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Killara wins 2011 Northern Unified Weekend League





KILLARA BOWLER'S SENSATIONAL INTERNATIONAL SUCCESS.

Our gregarious colleague, *Walmar Wagner* and his partner *Angela* went bowling during an April trip to South Africa, visiting the ERPM (East Rand

Pty Mining) Bowling Club in Boksburg. ERPM were so impressed with his performance they presented him with this handsome blazer.

If you would like to hear the full story, buy Walmar a drink and settle back for the details of his triumph!

Wunderbar Walmar!

MEMBERS RECOGNISED AT PRESIDENT'S DAY

Sydney Northern District Bowling Association (Zone 9) conducted this years Presidents' Day at Pittwater Memorial Bowling Club on Sunday July 11th. In fine but very gusty wind conditions, President Tony Hodgson accompanied by three members attended a programme which included Merit Awards presentations, a fours match followed by lunch. A well organised event.

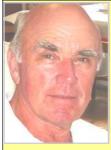
President's Day is promoted by Zone 9 to recognise the vital contribution and dedication of Club Executives.



Bob Bessemer, Tony Hodgson, Rick Edwards and David Martin



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: IAN ARMSTRONG



Since my report in the May newsletter, the Board has accepted a quote to repaint the clubhouse roof which will be undertaken a little later in the year when the weather is more conducive for this task.

The Board continues to focus on membership and patronage. As the follow-

ing table shows our numbers are stabilised . . .

Playing Members	MEN	WOMEN	TOTAL	Change %
2008/09	118	88	206	
2009/10	101	72	173	-16.5
2010/2011	112	83	195	+12.7

. . . although we anticipate some attrition with renewals for the coming year from retirements, infirmity and relocation.

Patronage is our primary concern. It is vital to our fi-

LIFEBLOOD nancial health and social viability; and of course, the standard of our bowling. We ask healthy members to make the effort to bowl every week and for everyone to support our functions. We encourage every member to play as often as they are able and to invite visitors to join them.

I am glad to advise that your Board has agreed to put forward the nomination of *Lloyd Sommerlad* as a Life

Member which will be voted upon at the Club's Annual General Meeting in October. Lloyd has had a long and distinguished record with the Club both as a player and its administration. If you look at the honour boards in the clubhouse you will see he has won everything and represented the club in our pennant teams for many years. This month has seen the renovation



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of our bar area which you will agree is a worthwhile improvement after many years of valuable service. I am sure Sue Cleary feels it is money well spent.

Good Bowling

Ian Armstrong

HACKER

OFF TO WARMER CLIMES

A sad farewell to David and Barbara Muir who have purchased a home in Noosaville and depart in early August.

David joined in 2008 and immediately became an active bowler and capable contributor to club activities.

He will be joining Noosaville/Tewantin and invites KBC members to bowl with him when on the Sunshine coast.



David, Ian & Meredith Armstrong, and Barbara

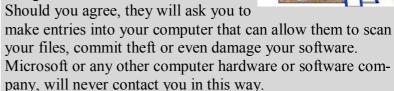
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KWBC President's Platform Elizabeth Bold



We have had some exciting bowls since my last report. The Major Singles Championship was won by runner up. Jean has now won the Major Singles title seven times in 25 *years* – a record that I am sure will not be broken. To add to this, Jean

has just retired after 20 years as a coach and 24 years as an umpire. On behalf of the Club, I extend my warm congratulations to her.

The 2011 Pairs Championship has been played. Marie Hearder and Elizabeth Dukulil won with Janice Crocker and Anne Cowlishaw runners up.

The Warrawee Painting Exchange competition was

postponed this year due to rain. The competition will now be

rescheduled for 16th August 2011. I hope as many as possible will play as the day is always successful and a great opportunity to meet with our Warrawee friends. Earlier in the year, Anne Cowlishaw organised a team Jean Brierley with Anne Cowlishaw to play in a Saturday competition with several other clubs in the district. I am happy to report that they won. In this magazine you will be able to read a full report on this, and I extend my congratulations to the team. This is my last report as your President. I would like to thank my Committee for their loyalty and friendship over the last two years. Their support and hard work has contributed to the success of the Club and has been a great comfort to me. I wish the Committee and Club members every success and good bowling for the years to come.

Elizabeth

KILLARA WINS cont. from front page.

A team from KWBC (and friends) has won the second Northern Weekend Unified League, which was played on Saturday afternoons at participating clubs from 2 April to 28 May 2011.



The NUWL is the brain-child of Michael Andersch from North Sydney Bowling Club to provide an interclub competition for working women on weekends, running side-by-side the men's Pennants competition. Preference in selection is given first to working women, second to rookie men and women, and lastly to other men and women. The position of Skip may only be played by a woman.

Michael has said that "Working women are blocked from the sport as they can't compete mid-week". The game hasn't changed quickly enough with the times - we need to recruit new members but also provide games and competitions for them to play in." In 2011 the NUWL competition, which is open to all clubs in the Sydney metropolitan area, grew from four competing teams to six. It is envisioned that the competition will continue to expand in numbers of clubs involved and the introduction of grades.

Killara's team, which was undefeated throughout the competition, was comprised of Elizabeth Calnan and Janice Crocker (pairs), Carol Toohey (Hornsby) and Di McBryde (Turramurra) (pairs), and Judy McLeod, Julie Halliday and Anne Cowlishaw (triples). John Brodie, John Crocker, Judy Keenan (Hornsby) and Karen Jones (St Ives) participated as substitutes during the competition.

On Saturday 28 May, Lindfield Bowling Club hosted the final between Killara and Neutral Bay, as well as play-offs between the other teams to determine minor placings.

Killara won two of the three rinks and the overall scoreboard to claim the 2011 NUWL trophy.

Report from Anne Cowlishaw

REVISED FORMAT FOR SPRING CARNIVAL

Our September Spring Carnival has been revised to replace the 'traditional' Composite Pairs with Composite Triples on the second day of the Carnival. The

programme is:-

Friday September 9th Ladies' Triples Sunday September 11th **Composite Triples Monday September 12th** Men's Triples

The promotional brochure and entry form is now available at the club.

Tell your friends and form a team!



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KBC President's Platform: Tony Hodgson



We have had another busy three months at the Club including the final of the Cyril South Competition played between Belrose and West Pymble Clubs on 4th May when Belrose for the first time in forty years won the trophy with 53 to 52 points. We presented the trophy to Belrose BC in front of more than 100 bowl-

ers on the last day of our Autumn Carnival. (Picture Page 9)

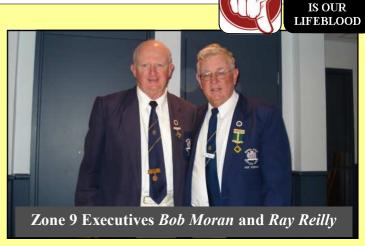
We had a Special General Meeting for the election of selectors on 28th May. Our three existing selectors, *Mi*chael Tsolakis, Rick Edwards and Ian Cameron-Smith were elected unopposed. These gentlemen were thanked sincerely for the many hours of excellent service they provided during the previous year.

We accepted an invitation from Zone 9 for KBC to participate in their Combined Clubs Presidents' Day on Sunday 12th July at Pittwater Memorial Bowling Club at Mona Vale. In discussion with **Bob Hill** (VP) and **John Brodie** (VP) we selected the following three members for Merit Awards recognizing their contributions to our Club and bowls generally.

Rick Edwards – for organization of membership drives over a number of years and coaching of our new members, both male and female.

David Martin – for convening and organizing our Autumn and Spring Carnivals for many years.

Bob Bessemer – for his quarterly Killara BC newsletters, liaising with our sponsors, and assisting Rick Ed-



wards before and during our membership drives. The day which was very well run by Zone 9 representatives comprised presentation of Merit Badges, a game of fours in very windy conditions in which John Brodie substituted for Rick Edwards, luncheon with many toasts, and a tombola draw with Bob Bessemer winning a bottle of Scotch for the spider.

Forthcoming events for August and September: Bob Sinclair Place of Origin Second Series, Saturday 6th August, with barbecue lunch and Pat Sinclair in attendance. The Rest lead Sydney following the March game by 158 points to 146.

The final game for the Killara Bowl against Killara Golf Club will be played on Tuesday 16th August at KBC. KBC are presently leading by 130 points to 104. Six triples teams have been selected for this match. Spring Carnival – 9th, 11th and 12th September 2011. The promotional Flyer and entry form are now available at the club ed to our WEB site. (See report page 3.)

Good Bowling - Tony Hodgson

At the store, the cashier told an older woman that she should bring her own grocery bags because plastic bags weren't good for the environment. The woman apologised and explained, "We didn't

have the green thing back in my

day."

The cashier responded, "That's our problem today. Your generation did not care enough to save our environment."

She was right, our generation didn't have the green thing in its day. Back then, we returned milk and soft drink bottles to the store. The store sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. But we didn't have the green thing back in our day.

We walked up stairs, because we didn't have escalators. We walked to the stores and didn't climb into car every time we had to go two blocks.

We didn't have the green thing in our day. Back then, we washed the baby's nappies because we didn't have the throw-away kind. We dried clothes on a line, not in an energy gobbling machine

burning up 240 volts -- wind and solar power really did dry the clothes. Kids got hand-medown clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing.

Back then, we had one TV, or radio, in the house -- not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a handkerchief (remember them?), not a screen the size of the front door. In the kitchen, we blended and stirred by hand because we didn't have electric machines to do every-

thing for us. We did not drink from plastic bottles; we refilled pens with ink; we replaced razor blades. But Enough! she's right, we didn't have the green thing back then.



Functions and Mixed Bowls Report . . .

Easter Monday and Anzac Day fell on the same day this year - the Anzac Day Lunch and Memorial Service were held at the Club - we had sixty one for

lunch. followed by the Memorial Service, mixed bowls and cards. We were pleased to welcome the Bugler Stephen O'Sullivan, who joined us for lunch. Those who went out to bowl, came in rather bedraggled, due to the inclement weather, but all in all, it was voted a very enjoyable day.

On 1 May, we had a visit by the bowlers from Killara Golf Club - the weather was good and we had four triples games, and one fours on the green (twelve from the Golf Club and fifteen from the Bowling Club), followed by a very enjoyable afternoon tea provided by our ladies. Three of our players played for the Golf Club with disastrous results for the Bowling Club. but everybody had a very happy, friendly day and we are looking forward to our return visit later this year.

The response to the Mixed Pairs Championship was most disappointing, resulting in the first and final round being played on Sunday 29th May. Maria Hearder and Warwick Druce won the Round, from Joan Hodgson and Colin Mackellar - it was a good match.

Queen's Birthday Holiday Monday - this took the form of a light lunch, to be followed by bowls. and a 'bring a plate' afternoon tea. Despite the very wet weather, twenty seven members partook of lunch - after much deliberation, it was decided to abandon the thought of bowls. and some joined the card players and some wended their way

home. Everybody seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves,

Barbara Cotton and I would like to thank Elaine Morell for all she did to make the day a success.

Christmas in July Dinner was held on Friday 2nd July. We had fewer numbers than normal, with quite a few apologies due to ill health. However we had forty six present and welcomed Andrew Burns and three representatives of his Firm. It was lovely to have *Lee* and *June* **Sanders** back with us, together with **Pat Sinclair** and her two friends, Mary and Margaret Murdoch: and to welcome new members John Cameron, Lois Dannaker, and *Alan* and *Trish Vine*. Andrew gave us a short talk, and then assisted with the drawing of the Raffle. All enjoyed the beautiful dinner prepared by **Sue**. A big thank you to her, Warwick Druce, Elaine Morell (unfortunately John **Baker** was unable to be present) **Goff Bowles** and all those who helped with the tables serving and clearing up at the end.

Our thanks to *Margaret Mitchell* who is looking after the players who have been enjoying a roll up on Sundays. Card days have continued with an average 32 to 38 players. A couple of players have moved and a couple have not been well - however, everybody still enjoys the day, which contributes in the vicinity of \$350, or more, to the Club each month.

Forthcoming dates for your diary, are:

KBC/KWBC v Warrawee Mixed Triples Painting - 18th September.

Foundation Day Dinner - 23rd September.

Mixed Bowls on Holiday Monday 3rd October.

Resumption of Twilight Bowls - Friday, 7th October. Mixed Triples - Round 1 on Sunday, 9th October.

Best Wishes Barbara

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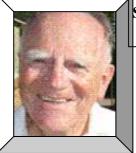
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District MNSDWBA Triples Final at Lindfield BC 16 July.

A thrilling match decided on the last end. Gordon came out the winners over Warrawee.

This picture shows Bridget Nelson's grandson joining in the celebration -Bridget being the then President at Gordon WBC.



SELECTOR'S REPORT Michael Tsolakis

The Selectors are in the process of initiating discussions with the KBC Management Committee and Coaches regarding a *Coaching Support Program* for teams representing the club. To ensure

the best possible outcomes within a relative short period, this program has been designed with a particular focus on small group instruction opportunities. Further, wherever possible, this will include coaching sessions with individual members. The aim of this program is to develop technical skills and formulate 'strategic play' for each player (and position) in the

team. The overall objective is also to encourage regular prac-

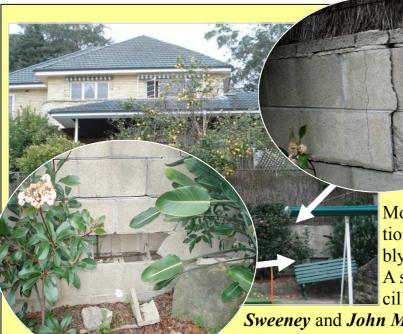
tise to eliminate faults, and to improve and maintain skill level consistency.

An integral component of this program is developing succession planning by identifying, supporting and promoting members to the position of 'Team Skip'. Additional support is also to be provided to 'new skips' through an on-going mentoring.

The program of coaching outlined above will assist the improvement in overall standard of play and ensure the long term future and quality of KBC teams.

The Selectors seek the full support of all KBC members to engage with the program to ensure its ultimate goal.

Good Bowling Michael



CAUTION! AVOID THE WEST RETAINING WALL

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If you have not already noticed, the retaining wall at the north west corner of the Hilarie Moore Green (No.2) is in a parlous conditional of the Hilarie state.

tion. The recent very heavy rains have probably further destabilised the structure.

A search of documents retained at the Council's offices was carried out by *Sally*

Sweeney and **John Muirhead** and established that the wall was built as part of three separate developments by previous owners in 1975, 1981 and 1992, for the purposes of supporting the elevated

swimming pool, tennis court and some house extensions respectively. The Executive are in discussion with our neighbours on the matter.

In the meantime, if playing on this green, stay clear of this section of wall.





Our irrepressible Life Member, *Jean Brierley*, seen here holding the certificates of Appreciation for 20 years of Coaching and 24 years of Umpiring. As *Elizabeth* advises (Page 3), Jean increased her Singles Championships to seven this year!

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YOUR PARROT IS DEAD, SENOR

At dawn the telephone rings, 'Hello, Senor Rod? This is Ernesto, the caretaker at your country house.'

'Ah yes, Ernesto. What can I do for you? Is there a problem?'

'Um, I am just calling to advise you, Senor Rod, that your parrot, he is dead'

'My parrot? Dead? The one that won the

International competition?' 'Si, Senor, that's the one.'

'Oh! That's a pity! I spent a small fortune on that bird. What did he die from?'

'From eating the rotten meat, Senor Rod.'

'Rotten meat? Who fed him rotten meat?'

'Nobody, Senor. He ate the meat of the dead horse.'

'Dead horse? What dead horse?'

'The thoroughbred, Senor Rod.'

'My prize thoroughbred is dead?'

'Yes Senor Rod, he exhausted after pulling the water cart.'

'Are you insane?? What water

'The one we used to put out the fire, Senor.'

'Good Lord!! What fire are you talking about, man??' 'The one at your house, Senor! A candle fell and the curtains caught on fire.'

> What the?? Are you saying that my mansion is destroyed because of a candle??!!'

'Yes, Senor Rod.'

'But there's electricity at the house! What was the candle for?'

'For the funeral. Senor Rod.'

'WHAT BLOODY FUNERAL??!!'

'Your wife's, Senor Rod', She showed up very late one night and I thought she was a thief, so I hit her with your new R580 XD golf club."

SILENCE LONG SILENCE

'Ernesto, if you broke that driver, you're in deep trouble!!'

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Assistant Bowls Secretary Don Buddee Reports

Since our last newsletter two further competitions have been finalised, being the Major Singles and Major Pairs,

whilst the Club Triples and Major singles are well advanced.

From a field of 25 starters in the Major Singles we came to a field

of 4 semi finalists consisting of *Rick Edwards*, *Rod Henriks*, *Warwick*

Druce and **Ian Cameron Smith.** From this cream of the crop emerged our worthy winner Rod Henriks who defeated Warwick Druce in the

final. Well done Rod!! (One of our selectors was heard to say he expected this result from the day he first saw Rod bowl). Fourteen pairs contested the Major Pairs Championship with the pairing of *Joe*

Zazulak and **Ian Cameron Smith** defeating **Don Reade** and **David Muir** in the final.

Congratulations to Joe and Ian.

BELROSE CAPTURE FIRST WIN IN CYRIL SOUTH COMP.



President *Tony Hodgson* with Zone 9 Snr.VP *Dennis Taylor* made the presentation to *Gerry Muoio*, *Peter Muir*, *Phil Warren* and *Warren Mills*.

A man, not in the best physical condition, asked the Trainer in the gym, "I want to impress that beautiful girl. Which machine should I use?"

The trainer replied, "Use the ATM machine outside the gym!"



Five surgeons are discussing who has the best patients to operate on:

The first surgeon says, 'I like to see accountants on my operating table because when you open them up, everything inside is numbered.'

The second responds, 'Yeah, but you should try electricians! Everything inside them is colour-coded.'

The third surgeon says, 'No, I really think librarians are the best. Everything inside them is in alphabetical order.'

The fourth surgeon chimes in, 'You know I like construction workers. Those guys always understand when you have a few parts left over at the end, and when the job takes longer than you said it would.'

But the fifth surgeon tops them all up when he observed, 'You're all wrong. Politicians are the easiest to operate on. There's no guts, no heart, no brains, and no spine, and there are only two moving parts - the mouth and the annus - and they're interchangeable (Ian Calder)

Last Tuesday Foreign Minister Rudd got out of a Commonwealth car in front of Parliament House. He was carrying a piglet under each arm.

The squared-away Federal Police guard snapped to attention, saluted and said: "Nice pigs, sir."

Rudd replied:: "These are not just pigs. These are authentic Australian wild bush pigs. I got one for the Treasurer Wayne Swann, and I got one for Prime Minister Gillard."

The Federal Police officer again snapped to attention, salutes and said, Excellent trade, sir. "

A rich man living in Darwin decided that he wanted to throw a party and invited all of his buddies. He also invited Colin.

He held the party around the pool of his mansion. Everyone was having a good time when the host said, 'I have a 15ft man-eating Crocodile in my pool and I'll give a million dollars to anyone who is game to jump in.' The words were barely out of his mouth when there was a loud splash and everyone turned around and sees Colin in the pool fighting the croc. Jabbing it in the eyes with his thumbs, throwing punches, the water was churning and splashing everywhere.

Finally Colin killed the beast and left it floating on the water. Colin then slowly climbed out of the pool. Everybody was just staring at him in disbelief. The host says, 'Well, Colin, I reckon I owe you a million dollars.'

'Nah, you all right boss, I don't want it,' said Colin.

The rich man said, 'Man, I have to give you something. You won the bet. How about a new Porsche and a Rolex and some stock Options? Again, Colin said "No."

Confused, the rich man asked, 'Well Colin, then what do you want?

I want the b....d who pushed me in.'



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Common Symptoms Of Heart Attack...

A serious note about heart attacks - You should know that not every heart attack symptom is going to be the in the chest or left arm. Beware of intense pain in the jaw line.

Nausea and intense sweating are also common symptoms. Pain in the jaw can wake you from a sound sleep. Let's be careful and be aware. The more we know. the better chance we can survive.



Painting the porch

A young, blonde girl, in her late teens, wanting to earn some extra money for the summer, decided to hire herself out as a "handy woman" and started canvassing a nearby well-to-do neighborhood. She went to the front door of the first house and asked the owner if he had any odd jobs for

"Well, I guess I could use somebody to paint the porch" he said. "How much will you charge me?"

Delighted, the girl quickly responded, "How about \$50?"

The man agreed and told her that the paint and brushes and everything she would need were in the garage.

The man's wife, hearing the conversation, said to her husband, "Does she realize that our porch goes ALL the way around the house?" "That's a bit cynical, isn't it?" he responded. The wife replied, "You're right. I guess I'm starting to believe all those dumb-blonde jokes."

A few hours later, the blonde came to the door to collect her money.

"You're finished already??" the startled husband asked.

"Yes," the blonde replied, "and I even had paint left over, so I gave it two coats."

Impressed, the man reached into his pocket for the \$50 and handed it to her along with a \$10 tip.

"Thank you," she said, "...and, by the way...it's not a Porch, it's a Lexus."

FAMILY TREE OF VINCENT VAN GOGH ... (Pronounced Van Go)

His dizzy aunt Verti Gogh The brother who ate prunes Gotta Gogh The French brother in-law U Gogh Where-diddy Gogh His magician uncle His Mexican cousin A Mee Gogh The constipated uncle Can't Gogh The ballroom dancing aunt Tang Gogh The bird lover uncle Flamin Gogh The fruit-loving cousin Man Gogh The little bouncy nephew Poe Gogh A sister who loved disco Go Gogh The nephew who drove a stage coach . .

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Two men were sitting at a bar. After a while, one looks at the other and says, 'I can't help but think, from listening to you, that you're from Ireland.' The other responds proudly, 'Yes, that I am!' The first says, 'So am I! And where about from Ireland might you be'?

'I'm from Dublin, I am.'

The first responds, 'So am I!'

'Sure and begorra. And what street did you live on in Dublin?

"A lovely little area it was. I lived on McCleary Street in the old central part of town.'

'Faith and it's a small world. So did I! So did I! And to what school would you have been going'? 'Well now, I went to St. Mary's, of course.'

The first guy gets really excited and says, 'And so did I. Tell me, what year did you graduate'?

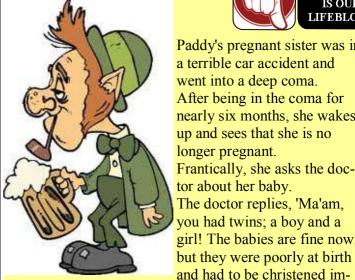
The other guy answers, 'Well, now, let's see. I graduated in 1964.'

'The Good Lord must be smiling down upon us! I can hardly believe our good luck at winding up in the same bar tonight. Can you believe it? I graduated from St. Mary's in 1964 my own self!'

About this time, Vicky walks into the bar, sits down and orders a drink.

Brian, the bartender, walks over to Vicky, shaking his head and mutters, 'It's going to be a long night tonight.' Vicky asks, 'Why do you say that, Brian'?

'The Murphy twins are drunk again.'



Paddy's pregnant sister was in a terrible car accident and went into a deep coma. After being in the coma for nearly six months, she wakes up and sees that she is no longer pregnant. Frantically, she asks the doctor about her baby. The doctor replies, 'Ma'am, you had twins; a boy and a girl! The babies are fine now,

mediately. Your brother came in and named them." The woman thinks to herself, 'Oh suffering Jesus no, not mi' brother! He's a bloody clueless ignoramus!" Expecting the worst, she asks the doctor, 'Well, what's my daughter's name?"

'Denise," says the doctor. The new mother is totally relieved.

'Wow, that's a beautiful name, I guess I was wrong about my brother. I like Denise."

Then she asks, 'What's the boy's name?"

'Denephew."

Accounts Can be Opened at Lindfield Community Bank® Now

A temporary banking information office has been established at our proposed new premises at 318 Pacific Highway, opposite Lindfield railway station, where new accounts may be opened and non-cash banking business can be conducted prior to the bank's official opening mid-year.

The office is currently open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10.00am to 2.00pm. The local community has already shown its support for the new Lindfield Community Bank® with a large number of new deposits being pledged received. By opening an account you are giving the proposed new Community Bank® even more positive support. This Lindfield Community Bank® will provide more than just banking services. It will deliver employment opportunities for local people, keep local capital in the Ku-ring-gai community, offer a local investment option for shareholders and provide a source of revenue for important community projects within the Ku-ring-gai neighbourhood. Profit goes back to the local community in the form of grants, sponsorships and dividends.

Ku-ring-gai already has one very successful Community Bank at Turramurra operated by Ku-ring-gai Financial Services Ltd with over 3,000 customers. The bank has returned more than \$600,000 in dividends, sponsorships and other financial support to numerous local clubs and community organisations since it was established seven years ago.

Call in and see us at 318 Pacific Highway, Lindfield, telephone 9488 9496 or go to www.lindfieldcommunitybank.com.au for more information.

