



COBBA NEWS



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SOCIAL CLUB NEWS



Our first function night for the year was a Tavern night with a difference. we served 72 meals of a delicious Chicken curry with rice, thanks to Chris. Tavern nights are a night with the bar open for a social get together with a snack, which only cost \$4

We don't have the cooking expertise to have meals for Dinner nights. We urgently need help. If you would like to become a helper, please let one of the committee know. The idea is to have as many helpers as possible and they would work on a roster system. This would spread the work load around more. Until we can sort out this problem we can only have Dinner nights once a month, which will have the raffles etc as before. Tavern nights will have a list on the notice board, for your name, house number and number of people. Extra snacks are not made.

We ask that you keep reading the notice board, to keep up with what is happening. We are doing our best to get things running as smoothly as possible. We need your help, understanding and support.

I would like to thank the new committee for the work they put into our first function for the year and to everyone who supported the night. We have been faced with a problem and are trying to sort that out as quickly as possible.

We are sorry that we have had to take these steps, to make sure you enjoy a night out with friends. Please give some serious thought to becoming a helper, any committee member will be only too happy to add your name to our list. We want to spread any work out as evenly as possible.

We urge you at present to keep your eye on the notice board. I will endeavour to make sure



**DAY LIGHT SAVING ENDS
ON SUNDAY 2ND APRIL**



TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR



ST PATRICKS DAY



Friday 17th March

It'll be a green day and an even greener evening at the hall on St Patricks Day. Come along to the evening, your friends will be green with envy.

Dress in anything or everything green and join in the fun.

Best dressed green outfit wins a prize.

Raffles, prizes, plus Guinness available, one night only.

Bring along your best Irish joke and win a prize.

Menu for the night is **Irish Stew and dessert.**



This is a TAVERN NIGHT not a DIN-

NER NIGHT.



THIS IS WHY WE LOVE OLD PEOPLE

A farmer stopped by a local garage to have his truck fixed. They couldn't do it while he waited, so he said he didn't live far and would just walk home.

On the way home he stopped at Bunnings and bought a bucket and a gallon of paint. He then stopped by the market and picked up a couple of chickens and a goose. However struggling outside the market he now had a problem -how to carry his entire purchases home. While he was scratching his head he was approached by a little old lady who told him she was lost. She asked, "can you tell me how to get to Church Lane?"

The farmer said, " Well, as a matter of fact, my farm is very close to the lane I would walk you there but I can't carry this lot". The old lady suggested. "Why don't you put the can of paint in the bucket. Carry the bucket in one hand, put a chicken under each arm and carry the goose in your other hand." "Why than k you so much, 'he said and proceeded to walk the old girl home.

On the way he says 'let take a short cut and go down this alley. We'll be there in no time.'

The old lady looked him over cautiously then said , 'I am a lonely widow without a husband to defend me.. How do I know that when we get in the alley you won't hold me up against the wall, pull up my skirt and have your way with me?' The farmer said Goodness lady! I'm carrying a bucket, a gallon of paint, two chickens and a goose. How in the world could I possibly hold you against the wall and do that?' The old lady replied, " set the goose down, cover him with the bucket, put the pint on top of the bucket, and



Special Congratulations



NESSIE AND DUNCAN FLEMING, celebrated their **60th** wedding anniversary recently. They would like to thank all their friends and neighbours for their congratulations and beautiful cards and gifts for this special time in their lives. It was also a time to celebrate an **80th** birthday. It is nice to know we have so many wonderful people, living in our village.

A BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY to GREG EGAN. He celebrated his special birthday on the 19th February, sorry we can't tell you his age, but that isn't what birthdays are all about, they are a time to celebrate the great day in time when you were born. It was a special birthday for a **very special person.**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to JOHN ETHRIDGE. He celebrated his **89th** birthday. Birthday wishes were expressed to him at our first function for the year. All the very best John for more happy years to come.



ERIC AND PAM HUNT, house 45 celebrated their **60th** wedding anniversary on the 26th January, Australia Day, with their six children, in-laws, out-laws, grandchildren and friends, at the Coolangatta Tweed Golf Club, which turned out to be a very special day for them, having all the family around. The family travelled from Sydney, Canberra, Cootamundra, Brisbane and Gold Coast.

Pam's wedding frock cost 10 pounds, back in 1957, Pam made her own veil and her mum made the cake.

This photo was taken on the morning after their marriage getting off the train at Central Station. They both look very happy, as their married life begins.



Pam is off at present visiting their grandchildren which will take her to Sydney, Canberra, Narrandera, Brisbane, all in ten days seeing her grandchildren and great grand children, 3 blondes with blue eyes, then home, for a good rest.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENT



Big welcome to **BEVERLEY THOMAS** who has, moved into house **139**. She has moved here from New Zealand, and she is still settling in. Not a good idea to ask her how her new washing is going!

LEADERS OF THE ACTIVITIES

Hall Bookings CHRIS POOLEY 55998198

Canasta— JUDY CATON 55999272 **Library** CHRIS POOLEY 55998198

Craft— PAM COLE 55999366 **Aerobics** JEANETTE JORDON 041485121

Theatre MAUREEN KAKOSCHKE 55999029 **Indoor Bowls** DENISE MORTON 55998956

Computer CAROL CANNON 55998782 **Ladies Group** CAROLYN BELL 55999428

Trivia MYRNA HUGHES 55999061 **Social Golf** LEE VAN HOLDT 55008575

Gardening ROSS DAVIS 559997576 **Keeping Fit** ELIZABETH RYAN 55998625

Croquet GRAHAM MAHONEY 55998802 **Lawn Bowls** JIIM MORTON 55998956

Snooker ALLAN SCHWAB 55999731



GOLF CROQUET. Golf croquet is played on the very well prepared lawns overlooking the lake just down from the library. Organised games commence at **8.30am Saturday** and new players will be made most welcome. Just bring along a hat and a smile as everything else is supplied to ensure that you will have a nice time. It's a game for all ages and it is very passive exercise, it is also very ideal for any residents who have now given up golf, lawn bowling and whatever because of physical constraints and are now wondering what to do in the great outdoors.

A different form of the game called ricochet will commence again shortly and it is played on Wednesday mornings at the same time. John and Joan will be very pleased to see you so just give them a ring on **5599 9218** to arrange a hit. The weather should now start to get much cooler. Happy swinging until next time.

Graham



ROOKIES SNOOKER CLUB. A great family day was had by the forty six members, wives and partners, on Wednesday February 8th. 2017. It was held at the Coolangatta Surf Club. The lunch provided was of excellent standard with very friendly and happy staff, who really looked after us. The Whisky was won by **Lyndon Wallace**, the six beers were taken away by **Tom Gobbe** with **Daphne Hardy** going off with the Chandon champagne. The Browns Brothers was won by a very happy **Elizabeth Ryan**. A very successful day was enjoyed by everyone. Watch this space (and the board) for details of our next thrilling adventure.

Allan



CRAFT Hello and welcome to our March letter. We are hoping you are coping with this hot spell of weather we have been experiencing, hopefully it will cool soon. We are looking for any lady who could help us with how to learn to crochet, something other than rugs, something like being able to read a pattern, to make a toy or baby things, just something different, if you could help us, we meet every Thursday, at **1pm. in the rec hall.**

Pam



LIBRARY. Many thanks to the people who have left books, jigsaws, we can never have to many. Don't forget, if you work on a jigsaw and get to the end, only



COMPUTER CLUB. Come along for our chats on computer problems. We also cover mobile phones, phone plans, latest solar information or anything techy and there's more!!! See you on **Friday mornings at 10am** in the Library. *Carol*



TRIVIA. Our first session of 2017 was as always, a lot of fun along with a little brain strain. Couple of folk were still away but a good turn up nevertheless. Teams of up to four works very well. You can make up your own team or we will introduce you to other Cobakites who will become your 'next best friends'. This time the winners were '**The Amigos**', closely followed by the rest of us. Come along and see how it all works and give The Amigos a run for their money.

See you on **first Wednesday in the month at 6.30 in the hall.**

Myrna



CANASTA. Well February is almost over, it will be soon be Easter what do you reckon. Cards are up and running well with 2 new players joining up so far, there are some others still considering coming to join us. Our group are always ready to offer OOH training at a mutually convenient time, if you are seriously interested just ask we're happy to help. The group is settled but the more the merrier. My thanks to Cliff and Liz for teaching our two newies at their homes. **Ellie**, who is one of our long term players, recently enjoyed a cruise where she celebrated her **80th birthday**. All the members sent their best wishes. No need to mention the hot days, just remember its always cool in the hall Wednesday so why not come along for a game of cards. Sorry about last months newsletter it seems to have become lost along the way. Cheers folks .

Judy



WATER AEROBICS. We are all enjoying our little get together of a morning. The water is very refreshing, and we know the light exercise we do is doing us good and makes us feel good for the rest of the day. Why not come and join us, we meet **Monday to Friday between 7-8 am.** Come and give it a go, you will be made most welcome. *Beryl Wright for Jeanette*



INDOOR BOWLS. Another month gone by already! Thanks to everybody for being patient during the past few weeks, during which time we have been trying out a few changes on Monday mornings. Things seem to be going well and settling down now that everything is running smoother. More work setting up and putting the hall back together after bowls, but worth the effort. Thanks to all our able helpers! Much appreciated! Bowls commence in the **Rec Hall at 9.30am each Monday** morning. Please try to



LADIES GROUP - COBAKI TRIPPERS. We are calling ourselves the Cobaki Trippers as we go on trips, and in between we meet for chats (it is amazing the subjects we cover) and also morning tea. Our Mystery Trip was a most enjoyable day out. We all enjoyed the day with something for the ladies as well as the men!

(So I was told!) We went to New Italy and visited the museum there and viewed some of the history of the families who were the original settlers. They were from Italy and actually were the first refugees to come to Australia. They originally went to New Britain where conditions were most unsatisfactory and eventually arrived in Sydney about 1872. Evans Head RSL saw us having lunch there and then it was off to the Evans Head Aircraft Museum. An F111 was on show along with other historical planes. I personally thought that the F111 was of a similar size to the Concord - they are both small! An aircraft simulator used during the 2nd World War in England for pilot training is one of the exhibits. It is amazing how small the cockpit is! The visit was very interesting.

On **Wednesday 22 March** we are off to Madura Tea for a short tour before lunch and a short visit somewhere else in the afternoon – possibly the Art Gallery to see what other exhibits to see other than the Margaret Olley Gallery, there to see. No doubt we will have a coffee on the balcony to enjoy the lovely outlook. If interested, please put your name on the list on the notice board.



Bye for now. *Jean*

EXERCISE CLASS. We are just keeping going with our very small numbers, we are hoping to increase our numbers, as the more the merrier. Gentle movements, based on walking steps following our DVD, and supervised by a qualified instructor. We meet **MON-WED-FRIDAY** starting at **7-00 too 7-45am**. Hope to meet you there soon.



Elizabeth

COBAKI COBBAS' SOCIAL BOWLS CLUB. Here we are at the start of another year. All the committee positions were filled at the AGM with the same committee members being re-elected. Thanks to everyone for your confidence in us. A list of venues for the coming year is almost complete with only a couple of spots to fill. Denise has been working on the **2 day/3 night weekend** away in October. Hopefully, all dates etc will be advised at our next general meeting in March. Our first bowling day for this year was at **Gold Coast Bowls on Sunday, February 19th**. Even though we went along with a small group of bowlers and supporters, due to a number of our members being away on holiday, it was a great day! Some good bowling followed by a tasty BBQ. Thanks to all that went for making it a good day to start off the year. Next day out will be on **Sunday, March 26th** with a visit to Brunswick Heads for breakfast followed by bowls. It's a number of years since we last visited Brunswick. They are looking forward to us returning. Please watch the notice board for more info and to add names if going. For any enquiries regarding **Co-**

FACEBOOK

For those of my generation who don't use or comprehend facebook.

I'm trying to make friends outside of facebook while applying the same principles.

Everyday I walk down the street and tell passers by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I did last night, what I'll do later with whom.

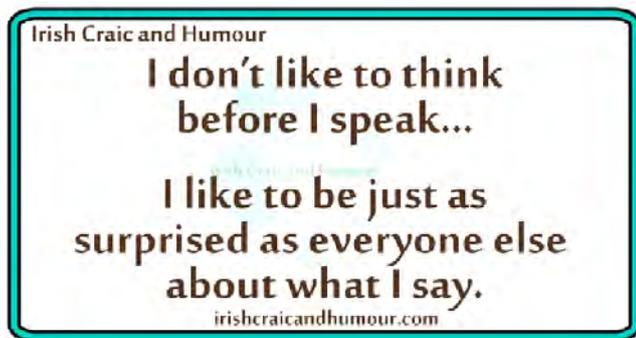
I show them pictures of my family, my dog, (other dogs and cats) selfies of me, standing in front of a landmark, having lunch, and doing what anybody does everyday.

I also listen to their conversations, give them the 'thumbs up' I 'like' them.

It works just like Facebook. I already have four people following me.

Two policeman, a private investigator and a psychiatrist.

You should try it.



"The female sleeping quarters will be out-of-bounds for all males, and the male dormitory to the females. Anybody caught breaking this rule will be fined \$20 the first time."

She continued, "Anybody caught breaking this rule the second time will be fined \$60. Being caught a third time will cost you a fine of \$180."

At this point, an older lady stood up in the crowd and inquired:

"How much for a season's pass?"



It is with regret we inform you of the passing of

JOHN BARKER house 263

He passed away recently after losing a battle with illness.

John had been in the village 10 years.

In that time he was a member of the Theatre Group.

He always had a smile and wave for everyone.



MANGEMENT MESSAGE

SPEEDING is still a problem, if you don't want to knock someone down slow down, there have been some close shaves. **15KPH** lift you're foot it's a safe

We have been asked to mention to people who walk around on the walking track at the edge of the wet lands, where you will sometimes see a couple of kangaroos. **PLEASE** don't go near them. They are wild animals, and can be very unpredictable. Just look and go straight past them is the best thing to do.

WARNING. If you have received a phone call or email from someone who says they are from a bank or Microsoft. they do not sent out emails to anyone, they are scams, and only there to get into you accounts to cause you a lot of trouble. Never get into conversations with them. If you think they are genuine, without telling them what you are going to do, ring whoever they are talking about and you will find the company has no idea what your talking about.

The very best way to handle these calls is don't answer. Leave the call go to your answer-

We do thank everyone who has sent us items for the Cobba News. If you have something to go in the paper, drop a note in box 140 and we will do our very best to add it for you.

We just ask that we receive them before 20th of the month and must be signed.

Cobba News written by residents for residents.

To all our sick folk we do hope that you are on the improve.

With the humid weather behind us it's all looking good until winter.

Kath Ashby (140)

Harry Baines (201)

