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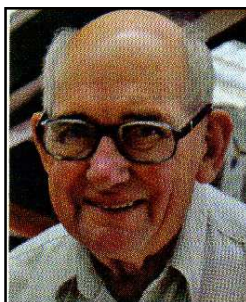


Colin H Mackellar
Age 85

Member 18 years (Page 12)



Allan R Middleton
Age 91
Member 30 years



W (Bill) Jones
Age 89
Member 9 years

A NEW LID FOR THE CLUBHOUSE

Work in progress Feb 11th 2015. More Page 6.



Pictures : John Brodie

Centenary projects . . .

MAJOR CLUBHOUSE REFURBISHMENT

With expenditure of over \$52,000 for roof replacement, working bees can now be planned to repair water damage and re-paint interiors.

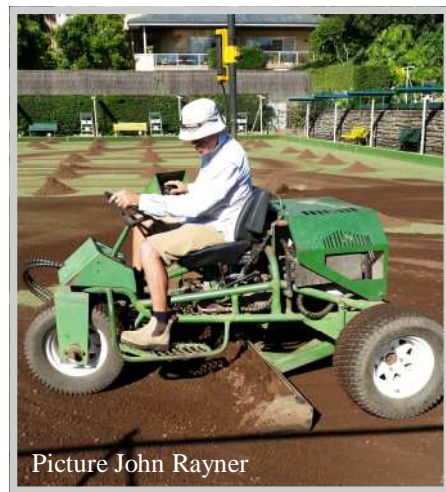
As we go to print, Project Manager, **John Brodie**, advises roof work is almost complete and sourcing of paint and decorating materials for interior improvement, in conjunction with Dulux Consultants, has been arranged. The roof project has been notably free of disruption and has freshened appearance. A good job, well done!

Whilst stripping the roof, the contractors discovered a "cache" of pictures which are now on display in the men's locker room. Of the 12 items, one portrait is of the legendary **G. Gissing** President 1928 -29. Another, a memento of WW2, a relief of Winston Churchill.



While these expenditures improve our comfort, the needs of our game have not been ignored with the Hilarie Moore Green receiving Laser Levelling.

This green is now in and playing beautifully thanks to **John and Lorraine Rayner** who wrote the cheque covering the Laser levelling expense. Remember this generosity when you enjoy your play on this green.



Picture John Rayner



On page 3 you will meet a very happy family who love their new piano.

And this edition introduces our new sponsor, Mary Rossi Travel.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The current board has been considering a number of very important issues regarding our Club and its survival and I remind members that the Board's role is to be responsible for setting the policy and direction of the club to ensure processes are in place that will deliver a satisfactory result for the members.

The board is required to conduct the business and affairs of the club in accordance with the club's constitution and in the best interests of the club and members as a whole.

The replacement of the pre-war metal tiled roof to the clubhouse is almost complete as I write this report and our sincere thanks go to board member **John Brodie** for the efficient manner in which this project has proceeded under his management. It is a very attractive roof and it is good to know that future rain will not drip through the ceiling in a number of locations and will no longer run across the kitchen floor. The large number of flaking areas on the ceiling can now be repaired and repainting of the interior of the clubhouse can proceed, hopefully with an amount of voluntary labour from the members.

The Board has almost completed the development of a strategic plan for the club and we hope to have this finalised shortly for distribution to members. There is considerable thought being put into the future of all bowling clubs on the mid north shore due to their falling membership and on-going discussions are being held between KBCL and a number of other clubs in this regard. These discussions have to be confidential to board members at this stage in fairness to the other clubs. However I still am of the opinion that our club will survive and your board is being positive regarding our future. Nevertheless we need

more members and more members playing more frequently.

We continue to receive good comments with respect to the new stairs beside Green 1 and we hope we can continue to obtain grants for some of our future capital works.

Changes to the interior of the clubhouse are proceeding intended to make it more comfortable and attractive for both members and visitors, to attract new members and are also necessary to gain new hirers. I am thankful to the "task force", which included a life member of our club, for undertaking this difficult task.

The paintings for KWBC competitions no longer in existence have been re-located to the upstairs lounge to be with other important KWBC memorabilia. The rarely used piano has been taken by a Manly Vale family (see page xx ed.) and other matters of improvement are still under consideration. The "silver horse" which had been stored gathering dust on top of a cupboard for many years and was won by KBC in 1931 for a one-off City Bowling Club competition has, in accordance with a much earlier board instruction, been offered to a number of museums but there has been minimal interest from any to date. Contrary to an earlier valuation it has been discovered to be silver plate and of little monetary value and not to be solid silver as previously thought. There is also a possibility it could be donated as a permanent trophy for an inter-club competition between city clubs over 100 years old.

We have processed and welcomed a number of new members recently and it is pleasing to see some of them already participating and playing well. Please introduce yourselves to them as I am sure you will enjoy their company. There are also however a number of men and women who have joined within the last 12 months who do not appear to be playing. It is the responsibility of the members who proposed them to play with them and also encourage them to join us on the green.

Good bowling and best wishes. *Dale McBean*



John Cameron



Ian Coffey

Thank you to **John Cameron** who has donated equipment and his technical knowledge to upgrade our PA system which now has a hands-free microphone and lapel microphone as well as our normal stand.

Ian Coffey and **Don Murphy** have published an 8 page pamphlet providing a guide for new members on KBC Competitions. (ask **Suzen Cleary**) Thank you Ian and Don.




VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Many hands make light work

Head of Property Committee, John Brodie, needs volunteers to carry out interior and exterior projects in the lead up to our 100th Celebration. The committee will organise a number of "working Bees" via our notice-board and email notices.

Listen to our Chairman's call and give the club a few hours of your time.

**PRESIDENT
Julie Halliday**


The winners of the Handicap Pairs competition were **Maureen Morris** and **Livia Geniale**. **Livia, Shirley Melzer, Alice Burton** and **Barbara Cotton** won the Fours Championship by

forfeit. Alice substituted for **Robin Hey** who was on holidays when the matches were conducted. My congratulations extend to those six successful members. The majority of Tuesday's women players elected to have four competitions withdrawn from our annual programme of events and a majority chose to have the number of ends played in our social games reduced from 21 to 17.

Our Management Committee informed the District's Committee that we would accept three Women's Clubs, namely Artarmon, St Leonards and Chatswood into our North Shore District thereby enabling their members to enjoy more competitive opportunities.

We held our Friends' Day last month with bowling and card games during the morning before a Bring-a-Plate luncheon.

The Pennant season for our Grade 3 team is underway and we shall be playing on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 23 April. Special thanks to Darren for preparing such a splendid No 2 Green....it is beautiful. All members are most welcome to practise bowls on Friday mornings.

Let us hope for cooler weather soon. *Julie*



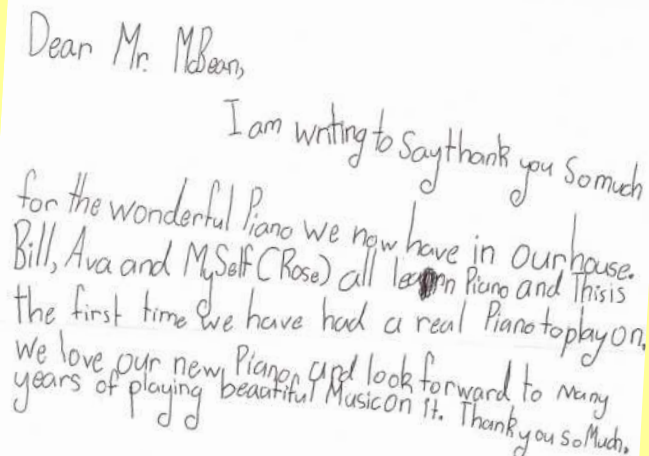
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A BOARD DECISION MAY LEAD TO THE NURTURING OF A FUTURE CONCERT PIANIST.

De-Cluttering and preparing the clubhouse for our Centenary, the Board decided to relocate

and/or dispose of a number of furnishings. This included the piano, which incidentally, was made in Austria in 1917 and therefore very close to it's own 100th birthday! So what to do with it? Well, always innovative **Judy Mcleod**, located a family in Manly Vale who would have loved to have a piano but could not afford it. So now they have our **Lipp & Son Upright**, polished and looking better than for many years, in 'pride of place' in their living room.

And as the illustrated letter to our Chairman attests, **Rose(7) Bill (5)** and **Ava (3)** are very grateful. **A classic win/win outcome!**



Dear Mr. McLean,

I am writing to say thank you so much for the wonderful Piano we now have in our house. Bill, Ava and Myself (Rose) all love the Piano and this is the first time we have had a real Piano to play on. We love our new Piano and look forward to many years of playing beautiful Music on it. Thank you so much.

Warm Regards,

Rose(7), Bill(5) + Ava(3) Logan

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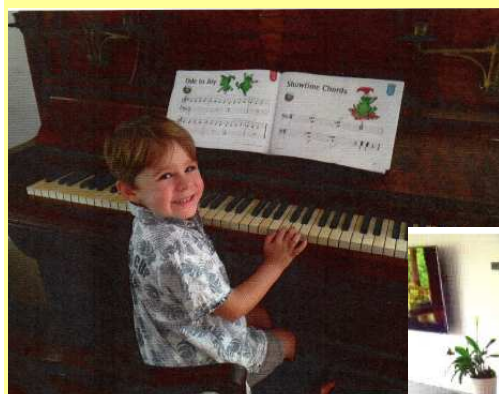
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PRESIDENT Don Buddee

BOWLING EVENTS

The **Bob Sinclair Memorial Place of Origin** and KBC Prize-giving took place on the Australia Day weekend and the meeting was a great success. We had 45 attendees with **Pat Sinclair** as our special guest. The **Ian Cameron-Smith Trophy** was again awarded to **Rod Henriks** as Club Champion. Rod has the distinction of being our Club Champion for 3 of the last 4 years.

"The Rest" won the Bob Sinclair Memorial Competition. We competed against Warrawee for the Langker painting on 4th February and for the Lindfield painting on 11th February. We lost to Warrawee but redeemed ourselves by defeating Lindfield. Our win against Lindfield was most rewarding as we came from 15 down at the afternoon break to win by 2 shots. We competed for the Steadman Cup against Killara Golf Club on 3rd March winning by a margin of only 3 shots.

Pennant games commenced on 28th Feb Turramurra. Neither Our 6's or 7's were ahead at full time but our 7's claimed success on 7th Feb.

Our Cyril South Competition is progressing well with games completed against Lindfield, St Ives, Asquith, Pittwater Turramurra and Warrawee.

Our Internal Bowling competitions are in full swing with the Gissing and the Major Singles under way. Success at last has come to **John Rayner** and **John Brodie** winning the Minor Pairs. Our Minor Pairs Champions have been runners up for some years.

NEW PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS

We have produced a "**Guide for New Members**" on **KBC Competitions**. We are grateful to **Don Murphy** and **Ian Coffey** for their contributions. Special recognition is also due to **Ross Warden** for designing and installing Special Hooks to assist us in putting up our awnings at the front of the Clubhouse.

I am sure we are all looking forward to resumption of play on the **Hillary Moore Green**. It looks superb and those that have had a game on the new surface are full of compliments. Congratulations to our ground staff and our Greens Committee **Tony Hodgson** and **John Rayner** for an excellent job. Good Bowling *Don*

ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING 24th JANUARY 2015

EVENT	WINNER/S
Major Singles	Rod Henriks
Minor Singles	David Warren
Major Pairs	D.Buddee, B.Shirvington
Minor Pairs	I.Armstrong, D.McBean
Club Pairs	C.Richardson, R.Henriks
Triples	K.Howard, D.McBean, W.Druce
Fours	J.Rayner, J.Brodie, R.Edwards, R.Henriks
Gissing	Rick Edwards



GET WELL GRAHAM

Graham Shirley is in North Shore Public after being admitted with an infection in a hip replacement. Margaret says he has been undergoing many tests. If you would like to contact Graham, his mobile phone is 0427 864 168.

A TIP FOR TRAVELLERS

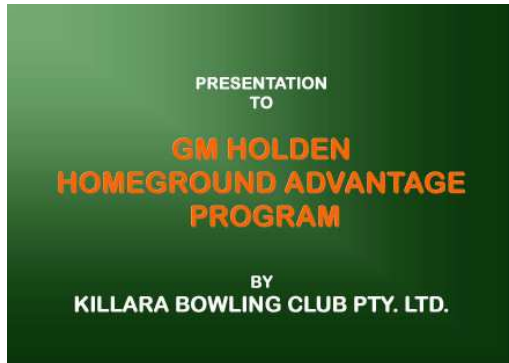
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THE DYNAMIC DUO ARE AT IT AGAIN SEEKING GRANT NO.4



Maintaining their momentum, **Don Reade** and **Ian Calder** continue their quest for grants to assist the club upgrade and modernise facilities. This time around, they have made a presentation to **GM Holden** with a proposal to improve exterior lighting in our carpark and Locksley St. and Arnold St entrance paths.



The presentation included a Utube Video. This video is not in the public domain but members can view it by entering the following address into your internet browser:-

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Mary, I am just having one more pint with the lads. If I am not home in 20 minutes, read this message again.

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BOAT PEOPLE MAKE BEAUT BOWLERS

Players at our Thursday LJ Hooker Jackpot Triples have come to know three capable and sociable bowlers from Artarmon, **Louise Amos, Knoc and Ngo (ken) Hau**. Louise is an émigré from China while Knoc and Ken were born in South Vietnam and formed part of the drama we remember as *"The Vietnamese Boat People"*; and what a dramatic event it was! Between 1975 and 1985 Australia received some 90,000 refugees fleeing the Communist occupation of the South.

Ken and Knoc, married four months, began their journey in a small 5 metre boat down the Mekong River to join another wooden vessel some 18.5 metres long and powered by a 2HP engine. Thus, on the 22nd of June 1982, grossly overloaded with 81 men, women and children their 'expedition' ventured to the open sea. The hazards confronting them were even greater than ocean storms in an overloaded open boat; mechanical failure would leave them adrift facing disease and starvation. On top of this was the growing problem of piracy.

UNHCR began compiling statistics on piracy in 1981. In that year, 452 boats carrying Vietnamese arrived in Thailand carrying 15,479 refugees. 349 of the boats had been attacked by pirates an average of three times each. "578 women had been raped; 228 women had been abducted; and 881 people were dead or missing."

Estimates of the number of Vietnamese boat people who died at sea can only be guesses. According to the United Nations High Commission for Refugees, between 200,000 and 400,000 boat people died at sea up to 1990.

The Hau's were amongst the lucky ones. They were at sea 5 days before being rescued by a Japanese tanker and taken to Singapore and a refugee camp. In October 1982 they were flown to Sydney and were accommodated at East Hills Hostel. In December they took up residence in Wollongong.

In their former lives, Knoc was an engineer and Ken a pharmacist. . . careers they were unable to pursue here. Real Estate became their profession with them owning a business in Cabramatta, now sold.

The Hau's have two daughters: Megan (29) and Tracey (25). They took up bowling in 2006.

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Roof replacement, contrasting new and old, February 2015

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CHECK FOR ALZHEIMER'S

The following was developed as a mental age assessment by the School of Psychiatry at Harvard University. Take your time and see if you can read each line aloud without a mistake.

1. This is this cat.
2. This is is cat.
3. This is how cat.
4. This is to cat.
5. This is keep cat.
6. This is an cat.
7. This is old cat.
8. This is dodderer cat.
9. This is busy cat.
10. This is for cat.
11. This is forty cat.
12. This is seconds cat.

Now go back and read the third word in each line from the top down

The explanation. . . .

Brains of older people are slow because they know so much.

People do not decline mentally with age. It just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains, scientists believe. Much like a computer struggles as the hard drive gets full up, so too do humans take longer to access information, it has been suggested.

Researchers say this slowing down it is not the same as cognitive decline.

The human brain works slower in old age, said Dr. Michael Ramscar, but only because we have stored more information. Over time, the brains of older people do not get weak.

On the contrary, they simply know more. Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is NOT a memory problem, it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

John's Bad Parrot

A young man named John received a parrot as a gift. The parrot had a bad attitude and an even worse vocabulary. Every word out of the bird's mouth was rude, obnoxious and laced with profanity.

John tried and tried to change the bird's attitude by consistently saying only polite words, playing soft music and anything else he could think of to modify the bird's vocabulary.

Finally, John was fed up and he yelled at the parrot and, in desperation, grabbed the bird and put him in the freezer.

For a few minutes the parrot squawked and kicked and screamed. Then suddenly there was total quiet.

Fearing that he'd hurt the parrot, John quickly opened the door to the freezer. The parrot calmly stepped out onto John's outstretched arms and said "I believe I may have offended you with my rude language and actions. I'm sincerely remorseful for my inappropriate transgressions and I fully intend to do everything I can to correct my rude and unforgivable behaviour."

John was stunned at the change in the bird's attitude. As he was about to ask the parrot what had made such a dramatic change in his behaviour, the bird spoke-up, very softly, "May I ask what the turkey did?"

And you thought there were no clean jokes left!



Sometimes we have trouble with our computers. I had a problem yesterday, so I called Eric, the 11 year old next door.

Eric clicked a couple of buttons and solved the problem. As he was walking away, I called after him, 'So, what was wrong?'

He replied, 'It was an ID ten T error.'

I didn't want to appear stupid, but nonethe-

less inquired, 'An, ID ten T error, huh? What's that? In case I need to fix it again.'

Eric grinned 'Haven't you ever heard of an ID ten T error before?'

'No,' I replied.

'Write it down,' he said, 'and I think you'll figure it out.'

So I wrote down:

ID10T

I used to like Eric, the little b——d.

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A judge was interviewing a woman regarding her pending divorce, and asked, "What are the grounds for your divorce?" She replied, "About four acres and a nice little home in the middle of the property with a stream running by."

"No," he said, "I mean what is the foundation of this case?"

"It is made of concrete, brick and mortar," she responded.

"I mean," he continued, "What are your relations like?"

"I have an aunt and uncle living here in town, and so do my husband's parents."

The judge said, "Do you have a real grudge?"

"No," she replied, "We have a two-car carport and have never really needed one."

"Please," he tried again, "is there any infidelity in your marriage?"

"Yes, both my son and daughter have stereo sets. We don't necessarily like the music, but the answer to your questions is yes."

"Ma'am, does your husband ever beat you up?"

"Yes," she responded, "about twice a week he gets up earlier than I do."

Finally, in frustration, the judge asked, "Lady, why do you want a divorce?"

"Oh, I don't want a divorce," she replied. "I've never wanted a divorce. My husband does. He said he can't communicate with me."



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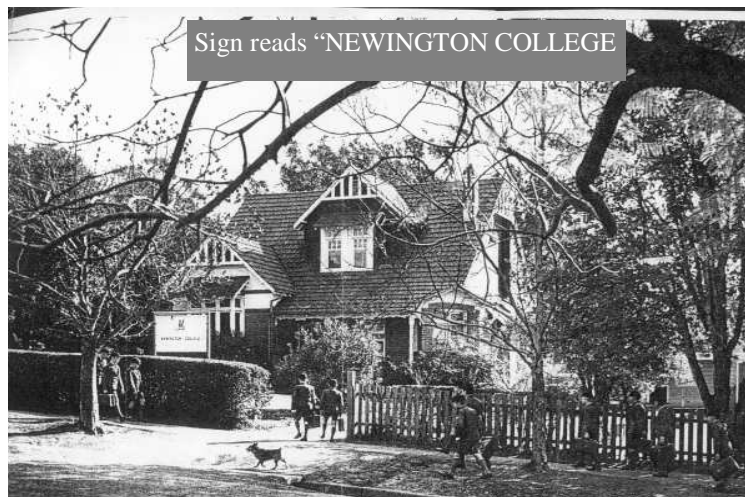
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JOAN HODGSON REMINISCES ABOUT LOCKSLEY STREET

Locksley is a short street leading downhill from the steps of Killara Railway Station to Five Ways..The Killara Uniting Church (formerly the Killara Congregational Church where I met and married my former husband) overlooks Five Ways, the intersection which is so called because it intersects Karranga Avenue and Arnold Street and then runs uphill to Killara Station.

My knowledge of this street commenced in 1929 when I was six and a half year old. My parents enrolled me at the Preparatory School, called **Willesden**. This school in later years became the Killara Preparatory School for Boys and then later was changed to a junior School for Boys, **Newington College**.



I have kind memories of Willesden and of its teacher Miss Adam and of Miss Durack the Principal. There we were taught the usual school subjects and some sport e.g. tunnel ball. I also have fond memories being taught embroidery and sewing and of making a doily holder which I still own today, useful in holding a small pile of doilys in my linen cupboard. One aspect I remember clearly at Willesden is of a boy shouting loudly from the bus running past the school uphill to the station "I'm going to take you to Hornsby"! At this I would scream loudly thinking that he was yelling at me! I was a plump child and was terrified.

To reach the school from Blenheim Road Lindfield where my family lived, I walked with several other students to the school and home again, as very few cars were then owned. Adrienne Goldring, from Kenilworth Road, the Hemphill brothers from Wolseley Road were some of the students we walked with. We all met up on the route to the school and later my sister **Aileen** joined us. However Aileen's attendance at the school was short lived, as when running across the bottom of Werona Avenue to throw pebbles in a pool of water, Aileen was run over by a car. She suffered a broken pelvis and many abrasions. Nursed carefully by a Dr Peterson she recovered well.

Aileen at age of 5 met John Sproule, who lived in Karranga



Avenue. Then at the age of 5 or 6 he said he was going to marry Aileen. (Years later, when they met again at the Killara Congregational Church at Five Ways fellowship, they did marry.)

Locksley Street has had a change of face over the years. On the opposite corner to the Killara Post Office is a large residential flat building, having rented apartments or sole borders. On the side of the old post office a 2-3 storey Federation residence next to the former Dr John Greenwell's 2-3 storey Stock Broker/ Tudor home, is a nursing home. Alongside to that was until recent years, the 4th bowling green of the Killara Bowling Club (now the Killara Bowling club car) and then downhill to several Inter War houses of various architectural designs before meeting Five Ways. Locksley Street still has a mix of housing styles but in earlier days the residences were predominantly large homes of the Federation or Stock Broker/Tudor styles. The school site on the left hand side now houses a very large modern pale brick residence, in contrast to the predominantly dark brick residences. A foot path plaque has been placed there fondly by a former teacher of the school, to indicate where the school site existed.

Towards the lower end of Locksley Street on the left hand side is a street called Lynwood Avenue which winds back parallel to Locksley Street to Werona Avenue and the railway line. The lower left hand end of Locksley Street has two further homes before meeting Five Ways.

A bus stop still exists outside the old post office today, where many students are dropped. However, many students walk to and from Killara High School to Killara Station as well as a variety of school students who travel daily to other North Shore and City schools. The imposing structure of the Church at Five Ways is and always has been attended by many locals. Due to the Great Depression in the 1930-40's my parents moved us to my Grandfather's lovely home at Lake Tabourie thus ending my attendance at Willesden at the age of 8 years, as well as Aileen , now recovered.

Joan R Hodgson



COLIN H MACKELLAR AGED 85 MEMBER 18 YRS

Colin H. Mackellar was born at Darling Point, 15 December 1929. An only child of a New Guinea Copra Planter, Colin spent his early years at Darling Point with his mother alternating with parental periods on his Father's

Plantation near Kavieng, New Ireland.

In 1937 Colin's parents were divorced, a momentous event in those days, and Colin entered The Scots College Bellevue Hill as a boarder, his father being an Old Boy of the College, and its Champion Athlete in 1915. The Japanese beheaded his father in 1942.

Colin left The Scots College in 1943 and proceeded as a boarder to the Kings School, Parramatta. Colin excelled in sport, but not in the classroom.

After sitting the Leaving Certificate for the 2nd time in 1947, Colin left School and commenced work as a Cadet in the Purchasing Department in the Sydney Office of BHP. After 5 years of evening Technical College, he graduated in Business and Supply Management, and served as a Purchasing Officer until December 1953.

In 1952, Colin secured passage to Europe on a Norwegian Cargo Ship. Hitchhiked through-out Europe and England sustained by temporary work. In 1958 he and an Australian friend emigrated to Montreal with little money, speaking no French (where being bilingual was a pre-requisite for employment) in the midst of the coldest winter for 20 years.

They huddled in the YMCA Hostel for 2 months before journeying to the far North to work on Airstrip Construction on then termed the DEW-Line within the Arctic Circle, ('Distant Early Warning'), which was American-funded to monitor expected aggression by USSR. After six months Colin returned to Australia and married Haidee Joan Lambert in 1962. They spent the most part of their 40 years of married life in Pymble.

Until his retirement in 1990, Colin worked for Esso Oil Company and Burns Philp. He then took-up Lawn Bowls with a vengeance, and played concurrently for 3 separate Bowling Clubs and often seven days in a week. He was an inveterate letter writer and was the bane of newspaper editors and bowling club selectors. And his 'upright' bowling style caused great consternation to green keepers.

Being a relative of our National Poetess Dorethea Mackellar, he wrote a quantity of published poetry.

Colin was a member of the **Honourable Company of Armigers**, (Australian Chapter), being head of his Scottish Clan MACKELLAR, a branch of the widely known Clan, CAMPBELL, in Australia, and was very proud of his Scottish Coat of Arms, which his son **Alexander** now inherits.

No doubt he is now playing bowls somewhere beyond the clouds, driving incessantly, and certainly giving the Selectors their usual 'liberal helping of CURRY!!'



A Honda mechanic was removing a cylinder head from the motor of a Honda when he spotted a well known cardiologist in his shop.

The cardiologist was there waiting for the service manager to come and take a look at his

car when the mechanic shouted across the garage, "Hey Doc, Want to take a look at this?" The cardiologist, a bit surprised walked over to where the mechanic was working on the Honda.

The mechanic straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and asked, "So Doc, Look at this engine. I opened its heart, took the valves out, repaired or replaced anything damaged, and then put everything back in, and when I finished, it worked just like new.

So how is it that I make \$40,000 a year and you make \$1.7M when you and I are doing basically the same work?

The cardiologist paused, leaned over, and then whispered to the mechanic.... "Try doing it with the engine running."



The Pregnant Blonde

The other day my neighbour, who is blonde, came running up to me in the driveway just jumping for joy! I didn't know why she was jumping for joy. I thought, what the heck, and I starting jumping up and down along with her.

She said, "Sally, I have some really great news!"

I said, "Great. Tell me why you're so happy."

She stopped jumping and, breathing heavily from all the jumping up and down, told me that she was pregnant!

I knew that she had been trying for a while so I told her, "That's great! I couldn't be happier for you!"

Then she said, "There's more."

I asked, "What do you mean 'more'?"

She said, "Well, we are not having just one baby. We are going to have twins. Amazed at how she could know so soon after getting pregnant, I asked her how she knew. She said...

"That was the easy part. I went to Wal-Mart and they actually had a home pregnancy kit in a twin-pack. Both tests came out positive!"

ALBRECHT DURER and his magic square.

Albrecht (1471–1528) was a painter, engraver and mathematician from Nuremberg, Germany. In 1514 he invented his extraordinary square.

16	3	2	13
5	10	11	8
9	6	7	12
4	15	14	1

So what is so special about his square?

It is 34!

This is the sum of the various fields within his magic square. So let's see . .

- The sum of every row is 34!
- The sum of every column is 34!
- The sum of the diagonals is 34!
- The sum of the corners is 34!
- The centre fields . . guess! And if you look you will find more! Amazing!

THIS IS AN AMERICAN STORY WHICH HAPPILY DOES NOT APPLY HERE?

One day a florist went to a barber for a haircut. After the cut, he asked about his bill, and the barber replied, 'I cannot accept money from you; I'm doing community service this week.' The florist was pleased and left the shop. When the barber went to open his shop the next morning, there was a 'thank you' card and a dozen roses waiting for him at his door.

Later, a policeman comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill, the barber again replied, 'I cannot accept money from you; I'm doing community service this week.'

The cop was happy and left the shop. The next morning when the barber went to open up, there was a 'thank you' card and a box of chocolates waiting for him at his door.

Then an MP came in for a haircut, and when he went to pay his bill, the barber again replied, 'I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.'

The MP was very happy and left the shop. The next morning, when the barber went to open up, there were a dozen MPs lined up waiting for a free haircut.

And that, my friends, illustrates the fundamental difference between the citizens of our country and the politicians who run it.

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PHIL JOHNSON ON HOW TO MAKE YOUR HOME A BEST SELLER

Here are some handy hints on how to make your home more attractive to potential buyers.

Together with national exposure on our website, you are well on the way to a quick and satisfactory sale.

Spring Clean – Tidy up. Hold a garage sale. Get rid of anything you do not need.

Light – Light houses sell well. Open curtains, turn on lights before inspections.

Fix Obvious faults– Faults encourage buyers to look for more.

Pets – You love them... but maybe buyers will not. Keep them outside during inspections.

Smells – Cooking, pets, dampness and smoking can all give your house a nasty smell. Have carpets and curtains cleaned and open windows before inspections. Fresh air smells best.

Kitchens and bathrooms– are the most important rooms in the house. Squeaky clean they can help make a sale.

First Impressions – Check that your home looks attractive from the street or your agent may find it difficult to get buyers in the front door.

Gardens – Overgrown gardens give the impression of being too difficult to look after

Outside – Spruce up the exterior by washing down or repainting. Clean guttering, brush away leaves and cobwebs.

Views– Prune trees and shrubs if they are blocking your best views. Clean windows and screens add to the view.

Homely touches – Give buyers good feelings – fresh flowers on the table, jars of cookies in the kitchen. Buying is an emotional decision.

Little things – Fix all those “little things” – the loose door knob or the screen that will not close or that leaky tap.

Cupboards – Clean out cupboards. The less they have in them, the bigger they look – storage space is a definite selling feature.

Temperature– Welcome buyers with a warm home in winter and cool home in summer.



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