

COBBA NEWS

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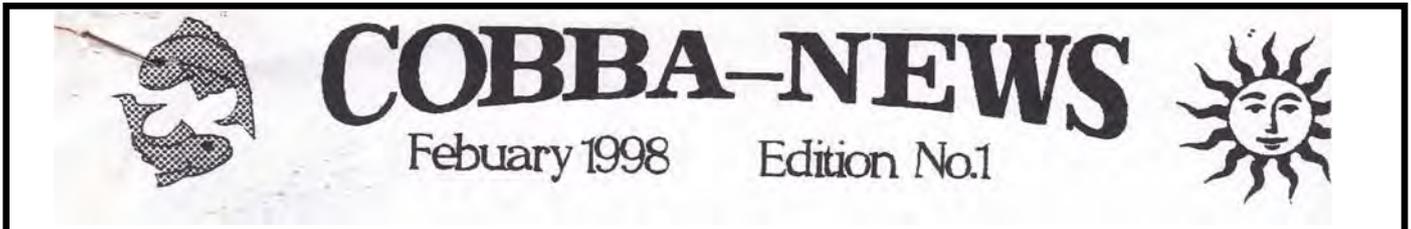
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Picture shows Kath & Harry as they were at the beginning of the paper, discussing the content of yet another Cobba News.

Bringing news and humour to the residents, over the 200 editions

A LITTLE ABOUT THE COBBA NEWS.

We both arrived in the village in 1996 with our spouses and thought the village could do with a 'village paper'. One had been started before but didn't take off. In the early days we did everything, but now we have helpers. We would like to thank them for all their help. Both Val & Fred used to proof read it now we have Dianne & John doing that Denise & Jim fold it and put it into your boxes. Bruce makes sure it goes on the Web site. We do take it over to the printers and they deliver it back to here. The management pay for the printing of the paper. It's a real team effort, so different to those early days.



For the last month or so, we have thought, what we need in a newsletter. We have spoken to quite a number of people, who all agree. So with help, we are going to give it a go. So first of all I will introduce myself, Harry Baines, house 201. I have lived here 15 months, with my wife Val. We came from Ferntree Gully Melbourne. My offsider, who I am sure you all know is Kath Ashby, house 140. She came with husband Fred, and have lived her for 17 months. They came from Dover Gardens Adelaide.

Well what will the paper cover, a line or two about our new residents. What fish are caught, where, with what bait. How about a limited "Buy, swap and sell" section. Do you think a garden section would be a good idea (maybe we have a Don Burke in our midst). A cooking section, what is your favourite recipe. Well that is a few ideas, but what we want, is **YOUR** ideas, think about it, talk about it, because this is your paper, without you, we will no paper. Both Kath and myself have never done anything like this before, so we are relying on a lot of help. We do hope to work closely with the Social Club, also to have input from all the other activities that go on in the village.

We would like to thank the office, who have given us their support and encouragement, and have offered to do the printing for us, and to help in any way they can.

The first 'Cobba News' was one & a half pages, the above is a short piece from the first page. We now never do one under 8 pages and very often do 12 and 16 pages. We have appreciated the support we have had from the residents, your import is very important. We urge you to keep sending in your requests or items for the paper. Like all things, we have had a few nasty letters from residents but always not signed.

New ideas are always welcome.





SOCIAL CLUB REPORT

Hello everyone, things are getting busy as we draw nearer to the end of another busy year.

BIG BREAKFAST. We are hosting this again this year for the breast cancer research. Being held on **Friday 16th October, from 8.30 to 10am**, cost \$10 each.

Breakfast will consist of bacon & eggs /sausages/ baked beans/toast/orange juice/ tea / coffee . All proceeds going to Breast Cancer Research. Please make surer that your booking slip is in by the 8th October. Your booking slips are out.

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON, on Tuesday **3rd November**. This is a big day, join in the fun, and start getting your special outfits complete with your special hat ready for the judging. The big screen will be showing the race. Lets make this one to remember.

CHRISTMAS PARTY. This will be one to remember, as we all turn up in our Christmas gear. It's on **29th November**. There will be hams to win along with many other interesting prizes. Milton Q (as seen earlier this year) will be here on the day to entertain us, he is well worth coming along to hear. Booking forms will be in your boxes in October. Make up a party.

Our resident Chef, Chris, is sunning himself on a holiday in Bali! We sure hope he is having a wonderful and relaxing time, ready to take up his hard work in the kitchen again.. Thanks Chris for all your hard work.

I would like to thank all out hard working committee along with the helpers who are a marvellous help to us in the kitchen and preparing required with the meals, It all worked very smoothly with such volunteers. Mark all these dates in your CALENDAR.

All is going along smoothly with the Social club.

Kind regards *Trish*.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENT. SHEILA RIDING, who has just moved into house **13**, moving from Mount Tambourine. She has already made friends in the village. She is lady with many talents, playing her piano being one, plus her computer, and is now finding time to join in some activities here in the village. It's always lovely meeting new residents.

Kathy Van Der Byl house 132, has kindly offered to take over as our new Librarian. Jim and Faye will be there for her as back ups. Ian's shoes are not easy to fill, but we are sure that Kathy will do a good job at looking after our Library.

A nursery school pupil told his teacher he'd found a cat, but it was dead. 'How do you know that the cat was dead?' she asked her pupil. 'Because I pissed in its ear and it didn't move,' answered the child innocently. 'You did WHAT?' the teacher exclaimed in surprise. 'You know,' explained the boy, 'I leaned over and went 'Pssst' and it didn't move'

LEADERS OF ACTIVITIES

HALL BOOKINGS CHRIS POOLEY 55998198

CANASTA JOY ROACH 55997359	SNOOKER TREVOR HARDY 59974175
INDOOR BOWLS JIM MORTON 55998956	BINGO JEAN & Mick BRUNT 59998321
THEATRE TRISH McKINLEY 55999571	CRAFT PAM COLE 55999366
COMPUTER STEWART McLEOD 55999029	SINGLE LADIES 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
AEROBIC JEANETTE JORDON 0414851217	



WATER AEROBICS Hi to all the Cobaki residents, we will be starting the water Aerobics the first week in October, weather permitting and water temperature being warm enough. We look forward to welcoming all the new and old members of the village to come along and join us. It is a great way to start your day, our gentle excises program is designed to keep all our joints moving so we can be more active in life. And by doing the excises in the water you are not putting stress on your joints. Why not come along and join us as we have lots of laughs while doing our routine. We hold classes on **Monday to Friday between 7am to 8am**. Join us. *Jeanette*



LADIES GROUP Oh dear! Carolyn is away on holidays and I have been elected to do the report this month. I have been on holidays for just over 3 weeks, looking up family and friends and doing some family history research at the same time! I believe the ladies have been fairly quiet this month. A little bird told me that they went for lunch at Twin Towns Juniors and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. No trips have been planned for October although some of us are going with the bowlers on their trip away at the end of October. Our next trip will be in November and we're going to the Towri Sheep and Cheese Farm. More about that next month. *Jean (for Carolyn)*



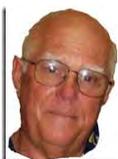
BINGO Not much happening on the bingo front during the last month. Numbers have not improved, therefore finances are still dropping. We might have enough funds to have an end of year Christmas party, but that will be about it. Sorry for writing such a morbid report, but it is fact.. Thank you to the Stalwarts and Anthony for their help and Penny for standing in to give us a break. Hope to see you on **Monday at 1-30 sharp**. *Jean & Mick*



TRIVIA Not a good turn-out this month. Lots of folk with colds and flu, even so we had fun as always. Scores were close with 'Team Anzacs' just getting across the line. Still working on putting questions on TV screen.

OCTOBER TRIVIA IS CANCELLED. Due to illness and those on holidays.

Back to normal **Nov 4th at 6.30pm**. *Myrna*



GOLF CROQUET Our croquet courts which overlook the lake just down from the library are often temporary sanctuaries for a variety of birds including swans, wood ducks, swamp hens, plovers, willy wagtails and magpie larks however on the 12th September we were invaded by over twenty “seagulls” who were hell bent on making our lives as difficult as possible.

All jokes aside we played host to the Seagulls Golf Croquet Club as it was their turn to visit us for a friendly, but at times competitive challenge. The weather was great, the company was great and I am sure that everyone had a really great time. It was terrific to see both courts overflowing with players all seeking the holy grail of croquet, “the long hoop in one shot”. We ended up in the clubhouse where a marvellous and perhaps ‘never to be beaten again spread of food and drink’ was provided by our very generous Cobaki members. The overall result of the challenge ended up being a draw, similar to the last time we met, that means that our “undefeated district record” remains intact. Club members were still chanting their war cry long into the night.

Commiserations to “Dennis and his Demons” MAY the force be with you next time.

Saturdays at 8.30am will now be back to normal for a short while and organised games commence again. New players will be made most welcome. All you need is a hat, sun-screen, a good pair of walking shoes and a smile. There are plenty of spare mallets and friendly members willing to provide you with helpful playing tips. By the way, Club Championships will start in late October and be played to a similar format to last year.

Happy hoop running until next time. **Graham**



COMPUTERS Colds and Flu are certainly having an effect on our numbers. We talked about Printer Cartridges The cost & quality of photo printing, phone plans & Skype. Come & join us. Who knows what you might learn.

Every Friday Morning at 10am in the ‘Denis King’ Centre. Stewart



ROOKIES SNOOKER CLUB. BBQ raffle Results Wednesday 9th Sept. Bottle scotch- John Noakes Six pack beer –Roy Davies.

Next BBQ Wednesday 14th October.

Remember support your club open every day from 1pm. **Garry**



CRAFT Hello to all our CRAFT ladies. Another month has passed us by and we are now enjoying our lovely Spring weather as it makes us feel energised and refreshed after the winter months. I would like to see all our ladies out and about again, enjoying our weekly get together and catching up on what crafts you have been doing through the winter. To any ladies who have been sick we wish you a very speedy road to good health. We will look forward to seeing you in the

REC Hall THURS 1.00pm. Pam



CANASTA Nothing new to report. Numbers are still down as we have people travelling around or having “running repairs” done to knees etc. Why not call in and see the way we enjoy canasta, if you have never played before, there are plenty of helper on hand. **We meet each Thursday at 1.00 to 4.00pm in the hall.**

Joy



SOCIAL GOLF What a lovely sunny day we had for this month's game, just made it before the storm. For the first round of our Club championships we had 11 players 9 men, 2 Ladies. Lee Van Holt took off the first prize again with Bev Wagner a close second 'Go GIRLS'! We all enjoyed our B.B.Q with 21 of us enjoying a lot of laugh's and lots of replaying the day's game, with our 'Fine's Master' on the sick list Bob Hersey did an admiral job of getting us all again, many thanks Bob. Again thanks to all our helper's on the night. Our next game is **21st Oct. 10 am hit off**, please remember if you would like to join us on the **3rd Wednesday of the Month** you would be made very welcome. You don't have to be a star player just enjoy the day and good company. Look forward to seeing you all then.

Happy hitting *Maggie & Geoff*



INDOOR BOWLS: For our bowlers that remember our dear friend Minnie Oliver. I have had news that she has settled down to her new life in Melbourne close to her family and has sent us all her best wishes. We in turn have sent a card with all our love to let her know that she is often thought about. I know I have said it before in my report, but 'Thanks' again to all 'helpers' on Monday mornings. You are much appreciated! Just as a reminder - Xmas party will be on Sunday, December 13th. Will be discussing a venue for lunch and then returning to the Rec hall to carry on with the Xmas festivities. Time soon creeps up on us, so have to put things into place as soon as we can. As always, Monday mornings are still full of laughter and a great way to start the week off. Great to see everyone enjoying themselves! We meet in the Rec Hall each **Monday morning from 9.30am to 11.30am**. Come along and join us.

Jim



KEEPING FIT CLASS: Daylight Saving has arrived - just when we were enjoying our lovely early morning sunshine, it's gone for another few weeks!

Now a true story on how important it is that we keep exercising (I know it's true because it's MY story). Due to a couple of health related issues, I was unable to keep up my morning exercise classes for about 8 weeks - walking was all I was allowed to do. I have lower back/sciatic back problems which is why I started exercising in the first place, but I thought walking would suffice. NO. After three/four weeks, my back and legs really started to bother me, and by the time I was able to return to class, I was taking pain medication fairly regularly. I started slowly, but after only 3 weeks back, less pain and no medication. After 5 weeks, I feel great - I would never have believed that our exercises were making that much difference!

So - moral of the story - get out and do some regular exercise - you'll experience some aches and pains at first, but the results will surprise you.

MONDAY : WEDNESDAY : FRIDAY 7.00am to 7.45am.

Chris



COBAKI COBBA'S SOCIAL LAWN BOWLS CLUB

I'll start with our coach trip to Alstonville. What a great day for our club members and visitors from the village. We had never been to the club before but will certainly be returning again. A cuppa to greet us with when we arrived. Just what we needed! The bowlers got onto the greens about 10.00am while the rest of us went on a short ride to visit 'The House with no Steps' which is a business that provides employment for the disabled people in the area. Some work in the coffee shop while others work on the land, in the packing sheds or in the garden areas. A nice place to visit for a Sunday drive. We enjoyed lunch after the bowlers came back into the club and the formalities had been done. On our way home we stopped for ice creams at Macadamia Castle at Knockrow. A great way to finish off the day. A trip to Ocean Shores on Sunday, September 20th was also another good day. The weather wasn't the best, but it didn't stop the bowlers from playing some good bowls. Thanks to everyone for supporting the raffles. Cobbas did well! All the prizes won by our members. No games day in October due to the 3 day/2 night trip to Gympie, Hervey Bay & Tewantin from October 23rd to October 25th. All systems go for that trip! The final 'Bowls day' for the year is on **Sunday, November 15th to Gold Coast Club**. Keep watching the notice board for more information and list for names. Our end of year Christmas Party will be on **Sunday 6th December**, we will be having lunch at a venue (at this stage still to be arranged) then returning to the Rec Hall to carry on with raffles, lucky number prizes etc.

Until next time - bye for now. *Jim*

ALZHEIMERS POEM

**Do not ask me to remember
Do not try to make me understand
Let me rest and know your with me
Kiss my cheek and hold my hand
I'm confused beyond your concept
I am sad and sick and lost
All I know is that I need you to be with me at all cost
Do not scold or curse my cry
I can't help the way I'm acting
Can't be different though I try
Just remember that I need you
That the best of me is gone
Please don't fail to stand beside me**

PUZZLE PAGE

Puzzles to keep your brain working

- (1) Next door to me live four brothers of different heights. Their average height is 74 inches, and the difference in height amongst the first three men is two inches. The difference between the third and the fourth man is six inches.

How tall is each brother ?

- (2) The other day I drove down Kennedy Drive to the fish and chip shop. I started in the afternoon when there was no traffic rush, so I could drive at a speed of 40 km an hour .While returning however I got caught in the traffic rush and could only manage to drive at a speed of 25 km an hour .**What was my average speed for the round trip ?**

- (3) Caught a bus from Tweed central to Pacific fair and, being forgetful, left my overcoat on the bus. When I reported the matter to the bus company I was asked the number of the bus, although I did not remember the exact number, I did remember that the bus number had a certain peculiarity about it. The number plate showed the bus number was a perfect square and also if the plate was turned upside down, the number would still be a perfect square (of course it was not?) I came to know from the bus company they had only five hundred buses numbered from 1 to 500, from this I was able to deduce the bus number.

Can you tell us what was the number?

- (4) Supposing a clock takes 7 seconds to strike 7.

How long will the same clock take to strike 10 ?

- (5) Which would you say is heavier. **A pound of cotton or a pound of Gold ?**

Answers next Month. Don't throw your newsletters away.

AS I AGE, I REALIZE THAT

1. I talk to myself, because sometimes I need expert advice.
2. Sometimes I roll my eyes out loud.
3. I don't need anger management, I need people to stop annoying me.
4. My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance of idiots that need work.
5. The biggest lie I tell myself is "I Don't need to write things down, I'll remember.
6. When I was a child I thought a nap time was punishment. Now it's like a vacation.
7. The day the world runs out of wine, is just terrible.
8. Even duct tape can't fix stupid, but it can muffle the sound.





CASINO ROYAL

HOW ABOUT A TERRIFIC NIGHT IN AT



‘THE STING’ CASINO

**WE ARE CONSIDERING HOLDING A FUN EVENING
AT THE COMMUNITY HALL.**

NO WORRIES ABOUT DRIVING! It all comes to you.

\$20 buys your ticket for the entire event, including gaming tables

\$100 play money, canapés, lucky door prize and a fun auction at the end.

The casino is open for approx one and a half hours then Peter, one of the croupiers conducts a fun auction and you can use your play money to bid on the prizes.

The gaming tables available include Black Jack, Poker, Roulette,

Crown and Anchor and the Money Wheel.

This event has been held at other villages and has proved very popular.

I have asked them to ask their opinion and it was positive.

Lets ‘Dress Up’ And go to the Casino!

The lake side Tavern bar will be open throughout the evening.

Cheese & crackers plus canapes provided

Date to be decided if we get enough interest..

Please add your name and house number to register your interest.

List is on the Social Club notice board.

Thanks Trish.



It's with sincere sadness we bring you the news of the passing of

GLADYS BOYLE house 49.

Passed away on 6th September 2015

She came into the village in the year 2000.

Gladys joined the square dancing group up in the hall and continued that with other friends from the village at different venues. Her health has been declining over the last few years.

The Boyle family would like to thank all the people who offered their condolences after her passing.

Their support was and is, most generous. Nowhere could the residents be better, than at Cobaki. Many thanks, Bill Boyle.



With sadness we bring you the passing of

JOAN SPRIGGS formally from house 179

Who passed away recently, she moved out of the village in November 2014



Sadly we bring you the news of the passing of

GEORGE LEWIS house 278.

Who passes away at home on 16th September 2015.

George fitted a great deal into his life, he was in the Navy. He was a Champion Bowler winning Championships.

Singing was another talent he had starting as a choir boy, he entertained with his singing at many concerts.

He loved Australian poetry and could recite them all.

George loved to be a bit of a stirrer, also telling a few blue jokes

He loved his fishing, gardening and had a very sweet tooth.

His girls Lexie, Donnalee and Robyn were very close to him.

George and Ruth came into the village 21 years ago, his health has been a worry for some years now.

Ruth along with the girls would like to thank neighbours and friend for their help and kindness over this very sad time.

To all responsible for Georges wake, it was really appreciated.





CONGRATULATIONS



Pam & Col Cole, who have just celebrated their **50th** anniversary. They married on 11th September 1965 at St Francis Xavier's Church Sydney. Pam was starting to leave the house to get into the bridal car, when the photographer told her, they had to take photos at the house first, that made her 25minutes late. Now when they go anywhere she has been told they will always be 25minutes early, orders of the groom! They have 3 children, Paul, David and Amanda. They lived at Croydon until 1985, then moved to Greystones until 1999, next move was to Moss Vale. Then made the big step to Cobaki Village in 2009. On that move their Marriage Certificate was lost mislaid just plain disappeared. There was only one thing to do, apply for another one, which is now in a nice frame. 50 years of marriage has proved they were meant for each other don't you think?



WAREHOUSE SHOPPING TRIP Just a reminder that we are having another day out shopping in Brisbane visiting various warehouses and having lunch at Broncos League Club on **Friday, 30th October**. The cost is **\$45.00** which includes morning tea & lunch. All proceeds raised throughout the day will help assist the Tweed Hospital to purchase much needed equipment. The Hospital Auxiliary hold various events throughout the year to assist with funds. The list can be found on the notice board. If you wish to join us, please add your name to the list and place your money into an envelope, clearly marked with name & house no and post into either Mail box **171 (Denise Morton)** or **17 (Jean Carter)**. Money to be paid prior to **Friday, October 16th**. Come along and join in the fun and help us with this worthy cause. For further details please contact **Denise 5599 8956** or **Jean 5599 9273**



WANT TO RETAIN YOUR INDEPENDENCE?

WANT TO KEEP YOUR DRIVERS LICENCE?

Thinks of the problem if your Drivers Licence was withdrawn.

Think of your loss of Independence .

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.

DATE 23rd November at 10.00am at South Tweed Sports Club.
COST \$5, including morning tea.



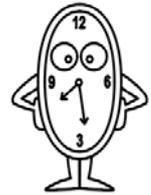
MANAGEMENT MESSAGE

We have had reports of loud noise from televisions. We asked that you consider your neighbours and keep the noise level down to a comfortable level. If you have a hearing problem, check if there is something that can be done to help you. Consideration needs to be taken from both sides.

DAYLIGHT SAVING STARTS ON

SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER

TURN ALL CLOCKS AND WATCHES FORWARD ONE HOUR.



Senior Driver

My neighbour was working in his yard when he was startled by a late model car that came crashing through his hedge and ended up in his front lawn. He rushed to help an elderly lady driver out of the car, found she was basically unhurt, and sat her down on a lawn chair. Still excited, he said "You appear quite elderly to be driving." "Well, yes, I am," she replied proudly. "I'll be 99 next month, and I am now old enough that I don't even need a driver's license anymore."

The man was puzzled and asked why. She said, "The last time I went to my doctor, he examined me and asked if I had a driver's license. I told him yes and handed it to him. He took scissors out of the drawer, cut the license into pieces, and threw them in the waste basket, saying, "You won't need this anymore." So I thanked him and left!"



We would like to thank all who have sent us items for the paper over the last 200 editions. They have all been appreciated. The paper is your paper, where we try to bring your events and celebrations to other residents. If you think there is something different that we could put in the paper give us a ring and let us know your ideas.

Thank you Neil for your help at the last minute, much appreciated.



To all our residents who are not well
We do hope that you are on the road to recovery.



The Cobba News is written by residents for residents.

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