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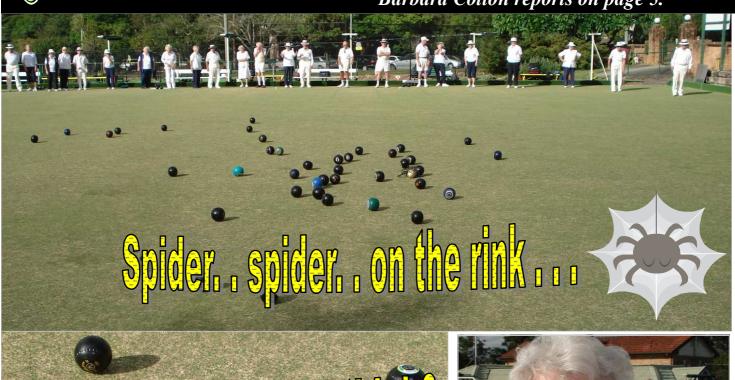
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FUN, FOOD AND GAMES ON A VERY SUCCESSFUL ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Barbara Cotton reports on page 5.







CONGRATULATIONS .. ELSPETH MURREAD!



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: LLOYD SOMMERLAD



Last year the Board foreshadowed that the membership subscription for women bowlers would be increased by \$20 to be same as for men. This will apply from the next financial year, commencing on

July 1. Otherwise the level of subscriptions will remain unchanged. From this date parity will also be established between the two Bowling Clubs for costs and benefits for bowls and competitions. I have little else of special interest to report for this issue, and it gives opportunity to pay tribute to the many volunteers who keep the Club running smoothly, First of all there are the office bearers of the various Clubs, especially the Chair Persons and Bowls Secretaries and the Treasurer and Secretary of the Board who provide important professional skills. Warwick Druce, as House Manager, with the invaluable help of *Sue Cleary*, has the major responsibility for the Club House and its various services and facilities. Ric Edwards and Joseph Zazulak do many "handy man" jobs to keep the property in good shape.

Barbara Cotton is responsible for our enjoyable social programme.

Behind the scenes are the helpers who regularly check the cash and reconcile the

On the greens there are coaches and umpires, with special mention of Ric Edwards who chaired and followed up the membership drive, and those on roll up who arrange teams on every playing day. And there are the Selectors particularly their Chairman Michael Tsolakis, the organiser of the Carnivals, *David Martin*, and those who supervise barefoot bowling which makes a useful contribution to our revenue.

Bob Bessemer has a hand in many pies, including Editing and Publishing the Newsletter and using his computer skills to prepare and print Notices for many Club events and helping in the membership drive and sponsorship.

Our thanks to all of you.

How the stock market works



Once upon a time in a village, a man appeared and announced to the villagers that he would buy monkeys for \$10 each. The villagers seeing that there were many monkeys around, went out to the

forest, and started catching them. The man bought thousands at \$10 and as supply started to diminish, the villagers stopped their effort. He then announced that he would now buy at \$20. This renewed the efforts of the villagers and they started catching monkeys again.

Soon the supply diminished even further and people started going back to their farms. The offer increased to \$25 each and the supply of monkeys became so little that it was an effort to even see a monkey, let alone catch it!

The man now announced that he would buy monkeys at \$50! However, since he had to go to the city on some business, his assistant would now buy on behalf of him. In the absence of the man, the assistant told the villagers. "Look at all these monkeys in the big cage that the man has collected. I will sell them to you at \$35 and when the man returns from the city, you can sell them to him for \$50 each." The villagers rounded up all their savings and bought all the monkeys. Some even got loans from a new bank in order to buy monkeys at \$35!

Then they never saw the man nor his assistant, only monkeys and bankers everywhere! Now you have a better understanding of how the stock market works.

ITEM FROM THE NORTH SHORE TIME IS REPRO-**DUCED TO INFORM MEMBERS OF ISSUES** IMPACTING ON OTHER CLUBS

Club forced to pay for repairs

KATADAMSKI

EAST Roseville Bowling

EAST Roseville Bowling Club management says it is being forced to sign an "unfair" lease and pay its own repair bills.

Ku-ring-gai Council used the club as a test case for a new policy on managing community and recreational land and facilities.

At last week's meet-

and facilities.

At last week's meeting, councillors adopted the policy, which will apply to East Roseville, West Pymble, West Lindfield, Gordon and St Ives bowling clubs.

But East Roseville Bowling Club president Phil Lewis said it was harsh and unfair.

The not-for-profit club

The not-for-profit club has been operating since

1953 and until 2003 the rent was \$50 a year - over the next five years it rose to \$16,000.

Even though the rent was cut by \$5000 when a new lease was signed a month ago, the club must pay maintenance costs.

"There is no arguing

pay maintenance costs.

"There is no arguing about the rental reduction, but club is expected to carry out \$33,000 worth of maintenance, including concrete cancer repairs and resurfacing of the driveway and carpark," Mr Lewis said.

"We only use the club a few afternoons a week. We've told the council about the problems for years. We got a raw deal.
"If there is a problem

"If there is a problem with your property you

expect your landland to remedy it, but the coun-cil has never lifted a finger to help us."

The council's community director Janice Bevan said the policy ensured all club leases had equivalent terms and conditions. The comprehensive leasing policy meant all council facilities were available on a fair, equitable and transparent basis.

"All bowling clubs are

"All bowling clubs are responsible for all maintenance of clubhouses, greens and carparks when they nominate to have exclusive, long-term occupancy," she said.



Are the clubs getting Are the clubs getting a fair go? Comment at northshoretimes.com.au





KWBC President's Platform



Dear Members, Our first Club Championship of the year, the 4's, was played in February. The Winners were: A. Calder, A. Cowlishaw, S. Hashimoto and J. Brierley (Skip) and the Runners-Up: M. Morris, M. Falconer, J. McInerney and J. Hodg-

We did not have an entry in the MNSDWBA District Fours, but hosted the Semi-final on 23^d February.

Friends' Day was held on the 2nd March. In perfect weather, we enjoyed welcoming our friends from other Clubs, to Bowls and lunch. Ku-ring-gai TopTen played at Gordon on 5th March, is always a challenging day, and we are proud to announce our Team came third out of eight - Well Done. Pennants commenced on 9^a March, after many weeks of hard practicing. We entered teams in Grade 2 and the Under Five's. At time of writing, out of five Matches, Grade 2 has had two wins and the Under Five's four wins.

I wish you all a Happy Easter.

Elizabeth Bold.

2010 KWBC PENNANT SELECTION

GRADE 2			
M. Nowland	B. Cotton		
J. Hodgson	R. Hey		
J. Brierley	S. Hashimoto		
A. Burton (S)	E. Morrell (S)		

GRADE 2 RESERVES

M. Hearder, A. Calder, M. Morris, M. Falconer, A. Cowlishaw, J. Halliday, L.Geniale.

UNDER 5'S

J. McLeod	RESERVES
J. Hodges	R. Reade
J. Halliday	C. Burke
A. Cowlishaw (S)	



Paddy was in New

He was patiently waiting and watching the traffic cop on a busy street crossing. The cop stopped the flow of traffic and shouted, 'Okay, pedestrians.' Then he'd allow the traffic to pass. He'd done this several times, and Paddy still

stood on the sidewalk...

After the cop had shouted, 'Pedestrians!' for the tenth time, Paddy went over to him and said, 'Is it not about time ye let the Catholics across?'

NORTH SHORE WOMEN **CONTRIBUTING TO NEW** MEMBER RECRUITMENT

You may have noticed this advertisement in the North Shore Times. It was arranged by The Women's District Association and funded by a bequest from Lindfield WBA following it's closure and sale of as-

The ad., which appeared three times in February/March, was also inserted in the Manly Daily. Report from Alice Burton.

Queen Elizabeth 2nd has reigned with twelve American Presidents.

Contributor: Doug Fleming

Harry Truman	1945-53	
Dwight Eisenhower	1953-61	
John F Kennedy	1961-63	
Lyndon Johnson	1963-69	
Richard Nixon	1969-74	
Gerald Ford	1974-77	
Jimmy Carter	1977-81	
Ronald Regan	1981-89	
George Bush	1989-93	
Bill Clinton	1993-01	
George W Bush	2001-09	
Barack Obama	Current	





New member, Benjamin Lau and his wife, Lillian, having a 'roll-up' on St.Patrick's Day



KBC President's Platform : *Martin McMurray*



Martin McMurray

One of the first results for the year is that *Bob Bessemer* won the prestigious **Gissing Consistency** Competition over two time winner *Ian Cameron-Smith*. The final score was 152 to 148. Congratulations to Bob. The **Cyril South** interclub triples Competition is in full swing and at the time of writing we have played eight

rounds of which Killara has won five. The final match is on 7 April, then a two week break until the finals commencing on 28 April.

With the introduction of the weekly Jackpot prize, the already successful **Burns & Burns Thursday Triples** has moved to headier heights with nine rinks participating recently. Members are always encouraged to invite visitors to this event.

The 2010 Pennants got underway on 13 March with mixed results to date. The Club and particularly the Selectors, would be both well served if players participated in more bowling coaching and if skips held their own practise sessions each week.

Club Championships have commenced with the Major Club Singles well underway and with the list now up for the Pairs.

The Club was successful in the first round of the Killara Bowl, also affectionately known as the **Stedman Bowl**, at Killara Golf Club recently. We look forward to the return match later in the year.

Planning is well advanced for the first of our two 2010 Carnivals, the **Autumn Carnival**, to be played between 21 and 24 May. Entry forms are currently been distributed and are freely available at the Club. Members are encouraged to promote the Carnival at home and away fixtures and we seek extra assistance from the Ladies and Composites participants to attract players to those events.

Courtesy of Bob Bessemer, the Club has produced a pocket size flyer on **Bowls Etiquette**. For all new players it is mandatory reading, and even for term players a revision will not go astray. It is the responsibility of all Members to train new Members in the etiquette of the game.

On the social front our **Twilight Bowls** continues to attract good numbers and Members are encouraged to consider playing at the re-commencement of the event later in the year. *Barbara Cotton* continues to astound us with grand productions, the most recent being a mightily successful **St Patricks Day Dinner**. Barbara's dedication and detail to such events and her ability to attract an army of helpers is legendary. Thank you Barbara.

Planning is almost complete for this year's **Anzac Day** Commemorative Service, lunch and mixed bowls on Sunday 25 April. Lists are now up for this special day.

On a sad note we record the sudden death of Tom Morgan in the latter part of March. The Club's condolences are extended to his family. **Good Bowling** *Martin*.

YOUR MEMBERSHIP DETAILS



Are the details in our 2010 Club Directory accutate and complete? Please check now and advise me of any changes by:-

- . leaving a note in my Locker, No 38, or
- 2. emailing welcome@mcmurray.id.au

Martin McMurray



THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT PARLIAMENT HOUSE CANBERRA PUBLIC NOTICE

Given the current unrest in the world today, the government has decided to facilitate visits by foreign nationals who are less fortunate than us, by asking Clubs and Establishments such as yours, to provide space for camping and access to ablutions.

These visitors have their own transport and camping equipment.

Should such people present themselves, we ask that you make them feel at home. Thank you.

Picture of latest arrivals is on page 8. ed.

VALE Thomas Gilbert Morgan 9th August 1925 - 19th March 2010

Tom, a former KBC member, purchased a property in Scone some years ago, rejoined us last year after transferring from the country to be closer to medical facilities and his wife who is in care.

He was an experienced and competent player and an asset to our pennant team. He was a good team man and pleasant company.

He competed on Saturday 13th and was scheduled to play on the 20th. His sudden passing was a sad and sobering surprise to all. We extend our sympathies to his family.

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Functions and Mixed Bowls Report . . .

Twilight Bowls has continued to be

Barbara Cotton ful sight.

well-supported and, with the end of Daylight Saving, the last evening was held on Friday, 26th March. Thirty four Bowlers enjoyed playing on No 2 Green, and thirty six bowlers enjoyed a complimentary Champagne, before sitting down to a very nice dinner - we would all like to say a very big THANK YOU to *Sue* for the work she has put into the meals for Twilight Bowls - they have been most enjoyable. Being Seniors Week and Bandaged Bear Day - tokens were presented to two Seniors, a Bandaged Bear and prizes for Touchers as well. The evening ended with a couple of songs and Auld Lang Syne - thank you all once again for your support. St Patrick's Night was held on the 12th March - Seventy Eight sat down to Dinner, and this included four Representatives from Burn and Burns' Ray White. **Richard** and **Julia Burns** were unable to attend but Barbara Dedone (Officer Manager), Susan Chisholm and Andrea Sharp (Property Managers) and Susan Papay (Andrea's Mother) were our guests - they all said how much they had enjoyed the evening and would like to come again. We had forty four Bowlers with both Greens 1 and 2 in use, and it was lovely to see people on both Greens again.

The evening started with an Irish Spider and Pot of Gold,

Bob Bessemer taking photos, carried on by *Graham Shirley* during the meal. Once everybody was seated, all you could see was people - a really wonderful sight.

After a very enjoyable meal, prizes and some Irish Songs, the evening concluded with Auld Lang Syne and everybody had a really good time.

Further to the talks with Lindfield Bowling Club - it now appears that they would be interested in having a reciprocal mixed game with Killara Bowling Club on a Sunday - more of this later as I have not been able to contact *David Hagley* at time of writing this report.

The day for Beryl Stephens has now been set for Sunday, 1st August - more information about this nearer the time.

We have not had many for Sunday Bowls - only nine about two weeks ago - but now that Twilights have finished, it is hoped that this will pick up. Lists are up on the Board for forthcoming games - Easter Monday 5th April - cards called 12.15pm; Mixed Triples Painting between Killara and Warrawee Bowling Clubs, Sunday 11th April; - cards called at 12.15p.m. Mixed Bowls, Lunch and Service - Anzac Day - Sunday 25th April - 12 00 noon.

The list for the Mixed Triples with Killara Golf Club at Killara Bowling Club on Sunday 2nd May will be up later. The Mixed Pairs will start on Sunday, 30th May and this year the Mixed Triples can be either a combination of two men and one woman, or two women and one man.

Barbara

HOW TO CALL THE POLICE WHEN YOU'RE OLD AND DON'T MOVE FAST ANYMORE.

George Phillips of Gold Coast, Australia, was going up to bed when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed, which she could see from the bedroom window. (Boy does this sound familiar!)

George opened the back door to go turn off the light, but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things.

He phoned the police, who asked 'Is someone in your house?' and he said 'no'. Then they said that all patrols were busy, and that he should simply lock his door, and an officer would be along when available. George said, 'Okay,' hung up, counted to 30, and phoned the police again.

'Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people stealing things from my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now because I've just shot them.' Then he hung up.

Within five minutes three police cars, an Armed Response Unit, and an ambulance showed up at the Phillips' residence and caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the Policemen said to George: 'I thought you said that you'd shot them!'
George said, 'I thought that you said there was nobody available!'



CLARIFICATION

The following press release has been issued from the Prime Minister's Office:-

"If there is anyone out there who feels devalued or demeaned by not receiving specific recognition or mention in my many recent apologies relating to historical events and/or unfortunate outcomes from Government policies, then I wish to convey my deepest, most sincere and humble regret for any hurt that may have been inadvertently caused.

On behalf of the Cabinet and Government, I assure you that, in future, there will be no exceptions. Everyone will be made to be fully and uniformly sorry." The History of "The Killara Bowl" Quite often the Bowl used as the trophy between Killara Bowling Club and Killara Golf Club Bowling Group is called the Stedman Bowl. This comes about because of the old wooden bowl, mounted on a wooden base, with a circle of ivory located in the centre of the front and back and with the initials "JS" (James Stedman) engraved thereon.

During the 20's and 30's my paternal grandfather James Stedman was a very keen bowler – a Member of Wollstonecraft Bowling Club, where for many years he was their President. The James Stedman we are talking about was the son of James Stedman, founder of "Sweetacres", a business turning out sweets and chocolates. This factory was located in Clarence Street, near Druitt Street, Sydney; however, it was destroyed by fire in 1919. The new factory was built in a larger and more modern building on an acre of land located in Rosebery. Some 10 acres of land, in fact, was the size of this site.

The original factory was named James Stedman Henderson Sweets Ltd but after it was relocated Mr Henderson withdrew from the sweet making and as the area covered many acres it was re-named for trade purposes, "Sweetacres" – a name suggested by an employee who I understand was suitably rewarded.

At that stage my grandfather James, lived in Wollstonecraft, where he, James Noble Stedman, having married Miss Noble, became President of WBC. In the late 30's my father, James Noble Stedman also joined Wollstonecraft Bowling Club where he after a while was given the old wooden bowls for his use. He had his own set so they were put aside until I joined Killara Bowling Club in 1970.

Unfortunately when taken for testing they only just passed and so to avoid litigation during any competition they were put aside until 1979 when one was given to Killara Bowling Club and Killara Golf Club and became the trophy we now have.

I might add this Stedman Bowl is solid wood and made from a very hard wood called "Lignum vitae" – now the trophy our two Clubs play for during March and August each year.

As told by Keith Stedman.

The Bacon Tree

Two Mexicans are stuck in the desert, wandering aimlessly and close to death. They are lying down waiting for the inevitable, when all of a sudden......

"Hey Pepe, do you smell what I smell. Ees bacon I is sure of eet."

"Si, Luis eet smells like bacon to meee too."

So, with renewed strength, they struggle up the next sand dune, and there, in the distance, is a tree loaded with bacon. There's raw bacon, dripping with moisture, there's fried bacon, back bacon, double smoked bacon... every imaginable kind of cured pig meat.

"Pepe, Pepe, we is saved. 'Eees a bacon tree."

"Luis, are you sure ees not a meerage? We ees in the Desert done forget."

"Pepe when deed you ever hear of a meerage that smell like bacon...ees no meerage, ees a bacon tree".

And with that... Luis Races towards the tree. He gets to within 5 metres, Pepe following closely behind, when all of a sudden a machine gun opens up, and Luis is cut down in his tracks. It is clear he is mortally wounded but, a true friend that he is, he manages to warn Pepe with his dying breath.

"Pepe... go back, you was right ees not a bacon tree."

"Luis Luis mi amigo... what ees it?"

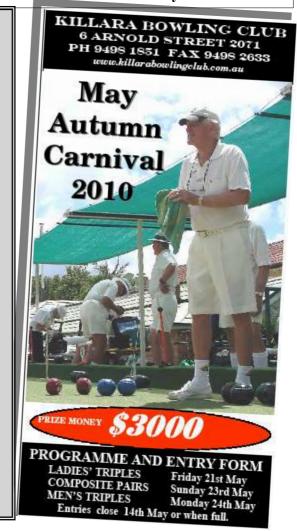
"Pepe... ees not a bacon tree...

Ees Ees Ees

Ees

Eees

a Ham Bush."



MORE REFERENCES FROM www.fredfern.com who position their feet almost touching the **Delivery Technique**

Champion bowlers show great diversity in delivery technique. No single method of delivery has proved so superior over time as to become a model that bowlers generally have felt obliged to emulate.

The similarities among top bowlers exist more in temperament than in their delivery techniques. Components of temperament may be stated in terms of seven Cs. Concentra-

tion is the ability to narrow one's focus to factors of immediate importance, and to ignore distractions. Confidence is the outcome of positive self-affirmation, and of achieving improving personal bests rather than winning at all costs. Commitment is the will to set goals for practice and competition. Calmness is the

ability to neutralise stress in tight situations. Creativity is about seeing the ideal shot, and to recognise tactical opportunities. **Common sense** is the capacity to make intelligent corrections to poor deliveries, and to avoid destructive bickering with team mates. Consistency is about avoiding variations to controlled technique when faced with a difficult shot or during the excitement of competition.

Foot Faulting

Unless a player has at least one foot wholly on or over the mat at the moment of delivery, a foot fault occurs. Players

mat line commonly foot fault. At the moment of delivery, the leverage of the horizontal trailing leg causes the shoe to flex. The back of the shoe may then not only overhang the toe but also overhang the mat line, thereby producing a foot fault. If an opponent draws the umpire's attention to foot faulting, the umpire must apply the penalties provided in the laws. Beginners should adopt a routine that avoids any risk of infringing. This will avoid incurring

> unsettling penalties at crucial times in important games.

Foot Positioning

A bowler should prepare for a draw shot by locating the centre of the trailing foot heel over the mat centre line, and aligning the toe with the required aiming line. The leading foot

should be parallel with, but slightly apart from, the trailing foot. For a fixed stance, a bowler advances the leading foot a normal pace and continues delivery preparation in that position. With other stances, a bowler advances the leading foot during the delivery movement. Good bowlers commonly prepare by aligning their toe caps square to the aiming line, and they advance the leading foot a full pace during delivery. This method uses body momentum in the delivery phase more efficiently, is better for slower greens or faster shots.

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tyres, UlraTune will often be able to do the job whilst you enjoy coffee and TV in their comfortable waiting room.

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A is for "AGELESS" for whom this is written both "old ones" and "young ones" can be "Lawn Bowling" smitten.

B is for "BARTRADE" to which we are led at the end of each Bowls day, Mateship is spread.

C is for "COACHES", their guidance is vital to achieving finesse and the odd Bowling title.

D is for "DINE-IN", Sue's catering gem beloved by our Bowlers both women and men.

E is for "ENCOURAGEMENT" be it warm or just witty the round of applause when you" tickle the kitty".

F is for "FUN" and the "FAILURES" you'll get make much of the former and soon you'll be set.

G is for "GRASS" we must take when we bowl the basic essential with the jack as our goal.

H for "HOMEMADE, Sues scones with jam/ cream, an icon of teatime on Cyril South's scene.

I is for "INSIGHT", and the more you possess the bigger and better your chance of success.

J is for "JACK" you are doing alright with your bowl resting on it, and two more in sight.

K is for "KILLING" a high scoring end guarantees your opponents to moan and offend.

L is for "LUCK", if it's running our way sometimes it deserts us despite our good play.

M is for "MATES", let's never forget that win, lose or draw, they are friends with us yet.

N is for "NOVICES", so help them along for they are the ones who will keep our game strong.

0 is for "ONSHOT" you're a hero if right but a skite and a nitwit if the head still "sits tight".

P is for "PRESIDENT" our top V.I.P. he guides our club's future for you and for me. Also for "PENNANTS" -a boring "FOURS" game but playing for one's club achieves Bowling- fame.

Q is for "QUALITY" - Greens in condition expertise and good management come to fruition.

R is for "RULES" we all must obey and "ROLL-UP" where Selectors have the last say.

S is for "SPORTSMANSHIP" let's wear a big grin whenever we lose and whenever we win.

T is for "TEABREAK" the welcome it lends whether one is a winner or a loser on ends.

U is for "USELESS" - most frequently found when your bowl hits the sand at the end of the ground.

V is for "VOLUNTEERS" for the varied positions involving our Club's "admin" - conditions.

W is for "WINNER" for which we all strive combining one's drawshots, "good grass" and the "drive".

X is for "X-PENSES" in Bowls-sport quite low compared with the major sports, good this is so.

Y is for the "YELLS" of your peers when your bowl scores "four-up" and counting ah, tis great for your soul".

Z is for "ZERO", that's where our hopes go When Thursday's new Jackpot yields up "zilch-dough".

Colin Mackellar



Gardening: When weeding, the best way to make sure you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant.

FIRST ROUND SINGLES WED. 10, MARCH DON READE V DON COUSINS Marker and Reporter: Elaine Morell

The two Don's. Both think they were named after Bradman!

The card shows a very hard fought, low scoring game over 40 ends. On the last end, DR was holding two shots (and match) with touchers on both sides of the jack. DC took the jack clean into the ditch for two and the game! They do not get closer than this.

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17	10	14	37	29	27
18	10	16	38	29	29
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20	11	19	40	30	31

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Killara Bowling Club would like to sincerely thank *Ray Ghanem* for the work he did, free of charge, to improve the operation of the Club's PA amplifier and microphone. Ray has also kindly offered to provide free advice to Club Members on audio and associated matters that are causing concern, Any work necessary would be at a special price for Members.

He can be contacted at:-

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Assistant Bowls Secretary John Brodie Reports

Gissing Consistency Competition

The Gissing Consistency Singles Competition has been a feature at KBC for 72 years. The 2010 competition proved extremely popular with 37 members participating. The final was decided on Wednesday, 17 March and congratulations go to *Bob Bessemer* who won a tight contest against *Ian Cameron-Smith*. The final score was 152-148.

During the course of the competition there were numerous close finishes and congratulations also go to the KBC selectors (*Michael Tsolakis*, *Peter Baume* and *Ian Cameron-Smith*) who determined the handicaps for the event.



The Major Singles Competition is underway with the second round due for completion by Sunday, 11 April.

Major Pairs

Members wishing to participate are encouraged to enter their names on the invitation notice that is now on the Notice Board. Please note that entries close on Saturday, 10 April. Only those entries that are accompanied by entry fees of \$5.50 per person will be included in the draw.

At St.Mary's Catholic Church they have a weekly husband's marriage seminar.

At the session last week, the Priest asked Luigi, who was approaching his 50th wedding anniversary to take a few minutes and share some insight into how he had managed to stay married to the same woman all these years.



to treata her nice, spenda the money on her, but best is that I tooka her to Italy for our 20th anniversary!"

The Priest responded, "Luigi, you are an amazing inspiration to all the husbands here! Please tell us what you are planning for your wife

for your 50th anniversary."

Luigi replied to the assembled husbands, "Well, I've a tried

Luigi proudly replied, "I'm a gonna go and get her."

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DANCE ANYONE?

An old prospector shuffled into Eldnio, Texas leading an old tired mule. He headed straight for the saloon to clear his parched throat. As he stood at the hitching rails, a young gunslinger stepped out of the saloon with a gun in one hand and a bottle of whiskey

in the other. The gunslinger looked at the old man and laughed, saying, "Hey old man, have you ever danced?" The old man looked up at the gunslinger and said, "No, I never did dance... never really wanted to."

A crowd had gathered as the gunslinger grinned and said, "Well, you old fool, you're gonna' dance now," and started shooting at the old man's feet. The old prospector, not wanting to get a toe blown off, started hopping around like a flea on a hot skillet. Everybody was laughing, fit to be tied.

When his last bullet had been fired, the gunslinger, still laughing, holstered his gun and turned around to go back into the saloon. The old man turned to his pack mule, pulled out a double-barrelled shotgun, and cocked both hammers. The loud clicks carried clearly through the desert air.

The crowd stopped laughing. The gunslinger heard the sounds too, and he turned around very slowly. The silence was almost deafening. The crowd watched as the young gunman stared at the old timer and the large gaping holes of those twin barrels.

The barrels of the shotgun never wavered in the old man's hands, as he quietly said, "Son, have you ever kissed a mule's ass?" The gunslinger swallowed hard and said, "No sir..... but... I've always wanted to."

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There are a few lessons for us all here:

-Never be arrogant. -Don't waste ammunition.
 -Whiskey makes you think you're smarter than you are.
 -Don't mess with old men, they didn't get old by being stupid.



David Muir, a canny Scot, handles the sizzle of the BBQ for a Bob Sinclair Memorial Place of Origin Lunch. Does a good Haggis as well!

Siamese twins walk into a pub and park themselves on a bar stool. One of them says to the barman, 'Don't mind us, we're joined at the hip. I'm Joe, he's Jim, we'll have two beers please'.

The barman, feeling slightly awkward, tries to make polite conversation while pouring the beers. 'Been on holiday yet, boys?'

'Off to America next month,' says Joe. 'We go to the States every year and hire a car and drive for miles, don't we, Jim?' Jim agrees.

'Ah, America, 'says the barman.' Wonderful country... the history, the culture...'

'Nah, we don't like the US much,' says Joe. 'Meat pies and beer, that's us, eh Jim? We can't stand hot dogs.' 'So why keep going to America?' asks the barman. Joe replies, 'It's the only chance Jim gets to drive.'

Here is a math trick that it will stump you. Grab a calculator. (you won't be able to do this one in your Head)

- 1. Key in the first four digits of your phone number (NOT the Area code...) e.g. 9498, 9449.
- 2. Multiply by 80
- 3. Add 1
- 4. Multiply by 250
- 5. Add to this the last 4 digits of your phone number
- 6. Add to this the last 4 digits of your phone number again
- **7. Subtract 250**
- 8. Divide number by 2

Do you recognize the answer??

Mary Donovan was walking down O'Connell Street in Dublin when she met up with Father Flaherty.

The Father said, 'Top O the mornin' to ye! Aren't ye Mrs. Donovan and didn't I marry ye and yer hoosband 2 years ago?' She replied, 'Aye, that ye did, Father.'

The Father asked, 'And be there any wee little ones yet?'She replied, 'No, not yet, Father.'

The Father said, 'Well now, I'm going to Rome next week and I'll light a candle for ye and yer hoosband.'

She replied, 'Oh, thank ye, Father.'

They then parted ways. Some years later they met again.

The Father asked, 'Well now, Mrs. Donovan , how are ye these days?'

She replied, 'Oh, very well, Father!'

The Father asked, 'And tell me, have ye any wee ones yet?'

She replied, 'Oh yes, Father! Three sets of twins and 4 singles, 10 in all!'

The Father said, 'That's wonderful! How is yer loving hoosband doing?'

She replied, 'E's gone to Rome to blow out yer accursed candle!'

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