



# COBBA NEWS



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## SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Hello again. Isn't it nice to see some warmer weather at last! Well, we are coming up to our busy time of the year, with lots happening.

**BIG BREAKFAST FOR BREAST CANCER.** This will be held on October 10th from 8.30 to 10am. The cost for this yummy breakfast is \$10, all money raised going to Breast Cancer Foundation. Please get your bookings in as soon as possible.

**CONCERT.** I know the concert is still a few weeks away but I would like to have your bookings in as soon as possible so I can start making plans re catering. The seating for the dinner and show will be different from the usual concerts, as I'm allowing for more room to make it more comfortable. This will be a great night with lots of laughs, good food and great company.

**MELBOURNE CUP.** Yes it's coming up to that time again, so get out those hats, both ladies & gents. We will have the usual Best Hat & Best Dressed lady & gent. Roger is coming to entertain us, we will be having the cold 'Buffet' style luncheon as we did last year. Booking forms out in a few weeks. More information on back page.

It was good to see Jan Riley back in the kitchen last happy hour making the fruit salad. Jan has had operations on both hands and making a slow but good recovery. Dianne is back behind the bar after her enforced break due to a broken leg, as well as back playing golf. Bruce Kettle is waiting for his hip operation and is on light duties at present. A big thank you to his wife Pam for doing his Saturday morning raffle run. Her extra help in the hall is very much appreciated. Jean Gwynn is still on the mend after recent illness and is having a break for the rest of the year. She will be back in the kitchen again next year. All our love to you Jean, you are really missed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers who are helping the committee in many ways. With all of us getting older, we do have health issues and it's good to know we can call on you for help. Kind regards. Trish.



## TIME TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD

**1 HOUR**

**ON SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2014**





**FEW PHOTOS  
FROM  
MASKED  
BALL**





## MASKED BALL



If you missed this night you missed out on a really great night, plenty of fun and the music was first class. If you didn't want to dance it was a real pleasure to listen to the music, they played the type of songs we all love, and we didn't get our ears blasted. The choice of band was excellent.

We were asked to wear masks, and 99% of those present, entered into the spirit of evening with some really great masks. The masks do get a little warm after a while and they were soon discarded but added to the table decorations. Finger food supper was provided, and with the bar open what more could anyone want?

It was a very big shame that the numbers were down. The Social Club go to a great deal of trouble to put functions on for all our pleasure, it would be nice to see these supported a lot more. The photos on the previous page give you some idea of the happy crowd that made the most of the night.

## WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS



This month we welcome **NORMA & NEIL McINNES**, who moved into house **232**. They have moved states as well, coming from Cooroy which is near Noosa. Norma loves her garden and cooking, while Neil has a real love for writing and has already written 7 novels various screen plays and short stories, all since he retired in 2005. He also took up painting. Retirement was boring so he did something about it. He said he has plenty more still gathering up in his mind. It was a real pleasure welcoming them both into the village.

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## THE THREE LITTLE PIGS



Three Little Pigs went out to dinner one night. The waiter came and took their order.

'I would like a Sprite,' said the first little piggy. 'I would like a Coke,' said the second little piggy. 'I want beer, lots and lots of beer,' said the third little piggy.

The drinks were brought out and the waiter took their orders for dinner 'I want a nice big steak,' said the first piggy. 'I would like a plate of salad,' said the second piggy. 'I want beer, lots and lots of beer,' said the third little piggy.

The meal was brought out and a while later the waiter approached the table and asked if the piggies would like any dessert. 'I want a banana split,' said the first piggy. 'I want a cheesecake,' said the second piggy. 'I want beer, lots and lots of beer,' exclaimed the third piggy.

'Pardon me asking,' said the waiter to the third piggy. 'But why have you only ordered beer all evening?' ***Your gonna love this....*** The third piggy says

"Well, somebody has to go 'Wee, wee, wee all the way home!'"



## 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 CLUB	MAC JONES	55997401	SINGLE LADIES	JEAN CARTER	55999273
TRIVIA	MYRNA HUGHES	55997061	POKIE BUS TRIPS	PAM CURRY	55997097
GARDENING	ROSS DAVIS	55997576	KEEPING FIT	CHRISTINE HALL	55999003
CROQUET	GRAHAM MOHONEY	55998802	LAWN BOWLS	JIM MORTON	55998956
SNOOKER	TREVOR HARDY	55997417	SOCIAL GOLF	MAGGIE SYNON	55997586
AQUA AEROBICS ELIZABETH RYAN 55998625					



**TRIVIA:-** The first of our re-organised Trivia night was on 3rd September and although we didn't have many players (They will all be back next month) we still had lots of laughs and not too much brain strain. The winners were – Drum roll>>> The Emus, well done. Come along on the 1st of October at 6.30pm then Nov 5th and see what we get up to. My sisters & I would make you very welcome.

*Myrna*



**COBAKI COBBA'S LAWN BOWLS CLUB:** Unfortunately, we had to cancel our trip to Ballina due to the bad weather on the day planned, but the good news is, we will be going now on **Sunday, October 12th** which was the only date that was available to us. A new list will be on the notice board with the names transferred over with the exception of the people that aren't able to go. Anyone that wasn't on the list the first time and wishes to go, please add your name. Prior to going to Ballina in October, we will have had our trip to Ocean Shores Club at the end of September. More on that next month. All plans have been finalised for our away trip in October, with members & guests receiving up to date itineraries with times etc. Everyone is looking forward to a great weekend! A reminder that our last trip for the year, on November 9th will be to the Gold Coast Bowls. More details in next Cobba's report. Please note: as decided at our September meeting, there will be **NO** meeting in October. The next meeting will be on Sunday, **November 2nd** when we will be discussing the Xmas Party, which will be on **Sunday, December 7th** in the Rec Hall.

Happy Bowling.

*Jim*



**CANASTA** Still too many players missing, so nothing new to write about. The ones who do turn up still manage to enjoy the afternoon and look forward to spending time with friends. When everybody is back from holidays, or recovered from illness, we look forward to seeing you back playing cards again. If you haven't played before, this is not a hard game to learn and if it suits you better we can give you private lessons on the game, while you have a cuppa.

WEDNESDAY – 1.00 to 4.30 p.m.

*Joy*



**INDOOR BOWLS:** Another month gone by already! Reminded everyone that we needed to make arrangements for our Xmas party, which will be on **Sunday, December 14th**, with the decision made to go back to Seagulls again for lunch and then party on in the Rec Hall afterwards, as we did last year.

Where has this year gone to? Our numbers are great each week, with everyone enjoying their Monday morning bowls and morning tea. A very social couple of hours with great company. Join us in the Rec Hall on **Monday's 9-30—11-30**

*Jim*



**KEEPING FIT CLASS:** The mornings are just beautiful, making getting up just that little bit easier - till we wind back the clocks and almost go back to where we were! Many thanks to the Social Club for their contribution of \$50 towards our funds - the class discussed how best to spend our bounty, and decided that as we now have several good videos to rotate through, we would put the money towards a class Christmas celebration (yet to be decided).

There will be no class notice for **November**, as I will be testing out my fitness on the cobbled roads and Roman ruins of Greece and Turkey. However, the rest of the class will carry on in my absence, with Elizabeth and Elaine taking over video duties.

Talk to you again in December. **MON: WED: FRI 7.00am to 7.45am** *Christine*



**WATER AEROBICS:** By the time this notice is out, I am hoping to have started "1st. week in October", with a good group of keen participants-no triers so far. The use of cover discontinued because of the problem with Black hens leaving their droppings and the difficult job of cleaning it off. So a plea to all residents putting out food, **PLEASE STOP**, especially in the area around the lake.

Trevor at present is checking the equipment (dumb bells) some repair was needed. We are thankful to our often only male participant for doing this. So I got my new bathers-Kmart have a reasonable priced selection, in most sizes. As always **7-00am Mon to Fri**

Your still, at present, "stand in" scribe

*Elizabeth*



**BINGO REPORT:** Its that time again for the report on the activities for the Cobba News. I would like to say we had an increase in attendance, but we would really appreciate more. We would like to thank those that come along each week and support us. For those who would like to come along each **Monday we start at 1-30 pm.** Followed by a natter and a nice cup of tea.



*Mick & Jean*



**ROOKIES SNOOKER CLUB** Results of Raffle September BBQ

Bottle of scotch-Rod Caton, 6pack beer -Jim Locke

Next Family Day, usual time at the Social Hall **Sunday 12th October 2014.**

Remember to support your club Raffles .

Last Sunday a sausage sizzle was held at the snooker room coinciding with a planned visit by one of our club favourites Kevin (*Shorty*) Mathews. Daughter Lynn brought Shorty down. He asked me this week to quote "Had a bloody good time clobber" as did his friends and neighbours. Plenty of reminiscing and a few cans, made for lots of laughter and happy moments. Shorty has settled into his new digs at the 'Pottsville Beach Aged care Facility', having moved there earlier this year after 13 years of Village life at No 251 .

*Regards Garry*



**SINGLE LADIES** Isn't 2014 flying by! Soon be Christmas – hard to believe, isn't it? We will have been to the RAAF Museum at Amberley (near Ipswich) when this is read. We are all looking forward to the trip and trust it will be a fine day. That will be our last 'day' trip for the year (how time flies!) and then at the end of November we are off to Stanthorpe for an overnight stay.

We will be visiting some wineries/restaurants/places of interest and coming home through Tenterfield. That's all for this month,

*Jean*



**CRAFT** Hi everyone, things have been a bit quiet at craft, due mainly to the fact we have had a few members unwell lately. Minnie has spent a short time in hospital, but I am happy to say she is back in the fold now, Betty Paynter has had to go back to where she had her accident (I think it was Perth ) to have the pins taken out of her arm. Barbara has been visiting her kith and kin, down south, Val Jacobs has also been visiting kith and kin in Canada (you must ask Val how she enjoyed her meals on the plane, but don't blame me if she socks you). And lastly, as if all this was not enough, Freda was taken into hospital with pneumonia, and at the time of writing this report she is still there, hurry up and get well Freda, we all miss you.

We were very happy to welcome Betty Lawler to our group, we hope you enjoy our group Betty. We have had two birthdays this month. Barbara Grisedale on the 6th September---- Chris Flockhart on the 9th. Happy birthday ladies. If any of you ladies out there want to join us, we will make you very welcome, but you do need to come to the hall in order for us to do that. We meet every **Thursday at 1pm**, take a break for a yummy afternoon tea at 2pm, and usually finish up around 3pm

*Mary*



**Computers 'n stuff** Hellooo Daarrhhlings! How's everythings? Now I'm disappointed - I asked last 'News for your favourite useless “app.” Not a single one! Oh well, how about this time I say 'Your favourite app'? One that you actually use. And, of course, one that you downloaded, not one that came already loaded on your device. And no, last month's prize does not carry over to this time - I drank it. D'you like facts? Useless facts, useful facts, facts you can agree with, facts you can dispute? Then try this site: [www.factslides.com](http://www.factslides.com). You can spend hours on it if you want. Have fun! We meet **Fridays at the D.K.Centre at 10 o'clock**. Come along if you want to tell us something new or otherwise interesting or just have a laugh.

*Mac*

***IMPORTANT WARNING.*** I have been a victim of credit card fraud. I answered the phone to presumably a Telstra internet help office. He told me I had some problems, which I had. He also told me I had lost my AVG protection which I also knew about. He advised, he would set everything up for me. He helped me to open a Netbank Account. Shortly after I received a bank statement which showed a large amount of money withdrawn and deposited in an international account. **BE CAREFUL.** *(name withheld)*

This came from a resident and is a genuine case. **NEVER** take any advice from phone calls they are only after your money. If you have a computer problem you can ring your service provider anytime. It is not wise to ever give anyone money over the phone or any of your personal information. Take their number and offer to phone back, you never get it. Never be afraid to say **no** to anyone trying to get money out of you.

*Editor*

## SOCIAL GOLF TRIP TO OCERN SHORES

**Monday 15th Sept.** Starting with a lovely sunny day saw 8 of our club set off for Ocean Shores. Once settled in our nice rooms and made welcome by the Manager, we set off for lunch at the Golf Club. Five of us played 9 holes with Arther. K. being the winner. Meanwhile the non player's made for the shops. In the evening we were picked up by a bus and taken to the old local pub for dinner.

**Tuesday,** 18 holes of golf won by Garry P, while the ladies headed to Brunswick Heads, where they had Fish & Chips at the local Fish Co Op, very yum! Back by bus to the Golf Club for diner, after which we had a few surprise presentations, which caused much laughter. All were delighted with their 'rewards'.

**Wednesday,** 18 holes again, Garry being the winner. With a very early start it was great to see Mrs Arthur K. up and about to caddy fr Mr A.K. Once again all met for lunch, back to the motel for a bit of rest then bus back to the Club fr a very large dinner enjoyed by all.

**Thursday,** We need to head back for a REST all agreeing it was most successful first trip, the motel really went all out to welcome us and make sure we were happy with everything.



Di, Trisha, Arthur, Geoff, Maggie, Garry, Sandra and Carol.



Garry and Dianne



Arthur & Carol with their award.



Several residents being hospitalised with Gastric or Flu complications. It is very easy to pass on. Being very friendly with a hug, though nice, can be harmful. So thinking of all sick residents and hope you are well soon *Elizabeth 255*

When I was ready to check out and pay for my groceries the cashier said, "Strip down, facing me." making a mental note so I could complain to my local MP about this security rubbish, I did just as she had instructed. After the shrieking and hysterical remarks finally subsided, I found out that she was referring to how I should position my credit card.

Nonetheless, I've been asked to shop elsewhere in the future. They need to make their instructions a little clearer for seniors. Man, I hate the getting older stuff!



**SOCIAL GOLF:** Once again, as at Ocean Shores we had great golfing weather on 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. We had a good turn up with 2 Ladies & 10 men, Cliff Boyd had a great day taking out 2 prizes, a ball and the \$10 well done Cliff. As usual our B.B.Q. went down very well with 22 attending, getting a bit ahead anyone attending 4 or more B.B.Qs will have their meal subsidised at our presentation night in January, this is due to all the hard work our 'Fines Master', Bob Hersey, has done with getting us those extra dollars thanks loads Bob. It was good to see Julie & Ralph McGee back with us after Ralph's illness. Our next game will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all who help make our Club a very happy one.

*Maggie & Geoff*



**GOLF CROQUET** Organised games of golf croquet are held every Saturday morning from 8.30am and new players will be made most welcome. Remember it's just a short walk from your homes to the well prepared lawns overlooking the lake, just down from the DK Centre. It costs nothing to play and all the equipment and coaching is provided. The sport is great brain food and it also gets you fit by having a walk and a talk with our friendly members in the glorious fresh morning air. It's nice to see Dianne again, after breaking her leg playing golf and Pat has had a successful knee replacement. Jean is back after netball commitments and Betty, who has had elbow surgery, will be returning in a few weeks time. Freda is getting over the flu and Don who has finally finished all the renovations in his new home has just gone down with it. Big welcome to Carol our latest new member who really knows how to run the hoops. Keep in mind that our other members, John and Joan, play croquet on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons and everyone is invited to go along. If the organised Saturday morning club play does not suit, ring John 55999218 if interested. Happy swinging.

*Graham*



It is with deep sadness we bring you the news of the passing of

**CHICKA LISSON** (house 275)

He passed away on 21st September 2014, at Opals Florence Tower, he had been battling bad health for some time.



Chicka and Ellie came into the village 21½ years ago, into house 308 later moved to 275.

Many of us remember him in the early days of Chicka & Mick covering our driveways with the fake lawn which is still there. If you needed help Chicka was there. He was much loved by all who knew him. The village first bus was a smaller green one, which Chicka drove on Saturday nights to Seagulls and Monday nights to line dancing, He would then pick us up, Sunday afternoons he also drove when we used to have little trips. This was when the village was in its infancy.

His family were all here to say good bye to him.

Ellie would like to thank Trish & helpers for setting up the hall and the wonderful spread they provided at the wake.

Our condolences to Ellie and the family.





**CONGRATULATIONS**  
to  
**CHRIS & IAN POOLEY**



Who have just celebrated their **50th** wedding anniversary on 19th September. They were married in Box Hill Melbourne in 1964. They have two boys and now have two grandchildren a boy and girl, still living in Melbourne.

Chris & Ian stayed in Melbourne until they came to Tweed Heads, then in 1993 they moved into Cobaki Village at house No 3. That was the year the village opened and 21 houses were sold that year, along with Chris & Alex Flockhart they are the longest residing residents. Others did arrive in 1993, but later in the year.

Ian has been looking after the library, since they first moved here. The first library was a small area at the back of the hall, before the extension was built. Chris along with Pat Neil Tom Fowler & Ted Coughlin, started the first Social Club in the village. The next year Gladys Bow became president, then Don Ralston took it on for some years then Chris Pooley stepped into the position of president and stayed there for around 6/7 years. They have both been very much an active part of life in the village.



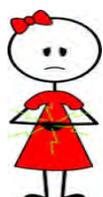
This is a more recent photo of them. Many things have changed over the years. When Chris was president we were able to have more bus trips and our Christmas parties were held at different clubs, but that has all had to change with the village filling up and venues becoming too expensive to continue. Thank you to both Ian & Chris for all they have done for the village and we hope that they had a lovely celebration for their **50th**.



**WAREHOUSE SHOPPING TRIP:** The time has come around again when the Tweed Hospital Auxiliary are having another Warehouse Shopping Trip. All money raised on the day will go towards much needed equipment for the hospital. We will be looking around various warehouses in the Brisbane area - fashion, giftware, electrical, bags, jewellery & more. Cost for the day will be \$40.00 pp which includes the coach from village, morning tea & lunch. Come along and have a great time with us on **Tuesday, November 25th**.



All inquiries to **Denise 55998956** or **Jean 55999273**



*A little girl had just finished her first week at school. 'I'm just wasting my time,' She said to her mother. 'I can't read, I can't write, and they won't let me talk!'*

## DRAGON BOAT RACING.

In October, with my team Dragons Abreast Gold Coast, I am going to Miami Florida to compete in an international regatta for dragon boat paddling. The crew are all breast cancer survivors and, like my team they too will be training hard, training 3 times a week.

The regatta is for world titles of which Gold Coast team are the current title holders.

Meanwhile all my fingers and toes are crossed hoping for a good result, win or lose it will be a great trip.

Dragons Abreast Australia is a national organization, comprised of breast cancer survivors of various ages, from a great variety of backgrounds, athletic abilities and interests.

*Thank you to Judy Caton house 151, for bringing us up to date with this news. Judy has been a member of the team for quite some time. They have had plenty of successes with this worthwhile cause. We wish them all the best for another big result this year. There will be more on their results in the Cobba News when Judy returns home.*



Judy in action.



Going full speed ahead.



This is the photo finish, when they won the title before.

## GARDENING WITH ROSS

**Growing your own lemon tree.** Lemon trees grow well in large tubs. There are many varieties lemons trees specially bred for this purpose. Just recently I have seen a tree loaded with beautiful juicy clean skinned fruit. Lemons are really beneficial for our health, being great in lemon tea. Warm lemon juice drink, first thing in the morning, wakes up the stomachs digestive system. We have a large **Eureka** lemon growing in our back yard, loaded with fruit. **Meyer** variety is a semi Dwarf. Dwarf varieties do well in pots, growing between two metres high and wide. 'Lots of Lemons' is a dwarf tree well suited to large tubs. The sweeter 'Lemonade' looks like a lemon, but can be eaten like an orange. Pots need to be at least 2 feet, (600mm) across by 3 to 4 feet; (900mm to one meter) high. Use only the best potting mix with a good citrus fertilizer. Happy Gardening **Ross**

Sadly we bring you news of the passing of

**JIM McCALLUM** house 127.

On 25th September 2014

Jim passed away suddenly in hospital after an operation.

Jim was 91 and had recently been made a life member of the Social Club.

He has been in the village 13 years, one of the nicest gentlemen you could meet.

Our very sincere condolences to his family.





## OWENS 69TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

It was a really great time for everyone, you could dance your head off, chat, watch all the dancers or just listen to the terrific music. Owen had his family there also. Owen didn't sit down all afternoon, as soon as that music took off he was dancing a storm.



(Owen with his family)

Lyn made his cake complete with Base Ballers on it. It was a double birthday, Lyn also made a cake for Charlie to celebrate her birthday as well. Afternoon tea was prepared by Trish & Mary, which was also a great treat. No one went hungry.



**CONGRATULATIONS Owen on your 69th!**





John McKinley lifted the bonnet of his car to check the water & oil, but found they had acquired a new pet. How lucky was this Water Dragan that John had not started the car. Now with the warmer weather starting they will be finding all the warm spots to warm up for the day, lets hope the pick safer places than this.

**CARAMA PEST CONTROL**, who come into the village yearly will not be coming this year due to Cliff having a stroke and work is on hold at present.

**Thank you** to everyone in the village who donated various items for the Tweed Hospital Annual Fete which was held at the Civic Centre on Saturday, September 13th. Also for the people who came along on the day. It was good to see so many of you there! You will be pleased to know that the total raised was in excess of \$26,000 which will go towards much needed equipment for the hospital. A great result! Denise & Jean.

### MELBOURNE CUP TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER.

The Social Club will again be running several sweeps for the Melbourne Cup 2014 at a cost of \$1; \$2 and \$5.

This year, however, there will be a few changes. Entries for the sweeps will be accepted from Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October until the end of Happy Hour on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October. There will be no refund if your horse is scratched and no money back for last. In addition the Social Club is taking 10% (approx.) of moneys collected to cover our costs.

Therefore the prize money will be as follows:

- \$1 Sweep - 1<sup>st</sup> \$15; 2<sup>nd</sup> \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> \$2
- \$2 Sweep - 1<sup>st</sup> \$30; 2<sup>nd</sup> \$10; 3<sup>rd</sup> \$4
- \$5 Sweep - 1<sup>st</sup> \$75; 2<sup>nd</sup> \$25; 3<sup>rd</sup> \$10



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