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This edition includes a **SALUTE** *to our Ladies*



When dispatching our last epistle, 13th July, this writer was confident we would be back 'in action' early September. That has proved to be a delusion . . . and sobering . . . now it would be brave to expect to back on the green any time this year given the trend of infection.

So nothing is happening in the clubhouse or on the rinks but our Joint Management Committee and Board Members have been working hard as you will have read in the Chairman's email 30th July. Of particular interest and of some relief, was the news KBC is receiving

Government Assistance, as is Suzen Cleary. Some excerpts from the Board communication is provided on the next page to apprise readers of this newsletter who don't receive email.

As was the case in our first lockdown, these newsletters are issued more frequently to keep our great game and club in the front of mind. This bloody virus is not only a serious health threat, it is also insidiously enforcing inactivity and lethargy; so that your routine of playing once, twice or three times a week has been substituted with something else which, with time, could become the norm. So don't loose your passion!

THIS EDITION:

- We salute our ladies. They add so much to our club socially and competitively.*
- And they are much more photogenic!*
- We indulge in a little nostalgia;*
- And have a laugh or two.*





Excerpts Chairman's email 30 July 2021



Changes of Directors

Susie Meares resigned effective 30th June, 2021. Her position has been filled by **Ted Cook** who brings further finance experience to the Board.

Geoff Leppinus resigned effective 31st July, 2021. As you are aware, Geoff's Treasurer role had already been filled by **Paul Brech**.

Both Susie and Geoff have served, during one of the club's most difficult and challenging times. We thank them both for their enormous contribution.

Covid Government Assistance

Following applications we have received cash contributions to the value of \$21,000 to date with continuing payments of \$3,000/fortnight during the lockdown.

Suzen Cleary is also receiving fortnightly payments.

Membership Renewals

At the time of writing, there were only five outstanding renewals (2 full members and 3 Social Members). While the original "Pay By" date was 31st July, due to Covid, this has been extended to end of August.

KBC Financial Snapshot

As at 30th June, cash at bank was \$305,000. During the last financial year our trading loss was \$75k, with an additional amount of \$64,587 being spent on legal costs (including amalgamation legal advice, data breach legal costs, legal costs around clearing up and finding title deeds to our land assets and solving the contingent liability of our outstanding Land Tax issues)

Our Club's financials have been posted on the club noticeboard – which under Covid, cannot be accessed by anyone. So, should you like a copy, please email **Adrian Meredith** at ameredit@bigpond.net.au

Best wishes Brian



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to our Ladies

I was driving through Turramurra following an ambulance when I noticed a small box sitting on the ambulance's rear step. When the ambulance went round a corner the box flew off and landed on the side of the road against the kerb.

Call me curious or just the Good Samaritan that I am, I pulled over and retrieved it. When I opened the box there was a human toe packed in ice inside it!

So we called the hospital and explained what we'd found. The lady on the other end of the phone said "Yes, the ambulance has just arrived minus the box".

I told her where we were and asked if they were going to send another ambulance to collect it?

The lady replied "No, we'll just send a toe truck."





PRESIDENT AND HOUSEMANAGER



With greens and clubhouse closed very little has been happening. While activity and revenue have been reduced to nil, you will have learned in the recent report from our Chairman that we are receiving government assistance which is sustaining us. **Suzen Cleary** is also receiving

support.

Hoping you are in good health, I look forward to seeing you on the green soon. **Louise**



JOY IS LIVING STILL

*Life is curling its lip at me
As it prepares to close the door;
I feel the chill winds of infinity
And hear the yawning chasm's roar;
I see rapture die in the sun's setting,
And ghosted shadows soothing trees to
sleep;
Floundering in whirlpools of forgetting
I clutch the memories I live to keep
But joy is living still and rides with me
Nose thumbed at the darkening sky
And ever loyal abides with me
As sullenly the years creep by;
For in the garden of the mind I stay
Where the poetry of fountains never
Ceases to uplift my soul easing the way
For its journey to the last river.*

Jim Armitage (1929-2021) 2015





PRESIDENT *Tony Gale*

Following many seasons, Selectors **Dale McBean**, **Rick Edwards** and **Ian Armstrong** have stepped down. They were remarkably successful in ensuring KBC always fielded appropriate teams for pennants and inter-club events despite the many challenges created by changing availability of players, sometimes at very short notice. Thank you to you all!

The JMC sought nominations for the new Selection Committee and a notice was placed on the club noticeboard in early June and announcements were made at several meetings prior the current COVID restrictions. We have three volunteers to date:-

Rod Henriks
Julie Dunn
John Lockard

Because of the disruption of club activity caused by the pandemic it is possible there may be members unaware of the election. The JMC has therefore provisionally appointed **Rod**, **Julie** and **John** as the Selectors with Rod as **Chairman**. However should any member reading this now wish to put their name forward, they should send an email to me or **Louise Amos** by 26th August 2021.

Keep safe Tony

French President Emanuel Macron Policy on Vaccination



"I no longer have any intention of sacrificing my life, my time, my freedom and the adolescence of my daughters, as well as their right to study properly, for those who refuse to be vaccinated. This time you stay at home, not us."

"In France, those who do not get vaccinated will no longer be able to go to restaurants, cafes, cinemas and museums or get on airplanes or trains. Alternatively, you will have to submit a negative test, which will no longer be free."

"We cannot make those who have the civic sense to get vaccinated bear the burden of inconvenience."

"The restrictions will weigh on others, those who for reasons incomprehensible in the country of Louis Pasteur, science and the Enlightenment still hesitate to use the only weapon available against the pandemic, the vaccine."

"I am aware of what I am asking you," he said, "and I know that you are ready for this commitment. This is, in a sense, part of your sense of duty."



VALE PETER CONDE

AGE 84

August 2nd

Member 12 years

Married 59 years to Jo.

Three daughters

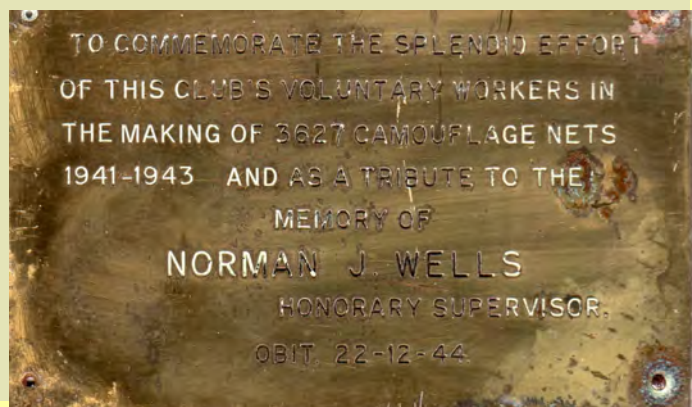
Three grandchildren

OUR CONDOLENCES





History



Ten years ago (KBN#34) an interesting piece of club history was discovered by **Warwick Druce** with-in the bowels of safe room. It was a rather tarnished bronze plaque which reads:-

To commemorate the splendid effort of this club's voluntary workers in the making of 3627 camouflage nets 1941-1943 and as a tribute to the memory of..

NORMAN J. WELLS
Honorary Supervisor
Obit 22.12.44



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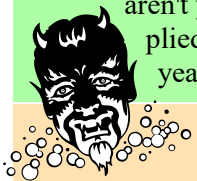
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PASTORAL AFFAIRS

A few minutes before the church services started, the people were sitting in their pews and talking. Suddenly, Satan appeared. Everyone started screaming and running for the front entrance, trampling each other in a frantic effort to get away from evil incarnate.

Soon all had exited the church except for one elderly gentleman who sat calmly in his pew, seeming oblivious to the fact that God's ultimate enemy was in his presence. So Satan walked up to the old man and said, "Don't you know who I am?" The man replied, "Yep, sure do." "Aren't you afraid of me?" Satan asked. "Nope, sure ain't." said the man. "Don't you realize I can kill you with a word?" asked Satan. "Don't doubt it for a minute," returned the old man, in an even tone. "Did you know that I could cause you profound, horrifying, physical AGONY for all eternity?" persisted Satan. "Yep," was the calm reply. "And you're still not afraid?" asked Satan. "Nope." More than a little perturbed, Satan asked, "Well, why aren't you afraid of me?" The man calmly replied, "Been married to your sister for over 48 years."



A Pastor goes to the dentist and is fitted with a set of false teeth for the first time.

The next Sunday after he gets his new teeth, he talks for only eight minutes.

The second Sunday, he talks for his usual 20 minutes.

The following Sunday, he talked for 2 hours before the congregation dragged him down from the pulpit. The Elders asked him what happened.

The Pastor explained the first Sunday his gums hurt so much he couldn't talk for more than 8 minutes.

The second Sunday his gums had returned to normal.

But, the third Sunday, he realised he had put his wife's teeth in by mistake . . .





Spider.. St Patrick's Day 2010



And the Winner is.. Elspeth Muirhead!



"Grandpa, if you give me 1 dollar, I'll tell you who sleeps with Grandma when you're not home..."
"Here, I'll give you 2 dollars, who is it?"
"Me...!"

A friend suggested putting horse manure on my strawberries...
I'm never doing that again, I'm going back to whipped cream.



"I'm sure you'll agree, we don't want an epidemic."



"Is the lady coming back, sir?"



The difference between animals and humans?

The animals would never allow the dumbest of the herd to lead them!

So the other day I saw a man carrying a large stick walking towards our local athletics track. I asked him, "Are you a pole vaulter?" He replied, "No, I am German but how did you know my name is Walter?"



DO I WANT A BEER?

- a) Yes
- b) a
- c) b



I went to a pub yesterday evening and ordered a pint. As the landlord put my drink down, I asked him for the wifi code because I needed to check a message.

"Oh no" he said, "No wifi in here, people used to sit talking in pubs, about their day, their families, work, politics, music, the lot. Now people just stare at their phones and it breaks my heart to see. Therefore, no wifi in this pub."

"You know what?" I replied, "You're right" and I put my phone away.

"Thank you", the landlord said "In this pub I want you to act as you would thirty years ago".

So I lit a cigarette, gave him \$2.00 for the schooner and said "The good old days."

A teacher was telling the kids at a Banora Point school about the birds and bees and explained that when a man and a woman meet and fall in love, nine months later the stork usually brings them a little baby from its nest.

Little Gemma at the back of the class put her hand up and says to the teacher

"Are you sure about the stork miss, cause I think you're getting your birds mixed up, my sister just had a baby and she said it was from a shag on the beach at Coolangatta."



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WINNING RINK \$75

RUNNER-UP \$45

JACKPOT TO \$500



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