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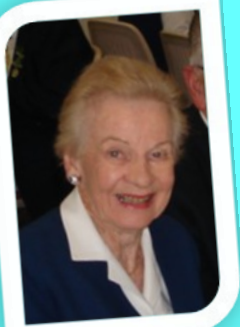


56 players enjoyed the Maccabi Carnival Sunday 11 February. A great day! See page 12

OUR LADIES AGAIN!! See Louise's report page 3



See Julie's Jottings page 13



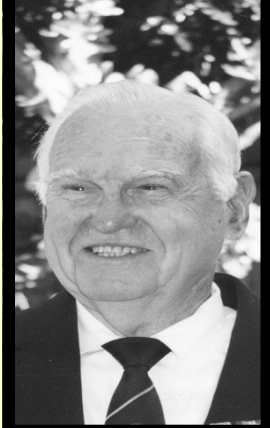
We send our best wishes to Lois, Phil and John and hope to see you at KBC soon.

GOODBYE TO A MAN AND HIS PLANE

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J.W.FALCONER and T.E.W.HOWES
Tributes to John page 8 and Tom page 11



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT Dale McBean



The Autumn Club Dinner was attended by about 50 members and their partners and was very successful. **Tina Hunter** and her helpers did a marvelous job in organizing this social event but it was also “our **Sue Cleary**” who was there to cook and prepare a delightful and tasty meal and help make the show tick. These functions are always good fun and it would be good to see greater support from our members, new and old. Unfortunately Tina has decided to discontinue as the convener of the Social Committee due to her many other personal commitments and my thanks to her for her outstanding efforts over the last 12 months. We have successfully filled the role by accepting an offer from our “Party Girl”, **Judy McLeod**, to make a comeback as her health has improved so much. We will now try and establish a larger group of willing helpers to help in setting up, assisting Sue and tidying up at the end of the function.

It is wise and useful to remember that it was the lack of volunteers that eventually led to the demise of the Gordon Bowling Club. We must not let that happen to our Club and it is up to the members to play their part by volunteering and not “leaving it to others” to do all the hard work that is required to make a club survive and prosper.

Darren Hargreaves and his staff have experienced bad luck and inconsistency with the weather, a lack of rain, then humidity, growth of fungus, infestations of black beetles and funnel ants but they have still managed to keep one green in good condition all the time and to be

not too far behind in their renovation schedule. We anticipate that Green 2 will be in very good condition for the start of the pennant matches and we will be trying to establish an improved renovation schedule for next year.

One of the more pleasing aspects is that we are continuing to attract and admit new members, most of whom are playing on a reasonably regular basis and as a result we have seen an improvement in our green fees and it is likely that we will see some new faces in our pennant teams.

We were extremely pleased that we were able to form our own Grade 3 Women's pennant team this year. They played very well and gained a lot of experience which bodes well for next year.

We keep improving the Clubhouse facilities to keep our tenant's happy and the new correct size screen for computer projection is a great asset. Our thanks to **John Cameron** and **Brian Perkins** for looking after our technical problems as their contributions in expertise and time save the club a substantial amount of money.

You will also have noticed that the bench seats in the locker room have been expertly refurbished and our thanks to **Joe Zazulak** for his good work in producing such a fine result. At the same time our Flag Orderly **John Taylor** generously supplied the club with a new National Flag and has kept the halyards in good condition.

We were sad to lose three members recently, my good friend **John Falconer** and also past members **Howard Treloar** and **Tom Howes**. On behalf of all our members I extend their sympathy to the families of these gentlemen. This edition carries tributes to them all.

Dale



The coach called one of his 9 year old players aside and asked, "Do you understand what cooperation is? What a team is?" . "Yes, coach", replied the little boy.

"Do you understand that what matters is whether we win or lose together as a team?"

The boy nodded.

"So," the coach continued, "I'm sure you know, when an out is called, you shouldn't curse the umpire"

Do you understand all that?" Again, boy nodded.

The coach continued, "And when I take you out of the game so that another boy gets a chance to play, it's not a dumb-ass decision or that the coach is a shithead is it?"

"No, coach." "Good", said the coach.

"Now go over there and explain all that to your Grandmother."

PROTOCOLS MATCH / GREEN FEES



SUZEN MAKES A PLEA FOR MEMBERS TO COMPLY WITH CLUB RULES

On entering a Club match, a non-refundable match Fee (\$5.50) is payable. The entry envelopes are adjacent the designated box in the hall

way. Place the fee in the envelope, record your name/ match where indicated and place in the box.

If playing matches when Club House is not officially opened, or on a day it is opened but you are finished by 12.00, applicable green fee (\$14.00) is to be deposited in the same manner.

In Singles where there is a Marker, tradition is that the players pay for the Marker's afternoon tea.

SUZY WILL DEAL HARSHLY WITH MISCREANTS!

KWBC PRESIDENT LOUISE AMOS



I hope everyone had a good Australia Day, a happy Chinese New Year (*Year of the Dog*), a romantic Valentine's day and Chinese Lantern Festival.

January and February have been very busy for us. Training for Pennant continued in January on every Tuesday.

We played our 6 Pennant games on Tuesdays and Saturdays between 6 and 24 February with 3 away games and 3 home games. This is the first time for quite some years that Killara Women's Bowling Club had our own Pennant side. Although we did not get the result we aimed to achieve, we all enjoyed the games. We have learned a lot from this experience as a team and are ready to try again next year. A big thank you to **Rod Henriks** who has come to every practice session and shared his knowledge with us.

A joint prize presentation was held on Saturday 20 January. Congratulations to all 2017 KWBC winners:

Major Singles – Ngoc Hau

Minor Singles – Susie Meares

Triples – Julie Halliday, Shirley Melzer, Tina Hunter

Mixed Pairs – Julie Dunn partnered with Dale McBean

Mixed Triples – Louise Amos and Ngoc Hau teamed up with Graham Dowle.

THE FOUNDATION PRESIDENT'S TROPHY
Julie Dunn, Susie Meares, Louise Amos and Ngoc Hau had a fun day at the Newport Surfside Carnival on 2 February.. It was a bonus that they claimed the overall winner title and brought home the Silver. Congratulations Ladies!!

Congratulations also to **Ngoc Hau** for winning the Major Singles title for 2018. A very good year for Ngoc!
Louise



LJ Hooker St Ives

BIG DAY TRIPLES

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Thank you Mr.Hooker!



PRESIDENT Allan Vine

With the year now underway there have been quite a few activities taking place.

The Gissing competition is just a week or so from being completed and will be the first result to be posted on the

2018 competition winners sheet. The men's minor pairs and the men's major singles are next.

The Maccabi Carnival organised by **Dafna Orbach** was held on Sunday 11 February with good attendance. A full report in in this newsletter. (*page 12 ed.*) We look forward to a return match at Double Bay.

The Lindfield Painting match was held against the Lindfield Rollers a new club combining Lindfield and Roseville clubs. The Rollers were successful 137 to our 135 ,and we look forward to regaining the Trophy.

The Annual prize giving and Bob Sinclair Place of origin was held on Saturday 20 January. Our new club champion **Jozef Zazulak** was presented with the large Cup by donor **Martin Mc Murray**. Well done Jozef!



The other prizes awarded are listed in the January news letter. Some pictures on back page.

During the afternoon the Place of Origin match took place with the Rest victors 140 to City 110. **Pat Sinclair** presented the trophy to the Rest

A pennants trial was held on Saturday 17 March in preparation for the first round on Sat 28 April. This was against a composite North Sydney /Neutral Bay grade 7 and a North Sydney grade 5 team the result

Killara	N Syd/N Bay	
47	68	grade 7
46	57	grade 5

The Langer Painting against Warrawee on 31 January

was very close Killara 129 Warrawee 139. Maybe next time.

Cyril South comp against 9 other clubs is well under way results so far

St Ives Plus 39 Asquith Plus 12 Pittwater plus 28 Turramurra plus 26 Nth Sydney minus 2 W. Pymble 0 Lindfield Rollers and Warrawee are yet to play us.

LJ Hooker Thursday Triples continues to be our most popular weekly event with many visitors regularly competing. We miss our great friend and sponsor, **Phil Johnson**, who usually attends but he is in recuperation at Lourdes Opal in Killara.

The long table Dinner on Friday 9 March was a great success with all age groups represented. The success was the result of supreme effort by **Tina Hunter, Suzen Cleary** and numerous helpers. Thank you all.

Yvonne Taylor has been awarded 2018 local woman of the year presented to her by local member **Jonathan O'Dea**. Well done! (*see page 13 ed.*)

Sadly we reflect on the passing of our good friends **John Falconer (88), Tom Howes (95)** and **Howard Treloar. (95)**. Tributes are in this newsletter.

AUTUMN CARNIVAL MONDAY MAY 14

The 'well oiled' team of **David Martin, Bob Hill** and **John Cameron** are preparing for this popular event. The flyers have been printed and invitations will soon be mailed. Form a team and "have a Go!"



Finishing on a high note, we are pleased to welcome a new Sponsor **Dixon Advisory** who offer superlative Superannuation Services. . . a topical subject given the promise by Opposition Leader Bill Shorten to emasculate Franking Credits for retirees. Their contact details are on page 10 or you can ask **Brian Perkins** or **Bob Bessemer** to arrange an introduction. **Alan**

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2018 AUTUMN CARNIVAL

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LJ Hooker St Ives

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Elizabeth Dokulil



CELEBRATING MILESTONES CONTINUED

In January's newsletter, I described the stylish seven days of events which marked the 50th Jubilee. Now, following the discovery of a handwritten speech I came across while burrowing through the archives, we advance another 20 years to 12 September 1986.

Let us now listen to *Gordon Brogden*. The language is of another era, with beautiful, flowing phrases which is a delight to read. So much so, that instead of cutting it down I decided to present it in full over two editions. Here is part one

Foundation Day Toast 1986
By Gordon Brogden, Vice President KBC.

“It is a universally accepted fact that the completion of a certain span of time attaches itself to a special significance or meaning. The stimulus our minds receive from a retrospect of the past, and the resolve for greater things for the future, must ever be to our advantage, no matter in what sphere our interest lies – whither spiritual, mental or material.

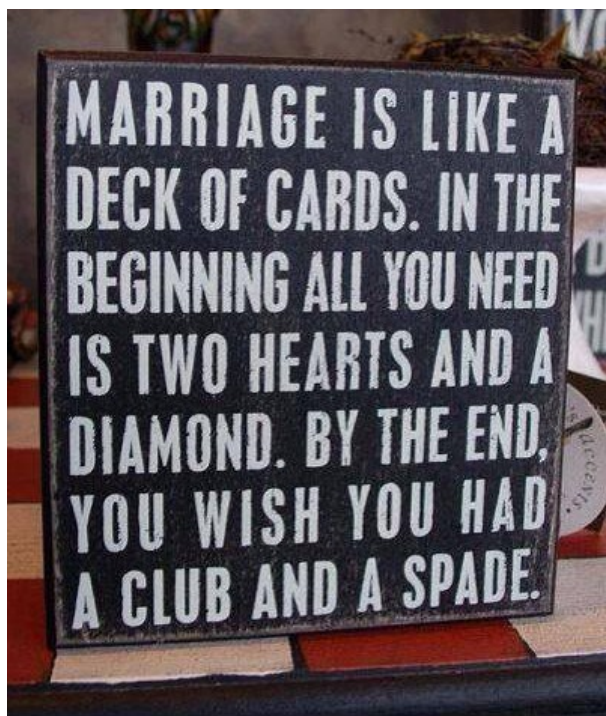
Now at the completion of the first 70 years of this Club's existence, let us pause a moment to ponder upon the influence it has exerted upon its members, both past and present and to consider the beneficial effect we trust it will continue to exert upon those who shall owe it to their allegiance in the future. What ever lies ahead, let us never fail to pay tribute to those responsible for creating this Club in the year 1916 and to those who have continued with the good work carried out by those gone before.

1916 was a memorable year for Nellie Blanche Brogden gave birth to our first born son – Gordon, Jack Hobbs and Victor Trumper were at the height of the of their cricketing careers, Shackleton concluded his Antarctic Expedition, 6 pm closing of hotels was introduced in this State of NSW and many of us will record the familiar announcement – 6 o'clock gents, Construction of the Trans Australian Railway Line was completed and our Australian Troops were moved to France and during the months of July and August, 1916, suffered 23,00 deaths at Poziers. However, in spite of the anxiety and sorrow and demands of WWI was making on our community, a number of residents combined to establish this Club which we will honour this evening.

To be continued next edition.

William Golding
British Novelist, Playwright & Poet
1911 --1993

I think women are foolish to pretend they are equal to men. They are far superior and always have been. Whatever you give a woman, she will make greater. If you give her sperm, she will give you a baby. If you give her a house, she will give you a home. If you give her groceries, she will give you a meal. If you give her a smile, she will give you her heart. She multiplies and enlarges what is given to her. So, if you give her any crap, be ready to receive a ton of shit!





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TRIBUTE

HOWARD CHARLES TRELOAR

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Howard was a member for 25 years joining, with his wife Patricia, in 1983. He was an active participant and although he served on several committees, he was perhaps best known as a gardener who helped maintain our long tradition of having one of the best bowling club gardens on the North Shore. In between harassing weeds and pampering petunias he took part

in many club championships and was a winner of all but the major singles and the club pairs.

Howard was born in Manly and spent his formative years in Chatswood and Pymble attending North Sydney Boys' High School.

He finished High School in December 1941 virtually on the day Japan bombed Pearl Harbour! Inevitably he enlisted; first the army and then the RAAF. He was promoted to Pilot Officer on the completion of his course to become a member the four-man crew in the wholly Australian-made Beaufort Bomber which replaced the ageing English Vickers Wildebeests the RAF had sent to defend Malaya.

Howard would always wax lyrically about the Beaufort, which sadly got a very bad reputation with aircrew, due to numerous fatal crashes which were generally attributed to carbon monoxide entering the cabin. The actual culprit turned out to be the use of "mild" steel instead of high tensile steel in the production of washers used in the elevator trim tabs. Once this was rectified the 700 Australian-made Beauforts (see page 15) performed as expected and were widely used in the ten RAAF squadrons throughout the southwest Pacific.

Howard served with 100 Squadron and 7 Squadron, initially on Goodenough Island then at Nadzab (inland from Lae) and finally at Aitape (about 100km west of We-wak), where the remnants of Japanese General Adachi's 18th Army were being contained by the AIF. One flight in Howard's logbook shows it took just 20 minutes between take-off and landing to drop their bombs! The Beauforts concentrated on army support, making low level bomb-



1995 Triples Champions
Bernie Robertson, Howard Treloar, Lloyd Sommerlad

ing and strafing attacks. A very hazardous activity; losses were very high.

His good luck continued when he was ordered home, being posted to No 1 Communications Unit at Essendon as a wireless operator on DC3s.

Howard survived the war and built a successful career; a happy marriage and family and an active sporting and social life. He was prominent in Legacy for over 30 years.

He was of the generation which contributed so much to our nation both in war and in rebuilding the peace. He is still part of the fabric of our club . . as our Honour Boards attest.

rhb



A flight of 100 Squadron aircrews returning from a strike. Taken at Tadj, September 1944. Only four in this photo survived the war. Howard is indicated by the arrow on the left.



**VALE
JOHN WILLIAM
FALCONER**

John succumbed to cancer just 3 days short of his 88th birthday. After his diagnosis he continued to bowl as long as he could and while he would discuss the prognosis, he was always calm and cheerful. His fortitude was remarkable and admirable.

"I've had a good innings" he would say and is true. He was the only child of a Senior State Engineer and his mother was successful in antiques. . . which stimulated his lifelong love of ephemera and artefacts.

He was an avid sportsman particularly in athletics and swimming. He played golf and tennis. He was fond of fishing and photography. He enjoyed music, wine and dancing. He was the archetypal urbane bachelor around Sydney.

John finally met *Margaret* at almost 40, and their courtship featured in the social pages. Their union gave them *Scott, Cameron* and *Annette*.

He was a senior executive for Olivetti making their Hall of Fame. Ultimately, John and Margaret followed their love of travel and history enjoying adventures in Europe, India and Asia.

John was a member for 9 years; enjoyed his games and active in our social events. A good man loved by his family and fondly remembered at KBC. Yes John! *You played a very good innings.* rhb

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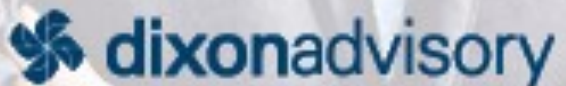
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TOM E.W.HOWES DFC



Tom came from a family of airmen - three generations stretching back to 1917. His son, following his father, is a Qantas pilot. His father-in-law was a pilot in the Royal Naval Air Service in the 1914-18 War.

Tom himself, had a distinguished career in the Air Force and in the civilian airways industry. Enlisting in the RAAF in 1940 (hoping to be a pilot) he went to the Empire Air Training Scheme in Canada and passed out as an Observer, which in those early days qualified him in navigation, gunnery and Bomb Aiming.

He was posted to a RAF night-bomber squadron of Wellingtons. Most of his service for the next two years was from Air Force bases in Malta and North Africa. For two operational tours of duty, involving more than fifty missions, he was navigator and bombardier and sometimes gunner as well. He was squadron Navigator/Bombing leader, identifying targets from the lead plane.. Tom's flying log book records bombing missions over the western desert of North Africa, and on ports and convoys in the Mediterranean and Italy. During this time he was awarded the DFC.

**Distinguished Flying Cross
1939-45 Star, Africa Star with Clasp,
Italy Star, Defense Medal,
War Medal 1939-45,
Australian Service Medal, George Cross,
Vietnam Logistics and Support Medal**

After the end of his second tour, Tom was sent to Palestine where he was chief navigational instructor for crews of Wellingtons and Spitfires.

He returned to Australia in late 1943 and undertook further instructional duties for the RAAF. At this point, Qantas called for experienced navigators for the services they were establishing over the Indian Ocean to Europe.



.. exemplary gallantry during active operations against the enemy in the air.

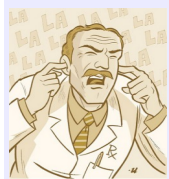
Tom was released to undertake this role and later joined Qantas as regular air crew. Some of the early flights on Catalinas took 30 hours in the air to reach Colombo.

Tom now had the opportunity to fulfill his ambition to train as a pilot and flew a number of types, including DC3s in New Guinea. He was stationed at Lae for eight years. Returning to Sydney in 1957, he spent the next 20 years flying large passenger planes as the Qantas fleet progressed from Constellations to Super Constellations, to Boeing 707s and then 747s, including flying military personnel to Vietnam.

Tom joined KBC in 1991 and developed an interesting style with uneven results but he thoroughly enjoyed his games and was a gregarious companion in the clubhouse. He had some wonderful anecdotes. He moved to Social Membership in 2010 and was a welcome and frequent visitor for several years.

We salute a gallant man.

With thanks to John Muirhead



The Grumpy Pharmacist

Upon arriving home, a husband was met at the door by his sobbing wife.

Tearfully she explained, "It's the pharmacist. He insulted me terribly this morning on the phone. I had to call multiple times before he would even answer the phone."

Immediately, the husband drove down town to confront the chemist and demand an apology.

Before he could say more than a word or two, the chemist told him, "Just a minute, listen to my side of it. This morning the alarm failed to go off, so I was late getting up. I went without breakfast and hurried out to the car, just to realize that I'd locked the house with both house and car keys inside and had to break a window to get my keys."

"Then, driving a little too fast, I got a speeding ticket. Later, when I was about three blocks from the store, I had a flat tire."

"When I finally got to the store a bunch of people were waiting for me to open. I got the store opened

and started waiting on these people, all the time the darn phone was ringing."

He continued, "Then I had to break a roll of coins against the cash register drawer to make change, and they spilled all over the floor. I had to get down on my hands and knees to pick up the coins and the phone was still ringing. When I came up I cracked my head on the open cash drawer, which made me stagger back against a showcase with a bunch of perfume bottles on it. Half of them hit the floor and broke."

"Meanwhile, the phone is still ringing with no let up, and I finally got back to answer it. It was your wife. She wanted to know how to use a rectal thermometer."

"Believe me mister, as God is my witness, all I did was tell her."

*In just two days from now,
tomorrow will be yesterday.*





It was necessary to play 4's to accommodate the roll-up for our annual Maccabi Carnival at Killara played Sunday 11th February. There being only one green available at the time, Graham Firth Green was ruled for 7 rinks and 56 players took the field at 10am for 18 ends before lunch and a further 12 in the afternoon.

maccabi

The home team came out the winners but it did not matter: it was a great social occasion.

There was some drama at the commencement, visitor **Clive Wolfe** became unwell and an ambulance was called to convey him to hospital with a suspected heart problem. The good news is he was discharged next day to rest at home.

With Clive's departure, the team imbalance was rescued by **Julie Dunn** who called her son **Rob**. If we can get Rob to join our age average would be much improved.

There will be a return match later in the year . . probably October. It will be announced in due course and will be worth the trip 'over the bridge.'

TRULY A FORCE OF NATURE
Carnival Convenor **Dafna Orbach** and President **Alan Vine** organised a great day.



Julie Dunn invited 3 visitors; Her friends **Jan** and **Col Tasker** from Pittwater BC and her son **Rob**.



Our front page group picture mirrors the spirit of the day.

We were pleased to see **Warwick Bridge** from North Sydney. He is a quite achiever and our **Tristan** would have learnt from his consistency.

President **Louise** hosted **Sam** for a light but satisfying luncheon.





Julie's Jottings

Julie Dunn, as our Roving Reporter, adds a further contribution of "snap shots" on members.

Yvonne Taylor



" .. a dedicated teacher of about 30 years, who also worked as a Second Language (ESL) educator and assistance school principal, has been named the 2018 Local Woman of the Year by Davidson state Liberal MP

Jonathan O'Dea.

Mr O'Dea said Ms Taylor was presented with the title for her dedication to "inspiring youth from all classes and cultures to contribute to their local communities".

Born in the Eastern suburbs, Yvonne attended the Conservatorium High School. She moved to the North Shore after her marriage and has been here ever since, residing in her current home at Killara for the past 50 years.

She has many strings to her bow, paramount being her role for 30+ years as an educator, with particular expertise as an English as a Second Language ("ESL") teacher. Yvonne holds a BA/Dip Ed and a Masters degree obtained in Migration Studies and Aboriginal education, but her teaching was wide ranging and even included musical know-how to supervise whole school performances.

She started her long career at a non-government school and soon moved to the State Government school system, starting at Seven Hills Public School. She soon realised the overwhelming need for ESL support to be given to students coming in from overseas, including refugees. She recalls that it was a bit tricky teaching those students Shakespeare!

Yvonne devised and supervised many ESL programs which provided educational support to young students in many schools including Hornsby, Thornleigh and Chatswood. Some 11 years ago, she retired from her last teaching position as Assistant Principal at Top Ryde Public School, but has also used her expertise to teach English to adult migrants. Amongst all of this, Yvonne was a member of two ministerial commit-



Yvonne also has a penchant for unusual headwear.



tees for the Education Department, one relating to pupil behaviour and discipline and the other with regard to Aboriginal education policy. Yvonne has also been involved with Rotary for many years including twice as President of the Lindfield branch. She was also a foundation member of Roseville Chase Probus Club.

Following her quadruple heart by-pass some 10 years ago, Yvonne volunteered at the Heart Research Foundation. She also holds a Certificate in Community Welfare and has in the past volunteered to assist with such things as support person for young people attending the Children's Court and, via Rotary, has been involved with KYDS ("Ku-ring-gai Youth Development Service").

With all this, no wonder Yvonne has won the award of 2018 Local Woman of the Year!

When Yvonne finally had a little time available, she took up lawn bowls. She has been a member of our Club for several years, having been coached by **Rick Edwards**. During her time at KBC, Yvonne has been on the Board and has represented the Club in women's pennants. She is currently the Vice President of KWBC and has been a terrific go-to person for myself and other new members.

Well done Yvonne and thank you!

Maurie Battye

From front page.

Maurie is a very popular member of the Club and has just celebrated his 90th birthday.

Maurie was born at Cremorne and grew up in the Mosman/Cremorne area. He was educated at St Joseph's College at Hunters Hill and, on leaving school, served an apprenticeship in mechanical engineering. Prior to his retirement, Laurie spent 36 years as District Agent for the AMP Society in Gosford, retiring in 1993.

His bowling career started at Woy Woy Bowling Club in 1972 and he went on to win the Club pairs and was runner up in the major singles there and at Everglades County Club. He subsequently joined St Ives Bowling Club in 1994 and has, for the past 7 or so years, continued to play at St Ives and Killara. He joined Killara 2015 and that year won the mixed triples with **Judy McLeod** and **Warwick Druce**. He is pretty much a regular at our Club for most events and of course is down for pennants again this year.

Maurie commutes from his waterfront home at Woy Woy 3 times a week to play bowls. Having played against him, I can say that his bowling skills are first rate and I can't see his 90th birthday changing that!





When did this happen?

My forgetter's getting better,
 But my rememberer is broke
 To you that may seem funny
 But, to me, that is no joke
 For when I'm 'here' I'm wondering
 If I really should be 'there'
 And, when I try to think it through,
 I haven't got a prayer!
 Oft times I walk into a room,
 Say 'what am I here for?'
 I wrack my brain, but all in vain!
 A zero, is my score.
 At times I put something away
 Where it is safe, but, Gee!
 The person it is safest from
 Is, generally, me!
 When shopping I may see someone,
 Say 'Hi' and have a chat,
 Then, when the person walks away
 I ask myself, 'who the hell was that?'
 Yes, my forgetter's getting better
 While my rememberer is broke,
 And it's driving me plumb crazy
 And that isn't any joke.



A Japanese couple is arguing about how to perform highly erotic sex.

Husband: "Sukitaki·Mojitaka!"

Wife replies: "Kowanini! Mowi janakpa!"

Husband says angrily: "Toka a anji rodi roumiyakoo!"

Wife, on her knees, literally begging: "Mimi Nakoundinda tinkouji!"

Husband shouts angrily: "Na miaou kina Timkouji!"

I can't believe you are trying to read this! You don't know any Japanese! You'll read anything as long as it's about sex....
 Sometimes I worry about you



Last year having dug to a depth of 10 feet British scientists found traces of copper wire dating back 200 years and came to the conclusion that their ancestors

already had a telephone network more than 150 years ago.

Not to be outdone, in the weeks that followed, an American archaeologist dug to a depth of 20 feet, and shortly after, a story published in the New York Times: "American archaeologists, finding traces of 250-year-old copper wire, have concluded that their ancestors already had an advanced high-tech communications network 50 years earlier than the British".

One week later, Australia's Northern Territory Times, reported: "After digging as deep as 30 feet in his backyard in Tennant Creek, Northern Territory, Billi Bunji, a self-taught archaeologist, reported that he found absolutely buggar-all.

Billi has therefore concluded that 250 years ago, Australia had already gone wireless..."

Makes me feel so bloody proud!

A Gold Coast blonde was sent on her way to Heaven. (It could happen!)

On arrival, St Peter met her at the Pearly Gates. 'I'm sorry, 'St Peter said; 'But Heaven has an overload and we have put up an Entrance Exam.'

'That's cool' said the Blonde, 'What is the exam?'

'Just three questions' said St Peter.

'Which are?' asked the Blonde.

'The first,' said St Peter, 'is, which two days of the week start with the letter 'T'?

The second is 'How many seconds are there in a year?'

The third is 'What was the name of the swagman in Waltzing Matilda?'

'Now,' said St Peter, 'Go away and think about those questions and when I call upon you, I shall expect you to have those answers for me.'

So the Blonde went away thoughtfully.

The following morning, St Peter called upon the Blonde and asked if she had considered the questions, to which she replied, 'I have.'

'Well then,' said St Peter, 'Which two days of the week start with the letter T?'

The Blonde said, 'Today and Tomorrow.'

St Peter pondered this answer for some time, and decided that indeed the answer can be applied to the question.

'Well then, could I have your answer to the second of the three questions' St Peter went on, 'how many seconds in a year?'

The Blonde replied, 'Twelve!'



'Only twelve' exclaimed St Peter, 'How did you arrive at that figure?'

'Easy,' said the Blonde, 'there's the second of January, the second of February, right through to the second of December, giving a total of twelve seconds.'

St Peter looked at the Blonde and said, 'I need some time to consider your answer before I can give you a decision.' And he walked away shaking his head.

A short time later, St Peter returned to the Blonde. 'I'll allow the answer to stand, but you need to get the third and final question absolutely correct to be allowed into Heaven. Now, can you tell me the answer to the name of the swagman in Waltzing Matilda?'

The blonde replied: 'Of the three questions, I found this the easiest to answer.'

'Really!' exclaimed St Peter, 'And what is the answer?'

'It's Andy.'

'Andy??'

'Yes, Andy,' said the Blonde.

This totally floored St Peter, and he paced this way and that, deliberating the answer. Finally, he could not stand the suspense any longer, and turning to the blonde, asked 'How in God's name did you arrive at THAT answer?'

'Easy' said the Blonde, 'Andy sat, Andy watched, Andy waited till his billy boiled.'

And the Blonde entered Heaven...

.. you're singing it now, aren't you...?





The room was full of pregnant women with their husbands.

The instructor said, "Ladies, remember that exercise is good for you. Walking is especially beneficial - strengthens the pelvic muscles and will make delivery that much easier. Just pace yourself, make plenty of stops and try to stay on a soft surfaces, like

a grass path."

"Gentlemen, remember -- you're in this together. It wouldn't hurt you to go walking with her. In fact, that shared experience would be good for you both."

The room suddenly became very quiet as the men absorbed this information. After a few moments a man, name unknown, at the back of the room, slowly raised his hand.

"Yes?" said the Instructor.

"I was just wondering . . . would it be all right if she carries a golf bag?"

Brings a tear to your eye, doesn't it?



I've sure gotten old!
I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes.

I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine,

take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. Have bouts with dementia. Have poor circulation; hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92.

Have lost all my friends.

But, thank God,

I still have my driver's license!

MADE IN AUSTRALIA

In 1939, the Australian government decided to produce Beaufort aircraft for the RAAF, using the British Bristol Beaufort as a model. This was a tremendous step for the Australian industry, as prior to this, aircraft manufacture was only done on a small scale with relatively simple aircraft. The Department of Aircraft Production was established and the Beaufort project was set up with the first Australian Beaufort flying in August 1941. The Australian made Beaufort was an improved type on the British Beaufort, having more powerful engines, a taller tail fin and slightly wider fuselage. At the peak of production in 1943, one aircraft was coming off the assembly line each day. This was achieved by employing women in manufacturing for the first time and 35% of the workforce that built the Beaufort was female. 700 Beaufort aircraft were manufactured in Australia, the last one taking to the air in August 1944,



This aircraft holds a pivotal position in Australian aviation history. In 1941, it was the heaviest, most powerful and complex aircraft ever built in this country. The split assembly design of the Beaufort was well suited for Australia's limited aircraft production facilities. Some 39,000 components were required for each aircraft and these were manufactured by hundreds of sub-contractors throughout Australia for delivery to the two final assembly plants at Fisherman's Bend, Victoria and Mascot, NSW. The single most important sub-contractor was General Motors Holden. Ltd who produced some 13,600 individual pressed-metal parts for each aircraft at its Woodville SA plant.

The Beaufort was the workhorse of the RAAF in the South-West Pacific where it proved to be very adaptable, being used for torpedo attack, bombing, strafing and coastal surveillance. Noted aviation historian, William Green has said about the Beaufort bomber "Its part in the defeat of the Japanese forces in the South-West Pacific Area was probably of greater significance than any other single aircraft type in the RAAF."

Excerpt from beaufortrestoration.com.au



The Great Lao-Tzu said:

"It is only when you see a mosquito landing on your testicles that you come to realize that you can solve problems without using violence."





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Our former President presents prizes to Julie Dunne and Dale McBean (Mixed Pairs) Owen Holden and Ian Calder (Minor Pairs) Ngoc Hau (Singles)

Regrettably, other pics provided were not suitable for publication.