

Treasurer's Report

Hello Everybody.

The March meeting was well attended and all members going on the Mudgee Weekend all paid their Motel accommodation, for which I thank them.

I will be in Queensland that weekend, attending my niece's wedding at Mooloolaba.

Our finances are looking healthy at the moment, so keep the good work going.

See you on the 12th of April next.

Shirley

Carer's Report

Hi Everyone,

On behalf of all Fairhearts members. Our deepest sympathy to Stan and Suzanne Allen On the sudden death of their Grandson, who was only a few months old. Our thoughts and prayers are with you both at this sad time.

Merv Rogers had his operation on the 17th of March. Thankfully ever thing went well which was great news.

Lucy Harris will be having her Shoulder operation in the near future.

Yvonne Simmonds mother had a nasty fall and as a result Yvonne has had to fly to Perth to take care of her for a couple of weeks.

Take care and good health to you all, Annette.

Korn Korner.

Catholic Horses.

One day while he was at the track playing the ponies and all but losing his shirt, Mitch noticed a priest who stepped out on to the track and blessed the forehead of one of the horses lining up for the 4th race. Lo and behold, that horse, a very long shot, won the race.

Before the next race, as the horses began lining up, Mitch watched with interest as the priest again stepped onto the track. Sure enough as the horses for the 5th race came to the starting gate the priest made a blessing on the forehead of one of them. Mitch made a bee line for the betting window and placed a small bet on the horse. Again even though it was another long shot, the horse the priest had blessed won the race. Mitch collected his winnings and anxiously waited to see which horse would bless for the 6th race.

The priest again blessed a horse. Mitch bet big on it, and it won. Mitch was elated. As the races continued the priest kept blessing long shots, and each one ended up coming in first. By and by, Mitch was pulling in some serious money. By the last race, he knew his wildest dreams were going to come true. He made a quick dash to the ATM, withdrew all of his savings and awaited the priest's blessing that would tell him which horse to bet on.

True to his pattern, the priest stepped onto the track for the last race and blessed the forehead of an old nag that was the longest shot of the day. Mitch also observed the priest blessing the eyes, ears and hooves of the old nag. He then watched dumbfounded as the old nag came in dead last. Mitch, in a state of shock, made his way down the track to where the priest was. Confronting the old priest he demanded, 'Father! What happened? All day long you blessed horses and they all won. Then in the last race, the horse you blessed lost by a Kentucky mile. Now thanks to you I've lost every cent of my savings, all of it.

The priest nodded wisely and with sympathy, "son" he said, "That's the problem with you Protestants, you can't tell the difference between a simple blessing and the **Last Rites.**"



THINGS TO DO!

Mudgee Weekend. 2nd and 3rd of April.

Bus to depart Smithfield RSL car park at **7.30 AM sharp**. If you could be there by 7.15 am so as to ensure your luggage can be stored securely and the bus money is all sorted before we leave. I would much appreciate if you had the exact \$20.00 per person with you on the morning. Please contact Annette on **0421699483**, Jan on **0413668742** or Ken on **0418467446** if you are running late or there is a problem.

Itinerary.

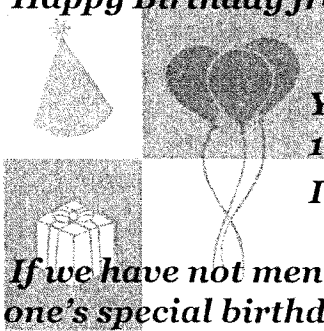
Morning tea at **McDonalds** at Lithgow. Arriving in Mudgee approximately 11.00 am. **The Honey Haven** will be our first stop, entry is **free**. Lunch and wine tasting at **Mudgee Wines, \$10.00 per person** for lunch and wine tasting. Next the **Mudgee Museum. Entry \$4.00 per person**. Dinner will be at **Mudgee Soldiers Club** where the meals are reasonably priced. Choice of Chinese, Thai and Australian. Sunday after breakfast we will be visiting **The Olives Nest, entry is free**, next **Robert Steins Winery and Motor Cycle Museum. Cost is \$10.00 per person** for wine Tasting with cheese platters. Lunch will be at the **Mudgee Café and Bakery**, then its back to Sydney with afternoon tea on the way. I hope you all have an enjoyable weekend. We have a full bus plus 2 people in their car.

Trivia Night

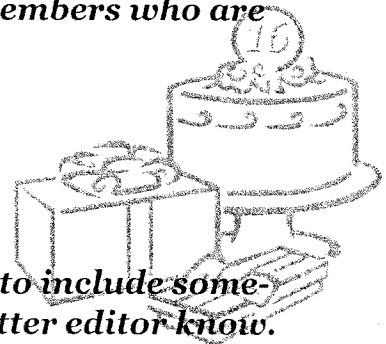
Tuesday 12th of April is our 1st Trivia Night. Kevin has been busy organizing the questions for the evening. Lets hope they're not too hard and I'd like to thank, Jan, Lucy and Joyce for volunteering to make supper for us.

April Birthday Celebrations!

Happy Birthday from all of the Fairhearts to the following Members who are celebrating their birthday:



Yvonne Simmonds **Ces Wales 15th**
10th **Barry Simmonds**
Irene Little 14th **29th**



If we have not mentioned your birthday, or if you would like to include someone's special birthday in our newsletter, please let the newsletter editor know.

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Breaking News

Due to the inclement weather our day trip to Manly on the 20th of March was canceled.

It has been proposed that we have a River Cruise on the Georges River in May.

We will discuss this suggestion at our April meeting.

We are also organizing a speaker for our May meeting.

WHO ARE WE AND WHAT DO WE DO?



We Are the "Fairhearts", the Fairfield and District Branch of Heart-Support Australia

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Who are we and what do we do?

The "Fairhearts, Fairfield and District branch of Heart-Support Australia (HSA) are a support group for people who have heart related problems, as well as their carers and families. We have a strong commitment to the three words included on the HSA logo which are: Support, Encouragement and Information.

We provide support by having regular monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of every month where we meet with people with similar heart related problems and their carers and families and share our thoughts and offer support to each other. We have a Caring Officer, Annette Dearle, who is available to provide support to our members.

We provide encouragement by inviting members and their carers to join our walking group and become more active by organizing outings and social events. We have a very healthy social calendar and encourage members and their guest to participate.

We provide information by inviting guest speakers along to talk on a wide range of topics but particularly heart related issues. We are supported by the Fairfield Hospital Cardiac Rehabilitation Unit and the Coordinator and staff regularly come to talk to our meetings and also come along to some of our social events. If you would like to know more about us, please contact the Fairhearts President, Arthur Boyd on 96047952 or the Publicity Officer Yvonne Simmonds on 96106295



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