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At last, with some adjustments

WE HAVE OUR CARPARK!

OUR CONCERTED MAIL CAMPAIGN ON THE EVE OF ELECTIONS WEIGHS THE BALANCE IN OUR FAVOUR . . .

Thanks to the efforts of members and friends, Ku-ring-gai Council approved the Club's Development Application virtually as the last act of its retirement. **John Muirhead**, who guided this matter for the club, provides this report...

"Ku-ring-gai Council's consent to our Development Application was received on 18th March, some six months since our application was lodged.

Our euphoria quickly evaporated when we examined all of the 43 conditions applicable. The most onerous condition requires us to provide an on-site detention system for storm water from rainfall at the rate of 235 mm per hour for five minutes.

We are planning to use a system for the surface of the parking area which retains the mown grass appearance but reinforces it with precast concrete units so that it is not damaged by the traffic. The system is novel in Council's experience and they are interested to see how it performs.

It has the ability to absorb and retain water and we calculated that it would itself have sufficient capacity to satisfy the onsite detention requirement.

The inclusion of the condition has forced us to seek advice from an expert in hydraulics with the aim of persuading the Council that our proposal satisfies their requirement. If this is not successful we hope to do so by making a modest adjustment to kerb details and to the existing drainage pit.

We anticipate that our expert will be approaching the Council during the first week in May and that if the approach is successful, we will be able to incorporate any modifications on our plans and prepare specifications very shortly thereafter so that tenders can be called for the work in June."

Many members have expressed interest in the details of the development. John has provided the plan shown on the next page ☛.

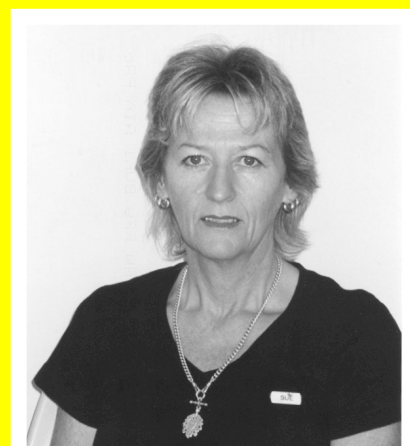


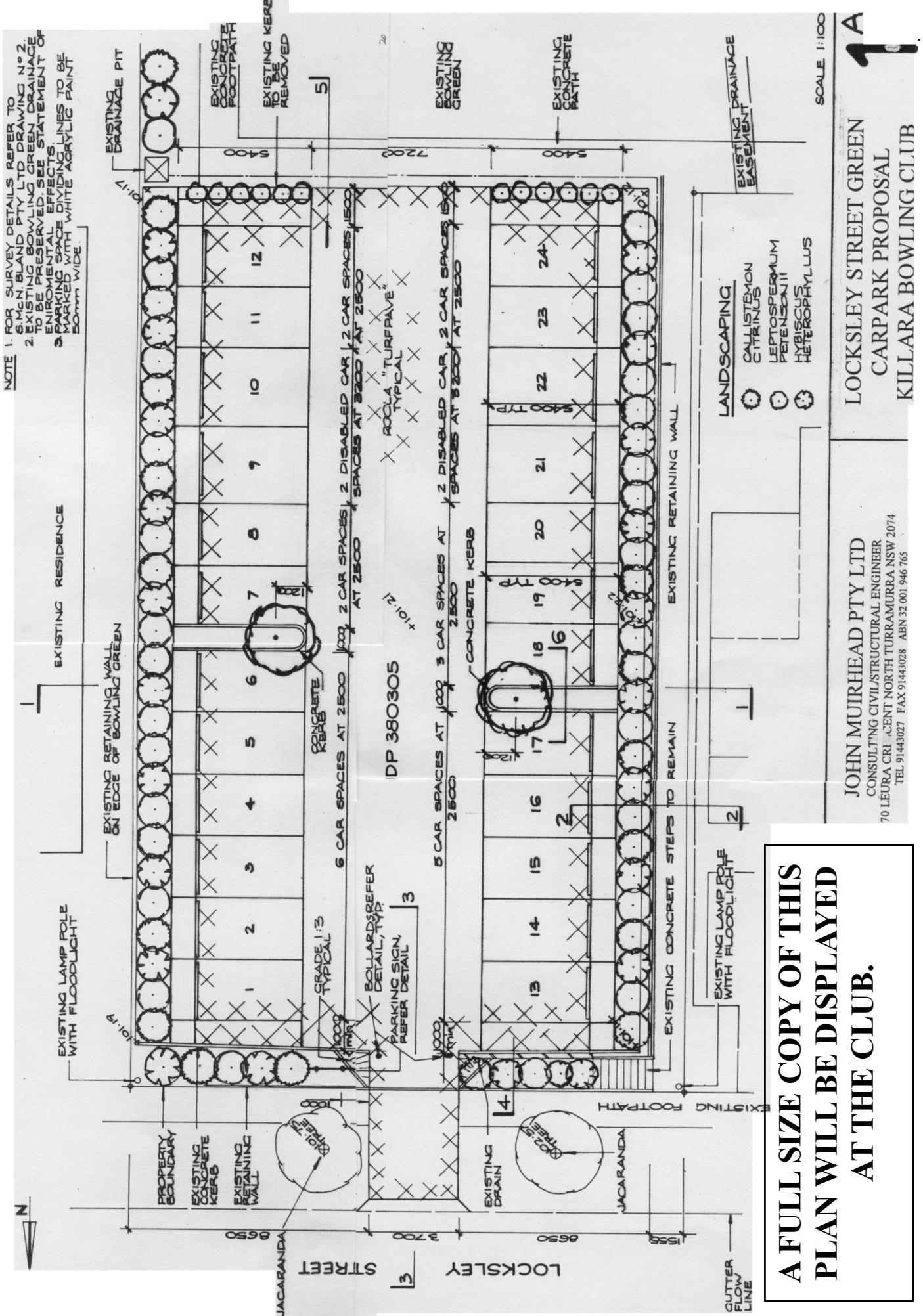
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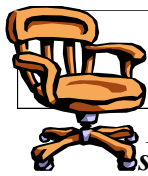
WELCOME BACK SUE!

After a 'date' with the surgeons' at 'the San' and six weeks of recuperation, our Kitchen Angel, *Mrs. Sue Cleary*, is back with us again.

Whilst Sue organized a schedule of helpful ladies whilst she was away, members found *nobody* is as proficient as our Sue (or as patiently cheerful!) She still faces continuing therapy toward full recovery. **Every member is "with" you Sue!**







From the chair . . .

Killara Bowling Club goes from strength to strength.

Our membership is steady and our finances are in order. Our financial losses are small now. Our aim remains to maintain this as a viable and pleasant place to bowl. We hope next to get sun shades for the Number Three Green - in the first instance for the Eastern end.

We have had a useful membership drive - congratulations to **Bob Talbot** and to his team. We do not plan another

"event" in 2005 but ask each member, to find just one new person to start bowling and hopefully to become a member of our Club. We would like to bring down the average age in the Club and to increase our numbers.

We have Council permission to build the car park. A matter of detail (potentially expensive) stands in the way of action and

John Muirhead is active now trying to get that detail sorted out. If all goes well we might be able to start work by the end of the calendar year. We have engaged a specialist hydrological engineer to liaise with Council as a first step to getting some resolution.

Our new Green-Keeper is producing greens of which we are proud again. When all two and a half greens are in, we have been asked to move social bowlers around on all greens - and this we shall do. The Cyril South competition was completed successfully and the winning Club (Hornsby) commented publicly on the good organisation of that tournament.

The Board accepted a recommendation that subscriptions for 2004/2005 not be increased. The recommendation came from our Finance Committee. We are in the business of running a good bowling club and our goal is to allow those of us who love the game to continue to play it with congenial people in pleasant surroundings. Naturally we will look at other costs as we go along. So we will address green fees, bar prices and canteen prices sequentially. We will also add to, and replace where needed, other facilities.

A number of matters of contention between the new Green-Keeper and the Club were settled amicably at a meeting in early May. **Bob Hill** and his team are to be congratulated on their oversight of the greens, as are all members who are heeding our wishes that communication with the Green-Keeper be through Bob Hill only. That does not mean that we cannot have civil conversations with Darren or Steve - many of us do. But it does mean that there is only one way they get instructions - through Bob Hill - and that is clear and seems to be working well.



CHAIRMAN

Peter Baume

Sue Cleary has had a fairly prolonged absence due to sickness. We were all distressed by her illness and were admiring of her fortitude and of the efforts of her friends to rally round. Club Members (and members of Probus) had a "whip around" for Sue. It was appreciated tremendously. We are so glad to see her again. On behalf of us all I have written a note of thanks to **Jenny Davis** who did so much to help when it was needed and who organised so many of Sue's friends to come to the Club to assist.

Our performance in men's pennants was poor and we will be relegated from the fours to the fives for 2005. Our Team in the sevens finished last in the section but will not be relegated (no-one is relegated from sevens). Our women were promoted this year and found bowling hard, but they acquitted themselves well in the senior team (playing pennants second grade) and in the second team (playing pennants fourth grade). So we have lost the pennant of which we were so proud. But there is always next year to think of! And we remain proud of our women.

We plan to have a long, hard look at our poker machines later in the year, to see if the return really makes them worthwhile. Anyone with strong views should make those views known to **Warwick Druce**, or to me, and they will certainly be taken into consideration by the Board. Four new umpires have emerged from the Club - congratulations to each of them. They will be welcomed by us all and we have a continuing job of identifying potential umpires and coaches among bowlers. **P.B**

SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

Every Thursday for the past 10 years, Burns and Burns Real Estate, have sponsored Men's Triples.

On Thursday 22nd April, President **Ian Cameron-Smith** and Director **Bob Talbot** presented a framed appreciation to B&B Principal **Richard Burns**. This most significant occasion is recorded below.

If you are thinking Real Estate - Could you think of anyone other than BURNS & BURNS?



You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.



Presidents' Platform

At last we have greens with which we can be proud. Our new greenkeeper, **Darren**, and assistant, **Steve**, have worked very hard to ensure that we have the best greens he can prepare prior to the Autumn Carnival. Also, a special thanks to **Bob Hill** Chairman of the Green's Committee, who has spent so much time with Darren on our behalf. I was pleased to see our No. 3 Green playing so well. **We thank them very much for all their effort!**



KWB President
Ian Cameron-Smith

It was unfortunate for Killara that as a result of a one shot loss in a rain-delayed match against St Ives, we will be relegated to play in the 5s level next year. We will be taking steps later this year to increase coaching of our competition bowlers in an attempt to attain a higher level of bowler skill.

I marked a very close encounter between **Warwick Druce** and **Bob Talbot** in the playoff for the Men's Singles Championship. It was a splendid match. A commentary is on page 9. Congratulations to you Bob and watch out for Warwick next year!

This year's Autumn Carnival was a resounding success with 24 entries in the Ladies Day, a full-house of 30, reduced to 28 by a late cancellation, for the new Composite Pairs Sunday and 28 for the Men's Monday; a total of 80 teams. We enjoyed the best of weather and the greens were astoundingly good. I would like to thank **Arthur Krust** for his huge effort in making this Carnival, his second, so far, the success it was for us. Also I thank all our sponsors for their support again.

There are three major events of which to be aware through May and June. Patron's Day is rescheduled for Saturday 29th May. As a result of being invited to host the State Pairs' competition subsequent to the date initially set down for Life Members' Day, we have agreed with the Life Members to defer that event to a date to be agreed. The rescheduled date of the General Meeting for the election of Selectors is Saturday 26th June.

Finally, the members of the Club dug deeply to assist **our Sue** as a result of her large medical expenses. I the pleasure of visiting her Sunday morning and passing over "fat envelope" collected from our members. To say she was "shocked and stunned" is an understatement. We hope you continue to improve Sue.

Our greens are now in good order, the weather is beautiful (possibly unfortunately) and all members are in good spirits. I look forward to catching up with all our members over the winter months.

Good bowling,

Ian Cameron-Smith



THIS IS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO KILLARA BOWLERS

Your skin is the body's largest organ. When it's healthy your skin contains a high level of moisture. From time to time however, the amount of epidermal moisture

decreases resulting in dryness and irritation.

What causes dry and sensitive skin?

Winter is a particularly bad time with drying winds outdoors and heating indoors (including electric blankets!). **Active bowlers and golfers are most susceptible.**

To alleviate these problems there things to avoid; and things to do.

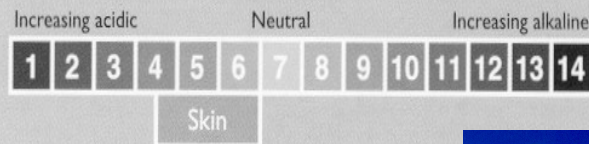
Firstly, do not use normal soap. Be cautious about colourants, and preservatives and even perfume/aftershave.

Avoid acids or alkalis. Instead, use products specially formulated for skin which have the correct PH range and which add moisture.

We have a number of products we recommend. The

pH scale

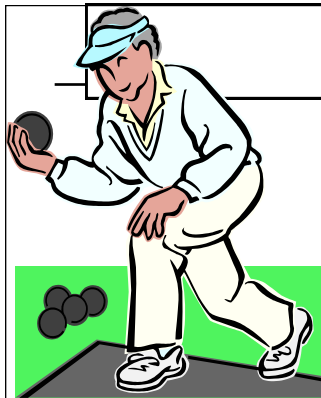
pH is the measure of acidity in water solutions.^{2,3}



LINDFIELD
316 Pacific Highway
at the crossing
Opposite station

Soul Pattinson Chemist

Beside you on the Green... .KBC Profiles 1



At Killara we share a love of our great game and our tradition for equality, friendliness and conviviality. There is no place for elitism from a social point-of-view.

Whether you earn a living from the sweat of your brow or oratory in high places, the 'level of the mat' is the same for all!

Even so, there are many interesting individual stories within our membership which I feel we should discover and share. Space limitations will make these but "thumbnails" however, it is hoped you find them interesting. **rhb**

E.L.Sommerlad

Have you read "Bowls at Killara", the history of Killara Bowling Club 1916-1990 by E. Lloyd Sommerlad? You will surely have been intrigued by the wealth of information, not only about our Club, but also about the early history of Killara and the 1839 land grant of "Spring Dale" on part of which the Club is located. Lloyd acknowledges his sources in the Foreword, and as Club Archivist, he will certainly have known where to look. He has also authored three other books so is well qualified to write the Club history.

Born in 1919, Lloyd spent his boyhood in Glen Innes where his father ran the local paper. Educated at Sydney Grammar School, he went on to graduate BA in the year the war started, still finding time to edit "*Honi Soit*", the weekly student newspaper in 1939. He was commissioned in the Sydney University Regiment and later served in a Light Anti-aircraft unit in Dutch New Guinea. Post war, he completed an Economics degree as an evening student.

His family has been associated with country newspapers since 1912 and Lloyd followed his father as Chairman of Northern Newspapers Pty Ltd and as the executive officer of the country press co-operative organisations in Sydney. He was Secretary of the Australian Provincial Press Association and later Federal Director of the Federation of Australian Radio Broadcasters. He became President of the National Trust, was President of Lindfield East P & C Association, and for 12 years was a member of the Legislative Council of NSW, in the



days when it met at 4.30pm and into the night, all for an honorarium of 500 pounds a year and no pension.

In 1961 he was appointed to the Secretariat of UNESCO in Paris and for 14 years was an international civil servant, promoting the use of communication for national development in the third world. His last two years were spent in Kuala Lumpur as UNESCO Communication Advisor for Asia. On his return to Australia he shared his experience, as a Visiting Fellow at Macquarie Uni-

versity. To say that Lloyd travelled widely is an understatement. A competent photographer, his extensive collection includes shots of African game parks, Kashmiri houseboats, ancient monuments and temples in Nepal, Iran, Burma, Libya and Mexico, the ruins of Angkor Watt and Machu Pichu, the statues of Easter Island, the Dyaks and longhouses of Borneo and other traditional peoples. Lloyd's wife Mavis is a social member of KBC. They were fellow students at the University where Mavis played inter-Varsity basketball and was Secretary of the Women's Sports Union. They married in 1943. During the war she worked at the ABC and was a member of one of the Voluntary Aid De-

tachments - as evidenced by the photograph in company with her young officer fiancé..

Lloyd joined KBC in 1982 and at various times has been Vice President, Deputy Chairman of the Board, selector and editor of Bowls News. Still an active bowler, he has won the Minor and Major Singles and has been a multiple winner of the Gissing Consistency, and Pairs, Triples and Fours Championships

Howard Treloar



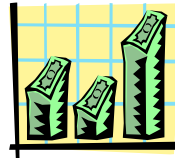
Beside you on the Green... .KBC Profiles 2

Bankers and Bowlers at Killara

Killara is the Bankers' Bowls Club. Over the years, there has been an extraordinary number of members who have been senior executives in the banking industry, and they have made outstanding contributions in the management of the Club as well as on the green. And that is still true to-day.

Ross Clark has identified some thirty present and former colleagues from all the major banks, many of them named on the Club's honour boards. **John Woods** was Secretary for five years and was the Club archivist. **Jack Wilson** was President from 1968 to 1971 and **Lew Thomas** from 1979 to 1982, followed by **Norman Winckle** and **Ross Clark**.

It is in the list of Club Champions that bankers are most prominent. Between 1970 and 1991, the major singles was won 17 times by banking members. On this list are **D.J.McKay**, **L.D.H.Kerans**, **A.D.Dowell**, **R.S.R.Balcomb** and the top bowler many members will remember, **Frank Noble** who won the event 13 times. All of them, incidentally, worked at the CBC. **Lew Thomas**, from the Reserve Bank, was runner up four times but was not able to get the better of **Frank** in the finals. The names of these champions together with other bankers - **Tom Warren**, **Woods**, **Thomas**, **Lee Sanders**, **Clark** and **Winckle** appear frequently on the honour boards for team events. (Tom Warren was one of our gardeners, responsible for the flower display which was such a feature of our Club.) **Ross Clark** and **Norman Winckle** teamed to win the Minor Pairs in 1976. Bankers still active in the Club have all made important contributions.

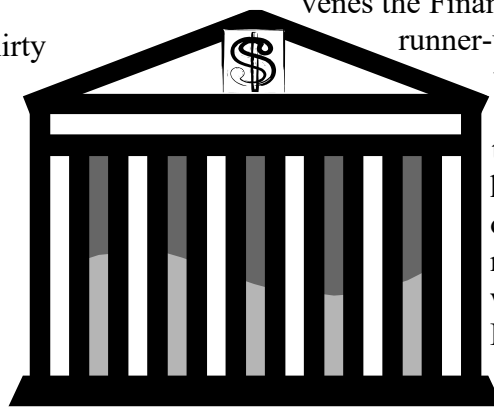


Les Cohen joined on retirement from Westpac in 1996, and served on the Bowling Club Committee. **Lee Sanders** joined the Bank of NSW in 1941, enlisted in the RAAF the following year and served as a pilot in Bomber Command in the UK. After the war, he returned to the bank in Western Australia and was transferred to Canberra and then to Sydney, retiring in 1983, as State Manager Lending.. He joined KBC in the following year and has served as Chairman of KBC Ltd for three years, Vice-President of the Bowling Club, and currently convenes the Finance Committee. **Lee** has been

runner-up in the major singles and a winner in pairs and fours championships. He has played in the top Pennants team for most of his bowling career and is one of our leading skips. He was a member of the No.3 grade side which was runner-up in the Zone Finals in 1997.

Norman Winckle who joined the Club in 1968, is Past President and Patron and **Ross Clark**, a member since 1971, is Past President and Life Member and was the first Chairman of the Registered Club. He was Killara's delegate to the District Association for 16 years and an executive member of its Match Committee. They have been friends and colleagues since they were students together at Melbourne University in 1939. Both were juniors in the Melbourne office of the Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, both joined the AIF and served in New Guinea and the Islands, **Ross** in Signals and **Norman** as a mortar platoon commander in the 8th Infantry Btn. Graduating after the war, they achieved senior positions in the bank.

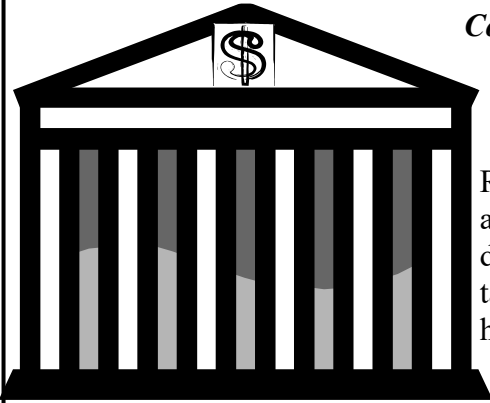
Transferred to Sydney, **Norman** became Bank Economist and a General Manager, and also was CEO of the finance subsidiary CAGA.



Ashley Sanders

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Bankers and Bowlers at Killara

Ross followed him as Bank Economist and served as Chief Manager in the London office for four years and was Assistant General Manager in Sydney when he retired. Both men have been closely associated with their churches, serving as elder or warden. Norman holds the



Norman Winckle

highest degree in Masonry and has a notable record in public affairs. He was President of Sydney Rotary, a Director of the NRMA, is a Life member of the business sponsored Committee for the Economic Development of Australia (CEDA) and was Secretary and President of the Chatswood Sheltered Industries, a training facility for the handicapped.

June Winckle, Helen Clark and June Sanders have also been active participants in the Killara Women's Bowling Club. in mixed bowls and the social life of the Club. June Winckle was a foundation member in 1978 and one of the first Vice-Presidents and Helen Clark served as Secretary.

Lloyd Sommerlad



Ross Clark



Membership Matters . . .

Membership Director *Bob Talbot* ..

FREE KILLARA BOWLING CLUB
for men and women

LEARN TO BOWL

This year's membership drive, similar the 2003 drive was somewhat disappointing with less response from mail outs, general poster exposure etc. than previously. Member's direct effort in introducing prospects is still most effective.

A total of 27 people attended the two open days; 19 indicated interest in taking up the offer of free coaching and 6 have or will definitely join.

STATS (Data Base 10.5.04)	FULL	ASSOCIA- TES	SOCIAL
KBC	108	9	49
KWBC	94	11	22
TOTAL	202	20	71

There was the usual unstinting support by coaches *Edwin Burton* and *Ed O'Donnell* and assistants. Trial games were organised and at afternoon tea time both our guests and members adjourned to the club house to participate in Killara's well known hospitality at a seated afternoon tea.

Barbara Cotton, and *Ian Cameron-Smith* presided while Membership Director *Bob Talbot* received enthusiastic support from a great many members. Spe-

cial thanks to *Helen Clark* and her team afternoon tea on the two days; *John Krieger* and *John Baker* who organised registration; *Ray* and *Ed O'Donnell* marshaled the bowls. *Robin Hay* and *Gof Bowles* assisted with administration; and many volunteers made the days a pleasant experience for our visitors.

As mentioned at the outset, there was some disappointment with response given the effort/expense involved. Was this just unfortunate timing? Or must we review and revise our approach?

One thing is absolutely clearthe most effective means of recruitment is still personal introduction.

We encourage you to continually be on the outlook.



KWBC President
Barbara Cotton .

A final word from retiring KWBC President, Barbara Cotton . . .

As I understand this is probably the last KBC News prior my hand-over to a new

President, I have conserved space to enable me, at the conclusion of this report, to express my thanks and appreciation to everybody for the support which I have received over the past two years.

Although happily things are very much better now, we were sorry that, owing to non-availability of Greens, we were not able to hold the State Pairs at Killara in March. However, we have been involved in New Member's Days and the recent Carnival, which was most enjoyable and successful.

The Pennants have just finished, and although we did not have any great success, the matches were mostly quite close, and the girls played well, especially those who were upgraded to Grade 2 this year.

The Killara/Warrawee Painting Exchange Day was a very good day and we now hold the Painting for twelve months. We held a Mini Minor Singles for the girls who joined last year – a very good morning of Bowls with Joan Hook the winner. KWBC has been represented at the Turramurra Inaugural Trophy Day, Belrose Friendship Day and the Gordon Top Ten.

And so to my final word . . . I would like to thank the Members of the Board, and KBC, for their patience and generous help at all times. To the Members of KWBC, my grateful thanks for your support and friendship – your willing contributions of help in so many ways – food provision and preparation, donations of raffles and prizes, help on Special Days, and especially for giving me the privilege of being your President – my very sincere thanks to you all.

Barbara Cotton.

 * *All members of Killara admire the leadership and 'hands-on' participation of Barbara over these past two years. Her ability as hostess to visiting clubs is remarked upon across the North Shore; Her selfless dedication is greatly appreciated and has enhanced our bowling and social experience. Barbara, thank you from us all.* *
 * **Peter Baume** *



**Ed O'Donnell
 On
 WOBBLY
 BOWLS**

Why am I delivering 'wobbly' bowls?

The answer of course is in the faults that have crept into your delivery action. It could be your grip, or the rolling of your wrist at the moment of delivery, or your bowl is too large for your hand, or you are stepping across your grassline. Maybe a combination of some, or all of these.

On a fast green the wobble will work itself out as the rolling forces dominate, and your bowl will proceed towards the head. Probably it will be short. On a slow green the wobble will probably cause your bowl to run straight and end up short of your objective.



Here is a suggested list of some of the conditions you might investigate as being contributing factors to your problem.

Incorrect grip. The parallel lines of the large rings, or dimples on your bowls, should continue through your wrist and forearm to your shoulder during the pendulum swing of your delivery. Check your grip.

Twisting your wrist in your **backswing** and not returning it to the correct position at the moment of delivery.

Twisting your wrist at the moment of **release.**

In both these cases the thumb pushes the top of the bowl towards the inside of your grassline, on the forehand, thus creating the wobble.

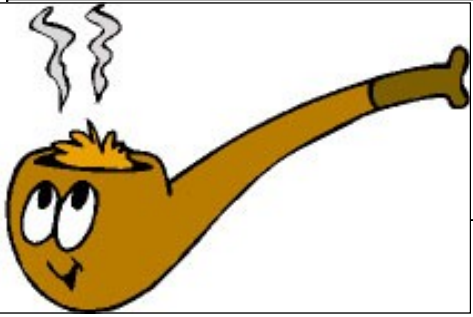
Is your **middle finger** lying along the middle of the running surface of the bowl?

Your **thumb may be too high** above the rings or dimples on top of your bowl. This will also impart a force across the line of delivery.

On your **backhand**, if you step across your grassline, (have your leading foot pointing at the head and not along your grassline) then at the bottom of your swing your thumb will influence your delivery and possibly introduce wobble.

It is important that the bowl leaves your hand at the bottom of your swing, a short distance in front of your leading foot, without any 'bump'. It must roll out of your hand off the middle finger. Your wrist and elbow must be straight and firm as your hand follows through along the grassline. Bring your hand up to about the height of your knee and watch your bowl continue along that delightful curve up to the 'jack'.

WOBBLE FREE – OF COURSE.



... And now, for the first time, a word from our new
Bowls Secretary . . .

JOHN ORTON ESQ

Professor of Bowling Geometry and Dynamics.

First of all, I'd like to say how much I am en-

joying the onerous role of Bowls Secretary and how much I appreciate the support and understanding of members who are gentlemen to a man. If you believe that, you'll believe anything !
PENNANTS

As you all know the Pennants season has come to an end and I'm pleased to tell you that both grades won a trophy. The bad news is that in both cases it's made of wood. In grade 4 our start was what you would call average with only 4 points at the end of round 6. Then, we went ballistic, winning 6-0 at North Manly and demolishing Berowra 5-1 the following week. After that, we garnered just one more point as a result of which we had to play off with St Ives for the dubious honour of who would hold the wooden spoon. We had a tremendous match at S'nives leading until the last two or three ends before going down by one single shot. *What might have been!*

Grade 7 started with a convincing 5-1 win over Lindfield whom they beat again in round 6 (5-1) as they did Hornsby by the same margin. So, a few flashes of what we can do on a given day but not consistently enough. Never mind, we'll bounce back and many thanks to all those who put their hand up to play and I hope you enjoyed the season.

CYRIL SOUTH TROPHY

This competition for 2004 drew to a close last week. The match between Hornsby, who had a clear win over Warrawee in the semi-finals, and Asquith was very close. Hornsby the winner with a score of 69 to 58, a margin of 11 shots. This year, as a trial, we limited the competing teams to Pennant level 3. The scores were certainly closer throughout the competition with Killara winning quite a few. We would like members' feed back as to the success of this idea or as to whether we should revert to the previous custom of an open competition.

MAJOR PAIRS

We have fifteen pairs competing in this competition and the first round was completed on schedule by May 2nd. It was nice to see five matches being played on Saturday afternoon on the Graham Firth green.

I am a tad disappointed that we do not get more entries for our championship competitions.

As a relative newcomer to the game, I have learned that, on any given day, everyone has a chance to win whatever the "form" looks like on paper. When I was at West Pymble, after only four months of bowling, my partner and I beat Ray Pymble and Tony Wise in the semi-final of the major pairs. Betting in the ring was frenetic and I'm only sorry I didn't back myself at 500-1 against !

Having said that, **Bob Bessemer** has made an analysis of our ages revealing that the average age of men members at our club is just over 76 so it's not altogether surprising that we are finding it tough in the higher echelons.

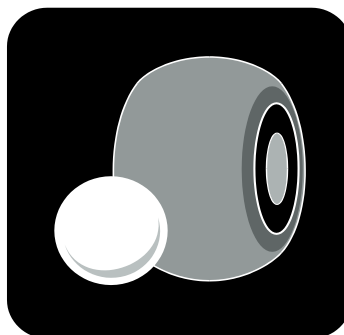
Don't worry, be happy and enjoy the game. You are a great bunch of blokes,

Johno

BOB TALBOT : 2004 CHAMPION

In a tense and skilful contest, **Warwick Druce** was forced to concede to Bob Talbot in the Singles Championship final on Saturday 8th May.

Warwick held Bob to 21 all before a lapse gave



Bob 8 shots in three ends. The match was decided 31/22.

Readers may recall the exciting contest reported KBC News Aug 2003 (The Duel P7) when Bob went down to **Chris Smith's** 'on shot' on the last bowl

of the match. Not so this year!

Incidentally, Bob is in contention as KBC's most successful bowler as measured by mentions on the Club's Honour Boards. He is approaching **Frank Noble's** 29 mentions.. Count them! **.rhh**

CORRECTION

The caption below the photo of Tom Howes in the last issue, incorrectly listed the George Cross among his service medals. Tom was based in Malta during the period of its heavy bombardment, and was a recipient of the George Cross 50th anniversary medal issued by the Republic of Malta, which had been awarded the George Cross for the gallantry of its civil population.



ANZAC DAY

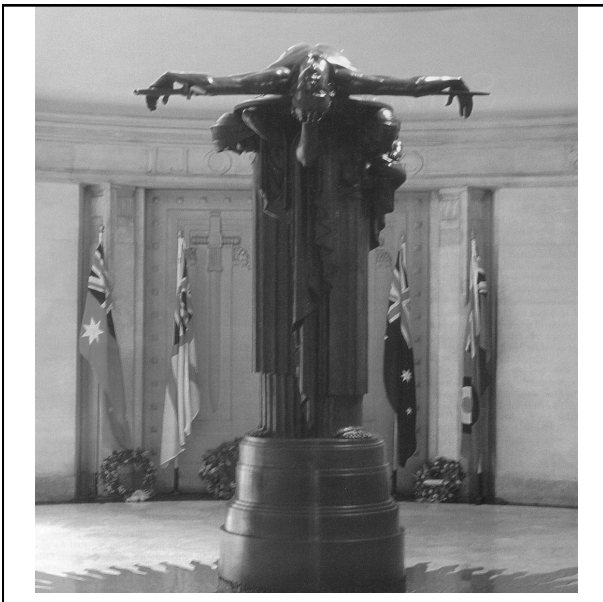
As has become a tradition, Anzac Day was marked by a BBQ luncheon, Flag Ceremony and Address followed by mixed bowls.

It was a fine clear day, and the Oration, given by **George Wall**, was memorable. With all eyes on the Flagstaff, Barker student, **Sam Barclay**, performed The Last Post with clarity and sensitivity. And then the closure of the *Ode to the Fallen*. Few occasions evoke emotion as much as this 'Celebration'.

All would have been greatly moved by Georges' address which was clearly extensively researched and thoughtfully constructed. With his permission, we provide the following extract for members who not in Killara that day

"In all major Australian Capitals there is a Shrine of Remembrance, a place which may well be called our sacred site, a place of solemn reflection. In Sydney we have the Anzac War Memorial in Hyde Park.

Perhaps it is not visited as often as it should as it is located on the edge of the City but this does not detract from the fact it is an imposing and magnificent building with a message for each and everyone of us. The architect was Bruce Delit who appointed a sculptor, Raynor Hoff, to work with him. Hoff had served in France during the War and this becomes apparent when one looks at the sixteen figures of servicemen and women seated on the buttresses of the building. It is when one enters the memorial that the stark message of the awfulness of war ... the great personal loss and suffering ... is made so apparent. In the centre of the building the visitor looks



down onto the lean and delicate figure of the dead warrior lying naked spread-eagled on sword and shield representing the sacrifice of so many young men in the maelstrom of war. This figure is supported in turn by the figures of three women. Who do these women represent? Mother, Sister, Wife, Daughter, or Lover? They are the ones bearing the weight of the great sacrifice. The warriors suffering has ended but theirs is for ever. The pain and anguish is not confined to just those who fought and died but to the people who loved them and have kept them in their hearts forever.

It is our duty and the duty of all Australians to continue to remember and honour those, Lost and Living, who have given so much so we may live in peace and freedom...."

A copy of Georges' presentation is available on request. *rhb*



John Krieger Reports on PLACE OF ORIGIN

The first match of the series for 2003/2004 was played on Sat.

15th November, which also turned out to be the first real day of summer with temperature on the greens rising to 35c which was a real test of condition and stamina for all participants.

Play consisted of a Sausage Sizzle, 5 rinks of triples and 2 of pairs in that order! The City Slickers got up by a margin of 125 to 113 and rinks 6 to 1. A good day for the Slickers, at least! There was some muttering about team selection by the Boys from the Bush but no firm evidence has been obtained. (Nor will it be .. R.K.S)
Bob Sinclair, Lloyd Sommerlad, Ray Laughton, Roger Kerr, Otto Herbst, Warwick Druce and Sue Cleary did us proud, as usual.

Next match of the series is on May 22nd.

J.K



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Edwin Burton makes the Umpires call . . .

The Marker

One of the most interesting tasks a bowler may undertake is that of marker for a singles match.

It is an opportunity to study the tactics and shot selection of the players and compare them with your own assessment of the shot to be played. It is a responsible position requiring full attention to the game, total impartiality, avoiding any comment on the quality or luck of any shot and not offering advice of any sort to the players. During the trial ends is the time to become familiar with the distinctive insignia on each player's bowls.

The marker shall centre the jack, placing a full length jack 2 metres from the front ditch in accordance with **Law 19**. The player who delivered the jack is responsible for ensuring that it is correctly centred. **Law 38D**. If the marker considers that the jack was rolled less than 21 metres the marker must call the umpire for a measure, even if the players are satisfied with the length of the roll. **Law 64A(iii)(b)**.

While play is in progress the marker should stand 2 metres beyond the jack and halfway between the centre line and the side of the rink as per **Law 64A(iii)(c)**

At each alternate end, having centred the jack, the marker should update the scoreboard while at the same time watching the first delivery in case it becomes a toucher. Touchers must be marked immediately they come to rest. **Law 24**. If it is not marked before the next succeeding bowl leaves the hand of the next to play it ceases to be a toucher. **Law 24(ii)** The opponents in singles shall decide if a bowl is dead - (**Law 26(ii)**) The marker must not remove a bowl from the rink (other than a non-toucher in the ditch) before the opponents have reached agreement.

The marker has no authority to lift a bowl or jack in the head which must be protected at all times by stopping a bowl from another rink before it causes a displacement. **Law 64A(iii)(f)**

Be ready to answer promptly any question from the player on the mat but do not offer additional information not specifically requested. The most common question asked is "What is the position?". This is a request for the number of shots up or down not for an indication of who owns each bowl in the head. If the shot bowl is not clear, an answer such as "It is a measure but I favour your bowl(or your opponents bowl) is quite satisfactory.

At the completion of an end wait without comment for the opponents to declare the result of the end, enter the result on the score card, announce the progressive

scores, then move quickly to the other end, keeping well away from the centre line so as to avoid any interruption to the rolling of the jack.

The players may request the marker to measure for shot. If the marker is unable to determine which bowl is shot, the umpire should be called.

At the end of the match have both players sign the card and deliver it to the Controlling Body.

By maintaining concentration on the match, avoiding involvement in conversation with spectators, anticipating possible questions, answering questions briefly and accurately, markers can make a valuable contribution to a match and avoid causing delays irritating to the participants.

E.B

Two women met for the first time since graduating from high school. One asked the other, "You were always so organized in school, Did you manage to live a well planned life?"



" Yes," said her friend. "My first marriage was to a millionaire; my second marriage was to an actor; my third marriage was to a preacher; and now I'm married to an

undertaker.

" Her friend asked, "What do those marriages have to do with a well planned life?"

"One for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go."



Dad was on the trolley to the operating theatre for surgery after insisting his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation. As he was about to get the anaesthesia he asked to speak to his son.

"Yes, Dad, what is it?"

"Don't be nervous, son; do your bestand just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me....."

your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife...."

WHY MEN ARE JUST HAPPIER PEOPLE



Your last name stays the same; The garage is all yours; Chocolate is just another snack; Car mechanics tell you the truth; You don't have to think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt; Same work, more pay; Wrinkles add character; People never stare at your chest when you're talking to them;

The occasional well-rendered belch is practically expected; New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle your feet; One mood, ALL the time; Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat; You know stuff about tanks; A five-day vacation requires

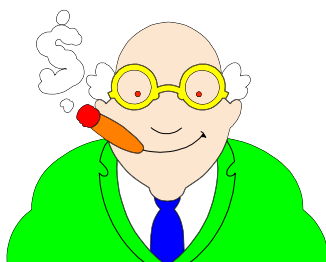


only one suitcase; You can open all your own jars; You get extra credit for the any act of thoughtfulness; If someone forgets to invite you, he or she can still be your friend; Your underwear is \$8.95 for a

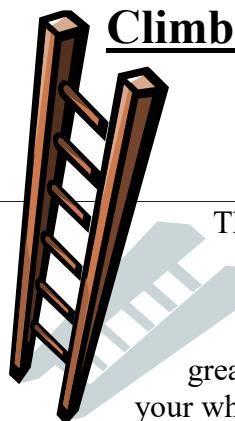


three-pack; Three pairs of shoes are more than enough; You are unable to see wrinkles in your clothes; Everything on your face stays its original color; The same hairdo lasts for years, maybe decades; You only have to shave your face and neck; You can play with toys all your life; Your belly usually hides your big hips; The world is your urinal; No petrol station is too "icky"; One wallet and one pair of shoes, one color, all seasons; You can wear shorts no matter how your legs look; You can "do" your nails with a

pocketknife; You have freedom of choice to grow a mustache; You can do Christmas shopping on December 24, in 45 minutes.



No wonder men are happier!



**Climb
the
ladder**

The Singles Ladder is an informal competition to be played outside organised playing times, which provides great opportunity for practicing your whole range of shots under competitive but non-stressful conditions.

There is no need to arrange a marker. The Conditions are set out on a notice next to the Ladder which is adjacent to the Board where the competition draws are displayed.

The initial positions on the ladder were established by a random draw and additional entrants will start at the bottom of the list. A competitor may only challenge the player on the rung one above him. If the challenger wins he will move up one place and the defeated player will move down. If a challenge is issued, three weeks is allowed for the game to be played; otherwise the players will change places on the ladder. {Please note that each player will place \$2 green fee together with the score card in an envelope in the competition box, and the **Bowls Secretary** will change the board.} The game consists of the best of 3 sets. The winner of a set is the first to reach 7 shots. If commenced by 10.30 in the morning it should be finished in time to allow play in the normal organised games in the afternoon. As with other competition games, intending players should enter the starting time in the diary in the Roll-up room, for the information of the greenkeeper.

L.S.

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