

BOAMBEE EAST PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Welcome to our May newsletter. Winter is sneaking in. Did anyone see where summer went? Such a lot to tell you about. Our monthly meetings have been strongly attended by both juniors and seniors. We've moved to a new venue. Technology is rearing its amazing head in our club. The Cinderella design is powering on. Kevin Cheers' presentation was very entertaining as well as informative. More juniors have joined. This month's profile will introduce you to a hard working member. As you see there is much to squeeze in this month so as they say in show business—ON WITH THE SHOW.

New Venue—New Technology.

Here we are at last in our new meeting place at Bayldon Community Centre. Set among beautiful bushland, this centre is so ideal for our needs.



Bayldon Community Centre.

The hall is so spacious that the different groups within our club can comfortably carry on their own discussions and projects without distracting others.



Space, space and yet more space.

Those whose interest is collecting coins have "marked their territory". The lively discussion in this group seemed to be enhanced by the space they had claimed as their own. From the beaming smiles that was shown at the end of the meeting it was apparent to all that everyone was well pleased.



A cup of tea goes well with coin discussions.

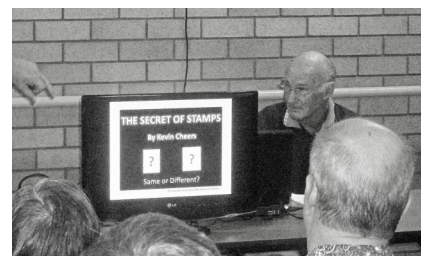
The main topic at our April meeting was the question of whether or not we should invest in a computer for our club. This proposal was heartily agreed to by all members. There were a few of the more "senior" members who seemed a little apprehensive.

As one member said "We have the juniors who (as we well know) are quite versed in the use, application and potential of computers. So we have a ready made set of tutors for those of us who feel that they are behind the 8 ball as far as computers are concerned." So those of us who are computer illiterate can be assured of "expert" tuition from those somewhat younger than ourselves.

The step into the world of computer technology is an exciting and innovative one. By having a stand alone computer and scanner, with the right programmes the knowledge of the seniors will be preserved for not only the juniors in the club now but for the juniors of the future. On a side note did you know that we are on U-tube? Check it out on our site www.philas.org.au/boambee/index.html

Kevin's Presentation

As a prelude to our acquiring a computer, Kevin Cheers had put together a power point presentation with the help of his daughter Rochelle called "The Secret of Stamps".



Computers? Easy peasy. I learnt how.

Kevin's presentation was overflowing with information. His use of the computer showed us all that it doesn't matter how old or young you are it is just another skill to be learnt.

Well done Kevin. You showed us that with confidence and self assurance no task is too great.

After Kevin's presentation we had a cuppa while the raffle was drawn. First prize was a great mixed Easter basket.



Easter Goodies.

Our Cinderella.

Peter, vice-president of stamps, led us into the conclusion of the initial stages of the design for our Cinderella stamp. Many of us had submitted designs for this project.



So hard to judge!!!

The panel of judges, headed by Peter, had a formidable task of coming up with a winner. But as it was explained the final design for the Cinderella would be a blending of certain features found in the designs submitted.

There were awards presented for such things as design, numismatics and simplicity. Yours truly fell off her chair when she was presented with an award.



Sorry. Not one of ours!!

Member's Profile.



What a cheery librarian we've got!

What can we say about our lovely librarian Margaret? Enthusiastic, dedicated, efficient, always there to help out . . . Yes! She is all of these and more.

Outside BEPS Margaret is the president of the Central Coast Chapter of the Fellowship of First Fleeters.



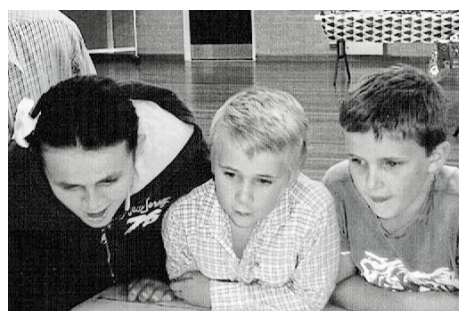
See any of your relations Margaret?

In the new venue, Margaret is thrilled with all the space she now has. All the room to display all the materials for members for research. By the way Margaret, HAPPY BIRTHDAY from us all.

Juniors Corner.

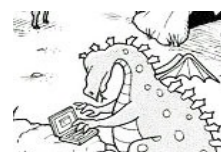
Boy oh boy!! Have our juniors been busy little beavers over the past three months. Their projects they have been keenly working on are well and truly amazing. Their entries in the Cinderella stamp design have earned quite a few of them merit awards. Where do they get their ideas?

The excitement created by the upcoming introduction of computer technology into our club is electric for the Juniors. They really can't wait to become teachers for those seniors who find the world of computing frustratingly complex.



What do you think? Yeah. Cool as!!

We wish to again welcome our newest junior members. Rusty (Newcastle), Josh (ex-Nambour) and the Marshals (Casino). That's it. Hope you enjoyed the "show". Til next time.



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