

BOAMBEE EAST PHILATELIC SOCIETY

SECOND BIRTHDAY SPECIAL ISSUE



Happy



Birthday



To



B.E.P.S

Welcome to our 7th newsletter. In the past three months so much has happened. We've had a very successful auction. Our night of stars was riveting and of course we turned two with a great birthday celebration. Our juniors again have done spectacularly well with their projects. Our member profile this time is our hard working circuit book manager. Also a little birdie told me that there is a surprise new challenge being organized for our members to get their heads around. This will be revealed at our August meeting. Again we wish to thank Coles Toormina and Toormina post office for their ongoing support over the past few months. Read on and enjoy.

The Birthday Party

Another 12 months have rolled around and here we are — two years young. We have grown in members — both senior and junior. After a short (I mean really short) meeting we started the celebrations. Games, food and fun was the or-



Birthday display from our juniors

der of the night.

Our juniors put up absolutely brilliant displays for everyone to enjoy. The thought and imagination that went into these truly amazed us. Exceptional work juniors. Well done. We were also very lucky to have a gold medal winning display brought in for us.

This display has won several awards, both gold and silver, in many exhibitions through out Australia. Thank you for allowing us to see this magnificent display.



"To Bridge The Gap"

On to the quiz game. The answers to the quiz were in the 'To Bridge The Gap' display. Here's a trivia question for you. How much toll do you pay to take an elephant over the Sydney Harbour bridge? Give up? Answer later on.



Bon Appétit

Food! Glorious food! We were awe inspired at

the amount and variety of food on the table for us. You name the party fare and we had it.



Too good to eat!

The birthday cake was spectacular. Again the ingredients were donated by Coles Toormina and was baked and decorated by our resident Master Baker. Thanks to him. Not only was it a feast for the eyes but also for our stomachs.



Finger lickin' good.

The night ended with everyone in a joyous mood and full tummies. We can't wait for our next birthday. Thanks to all who helped clean up.

The Auction

On the last weekend in May, we held a stamp and coin auction at the Boambee East Community center. It was an extraordinary night. The implementation of postal bids was to prove to be a decisive factor that led to the success of the night.



A selection of lots on offer

The number of lots submitted for sale went beyond our expectations. A wide array of both stamps and coins was gratifying to see. A good sized crowd attended. There was a gentleman who turned up not realizing it was a stamp and coin auction. He soon left—embarrassed but quite jovial.



Bidding was fast and furious

There were multiple postal bids that came from all around Australia. The only place not to send in any bids

was the Northern Territory.

One person attending was so keen to get a certain lot that he bid furiously against a postal bid until the lot was his. It was then discovered by the secretary that the postal bid was the bidder's own. Of course it was worked out much to the bidder's relief.



Who's confident about getting their lots then?

As with our previous auctions we averaged an astounding 65% sales record. The attending crowd of bidders had examined the lots with great care and by the way they put forward their bids it could be seen that they knew what they wanted and bid accordingly. There was much friendly rivalry as the night progressed.



It didn't take long for this to be sold.

The end of the auction came with the collection of and the payment for lots bought. Of course there was light refreshments had by all. The night truly was one of which B.E.P.S can truly show pride.



The Cheque book's ready

It is at this time that a hearty thank you must go out to all members who pitched in to make the auction night a resounding success. The seamlessness with which the auction progressed was wonderful. Special thanks to the secretary for organizing the postal votes and to the junior president who spent the following Sunday reconciling the books with the treasurer.



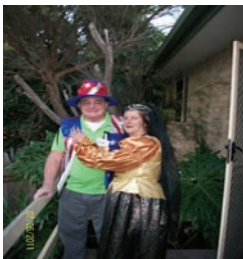
Night of Stars.

At our June meeting stars of the silver screen, radio and history arrived. Zorro chaired the meeting assisted by stars who were incognito.



Gathering of Stars.

Air commandant David Niven brought his own brand of suaveness to the night although somewhere along the line he lost half his moustache.



Uncle Sam and Anne Boleyn

King Henry VIII's wife, Anne Boleyn, was accompanied by the brash American, Uncle Sam. Yes. She did keep her head this time.



Ma and Pa Kettle dropped in.

Fresh from the farm came

Ma and Pa Kettle—just to check out what the big city of Boambee East was like. They were suitably impressed. Everyone joined in on the night to make it fun and unforgettable.

Member Profile.

Al is our hard working circuit book Secretary/manager. A very keen philatelist and numesma. ... numbames .. Um .. coin collector. His exceptional work managing the circuit books cannot be underestimated and he is deeply appreciated.



Our esteemed circuit manager

At times he can be a trite grumpy after being up until after 12 midnight doing his collecting and the circuit books.



Al doing his circuit book managing

We do know that he absolutely loves bananas. His passion in stamp collecting is pre-1940 stamps including colour variety. Recently he had a little trouble with his car. As you can see in the cartoon below this was his solution to that problem.



Don't do it Al!!

The Wrap Up

That's it. A very busy 3 months. Just a reminder that fees are now due. Welcome to all new members. If you're in Coffs on a Sunday check out the coin and stamp stall. See the people in green shirts.



*The Stamp and Coin stall,
Coffs Harbour uptown Markets*

Oh yes. It will cost your elephant 2d to cross the Harbour Bridge. Pigs 3d.

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