



COBBA NEWS



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SOCIAL CLUB NEWS



Hi once again. Well the weather has warmed up in a hurry it looks like we're in for a hot summer. The SES meeting in the hall on the 20th October was well attended with around 75 residents coming along. The SES team were great and spoke about a number of issues concerning safety and being aware of how important it is to have an emergency place ready in case of power failures or flooding etc. Please see notice in Cobba News regarding their recommendations for our village. The meeting was followed by a sausage sizzle and a cool drink. A big thank you to the SES for taking time to come to our village.

Our next big event of the year will be our **Village Christmas Party** held in the hall on Sunday **29th November**. Booking forms will be in your letter boxes over the weekend. There will be tables of 8 & 12. Don't forget to let me know if you require a group booking. Tables will be allocated so everyone is assured of a seat. We will have lots of ham raffles as well as other interesting prizes. Milton Q will be here to entertain us and many of you would have heard him at a concert earlier this year. He is very good and will help create a lovely atmosphere for the big day! Don't forget to wear your Chrissy gear!

Big Breakfast was a great success with around 100 residents attending on Friday 16th October. Our grand total raised on the day was **\$1,380**. Thanks Cobaki, you have done it once again, always willing to put your hands in your pockets for these worthy causes.

Happy Hours and Tavern Nights have been well attended. With the end of the year looming, there are not many left before we go into recess over the Christmas period.

Once again, a big thank you to our 'Volunteer Team' who make our job so much easier. Thanks to our wonderful committee not long now and you can put your feet up and relax. That's all for now, take care.

Regards Trish





Leaders starting from the back left.

Carolyn, Bruno, Jeannette, Harry, Maggie, Myrna, Joy, Christine, Graham. Beverly, Jean, Maureen. Front Kath, Chris, Jim.

You can find what they do and their phone numbers at the beginning of the activities.

All leaders' information is there with every edition of the Cobba News.

Thank You, to the Social Club for the evening they arranged for the Activity Leaders. our evening started off with drinks and time to chat, many had not meet one another and this gave everyone time to get acquainted. The Social Club had the room set out in a great way to be able to talk to everyone. There were 16 leaders there as well as their spouses or partners, Anne & Geoff were also thanked for their contributions to the village. We enjoyed a very nice meal after which Trish gave each leader a gift to use in their activity as needed. The leaders introduced themselves and spoke a little on their activity. The thing that came out of those talks was the lack of members and all leaders work very hard to do all they can to give the residents something of interest. If you have not even gone to one to see just what is done, go along anytime and have a look and a chat to them. If you live alone it is a great way to get to know people, never be afraid to walk into the hall to find something that would bring you a time to be with others. Very few of us knew people in the village before we came, you will always be made very welcome to any activity. Believe it or not most of us were a bit shy of joining in things to start, once you have taken that step you will wish you had before. Don't sit home alone.



INVITATION

WARDEN NETWORK VOLUNTEERS WANTED EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS IN COBAKI VILLAGE

As mentioned at our community meeting on the 20th October, the NSW State Emergency Service (NSW SES) and Tweed Shire Council (TSC) are working with Independent Living Facilities to build both management and resident resilience during times of emergencies. This includes assisting with the development of emergency response plans, review of evacuation procedures and the establishment of an 'Emergency Resident Warden System'.

Residents are invited to self-nominate to become Emergency Wardens within the Village. To find out what this involves, and to discuss any issues you may have in relation to past flooding events, **please provide your name to the Social Club by 13 November 2015.**

We will be holding a morning tea with the NSW SES, TSC on Tuesday 17 November 2015. Information on what the warden system is all about, how you can become involved and general emergency management information will be provided.

We look forward to meeting with you again!

Where: Cobaki Village (Hall)

When: Tuesday 17 November 2015

Time: 10.00am

RSVP: Social Club by 13 November 2015.

LEADERS OF ACTIVITIES

HALL BOOKINGS CHRIS POOLEY 55998198

CANASTA JOY ROACH 55997359	LIBRARY CHRIS POOLEY 55998198
INDOOR BOWLS JIM MORTON 55998956	BINGO JEAN & MICK BRUNT 55998321
THEATRE TRISH McKINLEY 55999571	CRAFT PAM COLE 55999366
COMPUTER STEWART McLEOD 55999029	LADIES GROUP CAROLYN BELL 55999428
TRIVIA MYRNA HUGHES 55999061	SOCIAL GOLF MAGGIE SYNON 55997586
GARDENING ROSS DAVIS 55997576	KEEPING FIT CHRISTINE HALL 55999003
CROQUET GRAHAM MAHONEY 55998802	LAWN BOWLS JIM MORTON 55998956
SNOOKER TREVOR HARDY 55997417	AEROBIC JEANETTE JORDON 0414851217

We hope you like your new photo

LIBRARY I am back. After the death of Ian, I had a break, so now I am back on the job. Jigsaws, please put jig saws in plastic bags before returning them. If they have pieces missing, put them in the rubbish.



Magazines, no Coles or Woollies, throw them out. DVDs all returns to be put in the white trolley, so my trusty team can put them away. My trusty team are **Faye** (80) **Jim** (218) **Jocey** (297) **Kathy** (132) We will all try and keep the library as Ian would have liked it. Thank you *Chris*

WATER AEROBICS Well here we are into the summer season of water aerobics' and our numbers are fluctuating at the moment. Those of us that are going regularly are thoroughly enjoying the early morning exercise as well as the social interaction plus a few good laughs along the way. We all agree we are feeling a lot better for being back in the pool again. Our exercises are gentle & designed to keep all our joints in working order, plus, by doing them in the water, your body is weightless and you are not putting stress on any of your joints making it easier. Come on Cobakites why not come along and join us, all are welcome male and female. We meet **7am - 8am Monday to Friday** each week. I look forward to seeing you all there.



J e a n e t t e

CRAFT Welcome to another newsletter. The weather has warmed up all our hands and has us ready to enjoy the lovely summer days enjoying our craft. I am hoping to see lots of ladies back to our weekly craft meetings. We have been missing a few ladies who have not been well and wish them a speedy recovery, looking forward to seeing them soon. We would love to welcome any new ladies to the village who are interested in craft, and invite you around to our weekly afternoons. We meet every **Thursday** in the **Rec Hall at 1-00pm**.



Looking forward to seeing you.

Pam

*You are loved when you are born. You are loved when you die.
In between, you have to manage!*



GOLF CROQUET The Club Championships have just commenced and sixteen players are all hoping that one of them will be crowned the "Exalted One" when the competition concludes towards the end of November. Really great weather was provided for the first round and the players responded by running quite a few 'long hoops in one'. I am tempted to call these shots "Holes in One" but of course we are not really playing golf as the name of our game implies. New members are always welcome so if you have been pondering over "if I should join" why not come along and watch matches over the next few weeks as competition really brings out the best in the players. The game is not all about "hit and biff" like some other sports and is a very graceful skilful game where both sexes compete on an equal basis. We play on the fields overlooking the lake, just down from the library, every Saturday morning from **8.30am** and other games can be arranged by just giving me a ring. John and Joan also play another form of croquet called Ricochet on Sunday mornings and on some mid week afternoons. Happy swinging until next time.

Graham



LADIES GROUP So nice to see a lot of happy faces at our meetings. For our monthly luncheon we went to the 'Secret Deck' in Coolangatta. Very nice food and excellent service. It is located in Griffith Street next to Hogs Breath restaurant. If anyone wants a reasonably priced meal and great coffee this is the place to go. On the **17th November** we are off by bus on a **mystery trip**. Hope Rob the driver knows where we are going. On the **9th December** we are going to Danny's restaurant for our Christmas party so we have a few outings before the end to look forward too.

Carolyn



TRIVIA: We have been testing our grey matter for 60 months and for the first time at month 61 we had to cancel. Apologies, but with people unwell and people travelling the globe there were not enough players to make it viable. However, we are back in November as usual and we will have our last session of the year in December which will have a Christmassy theme.

(I will be in touch on that one) Also 'Thank You' goes to our hardworking Social Club for their support. See you on **Wed 4th Nov at 6.30pm**. Bring your friends.

Held first Wednesday in the month.

Myrna



BINGO What can we say about BINGO? Jean & I were very impressed by the number who turned up for the session on Monday 19th. October (20 players), this was very good, and if we could keep numbers like this, we should soon be back in the black. We could go back to having the lucky door prize and the \$10 house. Thank you to all that came, it makes it all worthwhile.

Mick & Jean



COMPUTERS A very quiet month. This is not because we know everything. 'I'm 'tearing my hair out with problems'. Sometimes those infernal machines do actually behave. We note that Microsoft is still pushing the Windows 10 program and it's '**FREE**' We say make sure it's really what you need and is an improvement on what you already have. Come along on and join us for 'Teckie' talk (some of that) and general discussions on everything else. **Fridays at 10am in the library** *Stewart*



KEEPING FIT CLASS November is here so Christmas can't be too far behind! Many thanks to the Social Club for our Team Leaders' Dinner. A very enjoyable evening with a sharing of ideas on how to attract new members, some very proactive leaders out there with good ideas. Also a big thank you for the \$50 donation to our funds. We are planning a repeat of last year's end of year celebration, morning walk around to Snapper Rocks, followed by coffee and whatever at the Coffee Club funded by what remains of our \$50 after some disc maintenance purchases.

On the subject of new ideas, how about this suggestions. Is anyone interested in starting up/becoming part of a "beginners" exercise class? Most of us regulars have been doing our 3 mile walks for a few years now, and newcomers to the class sometimes are a bit daunted by 45 minutes of exercise, even though everyone is encouraged to progress at their own pace. Our CDs have 1 and 2 mile walks with easier exercise options. There are also Tuesday and Thursday mornings (till 8.00am) available, or there may be a couple of half-hour spots available during the day (this would have to be checked out). If anyone is interested, please contact me and we can see what can be arranged. Remember we all have to start somewhere!!! **AND OUR CLASSES ARE FREE!**

MONDAY : WEDNESDAY : FRIDAY 7.00am to 7.45am *Christine*



INDOOR BOWLS Firstly, I will start my report with a "Thank you" to the Social Club Committee, for the donation of \$50 received at the Activity Leaders' Dinner, which was very enjoyable. Next! Christmas is coming up fast! A reminder that our Christmas party luncheon will be at the **Ivory Tavern on Sunday, December 13th**. Anyone not wishing to drive can travel by courtesy bus which the Tavern are supplying for us. After lunch, we will return back to the Hall for Raffles, Lucky Door prizes, Secret Santa gifts etc. A note will be handed out to everyone with all the information for you to keep handy. Hope to see you all there! Sorry to hear that our dear friend and keen bowler, Merlon won't be able to join us on Monday mornings for a while due to a fall. Hope to see you back soon Merlon, love from us all. As always, a big "Thanks" to my helpers and for everyone turning up each week.

Always plenty of laughs and fun.

Take care *Jim*



A police officer called the station on his radio. "I have an interesting case here. An old lady shot her husband for stepping on the floor she had just mopped."

"Have you arrested the woman?" "Not yet. The floor is still wet."



CANASTA Another month gone by so quickly. Thank you to the Social Club for the very enjoyable dinner arranged for the group leaders. It's a bonus to be repaid for doing something one enjoys. You probably noticed the error in last month's Cobba News about our meeting time – one of those errors which unfortunately happen. Of course, we meet on **WEDNESDAYS at 1.00**. We do encourage players to arrive at least 5 minutes prior to starting time to allow seating arrangements to be worked out. I hope anyone thinking about joining us will take the plunge and **DO IT!** If it is not what you are looking for, no harm done. There is no charge, which is good value for a pleasant afternoon. *Joy*



COBAKI COBBA'S SOCIAL LAWN BOWLS CLUB We are away on our trip to Gympie, Hervey Bay & Tewantin next month which we will report on in December Cobba News. Look out for the list for our trip to Gold Coast Bowls Club on Sunday, November 15th. This is the last bowls day for 2015. Christmas Party will be on **Sunday, December 6th** in a small function room at South Tweed Bowls Club, where we will enjoy our Christmas luncheon. We will return back to the Village hall to carry on with the festivities after we leave the club. More details will be discussed at our next meeting at the beginning of November. I would like to "thank" the Social Club Committee for the \$50.00 donation we received for the club at the Activity Leaders Dinner, it is much appreciated. *Jim*



SOCIAL GOLF What a great turn up for our day this month! 15players our best yet, it's really great to see the support we are getting. When we started off, we only had 9players. Once again we have 10 men and 5 ladies. We were also pleased to welcome new member Bede McEllicott, we hope you enjoy many more happy golfing days with us Bede. Arthur Mears was our winner this month congratulations Arthur. By the way of a change from BBQ we had chicken and salads, which was vert well received by the 22 who attended. Our next Golf day will be 18th Nov, round 3 of our Championships, who will take off the trophy this year? I have been putting together a Christmas Hamper for a raffle, over then next 2 golf days, if you would like to get some tickets, remember to bring some extra dollars next month, we will draw this on out Presentation night at the Ivory Tavern on the last day of play for 2015 16th Dec, which we are all looking forward to. It was nice to see Faye joining in with us. New faces are always welcome.

Maggie & Geoff

There is a big difference between a human being and being human.

Only a few really understand it.

THIS MONTHS PROBLEM PAGE

1. Family I know has several children. Each boy in this family has as many sisters as brothers but each girl has twice as many brothers as sisters .How many brothers and sisters are there?
- 2.Two identical trains, at the equator start travelling round the world in opposite directions. They start together, run at the same speed and are on different tracks. which train will wear out its wheel treads first ?
- 3.Some years back I was travelling by a cargo ship from New Zealand to Tahiti. I was curious to look around the ship one day, and in the boiler room I asked a man how old the ship was. He smiled and replied in this way: 'The ship is twice as old as its boiler was when the ship was as old as the boiler is now. And the combined age of the ship and the boiler is thirty years. ' Can you figure out what is the age of the ship and of the boiler?
- 4.One morning I was on my way to the market and met a man who had 4 wives. Each of the wives had 4 bags, containing 4 dogs and each dog had 4 puppies Taking all things into consideration, how many were going to the market?

Garry

The Laws of Computing When computing whatever happens, behave as though you meant it to happen. When you get to the point where you really understand your computer, it's probably obsolete. The first place to look for information is in the section of the manual where you least expect to find it. When the going gets tough, upgrade. For every action there is an equal and opposite malfunction. To err is human. To blame your computer is divine. If at first you do not succeed, blame your computer. The number one cause of computer problems are computer solutions offered by family and friends.

Finally I think I have a problem with the interface between the chair, the keyboard, and the computers motherboard.

Graham



An attorney was parking his brand new Porsche 911 Turbo in front of his office, ready to show it off to his colleagues. As he was getting out, a truck came barreling down the road, drifted right and completely tore off the driver's door. Fortunately, a cop was close enough to see the accident and pulled up behind the now door-less Porsche with his lights flashing. Before the cop had a chance to ask any questions, the attorney started screaming hysterically about how his precious Porsche, which he had just purchased the day before, was completely ruined and no matter how hard any car body shop tried to make it new again, it would never be the same. After the lawyer finally wound down from his rant, the cop shook his head in disbelief, "I can't believe how materialistic you lawyers are," he said. "You are so focused on your possessions that you neglect the most important things in life." "How can you say such a thing?" asked the lawyer. The cop replied, "Don't you even realize that your left arm is missing? It was severed when the truck hit you!" "OH, MY GOD!" screamed the lawyer... "My Gold Rolex!"





ROOKIES SNOOKER CLUB Another Sunday family day enjoyed by the 60 people who attended. Thanks to Trevor and his hardworking helpers. The ladies' raffle of a large box of chocolates, was won by Trish Carrick with Marg Martin picking up 2nd prize. The Rookies' raffle was won by Trevor Hardy (wine), Bill Ryan (wine) 2nd and Don Carrick (6pack of beer) 3rd. The main raffle of a bottle of whisky was won by

Duncan Fleming , Maggie Synon won the bottle of rum. Please see notice board in the snooker room for the next function.

Remember support your club, **open every day from 1-00pm**

Garry

Answers to last month Puzzle Page, Puzzles to keep your brain working.

1. The first brother is *70 inches* tall, the second *72 inches*, the third *74 inches*, and the fourth brother is *80 inches tall*.
2. No, the answer is not $32\frac{1}{2}$ miles per hour, though this represents the average of the 2 speeds and not the average speed for the whole trip. If time is equal to the distance divided by the average speed, then the time for the trip starting from the village equals $\frac{8}{40}$ and the time for the return trip is $\frac{s}{40}$ which gives a total time of $\frac{s}{40} + \frac{s}{25}$ which $= \frac{13s}{200}$. Therefore, the average speed for the whole trip when the average speed equals the distance divided by the time is $2S$ divided by which equals $2S$ times $\frac{200}{13S}$, which equals or $30\frac{10}{13}$ miles an hour .
3. By experiment we find that the only numbers that can be turned upside down and still read as a number are 0,1,6,8, and 9. The numbers 0,1 and 8 remain 0,1 and 8 when turned over, but 6 becomes 9 and 9 becomes 6, therefore the possible numbers on the bus were 9,16,81,100,169 or 196, however the number 196 is the only number which becomes a perfect square when turned over because 961 is the perfect square of 31. Therefore 196 is the correct answer.
4. While striking 7 the clock strikes its first gong at 7 o'clock and it strikes 6 more at regular intervals. These 6 intervals take 7 seconds so that the intervals between gongs is $\frac{7}{6}$ seconds. However, to strike 10 there are 9 intervals each taking $\frac{7}{6}$ seconds for a total of $10\frac{1}{2}$ seconds.
5. A pound of cotton is heavier than a pound of gold because cotton is weighed by the avoirdupois pound, which consists of 16 ounces, whereas gold, being a precious metal is weighed by the troy pound which contains 12 ounces (5760 grams

Garry

If you got one out of 5 I reckon you can go to the top of the class. Harry



With sincere sadness we bring you the news of the passing of

WILLIAM (JACK) LAING house 243.



Jack along with his wife Daphne came to our village in May 2002.

They have spent 14 happy years here.

He celebrated his 90th birthday in our village hall in September with family and friends.

Jack and Daphne raised 9 children, those children added 18 grandchildren



and 12 great grandchildren.



‘HIS LOVE LIVES ON’

Daphne along with all her family thank all their neighbours and friends for all their help and kindness over this very sad time.

GARDENING WITH ROSS

November already.



November is generally our hottest month. It’s the start of our hot days, with the soil heating up too much to retain the moisture that our gardens need. Mulch is needed now, but first, use a good garden fork to loosen the soil , just push it in about 5 inches and only make a slight move of the handle, ensuring that the holes in the soil will let the water deep into ground. Now sprinkle a good amount of Blood and Bone over the soil before you water. After this has been completed cover the ground with a good layer of Mulch. The best mulch if Lucerne, But its expensive. Why not plant one good tomato plant in a BIG pot in your back yard now?
Happy Gardening Ross.



A BIG THANK YOU



SEAGULLS GOLF CROQUET CLUB. Reply to Graham and his exhausted chanting war cry players. What a shame we were unable to defeat them and change the word of undefeated to defeated and then they would have had to stay up all night annoying everyone with their war Cry! However after we play our third game against them, we will be ever so happy to hand them a box of tissues to dry their tears. As Seagulls are a team to be reckoned with, both games resulted in a draw. Now all jokes aside we most definitely agree with Graham in saying that they presented us with a marvellous spread of food that was provided in your clubhouse. This was excellent and it was all unexpected. Our members say a BIG thank you to all concerned.

Just a friendly warning ‘KEEP PRACTISING’ AS THE SWOOPING Seagulls intend to relieve you of the burden of caring for the ‘undefeated district record’.

Submitted by June (secretary) on behalf of “Denis and his mighty Demons’.

REMINDER OF THE MEETING BY THE NRMA.

Want to keep your driver's licence? Imagine what it would be like if it was withdrawn. Banora mixed Probus Club invites you to be their guest as an NRMA representative brings us up to date on the latest road rules, gives us tips on safe driving and gets us to have a look at the way we drive, in case a few bad habits have crept in. This will be a very interesting and informative hour presented in an entertaining manner which may make a difference to the rest of your life. **Monday 23rd Nov at 10am at South Tweed Sports Club, cost \$5** including morning tea. Visitors are welcome, no need to book just come along.

DO YOU HAVE SOLAR SYSTEM? I was lucky enough have to have someone call in and check my solar system only to find it wasn't working. They found that I needed to replace the isolator. Before they started to fix the problem they showed me what had happened. I was shocked at what I saw. They replaced what was needed also went up on the roof and checked all that, which was good. They explained everything very carefully to me, showed me what was replaced, and the work done to correct the faulty workmanship that had been done before. You will notice them in the village from time to time, they are trying to get around to all systems to check them out, leaving one of their stickers on your box. If you think you have a problem or your system isn't working or you have a question you would like answered give them a call at 07 **552502111** '**GOLD COAST ENERGY**' they are from Mudgeeraba Qld. I found them very helpful and pleasant and the cost was very reasonable. It pays to check your inverters to see if they are working. If you have any concern, don't leave it, as well as costing you money while it's not working it's dangerous. *Kath Ashby*

COBAKI RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION. The residents association information is found at the notice board outside the office at the far end. All relevant names and numbers of the committee are there for your use.

Margaret (Sec)

Daddy, I am coming home to get married soon, so get out your cheque book. I'm in love with a boy who is far away from me. As you know, I am in Australia, and he lives in Scotland. We met on a dating website, became friends on Facebook, had long chats on Whatsapp, he proposed to me on Skype, and now we've had two months of relationship through Viber. My beloved and favourite Dad, I need your blessing, good wishes, and a really big wedding." Lots of love and thanks, Your favourite daughter, Lilly



Dads replyalso by texting:

My Dear Lilly, Like Wow! Really? Cool! Whatever....., I suggest you two get married on Twitter, have fun on Tango, buy your kids on Amazon, and pay for it all through Paypal. And when you get fed up with this new husband, sell him on eBay. Dad

MANAGEMENT MESSAGE

Car Parking. When parking in the streets please consider others, make sure that it's in a safe area and not too inconvenient to others.

Noise. This is still causing problems, consider your neighbours when watching television. Headphones are a good answer to this problem.

Using between houses as pathway. These areas are not a public walkway. Some home owners have arrangements with neighbours to use it. Please advise your visitors of this rule.

Speed. This is still a problem, **SLOW DOWN. No one wants to cause a bad accident and that is what will happen.**

.WANTED. Has anyone a cassette recorder they could lend me, or better still you could do it for me. I have a very old cassette that I want to put on a CD, it only runs for about 20 minutes. If you have, please give me a call. Harry (201) 5599 8694 Thank you.



When I was in Phuket recently on holidays, I saw a sign that said. 'English speaking taxi driver'. I thought to myself what a brilliant idea. Why don't we have them in Australia".



We would like to say a sincere thank you to those who congratulated us on our 200th 'Cobba News'. Also to those who wrote to us with their words of encouragement for our work on the paper. It all made the work worthwhile. We enjoy writing the paper and appreciate those who give us items to follow up. When we started it in February 1998, it was something new for us and didn't take long to take off. It has changed quite a lot since that first one. Management have been very good to us, as well as paying for the printing. They are happy with its success, and it has been on their web site since August 2008. We now have helpers, Denise, Jim, Dianne & John and Bruce, doing different jobs which is a massive help.

We will be back again next year, to continue writing the 'Cobba News.' *Kath & Harry*



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