BOAMBEE EAST PHILATELIC SOCIETY THIRD BIRTHDAY SPECIAL ISSUE

Happy Third Birthday To B.E.P.S
Hi everyone. We have had a very action packed three months since our last newsletter. Our meetings have, as usual, been well attended. Our auction in May turned out to be quite an event. Our third birthday party was an enormous success. Wait til you read our member profile. You will see that they are not to be ponged at. Our juniors have outdid themselves in their activities and projects. We are so proud of them. Don’t forget to check out the general meeting notice. We welcome new members who are delighted to be one of our little band. Sit back, newsletter and coffee/tea in hand and enjoy.

**Our Birthday Party**

Early in July we sent out invitations for our 3rd Birthday party. The ‘theme’ oddly enough was variations of the number three.

Everyone was invited to come as one of the larrikins from St. Trinians or St. Tristrans.

As people arrived we saw that many had dragged out their old school shirts, ties, hats and the odd blazer or two. Hands were full of offerings. The kitchen was soon bursting with food to be had later on.

“Let the games commence” was soon the catch-cry. First up was a nonsense warm up game called “Stamp the Envelope”.

There were many an envelope who missed out on their stamp. It was all taken with good humour, much laughter and giggling when the envelopes had their turn at dishing out the stamps with perhaps a little revenge.

Where did that envelope go???

When everyone was warmed up, we moved on to the next game which was the Triathlon.

Ahh! The mystery of it all. Why Madeira for an answer? Perhaps because Madeira cake and wine is used to make a **T R I F L E.** The Tri (3) theme coming into play. The trivia question had everyone stumped. We won’t soon forget where Tripoli is. After the games we held a mini auction which brought out some hotly sought after lots.

Just before we indulged in a magnificent birthday fare, one of our newest members read out a third birthday congratulatory message. It was a truly wonderful night. We all left full, happy and planning the next one.
The Auction

Our latest auction was held at the end of May. Although we were down a little on the numbers who attended, it was a most successful function with approximately forty percent of all lots sold.

This lot had a few interested so it went quickly.

As one of the members was heard to quip “Thank God for the postal bids.” But those who attended in person were lively and bids flew around the room hot and fast. I think we should also state “Thank God for the human bidders!”

I’ll get this one for sure

Of course tea, coffee and snacks were available for those who got a little peckish during the breaks in proceedings. Again thanks to all those involved in the organization of the auction especially Bob who (as we all know) almost had a complete breakdown during this stage of the auction. But, being the resilient member that he is, he bounced back as usual. On ya Bob!!

Another successful auction dear!!

BEPS gained sufficient funds from the auction to purchase the 3rd birthday present. If you don’t know what the present was you haven’t been to a meeting lately have you?

Is this clue too obvious?

Well, juniors, what do you think of the new technology that is now available at BEPS? Pretty cool hey? You can now scan your projects, check up on what the judges comments are and a whole lot of other exciting uses. I know that there are a few of the senior members who would really appreciate a helping hand from you with the new computer.

Remember that your challenges give you points which can be used at the next auction or at the Christmas party. By the next meeting you all should have printed out what challenges you wish to do so hop to it and get started.

Great presentation isn’t it?

Don’t forget that the Junior President is to be elected at the next general meeting.
Member's Profile.

What can we say about Ronnie Lewis? Let me see!! Firstly he is a foundation member of BEPS. Good start. He is a strong member who enthusiastically throws himself into all activities of the club. Coins and notes are his passion.

Ronnie is a grounded Australian Air Force person and loves to go all out when it comes to fancy dress at BEPS. Although we questioned the colour of his lippy at our birthday party. Being a very fit ‘42’ year old Ronnie plays table tennis (or is it Ping Pong).

We heard from a little tittle-tat birdie that he was beaten by a 12 (?) year old when he pinged instead of ponging.

It is a pleasure to have such a gentleman in BEPS.

Rogues Gallery

Oasis and Endas.

Our September meeting will be our annual general meeting where the election for office bearers will be held. If you want to stand for a position please let Nicky know either by mail at our PO box or at the Sunday Uptown Markets in Coffs. Please try very hard to make it to the meeting.

We want to welcome our newest members Elroy and his Mum also Alan and Sally. We know you will totally enjoy yourselves with us. Oh yes!! Welcome to Marco who is working on the By-Pass. We think Marco hopes the By-pass takes a long time to finish because he enjoys coming to BEPS so much.

Again we wish to thank the ongoing sponsorship of Toormina Coles and Toormina Post Office.

Til next time Bye and stay safe.

Our hard working media officer.

"Please go away. I’m really very sick."

Hospital next day. Influenza “A”.

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