

COBBA NEWS

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SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Hello, it's that time again when I have to write a report for the Cobba news. We have had a few things happening, as the dishwasher had decided to play up and the hot water urn is also on the blink! What's the third thing to happen I hear you asking. Well my home phone is out of order. By the time you read this all should be up and running again. Thanks to management for footing the repair bill for the dishwasher. It was a shame and disappointing, that the numbers were down for Mothers Day, as we put a lot of effort into make it a nice day for all to enjoy. Thanks to all who attended and we hope you enjoyed the day as much as we did.

TAVERN NIGHTS, are popular with our Chef Chris working his magic in the kitchen, he turns out some lovely suppers for us to enjoy. Now the weather is turning cooler we will see some more soups on the Tavern menu.

HAPPY HOURS. During the winter months Chris and I are going to join our cooking skills together and turn out a few new dishes for the menu. Lamb Shanks will be on the menu very soon. After discussions with the owner of PKG we now have our foam packaging back for our fish and chips. These are more suitable for keeping the food hot. Thanks to Jeff for his effort in getting the foam containers back again. If there is any other reason why the fish and chip orders are down, please let me know. The fish & chip shop wants to keep our custom.

Well it's happened at last! When you read this I will be an aged pensioner! John and I will also be celebrating our 20th year living at Cobaki Village and I must say that we have enjoyed every minute of this time and have made some wonderful friends during the years. I would like to say thanks to everyone for your support of the Social Club and hope we can continue to share some good times together.

Kind regards *Trish*





DON'T MISS THIS

'A BLAST FROM THE PAST'

PRESENTED BY

'COBAKI LITTLE THEATRE'



JULY.. Saturday 4th & Sunday afternoon 5th.



COST ..\$5



BYO drinks & Nibbles.

It will be a time of comedy skits, singing & dancing.

You will be entertained from start to finish.



When your booking slip arrives



Return it as soon as possible by placing it in the

'Theatre Group Box' at the front of the mail boxes.

Bring family and friends with you.

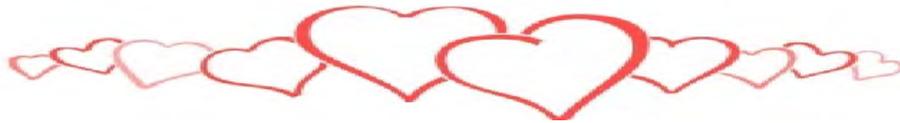
For new folks in the village, these performers

will surprise you with their skills.





Our happy couple are **Maureen and Ivan** who are getting married on Saturday June 13th at 11 o'clock, on the lawn near the croquet court. The service will be conducted by the Salvation Army. This is not the first wedding we have had in the village. It will be the 8th. Maureen has been in the village 12 years and Ivan 6 years. The reception will be held in the village hall. We do wish them all the very best for their lives ahead. We are sure that it is going to be a very happy one.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS



KAREN & BRUCE BELL have moved into house **77**. They have crossed the border coming from Nerang, where they were on acreage. Karen is interested in arty type hobbies, while Bruce finds fishing one of the hobbies he enjoys. He is busy putting their mark on their new home. They have family in the village.



PEGGY MANGAN & son GEOFF, are settled into house **188**. They were living very close to the village before their move. Peggy is a war widow and has been involved with many groups & clubs connected with the RSL. Bruce is also making a few changes around the house to suit them. They both love their rugby. Very hard to get them to leave the house when it's on telly.

A LITTLE POEM TO BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY!

Another year has passed
And we're a little older
Last summer felt hotter
Winter seems much colder

There was time not long ago
When life was quite a blast
Now I fully understand
About living in the past.

We used to go to weddings
Football games and lunches
Now we go to funeral homes
And after funeral brunches

We used to have hangovers
From parties that were gay
Now we suffer body aches
And while the time away.

We used to go out dancing
And couldn't get our fill
Now we ask for doggie bags
Come home and take a pill



We used to go to night clubs
And drink a little booze
Now we stay home at night
And watch the evening news

That, my friend is how life is
And now my tale is told
Enjoy each day and live it up
Before you're too damned old



GARDENING WITH ROSS

June already. Now we start looking at which vegetables and flowers grow the best at this cold time of our year. In the vegetable garden you can plant, potatoes, beetroot, silver beet, spinach and all the cabbage, cauliflower and broccoli varieties. Now I know lots of people do not like the last three vegetables underlined. There are lots of exciting ways of cooking them. They have the most food value for our age group (young ones, Ha-ha).



In the flower garden there are lots of seedling' available that all grow well in our climate. Alyssum comes in many colours, but white makes the best border, another border that looks great is parsley--- yes parsley, put in about twenty plants along your front garden, you will get a green hedge that set off any garden well. Smiles and happy Gardening **Ross**.

THANK YOU I would like to say a big thank you to Denise Morton ,Jean Carter and all their helpers for the **BIG MORNING TEA** for Cancer. It was great to see so many of our residents taking part and helping raise a good amount. Congratulations all and thank you. We look forward to next year . **Maggie 106.**

CAR CLEANING I have just had my car cleaned inside & out by Wayne and as usual a first rate job, almost like a new car. His attention to detail is amazing and his prices are very reasonable. Very highly recommended. Find him on **0412 768530 Myrna 150**



BIRTHDAY THANKS I wish to thank all my friends that helped celebrate my 80th Birthday. Where do I start? Firstly, thanks to Bruce, Denise and Neil for setting out the afternoon program which was joyful, and fun. To Alex who entertained us with jokes and song along with Maureen. Owen and Lyn, who delayed their holiday plans to show off their new dance moves, and to Trish and helpers who supplied us with tasty nibbles. Not forgetting the people behind the bar that kept us watered throughout the afternoon. Finally, for all the best wishes, cards and gifts I received. You all helped me share the great occasion, the memories will stay with me for ever. **Fred Torrie (Freddie)**



Paddy and Shamus were hitchhiking. "It's best if we split up", said Paddy. " I will meet you in the city under the town hall clock". Later that night Shamus was at the appointed place when Paddy drove up in a real swanky car. "Where the hell did you get that?" Paddy explained that he had just walked a little way when a beautiful woman picked him up. She drove into the woods got out and took all her clothes off. "She said I could have anything I wanted, so I took the car," said Paddy" Good choice too," said Shamus. " You'd look ridiculous in her clothes."



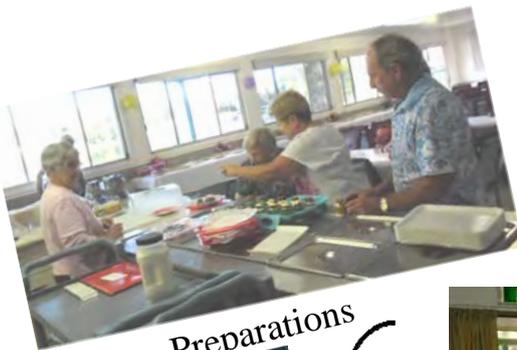
BIGGEST MORNING TEA

After a lot of preparation, time and effort, it was all worth while.
With this wonderful result! **‘Raising \$1850 on the day’.**

After the doors opened just prior to 9.30am, it was a frenzy. Well over 150 people came along with their gold coin donations to enjoy the morning. Lucky door prizes, raffles also a competition to give the friendly ‘little’ owl a name “Bright Eyes”. Stalls of donated goods on display for sale. What a variety. Freshly made cakes, slices scones etc. Morning tea tables filled by donated plates of cake, sandwiches etc. Great assortment. Sorry about the hot water, what a day for the hot water urn to stop boiling! We managed with borrowed kettles. Our kettle helpers soon had everything under control. To all our helpers ‘A big **THANK YOU**’. Your help is much appreciated. Finally, to all who supported us with this very worthy cause, to help cancer research a massive **THANK YOU. COBAKITES—YOU’VE DONE IT AGAIN!**

We will be back next year with our helpers to do it all again.

Thanks again. *Denise & Jean* (pictured above)



Preparations



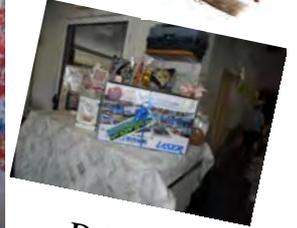
Jean & Denise with the representative from the cancer research



A few photos of the successful Big Morning Tea.



Prizes



Prizes



Have a look you may be among the photos.

LEADERS OF ACTIVITIES

HALL BOOKINGS—CHRIS POOLEY 55998198

CANASTA JOY ROACH 55997359	LIBRARY IAN POOLEY	55998198
INDOOR BOWLS JIM MORTON 55998956	BINGO JEAN BRUNT	55998321
THEATRE TRISH McKINLEY 55999571	CRAFT MARY COLGATE	55997506
COMPUTER STEWART McLEOD 55999029	SINGLE LADIES CAROLYN BELL	55999428
TRIVIA MYRNA HUGHES 55997061	KEEPING FIT CHRISTINE HALL	55999003
GARDENING ROSS DAVIS 55997576	LAWN BOWLS JIM MORTON	55998956
CROQUET GRAHAM MAHONEY 55998802	SNOOKER TREVOR HARDY	55997417

SOCIAL GOLF MAGGIE SYNON 5599758

WATER AEROBICS JEANETTE JORDON 0414851217



GOLF CROQUET Golf Croquet is played on the lawns overlooking the lake from 8.30am every Saturday morning. It's a great game for both the mind and body and everyone is invited to come along and give it a try. Our very friendly team is on hand to look after you. Ricochet will also be played on the lawns on Sundays from 1pm and Wednesdays from 10-00am. be contacted on **5599 9218**. John and Joan will be there to show you the finer points of the game. They can be contacted at **5599 9218**. I was speaking to a resident the other day who could no longer do lawn bowls or golf because of physical problems but after a short session of croquet he realized that he could now continue to play a game that would keep him outdoors. Perhaps this story could also apply to **YOU**. By the way the last monthly prize of a fully escorted drive in a yellow limo around the beautiful Piggabeen country side was won by Tony from the land of the little ornaments. He is primarily a snooker player but I am sure that we can win him over to the thrills of roquetting balls and running hoops. That's all until next month.

Graham



KEEPING FIT CLASS June already, halfway through the year, how can that be? It's very rewarding to see our class members continuing to be regular and enthusiastic attendees, and recently we have welcomed a couple of additional ladies to our mornings all the more the merrier! Hope to see some more new faces during the winter, you'll feel better for it when summer returns, I guarantee.

MON WED FRI 7.00am to 7.45am

Christine



LADIES GROUP Our trip to the Outback Spectacular was very good and we were lucky that the rain was only very light! All who went enjoyed the evening. For our May trip we will be visiting the Robotic Dairy, near Beaudesert and we are looking forward to a day in the country. Some of us helped with the Biggest Morning Tea, which was held on 12th May. There is a report on that morning elsewhere in this paper. Otherwise we have been very quiet this month! We meet Wednesdays 10AM in the Hall – come along and join us for a chat and morning tea (of course).

Caroline



TRIVIA A good turn out this month. The more people the more fun! Make up a team of up to 4 (or we can help you make up a team, which is a great way to meet new best friends) AND - for only \$2 each and about 2 hours of your time you get a few lollies, some spot prizes, a Lucky Door Prize and prizes for the winning team. Of course we ask you some 'very easy' questions during the evening and seeing as none of us are Einsteins we often get some interesting or hilarious answers.. Results for May were – Winning team:- Alcopop; Lucky Door prize was Nola from Team Emu's. We meet on the **first Wednesday** of each **month at 6.30pm** in the Hall. A reminder notice is on the Social Club Board the day before. My two sisters and I invite you to come along and see what we get up to. Remember laughing is very good for your health & well-being.

Myrna



COMPUTER CLUB For those of you who shudder at the thought of a Computer Club and have visions of hi-tech talk way beyond your knowledge, please come along and find that this is far from the case. We are a 'help each other' group. Certainly not hi-tech. Have a computer question? Someone in the group can probably come up with a solution. For instance this last month we discussed, cleaning the fan in your tower, how to 'Cut & Paste' the easy way, free Movie downloads, Skype, Aviator (a very good search engine) and also Insurance, Phone plans, Bundles etc. We do not answer computer questions over the phone, you need to come along if you have a problem. Why don't you come and see what you think. **Fridays 10 am in the DKCentre.**

Stewart



INDOOR BOWLS What can I say that's different from any other month? Things are still running smoothly. Everyone enjoying their Monday mornings of fun and laughter. Now putting two mats down to make sure we all get plenty of bowling, due to the increase in numbers, not forgetting the tasty morning teas we have. Don't forget, if you are thinking of coming along and joining us, we start at **9.30 in the Rec Hall every Monday**. Start the week with friends.

Jim



CANASTA REPORT Attendance has been fairly constant but we are still hoping there are new people who are willing to "have a go". You are always assured of a few laughs and it is good to keep in touch with people we would not normally see if it weren't for our card days. So remember **WEDNESDAY** from **1.00 to 4.30pm**.

Joy



LIBRARY Thanks to FAY and JIM for looking after things while we were away on holidays. To all the people who have donated to the library a big **THANK YOU**. Don't forget if you have any CDs or good books we will gladly take them of your hands. We can never have too many.

Ian

Police stop a Pakistani in his transit van on the motorway. Policeman says "Do you know the limit is 70?" The driver leans into the back and says:
"Hear that.....3 of you have got to get out!"



COBAKI COBBA's SOCIAL LAWN BOWLS CLUB: Visited Mt Tamborine last Sunday. A club we have never been to before. Had a great trip up the mountain even though we couldn't see much for the haze. Home made cakes & a cuppa were waiting for us when we arrived. The weather cleared up and the bowlers got to go out on the green. Once again, we had a good number of bowlers. The non bowlers hopped on the bus and went out and about the area. Gallery Walk was a popular spot after the Botanical Gardens, plus the cheese factory and chocolate shops. We all enjoyed a wonderful 2 course lunch later. Back on the coach for our trip back to the village, stopping off at the road side stalls for rhubarb and gave our bowlers a chance to buy cheese and chocolates. More of a view coming back down the mountain. It was a great day. Our next outing is on **Sunday, June 21st to Pottsville**. Check notice board for list. Reminder that our next meeting will be on **Sunday, May 31st in Rec Hall** at 10.30am as agreed at the last meeting. Welcome back Pat & Norm Clarke from NZ and our new bowlers that joined us. For enquiries, please ring **5599 8956**.

Jim



CRAFT Hello everyone, I have taken over writing this report from Mary Colgate, while Mary takes up a new career, taking care of her husband, Alan, while he recovers from major surgery. We all wish him a speedy recovery and our prayers and best wishes are with you both during this recovery period. We shall miss you Mary so we do hope the time will go quickly for you.

We shall carry on with our crafty afternoon meetings, especially all the yummy afternoon teas and social get togethers. Olga will be 91 on the 20th of this month. At our meeting held on the 14th Olga assured us, that she will be here to celebrate with us on the 21st, so long as no sporting fixtures are being televised on that afternoon. Those who know Olga, know how much sporting events rule her life, apart from her craft. Please come along and join us. If you enjoy a chat and a cuppa, even if you are not up to doing any craft, we would love to see you and enjoy a laugh or too, It might brighten up our day as well as yours. We are a very friendly group. Looking forward to seeing you. We meet in the Rec Halle every

T h u r s d a y s t a r t i n g a b o u t 1 - p m .

Pam



BINGO Numbers have been up and down these last few weeks of bingo.

New residents in the village, please come along and maybe we can help you with your shopping bill, with the lucky door prize, in the way of a voucher which we raffle off once a month. Winners last month were **PAULINE** (voucher) and **Helen** a bottle of wine. We meet every **Monday 1.30pm**, we tell a few jokes and then play 10 games of Bingo, finishing with a cuppa and a chat. Just to put the world right, we fix it all. See you there.



Mick & Jean



I like long walks, especially when they are taken by people who annoy me. The only reason I would take up walking is so that I could hear heavy breathing again. I have to walk early in the morning, before my brain figures out what I'm doing. I joined a health club last year, spent about \$250 .



ROOKIES SNOOKER CLUB Pleasant surprise was in store for everybody at the May BBQ held Wednesday 13th. The president greeted members with the news that not only would the BBQ be free this month, all drinks would be as well. This made the BBQ (special thanks to Alan Schwas chief chef for the night) beer and wine especially palatable and very much appreciated by the members. The membership draw was won by Trevor Hardy (bottle of scotch) and John Noake the six pack of beer. Next BBQ **Wednesday 10th June 4pm** sheet on board soon.

A married man was having an affair with his secretary, One day they went to her place and made love all afternoon. Exhausted they fell asleep and woke at 8pm. The man hurriedly dressed and drove home. Before going inside he sprinkled green snooker cue chalk over his hands. "Where have you been?" his wife demanded. "I can't tell a lie to you" he replied "I m having an affair with my secretary and we had sex all afternoon" she looked at the chalk on his hands and said " You lying bugger! You've been playing snooker!"

Regards Garry



SOCIAL GOLF Results for May 20th at Royal Chinderah. We teed off at 10am on a beautiful day to play golf with 14 players on the course. **May's winner** was Garry Parker on a count back with 37 points from Norm Chapman 37 points. Nearest the pin 2nd shot 3rd hole winner Norm Chapman, NTP 8th hole Graham Crisp, 10th hole Garry Parker, 18th hole Bev Wagner, prize one golf ball each.

For the first time in our short history we had a 3 way tie for the NAGA Dianne Pepper, Graham Crisp and Ralph McGee all on 26 points (in fairness Dianne had an excuse having just returned from holidays in France). After the game 23 of us had an excellent meal of roasted chicken, potato bake and fresh salad with hot Turkish bread, (my fav.) Of course many drinks were enjoyed by those present before and after the meal John Mills had Norm tell us his latest golf joke, which had everybody in stitches, setting the scene for many more stories by various members. We were soon brought back to reality when fines master Cliff Boyd handed out his nightly fines, with comments to those present. All in all another great night with special thanks to Sandra Parker and Trish McKinley for preparing the outstanding roast. Remember membership is open to all village residents. We play every 3rd Wednesday of each month. See Cobaki News for contact details .

Regards Garry Parker (Filling in for Maggie &

Geoff)



A teenage boy had just passed his driving test and inquired of his father as to when they could discuss his use of the car. His father said he'd make a deal with his son, "You bring your grades up from a C to a B average, study your Bible a little and get your hair cut. Then we'll talk about the car." The boy thought about that for a moment, decided he'd settle for the offer and they agreed on it. After about six weeks his father said, "Son, you've brought your grades up and I've observed that you have been studying your Bible, but I'm disappointed you haven't had your hair cut." The boy said, "You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that, and I've noticed in my studies of the Bible that Samson had long hair, John the Baptist had long hair, Moses had long hair, and there's even strong evidence that Jesus had long hair." (You're going to love the Dad's reply!)

Sadly we report the passing of

JOHN LAURENTIUSSEN house 13



He passed away on 14th May 2015 after battling bad health for some time.

With his wife Lene they moved into the village 15 years ago,
and had been married 56 years.



Lene has moved to Kingaroy to be near her family.
She was very grateful for all the kind help she received at this sad time.

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

BAZIL RUSH house 266.



He passed away in hospital on 22nd May 2015.

He had a fall followed by more health problems. His health hasn't been good for a while.

Baz was a lovely man loved by all who knew him.

Baz and Maie have been in the village 20 years and loved every minute of it.

Maie would like to say a very big thank you to her wonderful
neighbours and friends,

who have been a great help to them both over the years.

The list of names are too long to add to this message.

Maie is going to Ballarat for a short time, then will think about the future.

Your many many friends send their condolences.



It's with sadness we bring you the passing of

BILL MARTIN house 92

He passed away in hospital on 24th May 2015.

Bill was a very friendly chap always had that happy smile
on his face when he said hello.

Bill and Margaret came into the village 8 years ago.

Margaret would like to thank everyone for their
support, condolences, help and cards.

It has been very comforting to know so many care.

Very sincere thanks.



MANAGEMENT MESSAGE

SITE AGREEMENTS As from 3rd June residents can go to the office to sign their site agreements.

SPEEDING This is still a major concern. **JUST SLOW DOWN. Lives are important.**

AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM CHECKS Martin Goldsmith will be in the village on **June 24th and 25th**. Please give him a ring and book your air conditioner into have a check, Martin has been checking our Air Conditioners for many years. Cost is \$50 per system and \$30 for any additional system in the house. Phone him on **0408423140**



A lawyer had a wife and 12 children and needed to move as his rental agreement was coming to an end for the home where he lived but was having difficulty in finding a new home. When he said he had 12 children, no one would rent a home to him because they knew that the children would destroy the home. He could not say that he had no children, he could not lie, after all, lawyers cannot and do not lie. So, he had an idea: he sent his wife for a walk to the cemetery with 11 children. He took the remaining one with him to see homes with the real estate agent. He liked one of the homes and the agent asked, "How many children do you have?" He answered "12 children." The agent asked "Where are the others?" The Lawyer answered, with a sad look, "They are in the cemetery with their mother," And that's way he was able to rent a house without lying.

MORAL: It is not necessary to lie, one has to choose the right words
Lawyers don't lie... They are creative!

COBBA NEWS. If you would like to put something in the Cobba News, all you need to do is put a note in box 140 or give us a ring. We will help all we can. Funny stories, birthdays, wedding anniversaries, anything you think others would like to know. There is only one thing we ask and that is that it is signed, we do need to know who it's from.



On his way home one night, Paddy dropped into the pub. The barman poured him a beer and asked if he wanted a ticket in a raffle. "What's it for?" asked Paddy. "It's for a poor widow with 13 children." said the barman. Paddy shook his head, "No good to me. I'd never be able to keep 'em.



We do hope that our sick folk are recovering.



Anyone have a celebration of any kind tell us about it.



The Village paper is written by residents for residents.



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