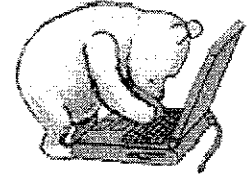




Pooh Bear's News

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WELCOME TO THE SPRING EDITION

Where did that last three months go to? Contrary to popular belief, Pooh has not been in hibernation but circumstances have arisen which have caused a delay in communications. I won't bore you with the details. No harm anyway because we are just emerging out of winter into a new surf season so you have missed nothing apart from the usual meal of excellent jokes and dirt on Errol and Rocket. I thought that they deserved a break (for the time being) but I don't want them to become complacent either.

I have got plenty to tell you because there has been plenty going on and plenty in the pipeline.

For example:

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| Curly Soundwaves | scheduled for Sunday 14 October. Lyndall and her team have been very active. |
| Club Calendar | featuring some of the more mature female members of the Club, basically naked. |
| New Patrol Roster | prepared by Nathan and Georgina Wilson. The rosters are based on half day patrols and reflect a greater participation by Nipper parents. The first patrol was held on Saturday, 29 September. |
| The Annual General Meeting | was well attended and witnessed the induction of two new Life Members and no, Errol was not one of them. |
| A new Surfboat has been ordered from NR | and should be ready by Christmas. Naming rights are up for grabs and I have dropped the hint to Errol that his name is well in the mix (I did not tell him that it was for the keel). |
| Registration Day | was held on 16 September, 2007 and record numbers of Nippers have enrolled. |
| Grand Final Function | was held at the Club on Sunday, 30 September, 2007 and the game was watched live on the big screen. We won't talk about the result. |
| Errol has worked hard over winter sculpting his body | and he looks magnificent. In fact he offered to pose naked for the Club Calendar. Rob told Errol that he was first reserve and we are all thankful that there are only 12 months in the year. |

- Liane has a new dog and this one is actually friendly which makes a change from the usual junk yard dog she has been attracted to in the past. For reasons which will be explained later, it will be known as 'Bargain' although she refers to it as Scoot (what sort of a name is that?).
- Our DA for improvements to the Club building is progressing within Council and we have lodged a report with Council prepared by our town planner which addresses all of the concerns of Council and residents. We are optimistic of approval but there is still a way to go.
- Our Website has a new manager who has given it a new look and he is far more competent than his predecessor. Paul Jeffress promises to make the website an excellent communication medium for our members and supporters and the results look good so far.
- The jokes keep rolling in I now have a large stock pile of fairly good jokes and they will be dished out to you in due course after I road test them in the gym on Errol and Rocket.
- Rocket Jones almost managed to get through an entire winter without repairing or replacing any body parts. The medical industry has a lot invested in Rocket and this development was seen as a potential financial setback to the industry. However, as if on cue, Rocket recently underwent some cosmetic eye enhancement surgery and he has now discarded his white stick.
- Our Ocean Swim is about to become one of the major events of the Ocean Swim season. Ocean conditions permitting, it is intended that the swim will start at South Curl Curl Beach and south around the Curly headland to the finish at Freshwater Beach.

STEVE ROSE FINALLY LEAVES THE NEST

Unbelievable but true, the umbilical cord that bound Steve to his in-laws has finally been severed as Steve and Skye settle into their new abode. I have heard rumours that Skye's parents heavily subsidised the acquisition just to be rid of them.

DICKY ROBERTS

Has been barred from dropping in unannounced at Barry's Place. Whether Dick takes any notice of this ban is another question.

ERROL JONES

is undertaking a doctorate relating to literature. Seriously. Although I have it from a reliable source that his thesis is on the subject of medieval fairy tales – anyone who knows Errol will agree that fairytales are Errol's speciality.

CURLY SOUND WAVES

The Annual Food and Wine festival will soon be upon us and planning for the logistics of the event is well advanced. Harbord Diggers will be a major sponsor of the event and the NSW Police will have a stall. The VIP deck is an all ticket affair and all tickets have sold out. A great seafood meal and alcoholic refreshments will be provided to the VIP ticket holders and a musical quartet will also be provided for afterward. Only \$100.00 a ticket. This is so cheap!, we are lucky gift tax has been abolished.

Craig Calhoun and his band will once again be the headline act in the car park and they are crowd favourites. Every Sound Waves held to date has been outstanding, and this one will be no exception. There will something for everybody. So come one, come all, and help us make this another great day for the club.

CLUB CALENDAR

Rob Lowery has put together a Club Calendar featuring a dozen naked mums with connections to the club. These terrific ladies, who have posed for very tasteful photographs in and around Curl Curl Beach, have done this for the purpose of raising funds for the Club. The Calendars will be offered for sale and you are all encouraged to purchase four each to give away as gifts to friends and relatives. The cost is just \$16.95 plus \$2.50 postage and handling and they can be ordered by:

- Email to Michelle Lowery at mlowery1@optusnet.com.au,
- By cheque to Rob Lowery - 9a Coastview Place, Harbord, 2096.

For more details, check out the Club website at: www.southcurlcurlslsc.au

PATROL ROSTERS

The first patrol roster of the season was scheduled for Saturday 29th September 2007, and went off without a hitch.

Nathan and Georgina have put the patrol roster together and it has been emailed to the members. A copy of the roster has also been placed on the Club website. We will have half day patrols again, basically once a month which is very bearable. Members must make themselves familiar with their rostered days, and if for some reason, a scheduled patrol cannot be kept, it will be the members' responsibility to find a substitute. Successful patrols wholly depend upon Club members arriving at the beach as scheduled, at the appointed time, ready to go.

THE 89th AGM

The 89th AGM was held in the Clubhouse on Sunday 19th August 2007 and as usual this day was well attended. There have been no notable changes to the Club Office bearers and full details of Club contacts can be found on the Club website.

Two new Life Members were named on the day, and they are both very worthy of Life membership.

David Alldis and John (Maverick) White have rendered great service to the club over the years and they still come to the cause when asked. Both gentlemen are great Life Savers and they serve as great examples to others. They are both to be congratulated.

A NEW SURFBOAT ORDERED

Delivery of the boat is expected by the end of December 2007 and hopefully before Christmas. We are now down to two boats although the Tony Cuneo has been saved and is currently kept at Dick Roberts, back paddock (most people have a yard, but not Dick). A name has yet to be officially chosen for the new boat but a few ideas are being thrown around. A bit of brown nosing to Charles Longley may see you in the mix if you're lucky but rest assured the new boat will bear the name of a worthy Club member.

CLUB REGISTRATION DAY FOR THE NEW SEASON

The first official registration day for the new season was held at the Club on Sunday 16th September 2007 and a lot of interest was generated. It looks like we will have a record number of Nippers this coming season which is thanks to the effort of Darrin Stoker and his team including Brad Hines and Jordie Skelton who put in hours of training the age groups. Membership of the senior Club also promises to be beyond expectation by the members represented in the patrol roster. The interest from the Nipper parents continues to increase and several patrols are manned entirely from the ranks of Nipper parents. Many parents have expressed interest in getting their Bronze Medallion this season and they will enrol with Bryn Russell and Craig Blake in their next bronze medallion training intake.

ERROL JONES

Errol has been working hard on improving his image over the winter months and he has developed that lean and sculpted look of your typical Gym Junkie. This change of image was brought about by the prospect on an appearance in the Club calendar. Someone cruelly planted the suggestion in Errol's head that he was seriously being considered for a nude spread in Rob's very tasteful production. Errol had actually booked in for a Brazilian wax and he had taken a few sessions in a tanning salon before it finally dawned on him that he would only be first reserve at the very best. This news took the wind out of Errol's sails although I have heard that some nude photographs taken of Errol have been posted on U-Tube and these photos have developed a cult following among the gay community.

CANINE CAPERS

That well known dog lover, Liane H-M, recently found herself orphaned following the death of her last surviving canine companion, Boof. Not one to let grass grow under her feet, Liane headed straight for the dog pound and promptly liberated a loveable cattle dog-Labrador cross with a very agreeable disposition. This is quite a change for Liane who hitherto has gone for the more menacing "junkyard dog" type canine given to a frenzy of growling and barking which would wake the dead if you were silly enough to come within 50 metres of Liane's front door. The price of this new dog was discounted rather heavily by the pound for some unknown reason and I think that "Bargain" would not be a silly name for him although Liane prefers "Scoot".

OUR DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION (DA) PROGRESS

Following the lodgement of our DA with Council, we were requested to respond to some of the concerns raised by a number of local residents who have expressed issues with our Development Proposal. We engaged a Town Planner to assist us with the preparation of a report to address the concerns of residents and this report has now been lodged with Council. The DA has now been renotified and residents have until 29th October 2007 to lodge their submissions.

We remain optimistic that our DA will eventually be approved by Council and we can then begin planning the construction of the first phase of the project which will undoubtedly be the construction of a new surfboat garage in the airspace over the existing IRB Garage.

THE CUB WEBSITE

www.southcurlcurlslsc.org will get you straight into our website which is now chock full of relevant and useful information. Details include Club contacts, patrol rosters; forthcoming events and are all on the website, Put the site up on your PC as your screen saver.

Email communication to Paul, who is our new Web Master, is via webmaster@southcurlcurlslsc.org

JOKES

The usual jokes appear later in this volume under the heading of Charlie's Chuckles. Chicka Kuhn has contributed a couple of jokes and I have accumulated quite a few more which I will trot out in due course.

ROCKET

The adventures of Rocket would fill this feeble volume with enough material on their own, without the need to refer to anything else. Rocket is generally not slow to consult one of his extended medical teams when he feels that one body part or another is not performing up to scratch and he is forever having medical check-ups. He is now so experienced, when it comes to medical ailments, that he regularly consults to his doctors. For example, the other day, he booked in for a digital prostate test and you can imagine the shock he gave to his doctor when he insisted on a two finger test rather than the usual one. When the shaken doctor feebly enquired... "Why two fingers?"... Rocket explained that he wanted a second opinion. (I will leave you to think about that.) After a couple of close calls with the knife, Rocket nearly survived the entire winter without the need for corrective surgery. He could not help himself though and I understand that he recently had a bit of work done on his eyes. If you see a middle-aged guy stumbling around Curly with two Airedales and a white stick, it's a fair bet that he will answer to 'Rocket'.

THE SOUTH CURL CURL OCEAN SWIM

This event is usually held on the first Sunday after the New Year which will be Sunday 6th January 2008. In the search to make it a special event, it has been decided, weather permitting, to make it a destination swim; starting at South Curl Curl and finishing at Freshwater Beach. This change of course is bound to attract a lot of interest from the dedicated followers of destination swims such as Whale Beach/Palm Beach type swims and it should result in a large increase in participants.

STEVE ROSE

Steve and Skye have moved into their new home in Mona Vale and plan to hold a housewarming party in the near future. Everyone is invited and the food and grog is on Steve who has asked me to put flyers up around the Peninsular to promote the event. Steve's uncanny resemblance to 'Eddie Haskell' finally lead to his eviction from his temporary abode with his in-laws. Skye's parents were so keen for them to leave, it is fairly certain that the purchase of the new home was subsidised by an anonymous donor bearing a close resemblance to Skye's Dad.

DICKY ROBERTS

Otherwise known as the Siamese twin of Barry Farrell, Dicky as been declared persona non-grata at Unit 2, 41 Carrington Parade. Dicky's hitherto unrestricted access to Barry's fridge and pantry has seen Dicky blow out to Matt Dunning proportions and conversely, Barry fade away to a shadow. I understand that the last straw was when Dicky started to leave shopping lists for Barry which usually started and ended with Tim-Tams. Dicky now casts quite a shadow and it will do him good to be barred from Barry's for a while. Dicky just doesn't spend his time hoovering the contents of Barry's pantry and fridge. He is also the captain of the Tai Chi rowing team comprises seven rowing luminaries including Dicky. He is yet to organise the first training session but now he has been barred from Barry's it can't be far off.

FOOTY CORNER

Despite having a great run into the finals, the Rats crashed out finishing third to Sydney Uni and Easts which was a great effort under coach, John McKee. Notwithstanding, the Rats are well represented in the ARC Northern Rays team who are in the grand final this weekend. There will certainly be a revision of the club rugby competition next season and the Rats once again will be more than competitive with a strong coaching team to guide them to better things.. As good as the Rats went, the real story however, is the mighty Sea Eagles Manly Rugby League team who got into the grand final and were a strong chance to beat Melbourne for the title. It is unbelievable how well they played this year and it is a credit to the coaching staff. The Manly haters around town, and there are plenty of them, including Rocket, will be grinding their dentures at the prospect of Manly winning the comp.Maybe next year.

MATT ASHCROFT

'Matt who?' you say. Well he is a mate and he got married on 1st September in the UK. A few Club Members went over for the wedding – Kevin, Jonno Beavon, Champ, Pete Rodham and Lisa Hewitt and I understand they had a great time. You will get to meet Ash soon because he is coming home to settle in Sydney. You will easily pick him out as the guy with the milk bottle complexion.

Kevin advises that Ash intends to take up residence in Neutral Bay so that his tosser up market new mates will never know of his past as a deviant trainee surf boat sweep.

Ash has now joined the cafe latte set and probably goes to the opera and it is very likely that anyone who attempts to remind him of his past life in the Surf Club will be slapped with a restraining order from his legal team.

CHARLIE'S CHUCKLES

Charlie mostly gives me a couple of jokes and we will give them a run. You may have noticed that the jokes help to give a perception that this worthless rag has a bit of depth, but a closer look will reveal that it is really a fairly shallow publication based upon the ridicule of others not able to defend themselves, which is why I like it.

One of Charlie's:-

Termite recently walked into a fancy dress party with a woman strapped to his back. He wanders around, says he'll have a drink and a nibble before the host approaches and says, "Look, this is supposed to be a fancy dress party – what are you supposed to be?" Termite looked at him and says "I am a typical garden snail" "A garden snail?" splutters the host... "but you've got a woman on your back" ...and Termite replied.. "Ah this is no ordinary woman, this is Michelle" (...oh, I get it Charlie..me shell.)

Now for some real jokes....

Irish Joke:-

Paddy's pregnant sister was in a terrible car accident and went into a deep coma. After being in the coma for nearly six months, she wakes up and sees that she is no longer pregnant.

Frantically, she asks the doctor about her baby. The doctor replies "Ma'am, you actually had twins – a boy and a girl. The babies are fine now. However they were poorly at birth and had to be christened immediately – your brother came in and named them.

The woman thinks to herself "Oh suffering Jesus no! – not me brother! He's a clueless idiot!"

Expecting the worst, she asks the doctor "Well, what my daughter's name?"

"Denise" says the doctor. The new mother is somewhat relieved. "Wow, that's a nice name. I guess I was wrong about my brother. I like Denise". Then she asks "What is the boy's name?"

"Denephew" came the reply.

The Scottish Dentist:-

A Scotsman phones a dentist to enquire about the cost for a tooth extraction.

"\$85 for an extraction sir" the dentist replied.

"\$85!!! – have you no got anythin' cheaper?"

"That is the normal charge" said the dentist.

"Whit about if ye did'nae use any anesthetic?"

"That's the usual sir, but I could do it an knock \$15 off"

"Whit about if ye used one of your dentist trainees and still without an anesthetic?"

"I can't guarantee their professionalism and it'll be painful, but the price could drop to \$40"

"How about if ye make it a trainin' session, ave yer student do the extraction with the other students watchin' and learnin'?"

It would be good for the students, mulled the dentist...."It's going to be very traumatic, but I'll only charge you \$5"

"Ochh-man, now yer takin' laddie! – It's a deal" said the Scotsman. "Can ye confirm an appointment for the wife next Tuesday then?"

Men Only – Good Advice

Now all men know that women come from a different planet and they have developed their own language. An interpretation is as follows:-

1. "Fine" – This is the word women use to end an argument when they are right and need you to shut up.
2. "Five Minutes" – If she is getting dressed, this means half an hour. Five minutes is only five minutes if you have just been given five more minutes to watch the game before helping around the house.
3. "Nothing" – This is the calm before the storm. This means something, and you should be on your toes. Arguments that begin with nothing usually end in "Fine!".

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4. "Go Ahead" – This is a dare, not permission.....Don't Do It!
5. Loud Sigh – This is actually a word, but is a non-verbal statement. Often misunderstood by men, a loud sigh means that she thinks you are an idiot and wonders why she is wasting her time standing here and arguing with you about nothing (Refer back to #3 for the meaning of nothing).
6. "That's OK" – This is one of the most dangerous statements a woman can make to a man. 'That's OK' means that she wants to think long and hard before deciding how and when you will pay for your mistake.
7. "Thanks" – A woman is thanking you. Do not question or faint. Just say "You're welcome"
8. "Whatever" – Is a woman's way of saying "F#@k You!"
9. "Don't worry about it, I'll do it" – Another dangerous statement meaning that this is something that a woman has told you to do several times, but is now doing it herself. This will alter result in a man asking "What's wrong?" For the woman's response, refer to #3.

When Insults had Class

A well-thought-out insult can cause more damage than a hit over the head with a blunt object. Here are a couple of classic insults from some of the best, they may be useful to you in the future. Try to associate each insult with someone you know - it is good fun:-

Winston Churchill

Condemning someone with faint praise---

- "A modest little person with much to be modest about"
- In response to an offer from George Bernard Shaw for tickets to the opening night of his latest play, "I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play; bring a friend...if you have one". Winston shot right back with "Cannot possibly attend first night, will attend second.....if there is one".

Mark Twain

- "I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying that I approved of it". (I am saving this one up).
- "Why do you sit there looking like an envelope without any address on it?"

Irving S Cobb

- "I've just learned about his illness; lets hope it's nothing trivial".

John Bright

- "He is a self-made man and worships his creator". (There are a few candidates for this insult aren't there?).

Forrest Tucker

- "He loves nature, in spite of what it did to him". (Errol?).

Oscar Wilde

- "Some cause happiness wherever they go; others whenever they go" (Dicky comes to mind doesn't he?)
- "He has no enemies, but is intensely disliked by his friends". (Errol comes to mind)

Jackie E Leonard

- "There is nothing wrong with you that reincarnation won't cure". (Defamation laws prevent me from naming who comes to mind. It's a bit like the aptness of retrospective abortion isn't it?)

DEISEL JOHNS

I heard a rumour the other day that one of our most esteemed life members, who will remain anonymous – lets call him Deisel Johns, has taken umbrage at something written about him in Pooh Bear. It seems that poor old Deisel, who lives in the country these days, has become a little thin-skinned in his twilight years, which is a far cry from his demeanour in the days of his youth when it wasn't beyond him to take the piss out of his mates at the slightest opportunity. Let me assure all readers of this publication – including old Deisel (who has taken over 3 months to notice that he was the object of a tongue-in-cheek paragraph or two in the last edition), that this magazine is always prepared in the spirit of goodwill and humour which sometimes gives the impression of being at the expense of others.

I only do it because I can but no malice is ever intended. Lighten up Deisel, life is too short to hold a grudge.

I hope you like the following adaptation of Banjo's " In Defense of the Bush" which is dedicated to a fellow from the country, much like old Deisel, who has become easily irritated in his twilight years:

"So you back from up the country Mr Deisel where you went
And you're cursing all the business in a bitter discontent;
Well we grieve to disappoint you and it makes us sad to hear
That it wasn't cool and shady and there wasn't plenty beer
Seems the country life has changed you and you're somewhat hard to please
You've become a little precious since you've left the Curly seas
I think you miss the city living and the company of your peer
The country life has dulled you, made you soft and somewhat queer
You had better stick to Sydney and make merry with the push
For the bush will never suit you and you'll never suit the bush"
(sincere apologies to Banjo).

FITNESS TRAINING FOR JUNIORS

Fitness training for Juniors will commence on Tuesday, 16th October 2007 at 5pm at the Clubhouse. Tuesday seems to be the most suitable day but if it isn't for you, bad luck, life wasn't meant to be easy.

There are no strict age limits but generally speaking, sessions will be designed for 11 to 16 year olds.

PROFICIENCY DATES

Proficiencies this year will be held at the beach on the following Sundays:

21st October;

18th November; and

16th December.

Competitors please take note.

I love yuse all. Speak to you next time.

POOH



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2007-2008

September

Sat 29th

Season Begins

Sun 30th

Club House Open
NRL Grand Final

October

Sun 7th

SNB Selection Carnival
Nth Curl Curl

Sat 13th

Bilgola Carnival

Sun 14th

Nippers Starts
South Curly Soundwaves

Sat 27th

Whale Beach Carnival

November

Sat 3rd

Collaroy Nipper Carnival

Sun 4th

Ocean Thunder - 1

Sat 10th

Avalon Carnival

Sun 11th

Manly Nipper Carnival

Sat 17th / Sun 18th

Interbranch – Ocean Beach

Sat 24th

Freshwater Masters

Sat 24th / Sun 25th

Coffs Harbour Carnival

December

Sat 1st

Interstate – Bondi

Sat 8th

**North Narrabeen Carnival
Sth Curly X-mas Party**

Sun 9th

Queenscliff Nipper Carnival

Sat 15th

**North Cronulla Carnival
Ocean Thunder – 2**

Sun 16th

Last day for Nippers in 2007

January (1st week only)

Sat 5th

Queenscliff Carnival

Sun 6th

**East Coast Masters – Collaroy
Sth Curl Curl Ocean Swim**