

# Torbay Times

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## RESIDENTS MEETING 21st September 2010

Mr Parry was unavailable, Mrs Karen Howlett conducted the meeting which commenced at 1pm.

### ADMINISTRATION MANAGER'S REPORT

#### **CACPs**

We have completed our Tri-yearly site audit for our CACPs services. We received the following feedback from the auditors.

The auditors made special mention of the following:

1. Impressed by the hours of service the residents receive under this scheme. The fact that we offer 24/7 service that other providers can not.
2. Emergency plan was very comprehensive; most other providers do not even have one in place.
3. That we included additional services that other providers don't such as meals supplied 7 days a week for both lunch and dinner at no additional cost. The menu selection available to residents to help meet all dietary needs.
4. That we supply domestic services such as laundry and house cleaning over and above the general service requirement.

There were several suggestions made in relation to quality improvements. All of these revolved around administration paperwork and not the services being provided.

Well done to all the staff involved in CACPs, a very good result all round.

#### **Computer Scam**

The current scam is that you receive a phone call from someone advising that they are from Microsoft and that they have detected a problem with your computer and that for a fee they will help you fix it. **DO NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES COMPLY.** If you do

receive a call please contact the office immediately. We have contacted this company and advised them not to call any of our residents and if they do we will take legal action. The problem is that once they log into your computer via the internet they can gain access to your bank account details, password and security protocols.

#### **Noise**

Early risers please be aware of the noise you make leaving and returning from early morning walks. It's not fun at 5am to hear the slamming of spring loaded security doors and the opening of the outside driveway gates. Please be aware of your neighbours as not everyone enjoys getting up early in the morning.

#### **Security**

- We have had several incidents recently.
- If you see anyone that you think should not be on the grounds either ring the office or use your emergency call button.
- A reminder to residents who have grandchildren here during school breaks that they need to be supervised.

#### **Website**

Jon is working hard on our new website and it is coming along nicely. Any resident wish to supply a testimonial to be added to our website would be appreciated.

#### **Accreditation Visit**

We had an announced Accreditation visit on the 23rd and 24th of August. They were here to look at our information systems, catering, cleaning and laundry services, complaints and comments processes, continuous improvement and fire. We were compliant in all areas. Thank you to all staff for their efforts to ensure that the visit went smoothly. We

received very good feedback from the auditors. They were very impressed with our continuous improvement plan and the type of innovations we were making.

### **Accreditation Retirement Village**

- We have just completed and lodged our 2nd application for accreditation for the Retirement Village. We should have a site visit in the first part of next year.
- We have also completed and lodged the application to have Parklands Aged Care facility accredited. The Retirement Village application for accreditation will be lodged later this year or early next year.

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

### **Proceeds of Crime Grants**

- ♦ We have lodged an expression of interest for a grant under the Proceeds Of Crime Act.
- ♦ We have applied for the electric gates, cameras and additional lighting for the cameras.
- ♦ Expressions of Interest closed 1st February.
- ♦ We are waiting to hear if we have been accepted to go to the next step in the process.

### **Parkland Retirement Haven**

- ♦ Regarding Open Day for the public to view the villas, we are very happy with the response.
- ♦ Interest is high but people are unable to sell their homes.
- ♦ This downturn is also affecting the turnover of villas within Torbay. We have 7 villas that are restored or in the process of being restored that have not sold.
- ♦ We understand that there are 20 villas empty at RSL Baycrest and 80 units for sale at Golden Shores – The RSL are claiming 12 sales at Sapphire which means there are 48 empty units

12 months after they opened.

- ♦ This downturn is affecting everyone and not just Hervey Bay.
- ♦ There are a couple of potential sales at Parklands.
- ♦ The Aged Care Facility building is due to be handed over on 20th October.
- ♦ The equipment and furniture have been ordered with delivery after the 20th October.
- ♦ We are likely to have an Open Day on Friday 29th October.
- ♦ Residents would move in after the Open Day.
- ♦ There has been no decision on an official opening for the building.
- ♦ *Council Infrastructure Credits*
  - We are still fighting Council for infrastructure credits.
  - They have offered some but we are claiming much more.
  - We are contacting Council on a weekly basis trying to get an appointment to discuss where Council are at.
- ♦ *Next Stage*
- ♦ The next stage has been put on hold until we start to sell the Torbay Villas and the Parkland Villas.
  - ♦ Stage 3 has been broken into 2 parts – 3A a Community Centre and 3B 10 villas.

### **Community Centre**

- ♦ The Architect has prepared a plan for the Community Centre that we are satisfied with.

### **Finance**

- The Bank has been waiting on the Valuer to come and value the properties.
- He eventually arrived today to value both Torbay and Parklands.
- We have agreed that they will now hold a mortgage over both Torbay and Parklands.
- The Production Kitchen is unencumbered.

## Annual General Meeting

- The Annual General Meeting was set for Wednesday 29th September 2010 at 9.30am in the Tavistock Centre.
- We will have the Residents AGM at the October Monthly meeting.

## Federal Election

- ♦ As everyone will be aware the Federal Election produced a hung parliament.
- ♦ Julia Gillard has been elected PM in a minority Government.
- ♦ She has now stated that all election promises are off because of the hung parliament.
- ♦ We have a new Minister for Mental Health and Ageing – Mark Butler.
- ♦ I am disturbed that Mental Health has now been placed ahead of Ageing.
- ♦ The New Minister, Mark Butler, was elected to the House of Representatives for Port Adelaide, South Australia in 2007, and was Parliamentary Secretary for Health from 9.6.09, so he does have some experience in his new portfolio.

## Meetings

### Next monthly meeting

- 3rd Tuesday of the month
- The next meeting is due to be held on 19th October.

### Villa Residents Meetings

- June/October/February

### Board meetings

- Second Wednesday of Month
- The next meeting will be 13th October 2010.

## .From the Floor

**Q.** Mrs. Audrey Zahl asked what time in the evening did they close the Tavistock Street gates.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said generally at about 6pm.

**Q.** Mrs. Evelyn Robinson said that she has had a telephone call regarding her computer and has problems since.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said she would

get Mr. Jonathon Dickson to come and see her about this.

**Q.** Mr. Henry Gay asked what the reaction had been from the advertising for Parklands.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said they had a great day at the open day last weekend but the trouble was, those interested had to sell their homes first.

**Q.** Mr. Alby Bennett asked if the Parklands villa prices were a bit steep as the advertising prices at another place were one hundred thousand dollars cheaper.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said they have not priced themselves out of the market as our villas have the ongoing care which others do not and feels villas at Parklands and Torbay will sell once Real Estate picks up.

**Q.** Mrs Jill Valentine asked if they were advertising elsewhere.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said there were some interstate people there on Saturday and also forty to fifty people from other villages who wanted to come over to Torbay but they are unable to sell their present places.

**Q.** Mr. Henry Gay asked who was doing the advertising, as he thought people first wanted to know the price and then look inside.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said Mrs. Debra Bergmann had taken over the advertising and that they would show interested folk through the villas. Some folk had come back for a second and third look. She said they will not start more villas at Parklands until market picks up.

Mrs. Betty Patterson said that inside photographs could be put on the internet with the advertisement when selling.

**Q.** Mr. Alby Bennett asked if the board had considered a solar system for administration and hall.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said no.

Mr. Russell Clark said that if they did the Residents would pay.

**Q.** Mr. Brian Crane asked if our application for the grant under Proceeds for Crime Grant had been acknowledged. He said that the internet had crashed while he was doing his banking recently.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said an acknowledgement had been received but they probably have hundreds to go through before they decide. She said she would check with regard to the latter, process time was changed.

**Q.** Mr. Russell Clark asked when the new telephone numbers with extra digit would be in use.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said not until Parklands is on line, stay with three digits until further advised.

**Q.** Mr. Russell Clark asked if Torbays borrowing from the bank was against the land or the villas.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said Torbays mortgage was on all of the Retirement Village including Aged Care and all of the land with the exception of the Kitchen.

**Q.** Mr. Russell Clark asked if they were able to borrow against our villas. He said that there was also a problem with cats at Tavistock Court.

**A.** Mrs. Karen Howlett said she would pass the first enquiry on to Mr. Parry as she does not know.

Mr. Dudley Jackson suggested they ask the new Federal Minister, Mr. Mark Butler to open Parklands as it will get a lot of publicity.

Mrs. Karen Howlett said she would not want them to get the credit for the new complex but there would probably be an official opening.

Mr. Dudley Jackson said he hoped the chicken pen was protected all around.

Mrs. Mary McLeod advised that Bruce had put lots of protection into the building of the pen.

Some general discussion followed regarding this.

Mrs. Mary McLeod expressed thanks to all those who participated at the games day.

M.R. & N.G.

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## **AGED CARE FACILITY REPORTS**

### **RAINFOREST LODGE**

They say time flies when you're having fun! And time has certainly flown by this month...before we know it – it will be Christmas AGAIN!! I'd like to welcome Bruce Blomeley to our Activities team.

Poor bloke has been in training to take over Cheryl's job in A/C wing and mine in RFL during our holidays! Well done Bruce! We in Rainforest had a big celebration on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> ... not only did we have our Resident/Relative meeting (which is always a huge event as we like to make it a family day) but we also celebrated Sylvia Archer's 93<sup>rd</sup> Birthday! Happy Birthday and Congratulations on that achievement Sylvia! We were very fortunate to have our lovely "Rhapsody" ladies

entertaining us ... Thank You so much ladies! I know I asked a big favour of you all! Now here's a saying I've learnt to rely on ... Never let the sun go down with you still angry! Bye for now, love

... Tanya.

### **HIGH CARE**

Spring is in the air at Shawhaven.

September began with our lovely "Home School" family, treating us to their singing & musical talents.

Billie our four legged friend came to visit – much to everyone's delight.

High Tea was an enormous success, enjoyed by all. The catering was five star and very tasty .

All our wonderful volunteers were here assisting as usual..

... Henny.

## ADVANCED CARE

Spring is in the air and what a wonderful start to spring we have had in AC, with all our regular activities and a lovely walk to the duck pond, a visit from the baby ducklings made it a memorable morning.

I have missed the last two Torbay Times due to study commitments so I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Anne our new RN. I appreciate your words of encouragement and I look forward to the new journey ahead.

I would also like to thank all our volunteers who come in week after week, it's nice to be reminded how much the residents and I really appreciate you all.

I will be off on holidays for the month ahead Bruce(2) will be stepping into my shoes until my return I know that you will all make him feel welcome, I have every bit of faith in him that he will do a great job.

Bye for now      Cheryl

## MAIN SECTION

Hello,  
September has seemed very busy with Bruce away. Some of the hostel residents attended the "Sports Day on the Common" and the dog display at TC. They all really enjoyed it and also the following Sausage Sizzle.

Bruce now has the chook house up and running and we have taken ownership of another 6 chickens, all at point of lay. We thank those who have helped with the chook house and chickens.

During the rest of the month we have had all of our regular activities as well as the Fraser Coast Chorus who came to entertain us and what a wonderful group of ladies with voices to match.

Neroli has been at TC while I've been in the Main Section and I thank her for her time at TC. Bruce returns on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

Until next time, keep well.      Mary

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## TORBAY RECREATION AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE



It's getting to that time of the year— to start thinking of the Villa Christmas Lunch.

It will be held at the RSL on Wednesday December 1st. In the next few weeks you will receive a note in your mail box advising details of names of the committee ladies from whom you may purchase your tickets.

The cost of the meal is \$25. We decided to change the menu to a hot buffet—as I know the alternate drops for table service are not always popular.

Please add this date in your diary. All villa residents will be welcome.

With regret we accepted the resignation of Fay Thompson as our secretary. She has done a great job for five years. We wish her well. Olwen Evans, who was assistant secretary, has agreed to accept the position — we welcome her.

With all these cloudy days, I think spring has forgotten to sprung!

Ula Scott  
President

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## THANK YOU.

Firstly I'd like to say a BIG "Thank You" to all my friends in Torbay for the lovely cards, well wishes, flowers and visits I received during my days of recovery after my operation...and also I'd like to say how caring and thoughtful the staff of A/C Wing were while looking after me during my stay in respite. Since my stay there I have made many more terrific friends. Thank you everyone!

Eunice Croxford.

## VILLA NEWS

September was a most eventful month especially with the games day on the Common which proved to be a huge success.

Our morning tea outings (no matter whether rainy or fine) were most pleasurable too. "Places" at Urangan was a very good venue with home cooked cakes and scones. The weather was absolutely perfect when we had our picnic morning tea at Burrum Heads, watching folk fishing and children playing on the sand.

The "Rhapsody" singers entertained us with a selection of songs from around the world and all who saw the film "The Nugget" had a good laugh as the characters in it showed how Australians help their mates in unusual circumstances!

We all enjoyed the food and the view from "La Belle Vue" Cafe at River Heads. It was a great way to end the month.

Mary will be back at the helm on the 11th October. Thank you for having me. -  
Best wishes – Neroli.

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## PORTS DAY ON THE COMMON - 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

Torbay Activity Staff organised a fun day on the Common on the 9<sup>th</sup> September, the day starting at 9.30 am with a demonstration by the Obedient School for Dogs. They were very entertaining with their (obedient or disobedient) acts.

There was plenty of under- cover seating for those that needed to be seated, as there were hostel people in attendance and as the temperature reached 26 ° quite a lot of cold water was needed.

Then the games began, Golf Putting- Boule- Disc Bowls- Quoits and Cup Stacking. There were four teams, with five people in each team; the contestants were drawn out of a hat, and the teams had a coloured tag to wear; one team member was selected from each team and they then competed against each

other. All scores were counted at the end of the Games and the winning team received a certificate.

The winning team was Olwen Evans., Alan Ribchester, Doris James, Daphne Wilchefski and Evelyn Robinson. The winner of the putting, also nearest to the pin was Valerie Benstead.

The winners of the raffle were.  
First - Glenys Philips; Second - Mary Flanagan; Third - Neville Pattel.

At 12 noon a presentation of a trophy was made for best putting and nearest to the pin, then the winning team received a certificate. 78 people then enjoyed a sausage sizzle to complete a very enjoyable morning.

Thanks were extended to all those people who assisted in making the day the success that it was.

A Team

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## MEDICAL TRANSPORT

Do you need transport to a medical appointment?

Phone Jill Valentine - 826 - I may be able to take you.

"Not available Monday or Friday - Noon - 5 pm"

## MELBOURNE CUP Historical Facts

1861 - Seventeen horses contested the first Melbourne Cup on Thursday 7 November 1861. The inaugural Melbourne Cup of 1861 was an eventful affair when one horse bolted before the start, and three of the seventeen starters fell during the race, two of which died.

1869 - The Victorian Racing Club introduced the four day Spring Racing Carnival format.

1875 - The Melbourne Cup was first run on a Tuesday in 1875, the first Tuesday in the month of November.

1876 - The youngest jockey to win was Peter St Albans, on Brisels, aged 13 (officially), but actually 12 years 11 months 23 days

1882 - The first bookmakers were licensed at Flemington.

1894 - Strand (starting barrier) starts were introduced to Flemington.

1896 - The Melbourne Cup was first filmed. This race was won by Newhaven.

1925 - The first radio broadcast of the Melbourne Cup was made by the Australian Broadcasting Company.

1930 - Phar Lap, the most famous horse in the world of his day, won the 1930 Melbourne Cup. He had to be hidden away at Geelong before the race after an attempt was made to shoot him and only emerged an hour before the race time of the Cup.

1931 - The first year the totalisator operated at the Melbourne Cup.

1942-44 - The Melbourne Cup was run on Saturdays during the war years.

1948 - The photo finish camera was first used in Melbourne Cup. Rimfire beat Dark Marne. However, many on-course punters believe the result should have been reversed, and it was later found that the camera was incorrectly aligned.

1958 - The first Cup start from starting stalls.

1962 - "Fashions on the Field" was first held at the Carnival.

1987 - First female jockey to ride in the cup was Maree Lynden on Argonaut Style.

2003 - The biggest crowd, of 122,736, was recorded at Flemington.

2005 - Makybe Diva became the only horse so far to win the Melbourne Cup three times.

The total prize money for the 2010 race will be AUD \$6 million, plus trophies valued at \$125,000. The first 10 past the post receive prize money, with the winner being paid \$3.3 million, down to tenth place which receives \$115,000. Prizemoney is distributed to the connections of each horse in the ratio of 85% to the owner, 10% to the trainer and 5% to the jockey.



The 1888 Melbourne Cup



Phar Lap 1930



Melbourne Cup Day 1939



Melbourne Cup Day 1981



1980  
Melbourne  
Cup



Melbourne Cup 2010

## **HELP NEEDED**

There are various areas within Torbay that require some assistance from volunteers. Please seriously consider these requests for help and if you feel able to assist our wonderful staff, contact Activities on the numbers listed below.

### **Mary—A Team**

#### **Melbourne Cup Sweeps**

Mary is looking for a couple of people to run the Sweeps at TC for the Melbourne Cup. Alby usually does this but he will be away on holidays, so if you want Sweeps to happen, I will need help or it can't be done. Please contact Mary at TC 812 or Activities on 811.

#### **Rainforest Lodge**

Tanya needs people to help with Bingo at Rainforest Lodge on a Monday from 10 am to 11 am. If you can help please contact Tanya on 900 or Bruce on 811.

#### **Garden Lovers**

Due to ill-health Eunice is unable to continue with looking after the Pot Plants and propagating new plants for sale at our Garage Sales. The Plant Stall at these Garage Sales earns quite a lot of money for the Torbay Recreation & Social Committee which in turn purchases much needed equipment and aids for all our Torbay Village residents. Any garden lover willing to assist should contact Bruce on 811.

#### **The Coffee Shop**

Ula is still looking for volunteers to assist. If you can spare 2 hours at least once a month your help would be greatly appreciated. Shop opens from 9.30 am to 11.30 am seven days a week. Please contact Ula Scott on 921.

### **Our Volunteers**

Each and every day you've given of your time,  
to make our Torbay Village a more caring place;  
Every resident here has benefited  
and your efforts have never been in vain;  
We would like to let you know that we are aware and we all agree,  
Your gifts of time--large or small are special ones indeed!

## THE WRITER'S CIRCLE

We meet 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month. You are welcome to join us. Call 105 for more information. Thank you Joe and Marj, for your contribution for October.

### **Irvine (Joe) & Marjorie (Marj) Hannant**

Joe was born in 1919 and grew up on the family farm in Memerambi, a small farming community about 10km north of Kingaroy. Joe is the third child of 6; 3 girls and 3 boys.

Marj was born in 1925 in the tiny timber town of Many Peaks, 60 odd klms. south west of Gladstone. The only girl in a family of five. When aged two her father was transferred to the timber mill at Blair Athol, about 120 km north of Emerald. At age 12 her father died. The family moved to the Kingaroy district. Her mother found work in Kingaroy and Marj went to live with her Uncle Bill on his farm at Gordon Brook, another small rural community. She milked cows and picked cotton. At age 15, a move to Kingaroy to work in a store.

Joe's Family farm consisted of 2 separate holdings, one of 90 acres and the other, 145 acres. Both properties were opposite each other, divided by the main rail line. The farm, dairy cattle and crops such as maize, peanuts and milo. (Milo was a food crop similar to corn and used to feed stock.) Wire mesh stretched over a drum separated the nuts from the plant. Henry Eckhart of Tingoora built a peanut harvester and the industry became viable. It was 12 years before Joe's family farmed peanuts.

When Joe was 17 he was using a hay rake when the horse he was driving, bolted. He decided to turn the horse toward clear ground and let it tire itself. The horse turned too quickly, threw Joe to the ground, the rake ran over the upper part of his left arm. The break so severe the bone protruded through the

skin. The doctor was concerned; if plastered they feared infection. They rolled a wad of cotton wool, placed it under his armpit, put his arm in a sling until the break healed.

In 1937 at the age of 18, Joe joined the Australian Light Horse. Monthly training was held at the Kingaroy showground and once a year they went to Camp. One year they went to Maryborough, another to Landsborough. While in camp in Landsborough, Marjorie Norvel, the secretary of the then Premier of Queensland, Forgan Smith, went missing. A suspected murder, each morning the entire Brigade rode along the beach and surrounding area of the camp in search of her body. She was never found or a suspect charged.

While in camp at Beaudesert war was declared. Joe immediately attempted to enlist but was refused on the grounds that he was a farmer and had to return to Kingaroy. He had his own horse Varlight with him and enquired if the army would transport Varlight back home. The reply was a firm no and that they intended to keep his beloved horse. Joe's response; it was his horse and if they wouldn't transport him home then he would ride him home. He headed cross country toward Ipswich armed with a pair of pliers to cut the fences and repair them as he passed through. Three days later he arrived home.

Joe and Marj met at a local dance near Kingaroy. They celebrated their 64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary recently. The day they married they left Kingaroy by car to travel to Brisbane for their honeymoon. The vehicle kept overheating and they were forced to stop several times to wait for the engine to cool. This put them many hours behind schedule. Joe discovered a small hole in the radiator

hose. Everyone was surprised when he used a match head to plug the hole. They arrived in Brisbane some time after 1 o'clock that night. Their first years of marriage were spent living in a small cottage on the family farm.

Joe and Marj enjoyed the game of cricket. During the war years fuel was in very short supply, so Joe converted a model "T" Ford utility from a hand throttle to a foot operated one. A petrol start then a switch to a mixture of diesel, kerosene and shellite. This mix proved extremely smoky; Joe was warned by the local police not to drive through town. However they did load it up with all 11 players and Marj, the score keeper, travelling up to 25 miles to games.

Joe had a keen eye for horses, Varlight one of his favorites. Another was a trotter called Kingbroad which he drove to victory in the International Harvester Handicap at the Brisbane Exhibition Show, with a prize purse of £100 pounds, (\$200.00).

For many years Joe and his family visited Hervey Bay for social gatherings.

Joe's brother Geoffrey raced motor cycles on the beach. He suggested they buy a business in Hervey Bay. Their father insisted Joe was to go, to keep an eye on his younger brother.

In 1949 Joe, wife Marj, younger brother Geoff and brother-in-law, Jim Hall purchased 2 butcher shops and 9 acres of holding yards and slaughter house. Joe managed the Urangan shop near the corner of Elizabeth St., open from 7am to 12 pm Monday to Saturday. After finishing work at Urangan he helped out at their main shop situated on the corner of Frank Street and the Esplanade, Scarness. The slaughter yards covered an area between Oleander St. (a dirt track then) and Doolong Road, Torquay.

On average they slaughtered 3 days per week, 6 bullocks, 8-10 sheep and 4-5 pigs; nothing went to waste. The offal was boiled and tallow skimmed off. The rest became pig food. Hides were treated and stockpiled. When they had enough skin and hide a merchant transported them to Brisbane. (To be continued next month)

## **SERVICES AVAILABLE TO TORBAY RESIDENTS.**

These forms are available in the Main Office, Main Hall outside  
Activity Office , in all sections of Torbay

### **Compliments and Complaints**

**Form 3.09.05**

**Queensland**

**Central & South Queensland**

Aged care complaints investigation Scheme  
Department of Health & Ageing  
PO Box 9848 BRISBANE QLD 4001  
ph 07 33602765  
Toll free 1800 177 099  
Toll Free 1800 550 552

### **Queensland**

**Aged & Disability**

**ADVOCACY inc**

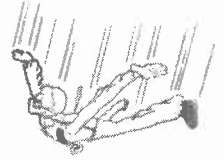
**Queensland**

QLD Aged & Disability Advocacy Inc  
121 Copperfield Street  
GEEBUNG Qld  
**Brisbane Office**  
Ph 07 36376000  
Toll Free 1800 818 338  
Fax 07 3637 6001  
E-Mail: [info@qada.org.au](mailto:info@qada.org.au)

## DID YOU KNOW ??



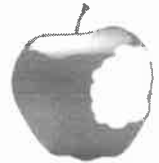
Switzerland eats the most chocolate equating to 10 kilos per person per year.



The average speed of a skydiver is 200kph.



The only continent with no active volcanoes is Australia.



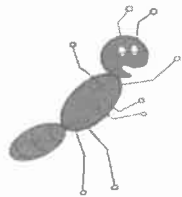
In 1878 the first telephone book made contained 50 names.



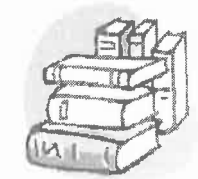
Apples are more effective at waking you up in the morning than coffee.



The wheelbarrow was invented in China.



It was once illegal to slam your car door in Switzerland.



People in Iceland read more books per capita than any other country.

Ants stretch when they wake up in the morning.



### **No one believes seniors . . . everyone thinks they are senile.**

An elderly couple was celebrating their sixtieth anniversary. The couple had married as childhood sweethearts and had moved back to their old neighbourhood after they retired. Holding hands, they walked back to their old school. It was not locked, so they entered, and found the old desk they'd shared, where Andy had carved "I love you, Sally"

On their way back home, a bag of money fell out of an armoured car, practically landing at their feet. Sally quickly picked it up and, not sure what to do with it, they took it home. There, she counted the money-fifty thousand dollars! Andy said, "We've got to give it back." Sally said, "Finders keepers." She put the money back in the bag and hid it in their attic.

The next day, two police officers were canvassing the neighbourhood looking for the money, and knocked on their door. "Pardon me, did either of you find a bag that fell out of an armoured car yesterday?" Sally said, "No". Andy said, "She's lying. She hid it up in the attic. Sally said, "Don't believe him, he's getting senile"

The agents turned to Andy and began to question him. One said: "Tell us the story from the beginning." Andy said, "Well, when Sally and I were walking home from school yesterday ...." The first police officer turned to his partner and said, "We're outta here!"

**Too good not to share!**



**THE WATERS CROSS THE WATERS** by *Lillian Waters*.

From England to Australia—arriving in Brisbane in 1910

“Goodbye and God Bless You,” many said, as the ship was leaving the port.  
“When will we see you again?” they called, and a tear on the cheek was caught.

Many handkerchiefs were waved, goodbyes rang out and aurevoirs,  
And this was the last they heard or saw, and many of them would meet no more.

Out in the channel, off to the Bay, where seas were rough and strong  
But she paddled along in the same brave way, though many felt something was wrong.

Some wondered what they had to go through, while others calmly sat or stood  
But all trusted the Captain because he knew, the difficulties of passengers new.

Hour after hour till all were glad, that only the Bay was rough.

Into the Mediterranean they calmly sailed, for of rough seas they had had enough  
Though passing Spain and Gibraltar Rock, we found much to interest us as we made a stop.

So day after day people met to see lands that to them were new and people strange  
And they talked of the countries that were to be seen through the field glasses within their range.

Then off to the shore to hear them speak, in a language they could not understand  
For many never before had been to seek, any knowledge in a foreign land.

From shore to shore they sailed in glee, examining as they went, things as they are

In the time allowed to see the life, of their neighbours near and far.

The ports and homes, the shops and their trades, the palaces grand and old fashioned ways.

The mules and the bullocks drawing the carts, and the men in the tow taking their parts.

Some on the pavements cutting men's hair, and many in shops displaying their wares.

And many curios were bought, by those who little presents sought.

Into the cathedral grand where people knelt in prayer, then out again to see the sights

Which to many were interesting and rare. Back to the ship and away, past Africa's sunny sands,

And Egypt's ancient land, and the Suez Canal where our ship was towed along,

Where upon the shore men did gesticulate, but landing was forbidden for our throng.

Into the Red Sea of the Israelites of old, but in our ship we felt quite bold.

The heat was intense and we could not eat. We all came through, though not very neat.

Then off to the Island and Sudan

Chairs ready for visitors who travel there, if they are willing to pay the fare.

Then up and away upon the ocean wide, to Australia, the land beyond the tide.

No land to view for many a day, this was the loneliest part of the way.

We were a happy band till here we are in sight of land,

And everyone comes on deck to view, the country we had travelled to.

We disembarked at the first port, and found we had come home.

The people spoke our language and taught

And the streets looked like our own, so clean and neat.

From state to state we travelled through rough seas and tossing waves

And through the Bight our vessel did sway, and oft on the deck the people did lay.

Going on shore at each of the ports, viewing the beauty and mingling our thoughts,

And wishing farewell in each of the ports

Wondering if we ever would meet again, those friends of the voyage we hope will remain

In our memory as friends worthwhile, who had travelled with us over many a mile.

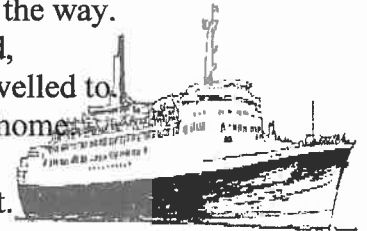
People without fear of what the future might bring, and willing to see the country within.

At last we found our journey's end, the Brisbane River at the end of the day.

We sailed on the water bright and smooth, and viewed the State we had come to prove.

People arrived to welcome us here, tea was ready and they gave us a cheer.

We disembarked as the sun went down, we had reached Queensland, the state of renown.



*This account of a challenging voyage was submitted by Ruby Schilling, the granddaughter of Lillian Waters. Five children accompanied her grandparents, Ruby's mother, aged two, and a baby a few months old. The heat took a toll on Lillian as they travelled through the Red Sea. She nearly lost her life. Three more children were born after settling in Queensland.*



## New Arrivals

A warm welcome is extended to our new Residents

### **Aged Care Facility**

Linda Baker A/C from Villa 355 - Alice Donald A/C from Villa 317  
Winnifred Edwardes Hostel 6 - Dorothy Smart H/C 151

### **Villas**

Wesley and Lynn Furness T/C 393

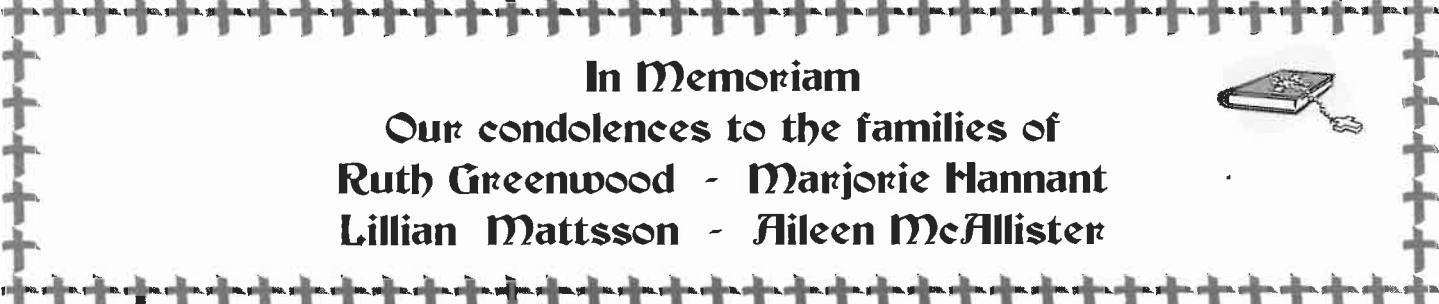


A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken.

### **Mini Lotto Winners for September**

04/09/10	1 <sup>st</sup> Dennis Gilman	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Dorothy Goodger	
11/09/10	1 <sup>st</sup> Roger Rawlins	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jean Hannasky	
18/09/10	1 <sup>st</sup> Betty Rollings	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Marie McDonald	
25/09/10	1 <sup>st</sup> Edna Owens	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Gretal Hurt	


Congratulations to all our lucky winners this month, and to the rest of us well we will have to keep on trying. Alby.



### **In Memoriam**

Our condolences to the families of

**Ruth Greenwood - Marjorie Mannant**  
**Lillian Mattsson - Aileen McAllister**



### **HAIRDRESSING HOURS**

**TORBAY MAIN SECTION - TONI Ph. 818**

Mon -Tue -Thurs 9am - 3.00pm      Friday 9am - 2.30pm  
Wednesday (Linda) 9am until finished

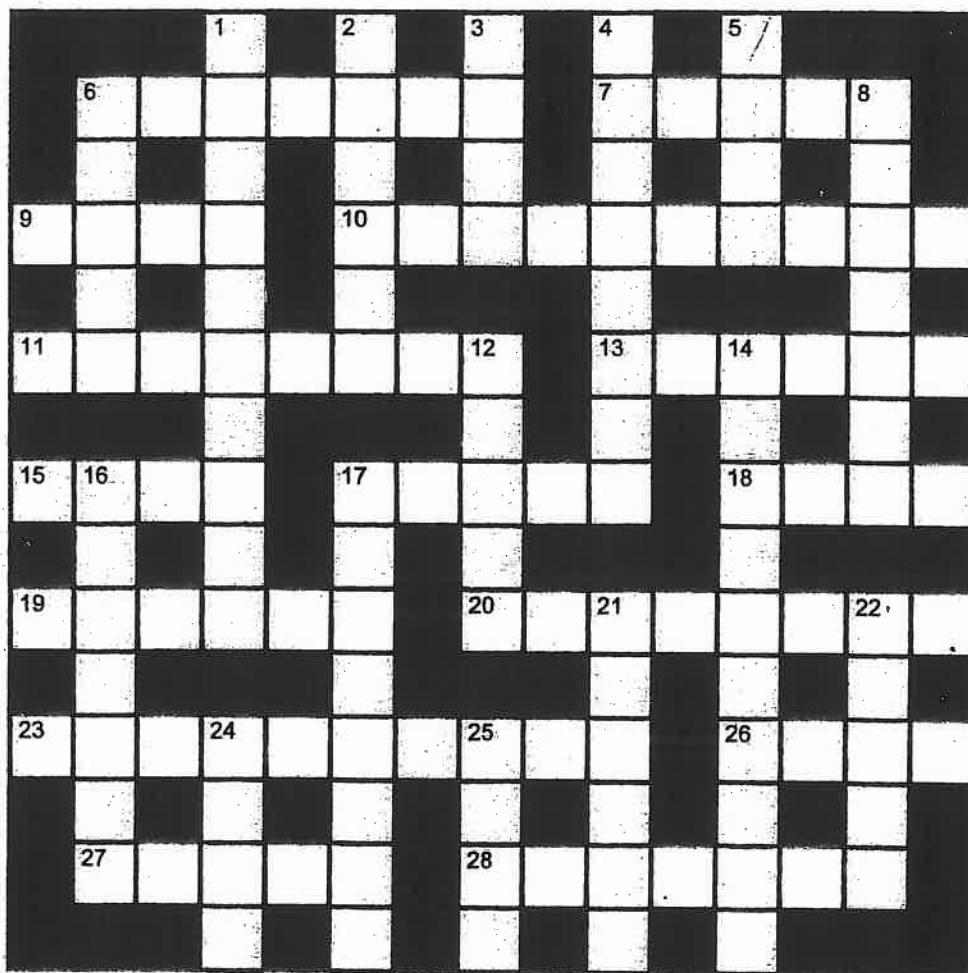
**TANYA'S SALON Tavistock Court**

Wednesday - Friday from 9am. Please Phone 698  
High Care Tuesday from 9am.

Tuesday Appointments can be made by Phoning Tanya at High Care on 606




# This Month's Crossword



## Across

- 6 Endurance (7)  
 7 Rub out (5)  
 9 Electrical or masking, e.g. (4)  
 10 Store gift voucher (6,4)  
 11 Relating to weather patterns (8)  
 13 Imperial measurement equivalent to 4 pecks (6)  
 15 Not new (4)  
 17 Shovel (5)  
 18 Length times height for a rectangle (4)  
 19 Pantry (6)  
 20 Charged anticipation (8)  
 23 A batsmen in cricket who leads with his right foot (4-6)

- 26 31536000 seconds, usually (4)  
 27 Take the first shot in tennis (5)  
 28 Earnest (7)

## Down

- 1 Having no head protection (10)  
 2 Crab's clasping body part (6)  
 3 Satisfy one's appetite (4)  
 4 Trustworthy (8)  
 5 Merit through one's efforts (4)  
 6 South Australia, e.g. (5)  
 8 Utmost (7)  
 12 Group of school students (5)

- 14 Items carried in cars for emergencies (5,5)  
 16 Fast bowlers who aim to bounce the cricket ball off its stitching (7)  
 17 Long thin party decoration (8)  
 21 Leapt forward (6)  
 22 Travel on ice (5)  
 24 Ripped (4)  
 25 Item of crockery (4)

