

COBBA NEWS

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Cobaki Social Club Committee



**Jean Gwynn (Treas) Trish McKinley (Pres) Bruce Kettle (Vice Pres)
Robyn Johnson Jan Riley (Sec) Jim Gwynn Mary Colgate Neil Johnson.**

**NB: Jean Gwynn has since resigned for health reasons and
Robyn Johnson is the new treasurer.**



DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS ON

SUNDAY 5TH APRIL

**TURN YOUR CLOCKS & WATCHES
BACK ONE HOUR.**



SOCIAL CLUB NEWS



Hello from your Social Club Committee. Our AGM was well attended and we would like to say a big thanks for your support. It was good to hear comments and questions from the floor. Everyone enjoyed a drink and sausage sizzle after the meeting.

Happy Hour is once again in full swing with the usual crowd attending. Even the rain didn't keep people away.

Tavern Nights, are popular with 40 to 50 residents attending and enjoying 'Chef Chris' yummy light suppers he cooks for us. Thanks Chris. Please note that take-aways on Tavern nights are not available until all people attending are served. As Chris is away on Tavern night 13th March we will be having fish and chips \$6 each. Please have your orders in by Wednesday 11th March. A reminder will be on the notice board closer to the time.

Memberships There are still some outstanding memberships. If you wish to renew your membership please do so now. Our Secretary, Jan has done a remarkable job getting all badges printed and getting memberships up to date.

We are going to have Sunday afternoon entertainment with Michael King who is a very talented entertainer. The bar will be open with cheese and biscuits provided. Yes there will be a dance floor. More information about that later. Stay happy, regards Trish (Pres)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS



When we visited **ROSLYN AND GARY BLAIN** at house **83**, they were very busy with the renovations they decided on doing. It will be just as they want in a short time. They only moved the short distance from Bilambil Heights. Some of Roslyn's hobbies are decoupage, gardening and macramé Gary is the handyman around the house.



now

We welcome **RUTH WILLIAMS** into house **241**. She travelled from Newcastle to join us. Ruth loves a game of canasta and has already joined in with the canasta group. She has very good friends in here Joan & Arthur Mears as well as family near by. When we went to visit Ruth earlier she was in hospital, but is home and all is well.



JOHANNA AND CHRIS HOOK are now settled into house **324**, moving from Mudgeeraba QLD. They are a couple who like activity, with their swimming, bike riding, dancing and not forgetting caravanning. They have been to Happy Hours and meeting up with new people as well as organising some alterations to their new home.

We thank our new residents for giving us the time to have a chat and explaining a few things about the village. It is always a delight meeting new people.



Paddy shouts frantically into the phone
"My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only two minutes apart!"
"Is this her first child?" asks the Doctor.
"No", shouts Paddy, "this is her husband!"

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	0416064664
TRIVIA MYRNA HUGHES 55997061	GARDENING ROSS DAVIS	55997576
KEEPING FIT CHRISTINE HALL 55999003	LAWN BOWLS JIM MORTON	55998956
CROQUET GRAHAM MOHONEY 55998802	SNOOKER TREVOR HARDY	5997417
SOCIAL GOLF MAGGIE SYNON 55997586		
WATER AEROBICS JEANNETTE JORDON 0414851217		



WATER AEROBICS. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL. With the new year comes a new lease on life and what better way to start your day then in the pool. Exercising while seeing rainbows, watching the birds, having a good laugh and making new friendships. We are having a great start to the year with lots of new members with all types of disabilities, deafness, new knees and hips, bad backs and Arthritis. They are all finding great relief by doing exercise in the water as it does not put stress on your joints. So why not come along and join us, everyone, male and female are welcome. We exercise 7am to 8am Monday to Friday.

Jeannette



INDOOR BOWLS. Welcome back to all our members. Also welcome to our new bowlers. A great start to another year! Each week the fun and laughter goes on. Lots of chatting, laughing, and catching up. Some weeks, we have to have two mats down to make sure everyone gets plenty of bowling. Not forgetting morning tea! To keep everyone under control I now have a 'Quack R Duck' whistle. Quack! Quack! Good for a laugh! For anyone in the village who would like to join us, meet at the Rec Hall from 9.30am - 11.30am on Mondays and see how easy it is. No experience necessary! See you there

Jim



BINGO. Everyone seemed to have a good Christmas and New Year, and now it's back to bingo once again. We have a few new players which is good, and we managed to raise the lucky door prize, from two to three gifts. We would like to thank Kathie for giving Jean a hand and also Penny for volunteering to help out when we go to Port Macquarie for a few days.

We meet in the Hall on a Monday at 1-30 sharp. *Jean and Mick*



LIBRARY. If you have any D.V.D.'s Please think about donating them to our library, Please leave them on the trolley. Thanks to JIM & FAY for all your help. Thank you for all your comments re- the condition of the library. We can't put the books in shelves in alphabetical order, we would be there all day. *Ian*



COBAKI SOCIAL LAWN BOWLS CLUB. I would like to thank everyone for attending the AGM at the beginning of February. I was once again nominated for President, with Denise as Secretary. We would like to welcome **Lyn Crisp** as our newly elected Treasurer, replacing Margaret. We all thank Margaret for the great effort and time she put into the club during her time as Treasurer and wish her all the very best in the future. Our first trip for the year was to Byron Bay Bowls Club. Along with a great number of bowlers & members on the coach, we also had a number of 'village people' who enjoyed their day out with us. The bowlers mixed in with Byron Bay and enjoyed their morning. For the supporters, it was a trip around Byron. Some went shopping, others tried their luck at the RSL while others relaxed back at the club prior to enjoying a tasty BBQ lunch. Everyone agreed it was a good day! We also had a surprise visit from Jeanie Southway, who was an earlier member of our club. Her family brought her to have lunch with us and a catch up with old friends. A list will be available for members re the Bowls Clubs we plan to visit throughout the year. Our next bowls day will be to Condong at the end of March, for Legacy Day. Hopefully, our bowlers can win back the Legacy Day Trophy! Following that, a visit to Cudgen towards the end of April. Our next coach trip will be to Mount Tamborine in May. Date still to be confirmed. Please check notice board monthly for more information. Please note that the dates for the away trip later in the year will be Friday, October 23rd returning Sunday, Oct. 25th Travelling to Gympie via Montville & Maleny, then to Hervey Bay, returning via Tewantin. Any further enquiries please contact Denise 55999856. A reminder that our monthly meetings are held in the Rec Hall commencing @ 10.30am on the first Sunday of each month, with the exception of April, which is Easter Sunday.

Until next time,.. Happy Bowling!

Jim



CANASTA REPORT. We have had a varying number of attendances over the holiday period but we carried on every week and are now back to normal, with only a couple of people still away. I have pleasure in welcoming two new players, Jeanette and Ruth, and we all hope that they will become permanent members of our little group. I do believe there is another person who is interested but has been a little shy to approach us. Anyone who would just like to come along and check us out is very welcome, so please do make the effort. Welcome back to Ellie, who has not enjoyed good health for some weeks but is now well on the way to being her old self again. We play every Wednesday in the hall from 1.00 to 4.30 p.m. and like to start on time, so ask that players arrive a little early to allow table placement and seating arrangements to be worked out.

Joy



ROOKIES SNOOKER CLUB 2015 has arrived much faster than perhaps we would like, already into March. Since our last newsletter we had our end of year "River and Rainforest Boat Trip) The weather started off with some rain however it didn't stop 47 enthusiastic people boarding the boat for Tumbulgum, and with the sun soon bursting through the clouds, the trip become more enjoyable. Between morning tea and, later, a surf and turf lunch, everybody had a marvellous time. Before leaving to return home we all sang happy birthday to Alex, who celebrated his 81st birthday that day .

Annual General meeting held Wednesday 28th January 2015

Chairperson Trevor Hardy opened the Annual General Meeting with 17 members present there were 10 apologies. The President opened the meeting with the snooker club's finances, covering sales and expenditure for the year 2014. He is happy with the clubs performance. While the books won't close until the end of February, the club is in a healthy position as we commence 2015. Moving on to general business, there were some vigorous discussions on various ideas and thoughts, however the main points raised and carried by a show of hands were (1) for all further trips, or shows, a deposit of one third will be required from each member. Those who attend will be reimbursed those who don't (for whatever reason) won't. (2)The club will allocate \$100 towards drinks for any member who passes away if his/her family holds a wake attended by snooker members. (3)Fees for 2015 will be \$25 for single membership and \$55 for a couple. Meeting completed, the president and committee invited those present to have a drink on the club. When you read this we would have already held our first bbq for 2015. Remember to support your snooker club. The next bbq, will be held on **11th March**, hope to see you there. Did you know that Snooker's World Governing Body has submitted a bid to be included in the 2020 Olympic Games to be held in Tokyo. 2014 was the 77th World Snooker Championship and the last ranking event for 2013/2014 season. For the first time Mark Selby won the world title by defeating defending champion Ronnie O'Sullivan 18-14. Highest break was 140 winner received £300,000. Australian Neil Robinson finished in the top 4. I was talking to my mate Mick the other day, he told me he had booked a table for Valentines Day. I said hey that's great thinking of your lady like that, "yeh" he said, hope she knows how to play snooker.

Regards Garry



CRAFT. Well this is the first report of the new year. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas, and were able to catch up with family and friends, and we also hope this is a great year for you all. We think of our dear friend Minnie at this time, as she is confined to hospital, and we pray she will soon recover and return to us at craft, because we miss you Min. We have been down in numbers in our group since Christmas, but we are hoping things will pick up soon. We have had a few birthdays in February, and we wish all the following people a belated but very happy birthday-- Freda Wilcock 2nd--June Peters 5th---Madge Karbus 10th. We hope to see some new people come along to our craft meeting. We meet at **1pm every Thursday**, and have a lovely afternoon tea about 2pm and finish up around three. We are a great bunch of ladies who just get together for a social get-together, while doing our individual craft projects. We go at our own pace and there is no pressure to have to turn up every week.

We hope we will see you there---

Mary



LADIES GROUP. We were the *Single Ladies* but are now opening membership to **ALL** the ladies in the village – hence our new name! Ladies are invited to come along to our meetings on Wednesdays 10am – we have a short meeting followed by a cuppa and lots of chats! If you decide to join us membership is \$5 a year which enables you to put your name down for any trips we organise before we open the trip to anyone in the village. We also lunch on the first Wed of the month at different venues.

Our first trip of the year was to the Tweed River Art Gallery, then lunch followed by a visit to the Tweed Museum. The next trip we have organised will be on **Wed 11th March** to the Museum of Brisbane to view “Costumes from the Golden Age of Hollywood”, a trip up the clock tower, then lunch and a short ferry ride around southern Moreton Bay. Cost \$25 includes morning tea, lunch your expense. Further details on the notice board or phone

Pat 5599 8679, house 149.



TRIVIA. We always have fun and this evening was no exception. Missing a few regulars (where were you ‘Team Shocking’) but good to see Roy & Val back again. The questions are quiet easy. Just as well as none of us are Einsteins. Our Quiz Master ‘Harry’ is still in Oz so we won’t get to many of those Yankee questions. Do come and have a look at what we do. You might find us addictive!! Winners last month were ‘Team Anzacs’ who came good late in the piece and managed to win by one little point. Lucky Door Prize was won by Anthony. Join my sisters and myself on **Weds.4th March @ 6.30pm.** love to see you,

Myrna



COMPUTERS. Well we have been talking up a storm. You really have to come and sit in for the full story, but just a few of the subjects discussed over the last few weeks were ---The new Telstra Tower which caused many of us in the Tweed area problems with our TV reception - How to edit a scanned document – Anti-Virus programs ie: MalWare – The cost of various plans, depending on what features you require and how much download you need - The New Skype set-up and very important, how to be very aware of Scammers. They can catch the smartest of us if we are not very vigilant. What we do is help one another, so if you have a problem come and see us on **Friday mornings at 10.am . You will be very welcome.**

Stew-

art



A travel agent looked up from his desk to see an old lady and an old gentleman peering in the shop window at the posters showing the glamorous destinations around the world. The agent had had a good week and the dejected couple looking in the window gave him a rare feeling of generosity. He called them into his shop: 'I know that on your pension you could never hope to have a holiday, so I am sending you off to a fabulous resort at my expense, and I won't take no for an answer. 'He took them inside and asked his secretary to write two flight tickets and book a room in a five star hotel. They, as can be expected, gladly accepted, and were off! About a month later the little old lady came into his shop. 'And how did you like your holiday?' he asked eagerly. “The flight was exciting and the room was lovely,' she said. 'I've come to thank you but, one

SOCIAL GOLF. Due to the storm early in the week and an unfortunate situation at the golf club We regrettably had to cancel our first game for 2015. We will now carry over till our next month February 18th. All members and partners made up for it at our presentation night at the Ivory Tavern. 28 attended, all voted it a very successful night. As usual the Tavern looked after us perfectly, with great meals and friendly staff. We have now purchased polo shirts for the club, the golfers will look very smart out on the course. For the first time since we started the Club we had trophies to award.

We hope we have another successful and happy year together in 2015.



The winner of the **Perpetual Trophy for 2014.**

Arthur Mears, which was kindly donated by The Ivory Tavern.

Most improved was Carol Cannon.

Our N.A.G.A. presented to Arthur Kennedy.

How good did our players look setting off on the course with our new royal blue and white polo shirts!! Our first game for 2015 saw us set off in sunshine but we soon felt the rain. Nevertheless all players managed to finish. We had 13 players, 10 men and 3 ladies. It was good to welcome a new lady member in Bev Wagner, also to see Norm Chapman's wife Joy join in for her first game with us, well done ladies. Our winners for the day were - First Bruce Wall, Nearest the pin - Bruce Wall. the Chapman Team, and Graham Crisp. Congratulations to all. 23 of us enjoyed our B.B.Q, thanks to our cooks for their effort. Our new fines master Cliff Boyd, did a first class job in catching us all out. Just watch what you say and do around Cliff!!! Our next game will be at Chinderah on **March 18th hit off 9am.**

Hope to see you all there. *Maggie & Geoff*



KEEPING FIT CLASS. Our year is well underway, and our group are looking forward to another great year ahead of us. We are continuing on the program that was put into place last year, which worked well. **Monday** is our "wakeup after the weekend" routine - we follow a straight 3 mile 'walking to the beat' video to get our week started. **Wednesday** we mix it up with a 'plan our own routine' from a selection of 15 minute segments - always a fun day with some interesting twists! **Friday** is weights day - we do half of our routine using 1kg weights (optional) - great for those flabby arms, girls!

Class numbers have improved, but we would welcome a couple of new members.

We have decided to keep our group under 10 to avoid having to move tables and chairs to make enough room before and after the class, so stop just thinking about starting an exercise plan, and come join us at the hall.

MONDAY : WEDNESDAY : FRIDAY 7.00am to 7.45am

Christine



An old Irish farmer's dog goes missing and he's inconsolable. His wife says "Why don't you put an advert in the paper?" He does, but two weeks later the dog is still missing. "What did you put in paper to find the dog" asked his wife.. "Here Boy" he replied.



GOLF CROQUET NEWS. Organised games of golf croquet are held on the lawns overlooking the lake just down from the library building from 8am every Saturday morning. It costs nothing to play and new members are most welcome. All the equipment and coaching are supplied. Organised games of Ricochet are also being offered every Wednesday afternoon and if you want to learn this other form of mallet sport please contact either John Etheridge 0755999218 or Joan Cooke 07559268. They may be able to find another suitable day or time if this does not suit. The club is planning trips to other croquet courts in the area and other fun things from time to time. So why not join our group? It's a very easy game to learn and its great for both the mind and body.

Just before Cgristmas the club championships were completed and I am pleased to announce the following award recipients

Club Champion--- Una Murphy Club Person of the year- Chas Canham
 Club Players Player- Jean Hull Wooden Spoon Award Janet Howie



Club Champion
Una Murphy



Club Person of the Year
Chas Canham



Club Players Player
Jean Hull



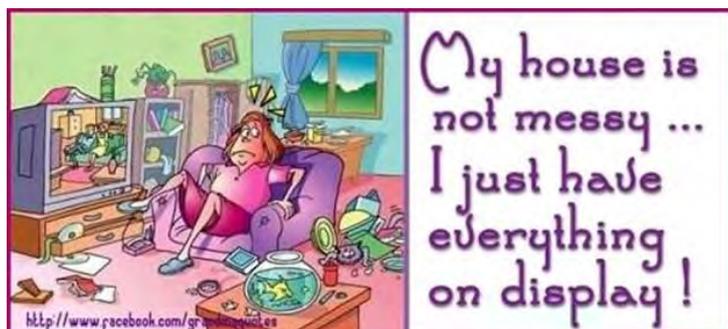
Wooden Spoon Award went to **Janet Howie**

Photos were all taken with our Social Club President Trish McKinley

The presentations were made at a special lunch at Seagulls Club.

Happy swinging and hoop running until next time.

Graham.



PHYLLIS GREAVES



Phyllis Celebrated her 90th birthday on 1st February. Phyllis and her husband Bob had spent 40 years living in New Zealand, when her husband passed away at 67. They had no family and Phyllis decided to move to Perth with friends. Phyllis had a friend here in Tweed Heads who sent her all the information about Cobaki Village and she left Perth and settled her 20 years ago. She moved into house 286. She told us that her wedding day was the happiest day of her life and they had a marvellous marriage.

For her 90th birthday June Thomas made sandwiches and cakes and organised an open day at Phyllis' home. At the next Happy Hour it was another Happy Birthday night for her there. She would like to thank June for being such a wonderful friend to her and making sure she had a 90th to remember.



Peggy



Phyllis



As is now the custom social club members who you turn 90 will receive a badge. Your meals and drinks will be free at functions. These two ladies Peggy Percy and Phyllis Greaves, were recently presented with theirs by our President Trish McKinley at a Happy Hour. Peggy has been a resident for 18 years and Phyllis for 20 years. Both very lovely ladies and we hope to see them at our functions for many years to come.

The other two ladies who are also in the over 90's special group are Minnie Oliver and Fey Kasper.



Sadly we bring the news of the passing of

DEANA ACTON house 202.



She passed away on 3rd February in hospital
after a short illness.

Deana and Colin loved travelling and had travelled all over the world.

Colin would like to say a special thanks to Val & Harry Baines for their help at this very sad time. Also to all friends who sent cards and words of condolence.

Your kind thoughts are appreciated.



It is with sorrow we announce the passing of

STAN BARNET house 166.

On 23rd February 2015

He had not been in good health for some time
and passed away in hospital.

He had been in the village 17 years.

Stan liked to exercise by riding his bike around the village each day.



TRIP TO OUTBACK SPECTACULAR

For those people who have indicated that they wish to go to the above show on Thursday 30th April **payment** of \$100 each is to be made to either box 149 or 17 by **2nd April**. Cost includes the bus, show, 3 course meal and beer/wine/soft drinks during the meal and tea and coffee with dessert. **The bus will leave the village 5.30pm** as we need to allow for traffic! Any enquiries please phone **Jean on 5599 9273 or Pat on 5599 8679**.



Thank you to all the people who attended our first meeting in early February. What a wonderful surprise to see so many interested in the group. We'll certainly be able to put on a show this year. We are now in the process of selecting items for a show which we hope to put on in early July. We'll keep you informed of how things are progressing in the coming months. *Maureen Kakoschk*

TWEED HOSPITAL AUXILIARY will be holding a 'MARKET DAY' at Noble Lakeside Park, Kingscliff on Friday, **10th April 8.30am - 1.00pm**. The event will be held in the LAKE CLUB and will have stalls of craft, handknits, trash & treasure, jewellery, pre-loved fashions, books, cakes, pickles, wool & more. Raffles will be held on the day along with a lucky door prize. Noble Park Social Committee will have morning tea available for purchase on the day. All proceeds from the Market Day will help in assisting the Tweed Hospital which is a much needed facility in our area. Please come along and support this worthy cause! Further details can be obtained from

Jean Carter 55999273 or Denise Morton 55998956.



GARDENING WITH ROSS



March already! To get flower and fruit to set in almost all things in the garden we need Potash. Potash will make the colour of the flower brighter and fruit will set. There are four kinds of potash, to be sure to get this one. 'Sulfate of Potash' (SOP) Potassium Magnesium Sulfate Nitrate. This is the most common one on the shelves in the local shops. Read the label and follow the instructions as a little goes a long way. Minerals are essentials in your garden, sometimes Boron deficient and this deficiency will stop fruit to set. Happy gardening **Ross**

Thank you Ross for that help.



Stumpy Grinder and his wife Martha were from Portland. Every year they went to the Portland fair and every year Stumpy said, "Ya know Martha, I'd like to get a ride in theah aihplane." And evert year, Martha would say, " I know, Stumpy, but that aihplane ride costs ten dollars and ten dollars..... Is ten dollars."

So one year Stumpy says., " By Jeebers Martha. I'm 71 yeahs old, and if I don't go this time I may never go." Martha replies, "Stumpy, that there aihplane ride is ten dollars.... And you know ten dollars is ten dollars. So the pilot overhears, then says, " Folks, I'll make you a deal. I'll take you both up for a ride. If you can stay quiet for the entire ride and not say ONE WORD, the I won't charge you. But just ONE WORD and it's ten dollars." They agreed and up they go.... The pilot does all kinds of twists and turns, rolls and dives, but not a word is heard. He does it one more time, and there is still no word... so he lands the plane.

He turns to Stumpy as they come to a stop and says, " By golly, I did everything I could think of to get you to holler out, but you didn't." And Stumpy replies "Well, I was gonna say something when Martha fell out... but ten dollars is ten dollars."



REMEMBER: Mobile Phone Numbers Go Public next month. **REMINDER** all mobile phone numbers are being released to telemarketing companies and you will start to receive sale calls.

YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR THESE CALLS.

Below is a link where you can enter your phone numbers online to put an end to telemarketing calls. Don't just delete those calls otherwise you will find that you have been signed up for all sorts of extra services that you didn't want or know about. Like special chimes, music etc. <https://www.donotcall.gov.au/>



Paddy's in jail. Guard looks in his cell and sees him hanging by his feet.

"What on earth you doing?" he asks. "Hanging myself" Paddy replies.

"It should be around your neck" says the Guard.

"I know" says Paddy "but I couldn't breathe".



MANAGEMENT MESSAGE

SPEEDING No we have not raised the **speed limit**. It's still **15mph**.

SLOW DOWN. This means YOU.

PARKING Do not park cars on the grass area at anytime. Parking **MUST** be done in your car port or marked parking areas **ONLY**.

SPRAYING FOR MOSQUITOS This takes place for your benefit whenever it is required. **PLEASE** do not contact Council or any other place and complain about this very important spraying. It is a requirement to keep the mosquitos at bay as much as possible. It can only be done when weather and conditions are right.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. MATHEW O'CONNOR. For TV repairs cheap prices and very reliable. Call him on **5524 5077 or 0418 758 558**

FREE TO GOOD HOME—BIKE. I think my days of riding a bike are over, so if anybody wants a good bike, give me a call and it's yours. It has got two new tyres (one fitted) and I have a few spares.

It also has a good carrier on the back. Contact **Harry (201) 5599 8684**



AUDIO VISUAL SOLUTIONS. Have been recommended for anything to do with digital TV's. Tuning in TV's DVD TV, also does wall mounts from \$95. if you have been losing station, he can also help you. Reasonable prices.

Contact **Steve Weston 0419 638 381**

LETTER RECEIVED.

Dear Editor, We've lived in Cobaki for more than 22 years of unbroken tenancy and I've never written to your publication before. I've recently been sporting two black eyes and my wife Chris has ordered me to tell people that it was the result of a skin operation and not something she had done. She says 'People will know your not hen pecked' (was that a pig that flew past just now?) Anyway I'm doing as I'm ordered.

Regarding excessive noise, I must admit it might be me (mea culpa). I'm a bit deaf and don't realise how loud my radio, TV etc are. I've been practising my latest song in the early morning. The song is 'Nessun Dorma' (which means 'none shall sleep') and it seems to be a success. You should see all the bedroom lights go on when I start singing.

Oh and I've also to tell you, (boss's orders) I'm not getting a hiding when I make these noises. Lastly I've got to say "Chris gets out of bed before me" and stop telling people "she beats me up every morning". Respectfully Yours Alex Flockhart 295.

Thanks Alex for helping solve the noise problem!!



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