission is \$5. A nice cup of tea and a chat rounds off the afternoon very nicely. ***Jean & Lillian***



**TRIVIA:-** We're back for another year of Brain Strain, (more like brain fun I guess) The Christmas Party went off well although we didn't expect so many people to turn up. I hope you all continue to support us in 2012. Without you it doesn't work. The Three Sisters will see you on **Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Feb at 6.30 pm** in the Rec Hall.

***Myrna, Doreen & Maureen***



**CANASTA** We have continued our card days right through the holiday season and it is pleasing to know from the numbers attending, that our members do enjoy their weekly game, especially those whose families are not nearby and consequently haven't had any special holiday plans. Now that we are at the beginning of a brand new year, there must be residents who have made new year resolutions to expand their interests and do something new. Why not come along and try Canasta? Even if you have not played for years, it's like riding a bike, you never forget and it will all come back to you with a little prompting and assistance.

**WED.- 1.00 p.m. start, 4.30 p.m. finish, with a break for afternoon tea. *Joy***



**COBAKI LAWN BOWLERS:** Well here we are into another year and already we have had a great bowls day out. On January 15th we had a Mystery Bowls Day, which took us to Nimbin Club where we enjoyed a BBQ breakfast & Chinese Lunch. Unfortunately the weather wasn't on the side of the bowlers, but they did manage to get a few ends in eventually. Everyone was so friendly and all that went enjoyed a wonderful day. From us all, a big '*Thank you*' to our President, Vic, for organising the trip. We are all hoping for a return bowls day - hopefully with better weather, in the future. Our next day out is on **Sunday, February 19th to Ocean Shores**. This will be our second trip to this club and are looking forward to going back again. List for names is already on the notice board. **Cost for Bowls & Lunch \$20. Lunch only \$12.** Both names & money are due by **Wednesday, February 15th**. Don't forget that March 25th we visit Condong Bowls to defend our Legacy Day Trophy. More on that later. Monthly meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month. Please keep a check on the notice board for all information. For any new residents interested in joining the club you can contact **Vic 55997516 or Jim 55998956**



**Cobaki Croquet Club**, thanks the generosity of park management. We meet every Wednesday and Saturday morning from 8.30am on the lawns overlooking the lake opposite the Dennis King Centre. New players are always welcome, so why not come along and give mallet sport games a try. All the equipment is provided. Its a very passive sport that combines both exercise for the mind and body, whilst at the same time a good

excuse for a "walk and talk" with very friendly company in the early morning sunshine and fresh air. Please remember that these facilities are there for **ALL** Village residents and their friends, so if you just want a "hit around" ring me on 55997013. This year we are planning for some exciting times with visits to other local croquet clubs and return visits from them. Overnight trips are also on the agenda.

Keep Swinging **Hannah**



**LIBRARY:** HELLO, We hope you all had a wonderful festive season and did not indulge too much food. Don't forget we are open all daylight hours 365 days a year. If you go through the jig-saws or magazines, please leave them the way you found them [neat and tidy]. Please put all books on the trolley then Jim or myself can put them away in their correct place. We seem to have a lot of CD's out would you please check and see if you have any of ours, or maybe you have some that you will no longer use, we would be pleased to add them to our library.

Bye for now. **Ian**



**COMPUTERS:** Did you notice Wikipedia being off the 'net for a day? They did it themselves in protest against SOPA (Stop Online Piracy Act) which Obama is trying to push through the U.S. Congress. The proposals in that Act are really draconian and would give Obama (and the myriads of beaurocrats who work under him) the power to shut down any website he doesn't like, on the grounds of it being "dangerous to society". Think of some of the things published on Facebook and the other "Social" sites. Definitely "dangerous". So, Wham! No Facebook! There are a lot of "alternative news" sites in America which Big Government does not like. They would be sure to go. It would be total censorship at it's worst. I wonder if their is any point in approaching our MP about it? At the recent CES trade show (the biggest in the Northern hemisphere) Microsoft showed a demo PC with Windows 8. It has 'tiles' instead of the usual Start menu. Observers seemed quite impressed. MS have a new phone coming with Win 8 - and 'tiles'. Are they thinking 'get a new PC with 'tiles' and when you get a new phone as well. . .why not get one with the same 'tiles' system so there's no great learning curve'? And I wonder if there may be a new Tablet computer coming fairly soon? With 'tiles', of course! **We Meet Fri.10.am in D K Centre**

**Mac**



**EXERCISE:** Hi everyone! Another year started and already a month gone by. We only had one weeks break over the festive season, so basically it was carry on from where we left off, perhaps with a few extra kilos though, after all the extra goodies we all had. For any new people to the village who enjoy meeting people, having fun, and needing a kick start to the morning, come along and give our exercise programme a go. Join us to 'Walk away the Pounds'. We are in the Rec Hall on **Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 7.15am - 7.45am. Wednesday mornings from 7.00am - 7.45am.**

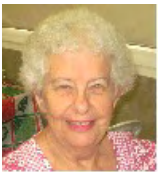
Come along and join in the fun. **Denise**





**CRAFT:** Hi everyone, my didn't the time go fast since the last Cobaki report. I hope you are all refreshed and ready for a bright new year. Our group of crafties, did not take a break, and we kept our group going with a reduced number, still managing to have a really good social time together. We started off the year with a lovely New year lunch, and what a spread it was, phew! Such lovely food and good company,

and a high old time was had by all. Most of our members are now back and looking for new ideas for their projects for this year. We were approached by a lady from the cancer council, asking for volunteers to knit slippers (wool and pattern supplied) if any of you ladies out there would like to help you can ring Daphne on 55999200, preferably after 5pm. Many of our crafty ladies are helping out such a good cause. Hope to see you at craft soon. Mary Colgate



**SINGLE LADIES** It is lovely to see our members back with renewed energy for another year of socializing! Our 'tripping' this year commences with a bus trip to the Seabird Rescue Centre near Ballina and Turtle Beach on **Mon 20 Feb**. If you are interested just watch the notice board for details. Cost of trip is \$35 with morning tea/lunch included. A four day trip is planned to the Granite Belt at the end of April. More next month about that! Looming on the horizon is NSW **Seniors Week** from 18<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup> March and there are trips during that week, which we go on. Plus, of course, there are always activities in the village to attend. Single ladies, come and join us – we have some laughs as well as morning tea and chats, we arrange to go to various shows, usually Twin Towns and we 'lunch' once a month at various venues. See you next month. Jean



Now these two very camera shy ladies, who were very reluctant to have their photos taken are **Barbara Grisdale** and **Freda Wilcocks**. The promise of a lolly they agreed to pose for the camera! These two ladies are the leaders of the group who put on those wonderful spreads at 'Wakes' of residents.

They do an excellent job and always on short notice.

Many thanks to you both.



Leaders of all the activities and their partners were invited to a social get together on Sunday January 22nd in the hall. This was to say thank you for all the time and effort they have put in over the last year, keeping all these activities going. It also introduced the leaders to each other. The dinner was enjoyed by about forty people who sat down to a lovely meal, put on by Trish and her merry band of helpers.

On behalf of all the leaders, I would like to say a big **thank you** and well done.

It was a very nice thought.

Harry

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.

This is an urgent request to all residents in the village for your help in trying to get a local support group for MND. You ask what is MND? Julie Dicks, house 79, has been struck down with this illness. The following is from the letter Julie had read for her at the Australia Day luncheon, asking for our help in this small but important way.

Being a sufferer, I describe it as a most horrible and degrading illness that has taken away my speech and ability to eat, but nothing is wrong with my brain or hearing.

Motor neurone has been around for 120 years yet no one has ever found what causes it, there is no cure, no treatment just no hope. This is due to lack of research funding due to the small amount of people suffering with this illness. There is a need of some funding. I am in the process of organising a 'WALK TO D'FEET MND', there is no local group but Gold Coast MND has advised me they would be happy to be involved. It will be in May and walk from Tweed through to Greenmount. Date to be advised.

Many people in the village have said to let them know if we need help. If you would like to be involved in any way drop a note with name & phone number into box 79.

Thank you for your support.. Julie Dicks Box 79



A mechanic was removing a cylinder head from the motor of a Harley motorcycle. When he spotted a well-known heart surgeon in his shop.

The surgeon was there, waiting for the service man to come and take a look at his bike. The mechanic shouted across the garage, "Hey, Doc, can I ask you a question?" The surgeon a bit surprised, walked over to the mechanic working on the motorcycle. The mechanic straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and asked,

"So Doc, look at this engine. I open its heart, take valves out, fix 'em, put 'em back in, and when I finish, it works just like new. So how come I get such a small salary and you get the really big bucks, when you and I are doing basically the same work?"

The surgeon paused, smiled and leaned over, and whispered to the mechanic...

"Try doing it with the engine running."



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## YOUR ITEMS FOR COBBA NEWS.

If there is something that you would like put in the Cobba News, all you have to do is drop a note into Box 140 with your request. We like to hear of any funny event that has happened or a special birthday or anniversary. Maybe you have a photo that would be of interest to the residents, these will all be returned to you. All notes must be signed, names do not have to go in the paper, we never acknowledge anonymous notes. The closing date for all items is the **20th of every month**, we try to get the paper out at the beginning of each month.

We are also interested in including each month any ideas that you think would be of help to residents.

A good trade person is hard to find these days. That is why it is nice to put a good word in for somebody that you are pleased with. Who has done a good job at a reasonable cost. So bear it in mind, if you have had a good job done, let us know.

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Is your fence looking a bit worse for wear, mine was until I contacted JOHN KONING. I found him very reasonable, and he made a very good job of replacing it. He can supply and erect all types of fence, he even paints them. John can be contacted on 02 66764629 or his mobile 0431318446 Don't forget before doing any alterations, you must notify the office, you have a lot of pipes and cables underground in your garden. *Harry 201*

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Should any resident need any steelworks, I recommend **B.W.C. Stainless** at unit 6/25 Machinery Drive, or you can phone BRAD or BRENDON on 0414336897. I recently had a trailer enclosed. They did a great job at a very reasonable price. *Bruce Wall 193*

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**HANDYMAN** .. If you are looking for a good handyman...great worker and very reliable. He can turn his hand to anything and everything. I can highly recommend him.

He is **BRUCE ROBINSON 5523 3954** or mobile **0407 454 761**. *Margie 82*

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### **GETTING YOUR GARDEN READY FOR THE AUTUMN WITH ROSS**



With this heavy rain I have let my garden grow all the cover crops to hold all the nutrient in the soil. Heavy rain just leaches the soil real bad in the period of rain storms. Now is the time to clean out your garden of all the spent plants. Use some good mulch & put Blood and Bone mix all over your garden and lightly hoe to work it into the top layer of soil; Find your favourite flower or vegetable plants and plant out as soon as the weather pattern is finished. *Happy Gardening Ross*

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People born before 1946 were called **The Silent generation**.

People born between 1946 and 1964 are called **The Baby Boomers**.

People born between 1965 and 1979 are called **Generation X**.

And people born between 1980 and 2012 are called **Generation Y**.

Why do we call the last group Generation Y?

Y should I get a job?

Y should I leave home and find my own place?

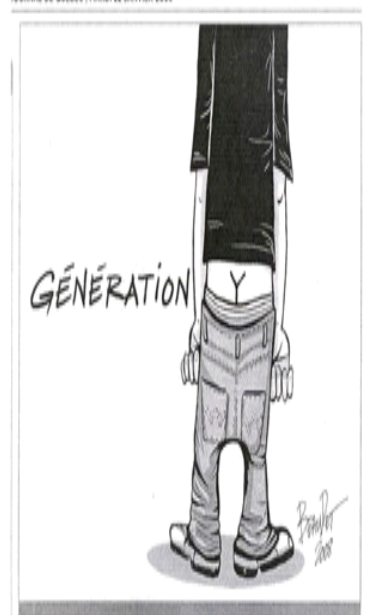
Y should I get a car when I can borrow yours?

Y should I clean my room?

Y should I wash and iron my own clothes?

Y should I buy any food?

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Sadly we report the passing of

**TONY BARBER** house 302

on 1st January 2012 in the Tweed Hospital.

Tony was one of our early residents arriving here in 1995.

His health hadn't been good for sometime.

He enjoyed his fishing and picking a winner on the races.

Kath would like to thank everyone for their kind condolences at this very sad time.



It is with sadness we bring you the news of the passing of

**HANNAH TREGASKES** house 101

on 2nd January 2012 in the Tweed Nursing Centre.

Hannah's health had been failing for sometime. Bryan passed away last year, they were the first couple to marry in the village. They arrived here 13 years ago.

Hannah was well know in the village, she was a very friendly lady and loved to have a chat.



Sadly we report the passing of

**BOB EGGINS** house 93

Bob passed away at home on 14th January 2012.

Bob was one of the early residents, being here 17 years.

Bob was struck down with an illness that ended his battle for life.

Bob was involved in many of the activities and saw the village grow over those years.

Bob loved his Bowls and had played for many years.

Bob also was a very active member of Surf Life Saving for over 40years

June would like to thank friends and neighbours for their cards, kindness and help in her hour of need.



We report the sad passing of

**BILL KINSON** house 139

Bill passed away in hospital on 28th January 2012.

Bill had been in bad health for a long time.

Bill had been in the village 4½ years.

Bill loved his garden, and enjoyed pottering around in it.

Shirley would like to thank her neighbours for their kindness and help.



## MESSAGE FROM MANAGEMENT.

**Re-SKIP..** Please do **NOT** place any large items in the skip. eg: mattresses fridges, washing machines or items from renovations. Also never place any food item in the skip.

**NEWSPAPER PAYMENTS..** Please add your **house number** to the front of the envelope with your payment in before placing it in the payment box.

### A FUN DANCE /FITNESS CLASS



Don't sit at home alone, wondering what you can Do to buck your self up. well here is something you can try, you will be very surprised how much fun you can have once you get out and join others.

Yes we have something new starting in the village on MONDAY evenings 6.00 to 7.00pm. This is a real fun time as you get fit and have an enjoyable time with friends. The cost is \$8 and the instructor is Rowena S.A.T.D. For more information see Anne in the office and she will be able to fill you in on more about this very popular activity. Never sit home alone, join in.

### FORGETTER BE FORGOTTEN?

My forgetter's getting better, but my rememberer is broke.

To you that may seem funny—but, to me that is no joke.

For when I'm "here" I'm wondering if I really should be "there"

And when I try to think it through-I haven't got a prayer!

Oft times I walk into a room, say 'what am I here for?

I wrack my brain, but all in vain! A zero, is my score.

At times I put something away— where it is safe, but, Gee!

The person it is safest from is generally, me!

When shopping I may see someone, say 'Hi' and have a chat

Then, when the person walks away— I ask myself, "who the hell was that?"



### ROCK & ROLL AFTERNOON ON 26TH FEBRUARY AT 3.00PM.



Mike our gardener and a mate will be providing live music. If you haven't heard them play before you have been missing something really great.

It's a BYO drinks and nibbles in the hall.

You can dance -dance-dance all afternoon, then if you like, cook a BBQ to finish the day.

There will be a notice on the notice board to remind you. Everyone welcome.

To all our residents who are in poor health, we do hope that you are on the mend.

Happy Birthday to those lucky people .

Kath Ashby & Harry Baines

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