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KILLARA WINS ROSEVILLE SHIELD



The 2007 Roseville Shield was conducted on Saturday, 6 October at East Roseville BC. Attended by 22 clubs from Zone 9, it was won by Killara whose team comprised **Ken Howard, Gof Bowles, Warwick Druce** and **Ian Cameron-Smith**. Run-

ners-up were St Ives whose team comprised **Chris Carey, John Donnelly, Alan Dennett** and **John Cummins**. Trophies were presented to the members of the winning teams by **Ray Riley**, Secretary of Zone 9.

Our players were very impressed with the conduct of this competition and were most complimentary of the organizer, **Phil Lewis**.

Pictures of 'The Grinners' and the shield is on page 5.



N.A.FALCONER 1922 - 2007
Life Member
Chairman
Club Champion

A Tribute

A member since 1972, Neil's contribution and dedication to Killara and bowling reflected the his distinguished career as Chief Engineer and Company Managing Director.

He received the *Advance Australia Award* in 1987; and held leadership as *President of the Australian Welding Institute* and *Chairman of the Australian Standards Institute* amongst others.

He and wife **Meg** were a formidable combination in mixed events winning several championships. He is greatly missed.



NOW 101, NOT OUT!

The December edition of this newsletter last year headlined **Graham Firth's** 100th birthday celebration at the club attended by some 150 well-wishers. Graham has now taken up residence at **Bowden Brae** Retirement Home. He had a fall, which has curbed his visits to Killara; however he is still in good spirits. He likes reading this newsletter . . . so— *G'day Graham, we look forward to your 102nd!*





From the chair . . .

... **Warwick Druce**



The Board has now held it's first meeting since the AGM in October. New members **Ian Calder** and **Ian Armstrong** have settled in quickly to their new roles as Secretary and Treasurer. Together with **Ian Cameron-Smith**, we now have 3 'Ian's' on the Board . . . must be

something in the name!

Unfortunately, **Jean Brierley**, as new KWBC President was unable to take up a Directorship due to ongoing commitments. Luckily, however, Past President **Lea McNeall** is able to continue in her place.

The Club faces some challenges in the new year with declining membership and profitability which will need to be faced and addressed aggressively. One way to help would be to increase the outside use of club-house facilities. We have had several corporate bowling function recently and more are planned in the near future. I would like to remind members that the club-house, now **fully air-conditioned**, is always available for anniversaries, birthdays, group meetings etc— for family or friends— and several have already done so with much satisfaction, *so spread the word!* Please talk to **Sue Cleary** who can advise you on costs, catering and so forth.

We were all shocked and saddened by the sudden passing of **Neil Falconer**, Past Chairman, Life Member, champion bowler and dedicated member since 1972, he will be sorely missed. Our thoughts are with his lovely wife **Meg** and family.

Another long time member, **Cam McPherson**, also passed away after being confined to a wheel chair for some years. Our condolences are extended to wife **Johnny** and family; all regular attendees at the club's social functions.

Doug Fleming has been unwell for some time and has had to resign from looking after our poker machines.

Tony Hodgson has joined **Jack Williams** and **John Taylor** in taking the weekly readings. Thanks Doug, we hope your health will improve in the near future.

Rick Edwards has been active with his bag of tools replacing the kitchen door and roofing/guttering over the back porch. Always willing to help like his Brother-in-law **Mick Meares**. Thanks to you both!

Our locker rooms are due for a makeover. Plans are being considered to improve the appearance and make better use of the space.

Christmas is upon us! Happy Holidays to all and successful bowling in 2008!

FOUNDATION DINNER 2007

The annual Foundation Dinner, celebrating the 91st year of the Club was organised by **Barbara Cotton** and well attended by members and guests. Toasting the Club in a witty speech, **Goff Bowles** spoke of the importance of the Club in the local community and the contribution Club culture made to society in general. The Chairman, **Warwick Druce** responded to the toast. The Club archivist, **Lloyd Sommerlad**, related some interesting facts about the early days of the Club. Founded in 1916, the Club had no electricity until 1923 and no telephone until 1924. Members wishing to play had to put their names in a box by 2.15 pm for teams to be chosen and play to commence at 2.30. In those days most members worked on Saturday morning and the late start gave them time to get home from the city.

Until 1950 there was no play on Sundays, reflecting a different attitude to Sunday sport and the large number of staunch churchmen among the Club's membership. A Special meeting of members resolved that the greens should be opened but at first, play was confined to a group called the "Sunday Six" who did not use the green near Arnold St in deference to the wishes of the rector of St. Martins church opposite.

The Club employed its own greenkeeper and they bought him an electric mower in 1926. He complained that he was getting electric shocks. This called for some lateral thinking so they bought him a pair of rubber gloves!

There was no liquor licence before 1947 and only soft drinks were served by the steward. Some members were known to take their glass out to their locker to add a little supplement. The Committee were good sports and decided not to impose a corkage fee.

The membership of the Club was over 200 in the 1950s and again in 1971 and that was before the establishment of the Women's Club in 1978. The growing membership had required extensions to the Clubhouse and the purchase of neighbouring properties to provide more green space. Admission to the Club could not be taken for granted. An Investigation Committee was appointed and applicants were interviewed and character references required. The President said in 1972, and we still say it today "to maintain the unsurpassed fellowship and harmony we have always enjoyed, the source of new members should be existing members" During the war years most members of Killara Bowling Club were over-age but three members enlisted and 20 members had sons in the Forces. The Club gave generous help to various War Funds and collected for the "Cigarettes for Soldiers" Appeal. Fines for wrong biases contributed 10,000 cigarettes to the Fund.

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KWBC President's Platform



KWBC President
Jean Brierley

As the new President of the women's Club, I would firstly like to thank our outgoing President, Lea McNeall, for her generous three years in office and for all her good works over that time. We all wish her well and trust she will enjoy her more relaxed life-style.

I do thank all of you for your warm welcome to me and, at this stage, maybe a further "Thank You" for the heart-warming response given to me on the occasion of my being made a Life Member of Killara Bowling Club. This was indeed a memorable day with the attendance of so many members and for the presence of all my children from far and wide. Special thanks also go to Bob Bessemer for his wonderful photographic coverage. I trust I can uphold the honour you have bestowed on me and you may be sure that I shall always be doing my best in both these categories. How fortunate I am to have such a willing band behind me for which I am ever grateful.

The first big event during my new role as President was the Spring Carnival in September. On this occasion we were blessed with fine weather on all three days and a very happy atmosphere prevailed throughout. The women members were extremely gratified by the excellent financial rewards from the trading table on the *Friday* (plus a few extras on other days) and the raffles on all three days. As all these prizes were donated by KWBC (excluding a bottle of whisky and wine from Club resources), it was an outstanding result and warmest thanks go to our generous members. David Martin performed a magnificent job as convenor and with his willing team of helpers made every day run smoothly. Let us not forget our wonderful Sue for the delicious lunches and for the kitchen crew on each day.

On the bowling green, competitions and social games have seen good numbers and we have now completed our competitions for 2007. The results are shown opposite.

In District events, Killara has performed very creditably competing in Roseville Sixes (3rd), St. Ives Fives (3rd.), Lindfield Shield Jean Webster Trophy and Kuring-gai Shield (4th). Following Killara's win in the No3 Pennants this year, we have now been promoted to No. 2 Grade in 2008 – quite a daunting task but we will certainly do our best.

We shall also be fielding a No. 4 side and we wish them all well.

We have all enjoyed the various Mixed occasions at

the Club which have all been a great success and we now look forward to the final celebrations for the year in the usual festive mode.

Major Singles

Winner: **M Hearder**

Runner Up: **J Hodgson**

Minor Singles

Winner: **M Morris**

Runner Up: **M Conner**

Pairs

Winners: **L Geniale, R Hey**

Runner Ups: **J McNerney, J Hodgson**

Triples

Winners: **A Calder, L Geniale, L McNeall**

Runner Ups: **M Nowland, M Falconer, E Morell**

Fours

Winners: **B Fox, J McNerney, M Hearder, J Hodgson**

Runner Ups: **M Shirley, M Conner, M Carroll, J Brierley**

Consistency Singles

Winner: **J Brierley**

Runner Up: **J Hodgson**

May I take this opportunity of thanking everyone for the kind support given to me in my short term in office so far and also to wish all members of Killara Bowling Club and their families a joyous and safe Christmas season with a happy and successful New Year to follow.

Jean

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A little old lady answered the door, to be confronted by a young man carrying a vacuum cleaner. "Good morning," said the man. "If I could take a couple minutes of your time, I would like to demonstrate the very latest in high-powered vacuum cleaners". "Please go away!" said the old lady. "I haven't got any money" and she tried to close the door. Quick as a flash, the young man wedged his foot in the door and pushed it wide open. "Don't be too hasty!" he said. "Not until you have at least seen my demonstration." And with that, he emptied a bucket of horse manure all over her hallway carpet. "If this vacuum cleaner does not remove all traces of this manure from your carpet Madam, I will personally eat the remainder."

"Well," she said, "I hope you've got a appetite, because the electricity was cut off this morning!"



KBC President's Platform : *John Muirhead*



John Muirhead
President KBC

Twilight Bowls is on.

Come and enjoy the sport and fellowship, play and dine on Friday evenings at 5.0 pm during the period of daylight saving, (but not during the holiday break). If you would like to play just enter your name on the list on the Mixed Bowling Board near the poker machines or ring

up the Roll-up room 9498 1851 and leave a message on the Voicemail.

If eighteen or more player's names are on the list seeking dinner by the previous Thursday evening **Sue** will produce a meal!

If fewer wish to play but still wish to eat at the Club, then it is suggested players consider ringing up for a Pizza delivered to the Club (Belmonte's 9418 2122 or Pizza Hut 9481 111).

Mufti is acceptable but bowling shoes are a must.

Locker Rooms

The Board has given approval in principle to the rearrangement and upgrading of the locker rooms. This is in response to the recent survey of members in which 60% of responses rated the locker rooms as only "Fair" or "Poor".

It is proposed to provide separate locker rooms for men and women on the ground floor. This will save women members having to carry their bowls up and down the stairs.

The first task will be to empty those lockers which have been allocated to members who have left the Club or are no longer playing. Unserviceable and surplus lockers will be identified and discarded. The retained lockers will be given a spray paint and consideration will be given to replacing the carpet.

It is proposed to use the outer section of the locker room as a store for the Club's bowls, the filing cabinets for archives and for the chairs and tables now stacked next to the dais in the Club Room.

The existing women's locker room will be used for meetings of the Board, Committees, Selectors, Coaches etc.

The first task is organising the locker number/naming system and allocating lockers to new members. This has already been started by **Martin McMurray** assisted by **Graham Shirley**.

Thursday Burns and Burns Triples.

The Board has given approval in principle to a proposal for the rejuvenation of the Burns and Burns weekly Thursday afternoon triples games, subject to further details. An idea was initially presented to the Board in 2005 but was not taken up.

The number of visiting players has further dwindled since that time. The KBC Committee recognises that this is a source of revenue from green fees, bar and the canteen and also that it is a potential source of new members. We believe that some of our recent recruits have had their introduction to the Club from having first come to play in the Burns and Burns.

In recent months we have had the pleasure of the company of several members of the Women's Club who have enhanced the afternoons in a number of ways. They are always welcome!

The prizes already donated by our major sponsor Burns and Burns Real Estate will be augmented by the introduction of a Jackpot type competition to be sponsored by Seniors Mortgage Finance. It is now hoped to launch the programme early in 2008

Greens

Members will be well aware that the Hilarie Moore Green has not played well since it was last renovated. It also requires repairs to the protection rubbers on the bank walls. The seats have not been painted for a long time and are in need of painting for preservation and appearances purposes. It will be taken out for its renovation when the Graham Firth Green is back in play.

The Graham Firth Green received its final top dressing on Thursday 29th November and is programmed to be back in play very soon. The recent excellent rain is very welcome.

Members are encouraged to note any complaints or suggestions in an exercise book kept in the Roll-up Room for this purpose. Entries are signed off when they have been attended to. Otherwise please contact either **Bob Hill**, Convener of the Greens Committee or **Ian Cameron-Smith** who assists him.

Bowls Secretary.

The tasks of our Bowls Secretary **Robin Hearder** are many and diverse; listed they occupy two A4 pages. In recognition of this there is the established office of Assistant Bowls Secretary but Robin has hitherto preferred to do it all himself. He has been our Bowls Secretary since 2006 without an assistant but his responsibilities as President of the Rotary Club of Lindfield have become more onerous recently.

Martin McMurray has volunteered to be our Assistant Bowls Secretary who will welcome new members and allocate lockers.

We have divided the other tasks between Robin and other members of the KBC Committee. **Rick Edwards** will look after the Cyril South Competition and other Inter-Club friendly fixtures in addition to being our delegate to Zone 9 of RNSWBA. Bob Hill will look after State Championship matches played at Killara. We still have a few tasks to allocate.

I extend to all members greetings for Christmas and happy bowling in 2008.

John Muirhead.



Winners of the Roseville Shield 2007
Ken Howard, Warwick Druce, Gof Bowles and (inset) Ian Cameron-Smith.



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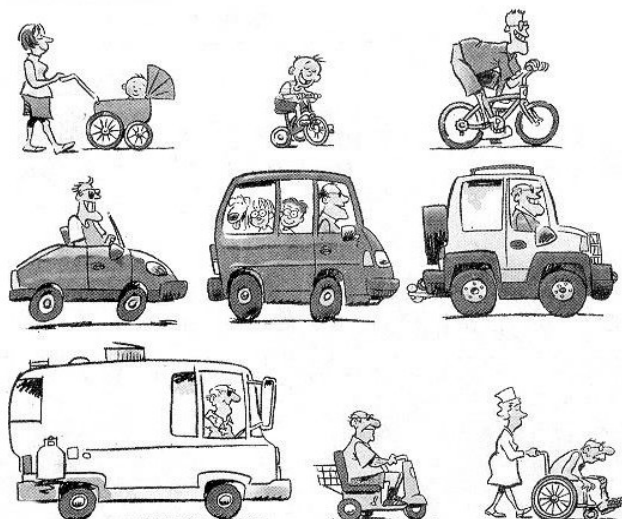


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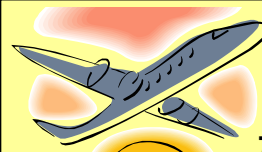
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the way, after we lifted off we saw some kind of dead animal on the end of the runway."

Tower: "Continental 635, cleared for takeoff behind Eastern 702, contact Departure on frequency 124.7.

Did you copy that report from Eastern 702?"

Continental 635: "Continental 635 cleared for takeoff, roger, and yes, we copied Eastern We've already notified our caterers."

LAST NEWSLETTER'S COMPETITION WHO ARE THEY?



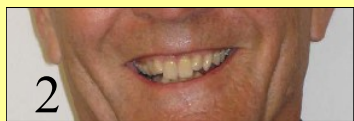
AND THE WINNER?

This proved to be an immensely popular and hotly contested challenge. We received four (4) entries ! *The best response so far !!*

The first correct entry was from:-

SUE CLEARY

Sue, please collect a bottle of wine from yourself !



FOUNDATION DAY DINNER from page 2 . .

A group of members met regularly at the Club-house to make camouflage nets and by 1945 the number of nets totalled 3627. There used to be a brass plaque commemorating this contribution in the Clubhouse.

There have not been many ballots for the various positions on Club committees and in particular the office of President has traditionally been filled by consensus without need for a vote. There has only been one occasion on which the position of President has been contested. In 1947 the incumbent President, **A. Williams**, had been in office for 4 years and sought another term. (He was following the precedent of his predecessor, **George Gissing** who had held the office for 9 successive years) A group of members persuaded a Vice-President who had also held his position for four years to accept nomination for the Presidency. In the subsequent ballot, the President was re-elected.. This led to a change in the rules which ever since have limited the holding of the Presidency to 3 years.

The speaker surprised his audience by revealing that the losing Vice-President in that ballot had been his own father, **Hon. E.C.Sommerlad** who had been a prominent member during the war years.



Mixed Bowling *Beryl Stephens*

St Andrew's night was a great success with the *Ode to the Haggis* recited by **Ian Cameron-Smith** being piped in by a Knox Piper, arranged by **Richard Burns** sponsors of our club. **Barbara Cotton** organised

the evening with the support of **Beryl Stephens** and a few girls helped set the tables. **Sue Cleary** again produced a sumptuous dinner.

With not many entries in the Mixed Triples Championships, congratulations go to:

W. Druce, M. Hearder, S. Hashimoto defeating in the final **J. Orton, M. Falconer, V. Newlands** 27/6.

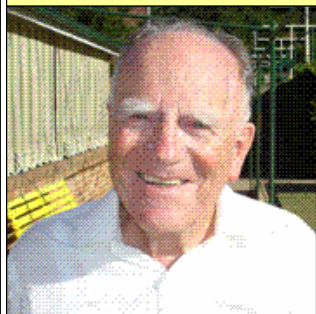
What is happening to our lovely friendly club?? We used to have 40 players for Twilight Bowls, last week we had 15 members.

If you cannot come for bowls, why not come for the dinner with your spouses. At mixed Bowls on Sundays, we often had 30 players. Last Sunday we had only 8, 3 from Gordon and Joan Furze from Warrawee.

We all have families whom we love and welcome to our homes, but occasionally we can all give up one day to the club.

I may be able to acquire a Sponsor for Sunday Bowls. Do you think this might bring more bowlers to Killara? Please help our Club to build up the numbers again. Merry Christmas to all!

Beryl



Chairman of Selectors
Michael Tsolakis

SELECTORS' REPORT – NOVEMBER 2007

Mid-Week Triples

Final Standings

Sectional Play Grade C, Section 1

<u>Club</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Ag</u>	<u>Shots Diff.</u>
Forestville R.S.L. (1)	6	5	1	23.5	422	310	+112
Chatswood	6	3	3	17	368	377	-7
Killara (1)	6	3	3	14	362	339	+23
Gordon (1)	6	1	5	5.5	286	412	-126

Sectional Play Grade C, Section 7

St. Ives (2)	6	4	2	19	362	245	+117
Killara (2)	6	3	3	15	335	323	+12
Warrawee (2)	6	3	3	15	268	305	-37
Lindfield	6	2	4	11	319	411	-92

Kur-ring-gai Shield : (top ten) - Saturday 22nd September at Turramurra B/C

Singles : (Killara 31 - Lindfield 30) -- I.Cameron-Smith

Pairs : (Killara 12 - Gordon 19) -- G.Bowles, W.Druce

Triples : (Killara 27 - West Pymble 16) -- R.Edwards, D.Cozens, K.Howard.

Fours : (Killara 13 - East Roseville 20) -- J.Zazulak, J.Taylor, A.Krust, A.Sanders.

Roseville Shield. (Fours Competition--Invitation to all Zone 9 clubs--1 team per club)
Saturday 6th October at East Roseville Bowling Club

* **Winners---Killara** *---- K.Howard, G.Bowles, W.Druce, I.Cameron-Smith.

Second Round Results KBC "Friendly Matches."

Killara B/C v Killara G/C : Played on Tuesday 21st August at KBC.

KBC retained the Stedman Bowl Trophy with a 189 - 84 win. (6 rinks-- triples)

Killara v Lindfield : The return match for the Fred Salisbury Painting Trophy which was to have taken place at Lindfield Bowling Club on Wednesday 12th September, has been deferred until later in the year due to the host club's inability to field teams on that day. This late decision on Sunday 9th September was received verbally by John Taylor (KBC-Side Captain) from J.Orton (Lindfield Bowls Secretary).

Killara v Warrawee: Played on Wednesday 17th October at Warrawee B/C, the home team reversed the 6 shot loss in February at Killara to regain the Lamb/Salenger Painting Trophy with a 128- 96 win. (6 rinks -- triples)





Bowls Secretary *Robin Hearder*

I would like to pay a tribute to the late **Neil Falconer**, who was not only a great bowler as a past Champion, but always among the first to put his name down for Club events

and Inter-club friendlies, and running the Thursday Burns & Burns Triples, and he will be sadly missed by his many friends.

Michael Tsolakis, the new Chairman, along with his team of **Arthur Krust** and **Peter Baume** as fellow selectors, have been working very hard, and did well on the Mid-Week triples competition where the Killara side in Grade C, Section 7 finished second, and our other side in Section 1 finished third. Our side of 6 teams had a great afternoon in August winning the Stedman Trophy against Killara Golf Club. Our representatives played very well in the Ku-ring-gai Shield in September, with **Ian Cameron-Smith** in the Singles, and **Rick Edwards**, **Don Cozens**, and **Ken Howard** in the Triples winning their matches, whilst **Gof Bowles** and **Warwick Druce** went down narrowly in the Pairs, as did our Fours team of **Josef Zazulak**, **John Taylor**, **Arthur Krust**, and **Lee Sanders**. Even better was to come in the Roseville Shield in October, and Congratulations to the winning Champions – **Ken Howard**, **Gof Bowles**, **Warwick Druce**, and **Ian Cameron-Smith**. Unfortunately our side of 6 triple teams lost the Lamb/Salenger Painting to Warrawee B.C in October.

At the AGM of the Bowling Club in October, we welcomed **Martin McMurray** onto the Management Committee as Assistant Bowls Secretary, and an unanimous vote of thanks was passed to **John Muirhead** for his leadership and initiative in the past year as President. Thanks also to **Ken Howard** on accepting appointment as Chairman of Umpires.

The Club Triples were won by **Lloyd Sommerlad**, **Peter Baume**, and **Don Cozens**, the Club Pairs by **John Taylor** and **Tony Hodgson**, and the Minor Singles by **Bob Hill** – congratulations to you all.

Merry Christmas!

Robin

CHURCH GOSSIPER

Mildred, the Church gossip and self-appointed arbiter of the Church's morals, kept sticking her nose into other people's business. Several residents were unappreciative of her activities, but feared her enough to maintain their silence.

She made a mistake, however, when she accused George, a new member, of being an alcoholic after she saw his truck parked in front of the town's only bar one afternoon. She commented to George and others that everyone seeing it there would know what he was doing.

George, a man of few words, stared at her for a moment and just walked away. He didn't explain, defend, or deny. He said nothing.

Later that evening, George quietly parked his truck in front of Mildred's house... and left it there all night.

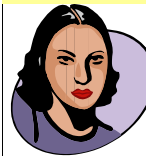


Scenario:

You are driving in a car at a constant speed. On your left side is a valley and on your right side is a fire engine traveling at the same speed as you. In front of you is a galloping pig which is the same size as your car and you cannot overtake it. Behind you is a helicopter flying at ground level. Both the giant pig and the helicopter are also traveling at the same speed as you. What must you do to safely get out of this highly dangerous situation?

Answer:

Get off the children's "Merry-Go-Round", you're drunk.



She told the artist, "Paint me with diamond earrings, a diamond necklace, emerald bracelets and a ruby pendant."

"But you are not wearing any of those things."

"I know," she said. "My health is not good and my husband is having an affair with his secretary. When I die I'm sure he will marry her, and I want the bitch to go nuts looking for the jewelry."

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Golf Story No.1

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He found himself on an island with no other people, no supplies, nothing, only bananas and coconuts.

After about four months, he is lying on the beach one day when the most gorgeous woman he has ever seen rows up to the shore. In disbelief, he asks, "Where did you come from? How did you get here?"

She replies, "I rowed from the other side of the island. I landed here when my cruise ship sank."

"Amazing," he notes. "You were really lucky to have a row boat wash up with you."

"Oh, this thing?" explains the woman. "I made the boat out of raw material I found on the island. The oars were whittled from gum tree branches. I wove the bottom from palm branches, and the sides and stern came from a Eucalyptus tree."

"But, where did you get the tools?"

"Oh, that was no problem," replied the woman. "On the south side of the island, a very unusual stratum of alluvial rock is exposed. I found if I fired it to a certain temperature in my kiln, it melted into ductile iron. I used that for tools and used the tools to make the hardware."

The guy is stunned. "Let's row over to my place," she says.

After a few minutes of rowing, she docks at a small wharf. As the man looks to shore, he nearly falls off the



boat. Before him is a stone walk leading to an exquisite bungalow painted in blue and white.

While the woman ties up the rowboat with an expertly woven hemp rope, the man can only stare ahead, dumb struck. As they walk into the house, she says casually, "It's not much, but I call it home. Sit down, please. Would you like a drink?"

"No! No thank you," he blurts out, still dazed. "I can't take another drop of coconut juice." "It's not coconut juice," winks the woman. "I have a still. How would you like a Pina Colada?"

Trying to hide his continued amazement, the man accepts, and they sit down on her couch to talk. After they have exchanged their stories, the woman announces, "I'm going to slip into something more comfortable. Would you like to take a shower and shave? There is a razor upstairs in the bathroom cabinet."

"This woman is amazing," he muses. "What next?"

When he returns, she greets him wearing nothing but vines, strategically positioned, and smelling faintly of gardenias. She beckons for him to sit down next to her. "Tell me," she begins suggestively, slithering closer to him, "We've been out here for many months. You've been lonely. There's something I'm sure you really feel like doing right now, something you've been longing for?" She stares into his eyes. He can't believe what he's hearing. "You mean . . ." he swallows excitedly and tears start to form in his eyes. . . .

Don't tell me you've built a Golf Course!!!"



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NO "WORK" AFTER DELIVERY

One of the fascinating aspects of the game of bowls, especially for the spectators is to watch certain bowlers put extra "work" on their bowls after the said bowls have been delivered. This "work" can consist of arm and/or leg movements, body-tilting or a wide skirting excursion on the hand on which the bowl is delivered, at times trespassing into the adjacent rink.

On the latter occasions well-chosen and suggestive remarks usually emanate from the players "next door" such as, "Righto, Bill, when you're ready", or "Going someplace, Charlie?" down to "Hey, Phar Lap, why don't you keep on your own so-and-so track?" (said in a very friendly manner, of course).

Arm movements generally take the form of the limb fully extended and circling clockwise or anti-clockwise to assist the bowl (which has been delivered perhaps a little too wide) to come back to the jack.

Leg movements include a wide sweep to the right or left, depending on which side the bowl requires assistance. Some bowlers are equally adept with both feet, a legacy from their younger days when they were "star" footballers.

The "walkabout" movement is very general, particularly with the older players. It is used mainly when they feel they haven't given the bowl quite enough "grass" to draw the shot around short bowls, and so they offer encouragement to the bowl by moving in a wide arc from the mat.

At the same time this way out "safari" (the next rink is invariably inhabited by wild species) gives the player a better view of the bowl as it curves towards the jack, perhaps.

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Golf Story No.2

Stevie Wonder and Tiger Woods are in a restaurant having dinner. Woods turns to Wonder and says, "How's the singing career going?" Stevie Wonder replies, "Not too bad. How's the golf?"

Woods replies, "Not too bad. I've had some problems with my swing, but I think I've got that going right now."

Stevie says, "I always find that when my swing goes wrong, I need to stop playing for a while and not think about it. Then, the next time I play, it seems to be all right."

Tiger says, "You play golf?"

Wonder says, "Oh, yes, I've been playing for years."

Woods says, "But you're blind! How can you play golf if you can't see?"

Wonder replies, "I get my caddy to stand in the middle of the fairway and play toward him. Then, when I get to where the ball lands, the caddy moves to the green or farther down the fairway and again I play the ball toward his voice."

Tiger says, "That's amazing. What has been your best round?"

Stevie says, "Well, I'm a scratch golfer." Woods, incredulous, says to Stevie, "We've got to play a round sometime."

Wonder replies, "Well, people don't take me seriously, so I only play for money, and never play for less than \$10,000 a hole."

Woods thinks about it and says, "OK, I'm up for that. When would you like to play?"

Stevie says, "Pick a night."



FBI Assassin

The FBI had a job for an assassin. After all the background checks, there were 3 finalists. two men and a woman. For the final test, the FBI agents took the first



man to a large metal door and handed him a gun.

"We must know that you will follow your instructions no matter what the circum-

stances. Inside the room you will find your wife sitting in a chair. Kill her!!!"

"The man said, "You can't be serious, I could never shoot my wife"

The agent said, "Then you're not the right man for this job. Take your wife and go home."

The second man was given the same instructions. He took the gun and went into the room. All was quiet for about 5 minutes. The man came out with tears in his eyes, "I tried, but I can't kill my wife." The agent said, "You don't have what it takes. Take your wife and go home."

Finally, it was the woman's turn. She was given the same instructions, to kill her husband.



She took the gun and went into the room. Shots were heard, one after another. They heard screaming, crashing, banging on the walls.

After a few minutes, all was quiet. The door opened slowly and there stood the woman, she wiped the sweat from her brow. "This gun was loaded with blanks" she said. "I had to beat him to death with the chair."

