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SOCIAL CLUB NEWS.

The Social Club is having a busy time with **STILL MORE** events ahead before the year ends. The children from the **'DANCE FOR LIFE STUDIO'** put on a wonderful concert for us in the hall, 120 people enjoyed watching these talented children, the youngest being only three years old, who performed beautifully. They will be back next year! The behavior of the children at the two rehearsals and the day, of the concert was a credit to their parents and teacher. Over \$500 was raised for Camp Quality for our 2009 campaign, helping more children.

Gifts Galore set up a very nice display of goods for sale in the hall on their recent visit to the village. The day was topped off with Devonshire tea, consisting of both scones and pikelets. Thanks to Betty our chief pikelet maker.

LAKESIDE TAVERN, this is the new name chosen for our Friday night drink and chat nights. Friday Oct 31st being Halloween, be prepared for some surprises, wear your black outfits etc to get into the mood of the night. Keep the barman on his toes!

PORTAFINO, they will be back, **Saturday Nov 1st afternoon**. Our Cobaki models are eager to walk the catwalk showing you some of the latest fashion. As well as admiring the clothes you could be a lucky winner in the raffle. Wine and nibbles will also add to the afternoon. This is the time to find that special outfit for our Melbourne Cup luncheon.

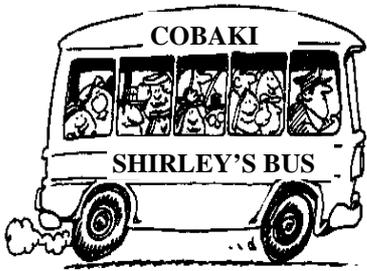
MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON. TUES NOV 4TH. There will be plenty of ways you can win at this function. We have best dressed, best Melbourne cup hat. Plenty of money in the sweeps to be won. Plus of course, the Melbourne cup itself to watch. Have you booked for your lunch? More details on the notice board.

The Social club would like to thank all those who help us at the Happy Hour, we find our job is made easier by having a lot of little jobs done for us.

Plans are now getting underway for a **'BUMPER' CHRISTMAS PARTY'** at the hall on **Nov 23rd** We will be putting our tents up again, making room for all who wish to attend. It's a good time for family and friends to get to-gether. Booking forms will be out soon. You all now have your information sheets telling you of all the up coming dates to the end of 2008

WHEW! I'm exhausted just thinking about it all! Your President **Trish McKinley**





WOW!!! What a trip, talk about a trip with a difference, **this** one certainly was. We had a couple of unscheduled stops along the way due to lack of fuel. Norm our bus driver, organised with another club for a bus to take us on the last leg of our journey.

That was all very well, but our legs were crossed, dying for a comfort stop and gasping for air. We piled out of the bus, rushed over to the Sundowner Motel for relief.. It was so kind of the bus to refuse to go

any further right in front of the Motel.

Everything went on as normal, when we arrived at the 'Bribie Island Club'. We enjoyed a beautiful lunch, the people were also great. You would think that would be enough drama in one's day but NO, it didn't stop there. When we arrived home at Cobaki, we had a wallet lost, nothing was found until later. Luckily Norm, our bus driver, came to the rescue once more, the wallet found, everything all turned out well in the finish.

Lets talk about the **next and last trip for the year**, this will be to Brisbane City for shopping for Christmas, Casino, gamble or what ever you would like to do for the day in Brisbane.

More details will be on the GLASS NOTICE BOARD shortly.

Shirley



THE PIRATES OF PIGGABEEN LAKE.

When...Sat.. 8th.. Sun 9th... Mon 10th Nov.

Doors open 6.30pm.. start 700pm.



These cut throats are not to be taken lightly. We do suggest that you don't display expensive jewellery. All attempts will be made to keep them in order. You will be startled, worried, scared and split your sides with laughter at some of the surprise happenings. Our second half will be a trap footing time. We will take you back to times, songs and situations you won't believe. There are still a **very few seats still available**, give Trish a ring **5599 9571**, or drop a note in her **box 102**. Our cast have been putting their all into rehearsals, making sure that you receive a good nights entertainment. Remember the **BAR IS NOT OPEN**, drinks are BYO.

We will be having the usual raffles, and refreshments at half time.

Kath Ashby.



Never argue with a woman. One morning, the husband returns the boat to their lakeside cottage after several hours of fishing and decides to take a nap. Although not familiar with the lake, the wife decides to take the boat out. She motors out a short distance, anchors, puts her feet up, and begins to read her book. the peace and solitude are magnificent. Along comes a Fish & Game Warden in his boat. He pulls up alongside the woman and says, "Good morning Ma'am . What are you doing?" "Reading a book, " she replies, (thinking, isn't that obvious?)

"You're in a Restricted Fishing Area," he informed her. " I'm sorry, officer, but I'm not fishing I'm reading." "Yes, but I see you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment. I'll have to take you in and write you up." " If you do that. I'll have to charge you with sexual assault." says the woman. " But I haven't even touched you, " says the Warden.

"That's true, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment.

" Have a nice day ma'am," and he left.



It is with sadness that we remember the death of

SYLVESTER CHILDS. (147) on September 7th 2008

Sylvester had been in the village 7 years and had made many friends over that time. He always had a happy smile on his face, even throughout his long illness.

He loved a good joke and a laugh. He is sadly missed by many friends.

Doug would like to say a special thank you to Mary & David, who rushed to the hospital before Sylvester passed away, they were a great help, strength and comfort, to me throughout the whole day.

To my neighbours and friends thank you for your very thought filled cards. Thank you also to Pam Anderson and her helpers for the wake that they arranged, to all those who attended I really appreciated your kindness, you were a great help to me at this very sad time.



On Monday 13th October, we learnt that

AGNES McKAY (229)

Passed away only a few weeks after moving closer to her family.

Agnes had enjoyed life here in the village for approximately 8 years.

Failing health had caused the move.



A rose once grew where all could see, sheltered beside a garden wall.

And, the days passed swiftly by, it spread its branches, straight and tall.

One day, a beam of light shone through a crevice that had opened wide-

The rose bent gently towards its warmth then passed beyond to the other side...

Now, you who deeply feel its loss, be comforted the rose blooms there-

Its beauty even greater now, nurtured by God's own loving care.

THANK YOU.. I would like to thank the Social Club for their get well wishes, also to my dear friends and neighbours Fay & Kevin, Norma, Gay & Bob, Barbara and Jenny & Ross. for their flowers, phone calls and cards during my recent illness. My special thanks to Jenny Davies who came to my rescue in the early hours of the morning. I had a crushed vertebra in my back restricting my movement to help myself. After having trouble opening my door, due to a faulting lock, Jenny was able to arrange the ambulance. I cannot express enough my thanks for all the wonderful help my neighbours have given me. Why would anyone want to live anywhere else but in this great village, filled with people who really care and show it so often.



I am now on the road to recovery, thanks only to the help I received. **Ester Pitkin (21)**

THANK YOU...

To everyone who have been asking after my health and well being on my recent hospital stay, and especially for the thoughtfulness of those who gave me cards it was very much appreciated. I am now home and feeling quite a lot better. **Tina Stollery**

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What's on in the Village

Most of our Clubs are back in full swing again. Congratulations to the Water Aerobic folk, who have been braving some quite chilly mornings to hop in the pool. It feels good to be alive in this lovely weather, so we should all be out and about taking part in some, or all, of the many activities that are available. These clubs are run by fellow Cobakites for your enjoyment. Turn up and show your appreciation for the effort they all put in to make this village such a great place to live.

BOWLS:- Mondays at 9.30am The Bowls are going along very nicely as usual. Lots of noise and banter. The ladies seem to have lost some of their form since the thrashing they gave the men a few weeks ago. We have had a few players on the sick list, some even having short stints in hospital, but they are all back home now and raring to go. Happy Bowling. *Alf*

LIBRARY:- Thanks to Chika for his donation of books and to everyone else who have left books, video's, jigsaws and DVD's. Thanks to you all we have a wonderful library for all of us to enjoy 365 days of the year. Don't forget, if you find a Video or a DVD that doesn't work properly, throw it away. Please don't return it to the library. That also applies to jigsaws. *Ian*

SINGLE GIRLS:- Christmas is fast approaching and our thoughts are turning toward the party season. We will have our big one on Saturday 20th December catered for by our very own Social Club (can't wait). We are also looking forward to the Cobaki Little Theatre production which will be a hoot as usual. Our normal monthly lunch and stage show are also looming. We are taking a break over the Festive Season, finishing on Dec17th and resuming on January 14th 2009. It seems only yesterday it was the Millennium. *Maureen*

CROQUET:- Each Sat.8.45am. Organised games are played on Saturday mornings but if anyone wants to play any other time please contact me on 5599 7013 so that I can arrange to get you some equipment. Mallets, balls etc. It's a nice friendly game that involves walking, talking and laughing with the added bonus of beautiful view of the lake. *Hannah*

TRIVIA:-We play the first Wednesday of each month. Next Trivia night **Nov 5th. 6.30pm** October winners 1st were 4from3, 2nd were Aces and 3rd were Wesu. Lots of fun and laughs, so come along. This is a fun night as well as testing the brain. please join us. *Roy & Val*

LINE DANCING:- There will be only one class weekly for the next few weeks whilst our teacher Nancy recovers from an operation. Anyone wanting to try out is still most welcome to come along. A few of our regulars are away globe trotting, numbers are down a little. To the ones on the sick list—get well soon—we miss you. We would also love to see some new faces and welcome back some of you who have not been for a while. It's a great way to spend a morning with a very friendly fun-loving group. See you **Thurs.9.30-11am** *Elizabeth*

WATER AEROBICS:- 7am weather permitting. It is great to be back in the pool for another season. Some were so keen they joined me the week before the official starting date. How's that for enthusiasm. The attendance has been good and we are very pleased to have some new faces. So come along and join us. It's a great way to start the day. We have both boys & girls joining us each morning, jump out of bed and join us. A few clouds and a shower or two makes no difference to us. We don't get wet when we're in the pool !!!! *Tess*

COMPUTER: <http://onecare.live.com/site/en-us/default.htm>. It is safe: it is Microsoft and it is FREE. Yes, Microsoft and **FREE!** It can also clean up your Registry, Hard Disk Drive and speed up your computer. Do it, say, once a month if you like, it is still free. I have done it and it did speed things up a bit. It is not quick to do though - what scan is? The Club meets every **Friday at the D.K.Centre at 10 o'clock**. We welcome anyone who wants to discuss problems or just talk computers and other techy stuff. *Mac*

EXERCISE: We may have lost a few people from our classes, as they have returned to the pool for water aerobics, but our numbers in gentle exercises do not seem to have diminished too much, with the group we have of very enthusiastic health seekers, we sometimes wonder why the enthusiasm, but of course we know the answer, we are all looking for a better quality of life, and what better way to start the day than to have a good laugh, followed by a good workout. We have started a three mile workout on Wednesday only, so we start on that day at 7am. on Monday and Friday it is still 7-15am. **But you only do what you can at any class.** The group like this new program and think it is **FINE--FINE--FINE**,
(an in house joke, you need to be there to understand). *Mary Colgate*

CRAFT: **Thurs 1.30pm** Christmas is getting closer. now is the time to come along to join the ladies and do some craft for your Christmas gifts. You may have some new ideas or like to learn a new one. We share ideas, chat, all enjoyed with great company and a cuppa. *KRYS*

COBAKI GOLF: We have competitions on **Sundays starting at 2pm, at our putting greens** over near the vegetable gardens. for all to enjoy. We have had nice rains and this has helped to get the grass growing and in turn, the greens are slowly improving. We have spare putters and Golf Balls. Phone me if you need putters. If you have never tried this fun sport before now is the time. You can have an hour or two of fun with the family including grand children. *ROSS*

BINGO:- The attendance for our games in the month of October was very pleasing. Of course we would still like more players, especially right now as we have players on holidays and the odd one unwell. Remember, more players, bigger prizes. Irene is away visiting family so Michael has been helping me keep things on track. I have also had great help from Lillian So do yourself a favour and come along and spend some fun time with a great bunch of Cobakites. You might even go home richer. See you there **Monday's 1.30pm** . *Jean & Irene*

CANASTA;- With the addition of five new members recently we found ourselves playing four tables and enjoying the company of Judy, Margaret, Jocey, Sylvia and Charlie. Welcome to you all. A little bird told us that new girl Judy is a quiet achiever who took part in the 2006 International Dragon Boat Racing in Singapore. Her team came home with gold medals in four events. Judy enjoys her paddling sport (she assures us paddling is not to be confused with rowing) She belongs to the Currumbin Team. We're happy to say she's pretty good at Canasta too . There is always room for more players **Cards cut at 1pm sharp each Wednesday.** *Marion*

A wish we all have—

I was in the fast lane at the store quietly fuming. Completely ignoring the sign, the woman ahead of me had slipped into the check-out line pushing a cart piled high with groceries
Imagine my delight when the cashier beckoned the woman to come forward looked into the cart and asked sweetly, 'So which six items would you like to buy?'

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS.

After leaving their home in Canberra, **JOCEY & STAN COLLINS 297** are now settled into life here in the village. Before they left Canberra where they have lived for 50 years they were presented with a certificate for being residents for those 50 Years. Jocey is another computer buff. Stan has a love for golf. They have both been welcomed into their first Happy Hour and by the smiles on their faces they enjoyed the night, as life here will be a happy one for them.

LYN & BARRY EVANS 324 they are locals from here in Tweed. Having really been here for a little while, but as soon as they arrived they headed off again on a holiday. If you want to find them at any time you will need to be dancing, they really enjoy their dancing and that takes up about 4 days a week. They have another love and that is travelling, leaving little time for much more. They would like to thank Anne for her help while they were away recently. A very big welcome to you all. Thank you for giving us the time to have a chat with you.

Gardening with Ross

Summer storms are predicted this summer and I for one have been saying that this will happen even greater this year than in the past. The garden needs to be protected, tie all of your taller plants to stakes and make sure that the ground is covered with sugar cane mulch. Select only Organic sugar cane mulch. I have had reports of one guy complaining that his plant were showing signs of yellowing and wanted to know why. The answer was the sugar cane is sometimes sprayed with round up just before it is harvested; the residue of round up is then transferred into your garden.

Happy gardening to you all.

Ross Davis

CHILDRENS CONCERT. If you enjoyed seeing the talents of the children who gave us the Concert here, they have another concert coming up at the **Civic Centre on Dec 6th.**

The concert will start at 5.00pm. The cost — concession tickets \$8.00. There will be more information on the notice board very soon. We have been asked about any more concerts. This information we have found may be of help for you.

THANK YOU.. Thank you for a great publication in the Cobba News. I would be pleased if you could publish a “Thank You” for me, to the person who returned my letter box key to my home after I apparently left it in my mail box. I was not home when they called so they tied it to my door. It was much appreciated. **Tess Oats (71)**

It was lovely to receive this note. I realised after I read it, that the person who returned the key was me. Thank You Tess for your kind words. It is nice to hear that people do enjoy the Cobba News, makes it all worth while .

Kath Ashby.

BIG THANK YOU.. After we write the Cobba News, it has to be taken over to the printer then go back when it's ready to pick it up. Next we fold it, then deliver one in everyone's letter box. We do appreciate the help we get from management who pay for all the printing, until the last couple of editions, we were the posties. We now have two helpers who are doing a great job taking over the postie job. Thank you so much to Denise Morton and Dot Richardson. Please do not ask them for your Cobba News while they are working their fingers to the bone delivering into the letter boxes. It only takes a little while until they are all posted.

Many thanks for your help from Kath & Myrna.

There are two times in life when a man doesn't understand a woman.

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Before marriage and after marriage

LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE

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 manager to come and take a look at his bike, when the mechanic shouted across the garage, "Hey Doc, can I ask you a question?" The surgeon, a bit surprised, walked over to where the mechanic was working on the motor cycle. The Mechanic straightened up, wiped his hand on a rag and asked, "So Doc, look at this engine. I opened its heart, take the valves out, repair any damage, and then put them 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 motor running."

HOSPITAL AUXILARY REPORT. Thank you to all those folk who donated goods and bottles for the hospital fete. The bottles were filled with jam's, pickles and chutneys. We had many residents from the village manning stalls, the spinning wheel, and helping in many other ways. Without these willing tireless workers the Fete could not be the success it is. Thank you to all who attended the fete, and helped us raise **\$31,094** - the best ever. The money will go towards purchasing 10 electronic beds for the hospital. **Jean Carter**

HELP WITH IRONING... If you are able to help out with ironing, you will be helping out Lyn at 324 who needs some help. Please give her a ring and she will be able to fill you in on all details. Just give her a ring **5599 8840** or drop a note in her box.

Thank You:- I would like to thank all the wonderful people who helped me celebrate my **85th Birthday** a few weeks ago. Your friendship and your generosity made it a very Special day for me. I will long treasure the memory. A donation will be made to the Australian Order of Old Bastards. Thank you all again. **Vonny Kildea**

Home Help:- If house cleaning is becoming a chore or if a good spring clean is needed I can recommend Leesa. She does all the jobs that are getting a bit much for us these days. Skirting Boards, bottom shelves of cupboards and those hard to reach top shelves. Those pesky window and door tracks, ceiling and exhaust fans, windows etc. You name it and she can and will do it quickly and very thoroughly.

Contact her on **0414 917708** or **5590 4785**

Myrna



A man goes to see the Rabbi. "Rabbi, something terrible is happening 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 then 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. I spoke to her on the phone for three hours. You want my advice?" The man answered "Yes".

The Rabbi looked at him saying.. "Take the poison."

Messages from Management.

We have had a lot of Telstra bills coming through with the wrong address, it seems there could be a glitch with the new billing, Telstra has just changed. it seems to be a new system. There was an article in the Local Sun regarding this problem. After quite a few long phone calls, we were told the problem. It is very important that you check that the address on your accounts are correct. One household in the village was receiving **all** the accounts, they were redirected to the correct people.

SAFETY ISSUE.. REGARDING THE GARBAGE TRUCK.

1.. PLEASE DO NOT COLLECT YOUR BIN WHILE THE TRUCK IS STILL THERE; WAIT UNTIL IT HAS MOVED ON.

2.. WAIT FOR THE TRUCK TO MOVE BEFORE TRYTING TO GET PAST IN CARS AND WALKING.

It is **impossible** for the driver to be watching out for your safety and doing his job at the same time. They did give us notices which are on the notice boards requesting your consideration. This problem has become a very serious matter.

PARKING IN DRIVE WAYS.. when ever parking always make sure that you are NOT parking across someone's drive way. There is plenty of room in front of gardens. In most areas of the village there are two gardens with a graveled area between this gives plenty of room for cars, tradesmen and delivery vans. The area of road in front of your house is not your private property.

SPEED & ROAD RULES. We do not want to see any unnecessary accidents in the village, we have had quite a few near misses. **The speed in the village is 15 kph.** This is not hard to do. This applies to **all** residents and visitors. At the end of each street there is a white line which means you need to slow down to make sure nothing is coming, if there is give way. Road Rules in the Village are the same as the normal road rules.

VISITORS CARS. If you have visitors staying with you, we ask you to please let Bruno know, we had an incident recently that could have been embarrassing, with Police called. Just give Bruno a ring on . **0412768133** and let him know, to save unnecessary problems.

Seen on a caravan in Cairns. We are leaving everything we have to our children.
Hopefully they will be able to afford the re-payments.

** To all the folks who are celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary, may we wish you **
** Every happy day. **
** To all who are not feeling well, we wish you a speedy recovery **
** Remember this is your paper, please let us know if you are happy with it. **
** If not why? **
** Kath Ashby 140 & Myrna Hughes 150 **
