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PASSING OF RON AITKEN 23rd August 1941 – 23rd January 2023



With great sadness we received the news that popular member **Ron Aitken** passed away on Monday 23rd January 2023 after a harrowing 4-month battle with cancer.

Ron joined the Club on the 1st of July 2017 and immediately endeared himself to fellow bowlers through his great sense of humour and willingness to lend a hand to whatever project the Club had on hand. He was an invaluable member of the "Garden Party".

Ron was a keen and competent bowler and rarely missed a chance to roll his 'thistle' bowls down the green.

Ron's funeral service will be held on Saturday 4th February 2023, at 1pm, Macquarie Park Crematorium, Magnolia Chapel.

Farewell Ron – you will be sorely missed.

ROOKIE ROHAN TAKES ON STATE



An entourage of loyal companions will accompany reigning club champion Rohan Marshall to Raymond Terrace on Saturday where he hopes to wrest the NSW Rookie of the Year title from 16 hopeful other Zone candidates. **Bowls NSW will live stream selected matches**. Good fortune Rohan.

MAJOR SINGLES FIRST ROUND COMPLETED

The first round of the Major Singles wrapped up with the match between **Bevan Piper** and **Carole Boardman**. Carole was behind the eight ball early on, however, rallied to win 5 consecutive ends adding 8 shots to her tally to trail 9:16. Try as she might the early toll was a bridge too far but her finishing effort showed her competitive qualities.

Statistics:

Player	B Piper	C Boardman
Points	25	12
Ends	14	9
1 point end	7	7
2-point end	4	1
3-point end	2	1
4-point end	1	-

QUALITY MATCHES WERE CENTRE STAGE IN MAJOR SINGLES ROUND 2

High humidity and searing sun made play conditions difficult for the six participants (more so for some) in last Sunday's second round of the Major Singles

Three games were played on Sunday 28th January 2023; the first match featuring **Greg Scott** and **Simon Creedy** was an absolute cracker. The competitive nature or the match can be gauged by the statistics – 14 ends apiece and 1 point the margin at stumps! After 14 ends Simon had a slight lead of 3 points (14:11) before Greg rolled down 5 unanswered ends to lead 18:14. Simon regained the lead 19:18 and maintained his advantage needing 1 shot to win with Greg needing 4 shots to win. Uncharacteristically, Simon then faltered on some of his shots that had previously served him well, and Greg with some sublime shots claimed the day for a nail-biting 1-point victory.

Player	Greg Scott	Simon Creedy
Points	25	24
Ends	14	14
1 point end	7	7
2-point end	4	5
3-point end	2	1
4-point end	1	1

The second match was also very well contested where **Chris Sinclair** matched bowls with **Kevin Mulhall**. After 8-ends, Kevin had raced to an 11:3 lead and was bowling confidently. Then Chris's consistency kicked in and won 11 of the next 12 ends to set up a sizable lead of 23:12 needing just 2 points for victory. Kevin managed to add another 4 shots to his tally, however, it was Chris's day winning 25:16. Chris will now meet Greg Scott in the 3rd quarter final.

Statistics:

Player	Chris Sinclair	Kevin Mulhall
Points	25	16
Ends	16	9
1 point end	9	5
2-point end	6	2
3-point end	-	1
4-point end	1	1

In the final match of the day **Peter Zucconi** had a winning lead of 20:3 over **David Erskine** before David called it quits on account of the hot weather conditions.

Statistics:

Player	Peter Zucconi	David Erskine
Points	20	3
Ends	10	3
1 point end	5	3
2-point end	1	-
3-point end	3	-
4-point end	1	-

MINOR SINGLES ROUND ONE REPORT

Matt Lake will play Maria Brouggy in the second round of the Minor Singles after accounting for **Ray Moran** in their first round clash. Ray had the better of play for the first 11 rounds leading 9:6 before Matt smashed the match apart by adding 10 shots in an unanswered 6 end spree before going on to win 25:11.

Statistics:

Player	M Lake	R Moran
Points	25	11
Ends	18	8
1 point end	11	5
2-point end	7	3

LANE COVE PENNANT PROSPECTS HONE BOWLING SKILLS IN TRIAL

The first Pennant trial of the new season was played on Saturday 28 January 2023 against two grade 7 teams from Denistone.

Our Grade 5 team won all rinks to claim the leader-board 65 to 47 with Sarah Hobson's team being particularly impressive with a 25:12-win amassing 15 ends in the process.

The results were:

Lead	Second	Third	Skip	Ends won	Points
Game 1:					
R Johnston	P Zucconi	K Mulhall	J Lloyd	13	16
	defeated	Denistone			•
C Hemming	A McMillan	E Reynolds	M Lyell	8	14
Game 2:	•	•	<u> </u>		
C Sinclair	A Gordon	P Wade	S Bonthrone	11	24
	defeate	d Denistone			
J Elliott	D Pocock	J Kenny	R Reitano	10	21
Game 3:					
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Kay Mulhall	S Smith	R Patterson	S Hobson	15	25
·	defeate	d Denistone			
H Mowad	J Mohan	T O'Shanassy	B Bell	6	12

Our Grade 6 team won two of three rinks but went down on the leader-board losing 55 to 78.

The results were:

Lead	Second	Third	Skip	Ends won	Points
Game 1:					
S Kinsman	B Paxton	G Boardman	R Campbell	10	23
	defeated	Denistone			
G Hatch	S Chotelley	A Marcellino	V Ardina	11	22
Game 2:					•
D Erskine	M Cosby	R Moran	S Creedy	6	10
	lost to	Denistone			
M Woods	C Ryan	P Brennan	J Walker	15	37

D Van Niekerk	V Solway	G Scott	G Moon	11	22
defeated Denistone					
C Magafignia	J Ray	D Galati	B Gibson	10	19

ZONE 9 OPEN RESERVE FOURS CHAMPIONSHIP

Four teams from Lane Cove have nominated for the Open Reserve Fours with first round matches scheduled for 11 February 2023.

The teams are:

Lead	Second	Third	Skip
D Van Niekerk	S Kinsman	A Gordon	R Campbell
M Smith	S Smith	Replacement for MK	V Solway
Kay Mulhall	P Zucconi	Kev Mulhall	S Hobson
R Johnston	P Wade	C Sinclair	J Lloyd

BOWLING PROGRAMME (Critical Dates)

Date	Event	
4-5 February	State Rookie Singles (Rohan Marshall at Raymond Terrace)	
5 February	Mixed Pairs Final 1.00pm	
05 February	Minor Singles – 2 nd round completed	
11 February	Zone 9 Reserve Fours	
12 February	Major Singles – 3 rd round completed	

BEER PRICES TO INCREASE



The price of beer is set to rise yet again, with the tax raised by the ATO.

From February 1, the cost of draught, as well as packaged beer, will increase significantly, with the excise increasing by 3.7 per cent which comes on top of a 4 per cent increase in August 2022.

The tax on beer is tied to inflation, and rises every six months.

The current taxes mean Australians pay more in beer tax than every other nation, save for Japan, Finland and Norway.

Club prices will rise on Monday 13th February 2023:



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Draught beer	Schooner	Middy	Jug			
Victoria Bitter	\$7.40	\$5.20	\$21.00			
Carlton Dry	\$7.40	\$5.20	\$21.00			
Reschs	\$7.40	\$5.20	\$21.00			
Great Northern	\$7.10	\$5.00	\$20.00			



BOWLING RESULTS

Tuesday 24 January 2023

Major Singles – 1st Round

Bevan Piper 25 (14) defeated Carole Boardman 12 (9)

Minor Singles – 1st Round

Matt Lake 25 (18) defeated Ray Moran 11 (8)

Wednesday 25 January 2023

Social

John Jobson, Clair Deng & Kwan Zhau 21 defeated Howard Lee, Sarah Hobson & Kevin Mulhall 15;

Ole Hostrup, Maureen Cosby & Greg Moon 18 defeated Maureen Terrey, Brian Paxton & Rex Johnston 17;

Deon Van Niekerk & Marko Popovic 26 defeated Kay Mulhall & Vic Solway 17; Jenny Moran & John Bowring 18 defeated Meredith Collum & Stuart Smith 10; and Monica Smith, David Erskine & David Madson 26 defeated Simon Kinsman, Steve Brouggy & Simon Creedy 17.

Saturday 28 January 2023

Pennant Trial

Lane Cove (Grade 5) 65 defeated Denistone Green (Grade 7) 47

Rex Johnston, Peter Zucconi, Kevin Mulhall & John Lloyd 16 (13) defeated Denistone Green 14 (8)

Chris Sinclair, Andrew Gordon, Phil Wade & Scott Bonthrone 24 (11) defeated Denistone Green 21 (10)

Kay Mulhall, Stuart Smith, Robert Patterson & Sarah Hobson 25 (15) defeated Denistone Green 12 (6)

Lane Cove (Grade 6) 55 lost to Denistone White (Grade 7) 78

Simon Kinsman, Brian Paxton, Glenn Boardman & Robert Campbell/Mal Knight 23 (10) defeated Denistone White 22 (11)

David Erskine, Maureen Cosby, Ray Moran & Simon Creedy 10 (6) lost to Denistone White 37 (15)

Deon Van Niekerk, Vic Solway, Greg Scott & Greg Moon 22 (11) defeated Denistone White 19 (10)

Social

Sue Walder & David Madson 21 (12) defeated Ole Hostrup & Mark Burrough 9 (6) Sunday 29 January 2023

Major Singles – 2nd round

Greg Scott 25 (14) defeated Simon Creedy 24 (14)

Chris Sinclair 25 (16) defeated Kevin Mulhall 16 (9)

Peter Zucconi 20 (10) defeated David Erskine 3 (3) retired

NEW TRIDENT SIMS PRIMED FOR BPL DEBUT

BY **VAL FEBBO** ON JANUARY 23, 2023

Just one player will be making their debut at next month's **BPL17** and the honour has been bestowed upon Tasmanian **Michael Sims** who will don the yellow, green and red for the Tridents in Moama come February 20.

The 26-year-old replaces one of the franchise's foundation players in **Mark Nitz** to team up with two-time BPL All Star **Rebecca Van Asch** and **Taelyn Male** on the Murray.

It will mark a new challenge in Sims' career, as playing under lights in amidst a television production is not something a bowler goes through most times that they step onto the green.

"I'd say it's a bit daunting in some ways because you hear people talking about the bowlers they see on TV and now I'm going to be one of those," Sims said.

"Now they could be talking about me which makes it daunting but I've played a fair few games on a live stream so there's a small element that I've experienced already.

"But having the eyes of the wider bowls community on me will be a new experience and hopefully it doesn't play too many tricks on me on the green, but time will tell." The Trevallyn Bowling Club exponent relishes any opportunity to represent his state on the grand scale and the BPL has become one of the pinnacle events to do so since the Tridents made their debut almost a year ago on the Murray.

"It's hard to put into words I guess, I always love pulling on the Tassie colours whenever I get the opportunity to do so," he said.

"It's something that many aspire to do, and to be able to do it now at the BPL is quite exciting.

"I'm very much looking forward to it and nervous at the same time but hopefully the nerves disappear once I pull the boots on for the first game."

Sims' family is just as excited for him to front up in the marquee tournament, with his father already booking his ticket to witness his son's exploits, while the rest of his excited relatives and friends will take in the action from their televisions.

"Dad found out when it was all announced publicly and it was only a matter of moments before he had booked flights and accommodation so he's going to be on his way up to watch it in person," he said.

"He's pretty excited and so is mum, she's over the moon but she'll take comfort at home on the couch and watch me from there instead."

BPL17 is scheduled for February 20-24, 2023, with 24 hours of live broadcast on Fox Sports, Kayo and Sky Sports NZ across Tuesday to Friday evenings from 4pm-10pm AEDT, 3pm-9pm AEST.

BIRTHDAYS: "Middle age is when you still believe you'll feel better in the morning." – Bob Hope, comedian



If you have a birthday this week you share it with John Inverarity (31st), Mat Rogers(1st), Saia Fainga'a (2nd), Bob Simpson (3rd), Ruan Sims (4th), Sekope Kepu (5th) and Colin Miller (6th).

ON TELEVISION



Horse Racing – Eskimo Prince Stakes (Randwick)

The Bowls Show - 7TWO

Rugby Union - Sydney Sevens



- 1. What is Australia's largest natural lake by area?
- 2. Who was the first Catholic Caridnal in Australia?
- 3. How many conifers are native to Australia?
- 4. Name the Australian who won the Nobel prize for literature?
- 5. What animal is only found in Antarctica?

Answers: 1 Lake Eyre. 2Patrick Francis Moran (1830-1911). 3 14. 4 Patrick White. 5 Emperor penquin.

Riddle: What flies every day, but never goes anywhere? (Answer page 20)



EIGHTY AND AWESOME

Australia Day was not the only reason to celebrate last Thursday as it was "Man about the Club" **Brian Paxton's** 80th birthday. Monica Smith penned and delivered some beautiful words for the newly minted octogenarian, which summed up the well wishing sentiment and merry mood of the receptive audience.



"Everyone in the club knows Brian and not just because he sells the raffle tickets!

Playing bowls with Brian is a whole new experience as I'm sure you will agree.

He throws down his bowl and the next minute he has gone walkabout. You will find him a couple of rinks down just having a chat and checking that everyone Is having a good time and all is right with their world.

Then he is back bowling his next bowl.

He looks out for everyone whether it be to get them to hospital as he did for Mal the other day, pick them up and take them to bowls as he has done for Harry and others or forgoing his own bowling to support another bowler at a competition at another club, or driving to a memorial service with many passengers.

Brian is always there.

Bob wrote on the card "To Glue" and I didn't need to ask Bob what he meant by that.... I just knew.

He doesn't look for accolades, most are not aware at the time what he is doing for others.

And that is just as he likes it.

He is a kind, gentle and lovely man and the world is a better place because of him.

We love you, Brian."



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MEMBERS! – TIME IS RUNNING OUT - HELP

The Club needs eight (8) participants to get the Bowls Australia Roll Back The Clock iniative under way on 7th February 2023.

The programme is a great community event supported by Lane Cove Council.

This is a wonderful program talilored for over 65s.

If you have family, friends or neighbours see if they wish to participate – great value at \$80 for eight (8) weeks.

ROLL BACK THE CLOCK – NSW PROGRAMS

<u>Location</u>	<u>Format</u>	Days/times	Start date	Registration link	
<u>Leeton</u> <u>Soldiers Club</u>	Weekly	Tuesday @ 11am	February 07	https://bit.ly/3dmjyyu	
<u>Lane Cove</u> <u>Bowling Club</u>	Weekly	Tuesday @ 12pm	February 07	https://bit.ly/3Sbkkgm	
<u>Avalon</u> <u>Bowlo</u>	Weekly	Friday @ 11.30am	February 07	https://bit.ly/3LsoPkG	
Killara Bowling Club	Twice weekly	Tuesday & Friday @ 10.30am	February 07	https://bit.ly/3qKilUG	
Edgeworth Bowling Club	Weekly	Friday @ 1.30pm	February 07	https://bit.ly/3DA8HeI	

Enquiries:

For any more information about the program, please contact: rollbacktheclock@bowls.com.au

This program is proudly supported by Sport Australia's Better Ageing Grant Program

DESTINATIONS – Falls Creek, VIC



Victoria's most exclusive ski resort

Falls Creek is located 30 km south of Mount Beauty, on a scenic and very winding road, and is 1580 m above sea-level at the edge of the Bogong High Plains. It overlooks the Kiewa Valley. The highest elevation in the area is 1,842 metres and, for skiers, the highest lift point is at an elevation of 1780 metres. There are 23 lifts operating from 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. daily with an uphill capacity of 20,850 per hour. There are over 92 runs for alpine skiing with 17% of the slopes being for beginners, 60% for intermediate and 23% for advanced skiers. The vertical drop is 267 metres and there are 145 ha of groomed skiing area. Some of the country's best cross-country skiing is available with 21 trails and a groomed trail network of 65 km. Some trails lead around Rocky Valley Reservoir (the Rocky Valley Dam trail is 21 km) and to old stockmen's huts which are scattered across the alpine landscape. They are remnants of the days when cattle were driven on to the high plains in the summertime. There are a total of 4,500 beds in lodges and other accommodation at Falls Creek.

Because it is such a large centre it has extensive facilities including ski and snowboard hire, a ski school, discos, nightclubs, restaurants, supermarkets, cafes, pubs, ski and gear-hire shops and a well-integrated internal transport service that will take you from the carpark to the lodges.

The ski season opens on the King's Birthday weekend in June and lasts, on average, for 128 days. The resort is open all year round and attracts visitors in summer when the air is crisp and the wildflowers and snow gums are in bloom. Early January is an ideal time for walking and there are many tracks to explore. Mountain biking, canoeing, sailing, fishing, horse riding, abseiling, archery, camping, environmental studies, orienteering, a ropes course, rafting, fishing, cable gliding, yoga and massage are offered in the summer months.

Location

Falls Creek, which is 30 km south of Mount Beauty on a very windy road, is 391 km north-east of Melbourne via the Hume Highway and the Great Alpine Road.

Origin of Name

Falls Creek was, rather unimaginatively, named after some waterfalls further down the road.

Falls Creek Museum

Located on Slalom Street in the Panabode Building, this is a fascinating collection which deals with the unique alpine history of the area since the 1940s with videos, photographs and documents.

Walks from Falls Creek Resort

The Australian Alps Walking Track (a huge 655 km track) from Walhalla to Tharwa in the ACT crosses the Bogong High Plains Road about 10 km south of Falls Creek. There are many shorter walks in the area which start from around the village. The destinations include Mt Nelse (9 km return); Wallace's Hut (1.5 km return); Rocky Valley Lake (2 km); Cope Hut (1 km return), the Wallace/Cope Hut circuit walk includes the oldest hut in the area which dates from 1889 (6 km return); the Wallace Hut/Langfords Gap Circuit (8 km return); a walk to the top of Mount Cope which is 1837 m (1.5 hours return); Falls Creek Falls (14 km); Ruined Castle (6 km return); Fitzgerald and Kelly Huts (11 km return); Tawonga Huts, Howmans Gap and Roper's Lookout (5 km return) which offers excellent views over the village.

Falls to Hotham Alpine Crossing

For those eager to enjoy the fresh air this is a 37 km, three-day hike connecting Falls Creek to Hotham. The Falls Creek website offers an excellent description of the experience: "Walk over high alpine ridgelines, down through magical riverside valleys to wetlands brimming with life. Sleep out under blinking stars and unwind amid the tranquil beauty of this ancient country. Wander across high plains, alive with the brilliant colour of summertime wildflowers, and keep an eye out for shy native wildlife watching you pass. Summer is the most popular season to walk the Falls to Hotham Alpine Crossing, with wildflowers in full bloom and the cool alpine air a welcome break from the heat below."

Rocky Valley Lookout and Lake

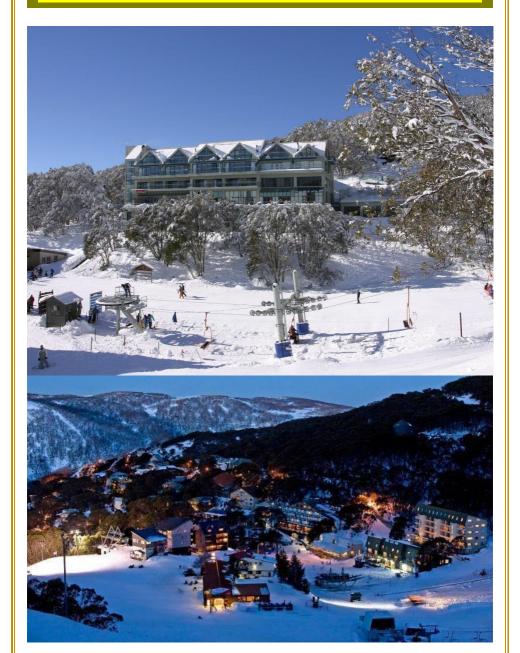
Located 2 km south of Falls Creek via the Bogong High Plains Road, the Rocky Valley Lookout offers excellent views over the Rocky Valley Lake, a 250-ha storage. It is also possible to rent sailboats, paddle boats, kayaks and paddle boards and enjoy sailing and boating on the lake.

Mountain Biking

There is a Falls Creek Mountain Bike Park which has over 40 km of machine-built single track tracks which wind through snow gums and alpine pastures. It is suitable for all abilities and, for the more experienced, there is a 10 km descent from the Summit to the Ticketbox.

History

- By the 1850s local farmers were using the alpine pastures for summer grazing of cattle.
- In the 1930s a road was built to gain access to Falls Creek.
- Falls Creek village came into existence on State-Electricity-Commission Land in 1940.
- The first ski lodge was built by the Electricity workers in 1948.
- The first ski lift was built in 1951.
- A chairlift was constructed, the first in Australia, in 1957.
- In 2005 the Victorian Government withdrew summer grazing leases from the area.
- The Falls Creek Post Office was opened in 1958.



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WORD OF THE WEEK: POGONOTROPHY (noun) Beard growing

IDIOM OF THE WEEK: Add insult to injury: Do something to make a bad situation worse

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Whenever you find yourself on the side of the majority, it is time to pause and reflect." — Mark Twain

PRINCIPLE OF THE WEEK: Resiliency - Recovering from or adjusting easily to misfortune or change

WICKED WORDS: "A lie doesn't become truth, wrong doesn't become right and evil doesn't become good, just because it's accepted by a majority." — Rick Warren

ANOTHER VIEW: Postmodernism: Reality must be interpreted through our language and cultural "paradigm. "Therefore, reality is "socially constructed."

A NOVEL NOTE: "Hours later, when the fire was nothing but embers, he spoke again. "There's a kinship among men who have sat by a dying fire and measured the worth of their life by it." The Spire by William Golding

DID YOU KNOW: Kangaroo Island is teeming with kangaroos and sea lion. Seal Bay is the only place in the world where you can literally get amongst them on the sand and watch them sleep, surf, sometimes fight and feed their impossibly cute babies. Roos and sea lions are the most famous wildlife attractions at Kangaroo Island.

FUN FACT: The Blue Mountains National Park area is about 2,690 km² and was established in September 1959.

SHE SAID IT: "From birth to age eighteen, a girl needs good parents. From eighteen to thirty-five, she needs good looks. From thirty-five to fifty-five, she needs a good personality. From fifty-five on, she needs good cash." – Sophie Tucker, singer

HE SAID IT: "Misers are no fun to live with, but they make great ancestors." —Tom Snyder (September 1998)

SHE ALSO SAID IT: "After 30, a body has a mind of its own." —Bette Midler (June 1982)

HE ALSO SAID IT: "True terror is to wake up one morning and discover that your high school class is running the country." —Kurt Vonnegut (March 2015)

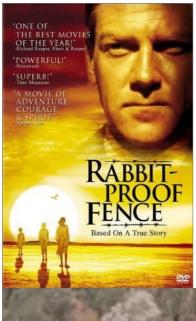
BEST LINE-

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DARBIT DROOF FENCE

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Tells the true story of three aboriginal girls who are forcibly taken from their families in 1931 to be trained as domestic servants as part of an official Australian government policy. They make a daring escape and embark on an epic 1,500 mile



journey to get back home - following the rabbitproof fence that bisects the Australian continent - with the authorities in hot pursuit.

Maud: "Tell that Mr Devil he want half-caste kid, he make his own"

Molly: "C'mon Dais. We gotta go back for Gracie"

Directed by Phillip Noyce *
Screenplay by Christine Olsen *
Based on Follow the Rabbit-Proof Fence by Doris
Pilkington Garimara *
Stars: Everlyn Sampi (Molly Craig) Tianna
Sansbury (Daisy Craig Kadibil) Laura Monaghan
(Gracie Fields) David Gulpilil (Moodoo the
Tracker)



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JOKE OF THE WEEK. Circus

A husband and wife who work for the circus go to an adoption agency looking to adopt a child, but the social workers there raise doubts about their suitability.

So, the couple produce photos of their 50-foot motor home, which is clean and well maintained and equipped with a beautiful nursery.

The social workers are satisfied by this but then raise concerns about the kind of education a child would receive while in the couple's care.

The husband puts their mind at ease, saying, "We've arranged for a full-time tutor who will teach the child all the usual subjects along with French, Mandarin, and computer skills."

Next though, the social workers express concern about a child being raised in a circus

environment.



This time the wife explains, "Our nanny is a certified expert in paediatric care, welfare, and diet."

The social workers are finally satisfied and ask the couple, "What age child are you hoping to adopt?"

The husband says, "It doesn't really matter, as long as the kid fits in the cannon.



Mabel. I love rumours. Why Doris? Do you find out amazing things about yourself you never knew?

Riddle: A flag

TICKLES CORNER



People. "It's funny how the people who know the least about you, always have the most to say."

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"Great, traditional pizza and a lovely little restaurant. Excellent service with an Italian accent which always makes the pizza taste better!"



"Poseidon's Catch Seafood is a real gem. A family restaurant that really values their customers. Their seafood is delicious and their salads are a must have."

Hummerston's Gourmet Meats



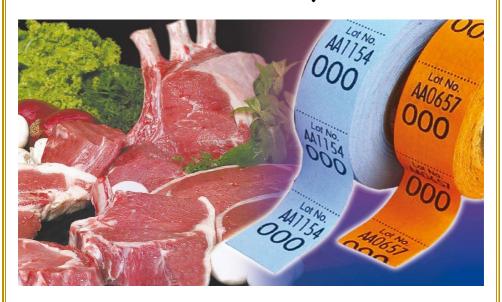




RAFFLES EVERY FRIDAY

Tickets © \$2 each on sale from 5.30 p.m.

Draw starts at 6.30 p.m.



MEAT AND WINE

BOTTLES OF WINE

IGA QUALITY MEAT TRAYS

POSEIDON'S CATCH SEAFOOD VOUCHERS
ZAPPARELLI'S PIZZA VOUCHERS

PLUS

BONUS DRAW FOR

GOURMET MEAT TRAY

BONUS - 1 draw for all tickets purchased in that night's raffle –the winner gets the gourmet meat tray.

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