



**THE RIVERSIDE CLUB NEWSLETTER – ISSUE #98
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News from the Committee

Graeme Bain

The Committee met for the penultimate time this year on 4th July. In a wide-ranging discussion, it was agreed that that from 1st July, non-members would be charged \$5 a head extra for regular Friday night meals and for events such as the Melbourne Cup and Christmas Dinner. The Committee is keen to provide members with benefits not available to non-members.

Preparations are in hand for this year's AGM which will be held on Monday 8th August at 5.30pm. A number of proposed changes to the Club Constitution have been accepted by the Committee. These now need to go to the full voting membership for approval at the AGM and will be circulated to everyone in advance for consideration.

End of year stocktaking has been completed and our bookkeeper, Equitas is currently preparing the accounts for the annual audit. Details will be made available at the AGM.

In response to requests from the Bowls Committee, Club badges will be designed, manufactured and made available to members for a fee that will recoup costs over time.

Issues were also raised concerning various aspects of the upper carpark, such as lighting, location of the waste bin, piles of left-over gravel etc. The Committee intends to look into all these issues as soon as practicable. Management of the upper car park is a shared responsibility with our landlord, the Shire of Denmark, so it is proposed to initially hold an informal meeting with the Shire to plan our approach to ensuring the safety of those using the car park.

A further request from the Bowls Committee that the honours boards be relocated was discussed but rejected by the Committee. The issue has arisen on several occasions in the past and the current location was agreed by special meeting vote.

Membership

By now, everyone should have received an invoice requesting that they renew their Riverside membership. Renewal became due on 1st July and current membership is valid until the AGM on 8th August after which it will lapse. If you haven't received your renewal notice please contact us. We encourage everyone to renew promptly to ensure they take advantage of a full year of member benefits. As a reminder, fees for 2022/23 - which are largely unchanged on last year - are:

Registered bowlers	\$190
Restricted bowlers	\$130
Dragonboaters	\$200
Junior Dragon Boats	\$20
Non-sporting full members	\$70
Social members	\$40

The various methods of payment are explained in the renewal notice. Please note that if you pay over the bar, remember to ask for a receipt, and note that members points are not applicable to membership fees – only to food and drink when purchased at the bar.

Certificates

Here is a reminder of the links for those of you wanting to do any of the courses that require certificates. If you need help with accessing any of the courses, please let us know. We'll continue to include the Covid Hygiene course for now as even in the post Covid world, the advice it gives could be useful in helping to avoid future variants of Covid or other viruses.

COVID-19 hygiene (two level options):	Covid 19 Hygiene Course
RSA (several providers do this)	Responsible Service of Alcohol
I'm Alert food handling course	I'm Alert

Note that the free I'm Alert training can now only be obtained through a 'subscribing organisation.' The link above will take you to the Shire of Denmark's log in page for the course and you can sign up as a new user from there.

On the Greens Richard Hynes

From Richard

Despite the chills of winter descending upon us, there is quite a buzz on the greens. As usual we have our social bowls on Saturdays and Tuesdays and now we have the Bump Board in full swing and have just started the second round of our TTT competition.

All teams thoroughly enjoy the concept and most have committed to the next round. Results of the completed round one are:

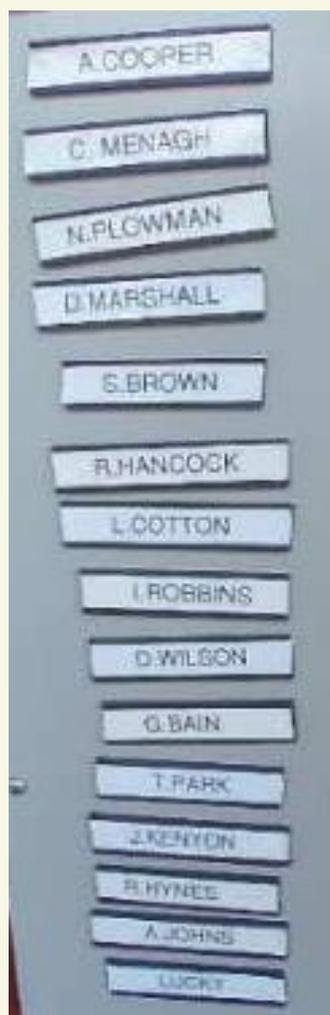
- 1st BROWN DOGS with 70 points + 132 shots up
- 2nd L.A.ash's. with 60 points + 84 shots up

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3rd Nifty's with 50 points and 33 shots up

The full results are shown in the table below, not coincidentally supplied by a member of the Brown family:

		Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Running	Week 7
Team 1	Shots	17	34	34	16	-7	38	132	
Brown Dogs	Points	15	15	10	10	5	15	70	1st
Team 2	Shots	5	-33	-2	-15	16	-23	-52	
IBK	Points	10	0	0	10	10	0	30	
Team 3	Shots	-5	2	-34	4	15	28	10	
IAD	Points	5	10	5	5	10	15	50	5th
Team 4	Shots	6	-2	6	15	-20	11	16	
JMD	Points	10	10	10	5	5	10	50	4th
Team 5	Shots	-17	-2	-5	11	13	23	23	
Double Kissers	Points	0	5	10	5	10	15	45	
Team 6	Shots	13	-21	-2	0	20	-28	-18	
The Wilsons	Points	10	5	15	10	10	0	50	
Team 7	Shots	10	21	-4	-4	-19	29	33	
Nifty's	Points	10	10	5	10	0	15	50	3rd
Team 8	Shots	-6	-34	4	0	-15	-11	-62	
Unknowns	Points	5	0	10	5	5	10	35	
Team 9	Shots	-15	2	-8	-11	7	-29	-54	
Maybees	Points	5	5	5	10	10	0	35	
Team 10	Shots	39	26	5	-16	19	11	84	
The L.A.ash's	Points	15	15	5	5	15	5	60	2nd
Team 11	Shots	-10	-26	8	-3	-16	-11	-58	
Trotters Inc.	Points	5	0	10	10	5	5	35	
Team 12	Shots	-39	33	-6	3	13	-38	-34	
WOF's	Points	0	15	5	5	5	0	30	



The Bump Board is providing a lot of activity on the greens as well. Ash Cooper has steadily climbed to the top after victory over his nemesis Neville Plowman who was anchored at the top for some time.

Every day there seems to be a challenge in progress, with the board constantly changing. The board on the left (8th July) has already been superseded. As of 11th July the top four players are:

- Ash Cooper
- Cheryl Menagh
- Neville Plowman
- Rob Hancock

There is a buzz around the club from those planning their annual northern migration. Us non-migratory members who need to stay at home to practise are searching our wardrobes; hunting down thermals, coats and wet weather gear.

Everyone keep safe and covid free.

Richard

Dragon Boating Mo Cowdell

It is with much sadness we announce the passing of our esteemed and loved retired paddler, Janice Tait. Janice paddled with our club for several years before retiring due to illness. Janice passed away peacefully at Denmark Hospital on Monday the 27th of June in the company of her husband Gordon and children Lawrie and Robert.



The newly re-vamped Dragonboating WA website has a link which takes members to Riverside page. Go to <https://dragonboatingwa.asn.au/home/> and search for the Denmark club.

For those who want to try the sport, we are offering three free trials. Further information is available on request.

Our new Coffee Club session on Saturdays involves a one hour paddle followed by a social cuppa at a local café afterwards.

Why not join us? It's a great way of making friends, getting fit, and having a laugh!

Travellers' Tales Ross and Irene Hogben

It's that time of year when those not involved in TTT and Bumper Boards hitch up their wagons and depart to other areas of the country. This month we have a report from Ross and Irene Hogben, enjoying the freedom of the open road again after all the Covid constraints.

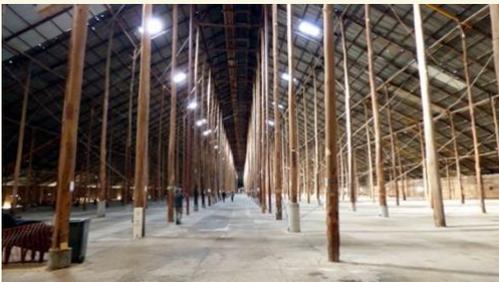
Four weeks after leaving Denmark finds us, on Sunday 3rd July, in Griffith, NSW. Along the way we have had some varied and interesting experiences. Two highlights to date have been "The Stick Shed" and Lake Mulwala.

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Travelling through the Wimmera region in Victoria, a wrong turn took us to a town called Murtoa and the Murtoa Grain Store. This was an incredible structure to see. Known as “The Stick Shed”, it was originally constructed out of 560 unmilled poles of Mountain Ash (56 rows of 10). The shed’s roof and sides are corrugated iron. When used as a grain store it was completely vermin proofed. The shed is approximately 270m long, 60m wide and 19m high along the ridge. The 1.6-hectare floor is made of hand mixed concrete.



This structure was built in 4½ months, ENTIRELY by manual labour. Work commenced on 25th September 1941 and the store was ready to receive wheat in January 1942. The first wheat in BAGS was delivered on 22 January 1942. The first railway truck of bulk wheat arrived on 17th February. It was the beginning of bulk storage. The capacity of storage was 95,000 tons.



Stick Sheds and similar storage sheds were built throughout Australia at this time. Bulk storage was required because of a wheat glut due to WW II. WA had four such sheds. The Stick Shed in Murtoa is a monumental structure and the only shed of its type to have survived in Australia. It is No. 101 on the Australian Heritage list, the highest heritage listing in the country. It is testament to what can be achieved when there is a need and a will “to get the job done.” The sensation of standing inside this

enormous empty structure is like being in a major Cathedral. If you are interested in more detailed information visit: www.thestickshed.com.au

The other highlight was at Lake Mulwala in NSW. This lake is part of the Murray River system, the Murray being the longest river in Australia. It is also the border between Victoria and NSW.



Every few years during winter the water level in the lake is lowered, primarily to manage Egeria (weed) but also to allow maintenance on the main weir which controls the level of water in this manmade lake. Many private jetties, the town’s swimming baths, wrecks of paddle steamers from a bygone era and trees are also exposed.

The most striking sight was the exposed trees. It was like seeing an apocalypse - thousands of dead tree trunks rising from the floor of the lake. It was eerie and quite surreal. Ross was at a loss for words, not really!!

Griffiths (our home for a few days) is a huge irrigation and agricultural area. The region grows 90% of Australia’s rice and 95% of Australian prunes. Recently one million hazelnut trees have been planted for the chocolate maker Ferrero! Cotton is also grown. Tomorrow we are off to explore.....

Irene and Ross July 2022

Poem of the Month Denis Marshall

After our McGonagall detour last month we return to our in-house bard Dennis, who has at last found a use for the 65 reams of headed paper he ordered just before he 'retired'.

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We hear it through the river gums it whispers in the grass
The murmurs from the east ignites the old bush telegraph
The station hut and shearing shed and the old bush country pub
The word now reaches loud and clear across the mulga scrub

Then dopey bloody bureaucrats what's this I hear you tell
Have flicked the Flying Doctor and reduced their funding as well
Yes them number crunching collar boys must have brains as big as fleas
To consider giving out the contract to some bunch from overseas

Our men have sworn to take up arms the women have started crying
For they know that we will fight to keep our doctor flying
To reduce once more our service of health and medical
Will force our small communities towards the fires of hell

Have you considered what would happen to our families further out
If you stopped our flying doctor flying and phased the service out
Would you send us out an ambulance – well that's a bloody laugh
We have a small bush clinic that you can't afford to staff

Yes we live in isolated areas – you call us rural and remote
The only time we hear from you is when the time comes round to vote
Maybe if you came more often and experienced how we live
You may not take so much away but find some more to give

By a lonely western river our bush families bow to pray
To the gods that brace the heavens don't take our doc away
Those two dollar wrong bias fines well don't despair
You might just be keeping the plane in the air.

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Rae's Treasure of the month

Dad and Dave saw an ad in the local paper and bought a donkey for \$100. The farmer agreed to deliver the donkey the next day. The next morning the farmer drove up and said "Sorry, fellows, I have some bad news, the donkey died last night."

"Well, then just give us our money back." Dad said. The farmer said, "Can't do that, I went and spent it already." Dad said, "OK then, just bring us the dead donkey."

The farmer asked, "What in the world are ya gonna to do with a dead donkey?"

"We gonna raffle him off," Dad said. The farmer said, "You can't raffle off a dead donkey!" "We sure can. Heck, we don't hafta tell nobody he's dead!"

A couple of weeks later the farmer ran into Dad and Dave at the store and asked, "What d'you fellas ever do with that dead donkey?" They said "We raffled him off like we said we wuz gonna do. We sold 500 tickets for \$2 apiece and made a profit of \$898." "My lord," said the farmer. "Didn't anyone complain?"

"Well, the fella that won got upset," Dad said. "So we gave him his \$2 back."

Dave D's Ditties

Bob and his wife started dieting a week ago.

Bob's wife proposed that they should have a cheat day today.

She brought home McDonald's and KFC wings. Bob brought home his secretary.

From his hospital bed, Bob is wondering when men will ever begin to understand women.



Common Riding - get ready

Friday July 29th is a big day – and not just because it's Quiz Night at Riverside. Many of you will know that in our unofficially twinned town of Langholm in Scotland, the last Friday in July is Common Riding Day.

The ceremony began in the middle of the 18th century and has been celebrated annually ever since. The Covid



pandemic severely restricted the event in the last two years so the townsfolk and a huge number of visitors and exiled Langholmmites are looking forward to a full-on resumption this year.

We'll include a report on the Common Riding in next month's newsletter, but please raise a glass to Langholm on the 29th. And just in case the questions come up in the quiz – the Cornet's name is Ruri Hotson, this year's colours are royal blue and yellow, and the first Common Riding took place in 1759!

Around the Club

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Bingo

Come along and join the fun every Monday. Eyes down 12.30pm.

Riverside Winter Quiz Nights

Our enjoyable series of well-attended quiz nights continues this month. Val Ball's June quiz brought a whole new set of questions to the table that really made us think. This month's quiz, hosted by Jane Holland, will continue on a general knowledge theme.

DENMARK RIVERSIDE CLUB - QUIZ NIGHTS

Gather a table of 6 for our fun, winter quiz nights!
Fun & Prizes!

(We can help you make up a team if requested)



Dates: ~~Friday 27th May~~
~~Friday 24th June~~
Friday 29th July
Friday 26th August

Bar opens at 5.30pm

Bring along your own nibbles/supper to share on your table
\$10.00 pp.

To book, E-mail 1Riverside16@gmail.com or put your name on the list at the club as usual.

Denmark Homeless

As our Friday meal-goers will know, at the end of the evening if we have food left over, we offer it to members in return for a donation to the Denmark Homeless Project. So far this year you have raised \$738.50 which is a great achievement. We cut out food waste, you get an extra meal and we help to support the homeless in our town. Win, win, win.

Functions at the Club

A reminder that members get 'special deals' when they hire all or part of the Club for a function. We have the capacity and experience to host virtually any function be it a party, anniversary or wake. If you would like to reserve a date for a personal or business event, get in touch with Graeme Bain (0417 940618) or Jane Holland (0480 167338) or email us at events.riversideclub@gmail.com.

Catering Lorraine Cotton

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Friday evening meals. Inevitably in the winter months we don't get the crowds we do in summer, but we hope you are still enjoying the range of food we offer and the very reasonable prices. We hate having to cancel and disappoint people who have booked, especially when we bring in a new provider, and will try our best not to, so we appreciate your continued support.

And if you are in the habit of enjoying the products of our kitchen, why not get together a group of friends and prepare a meal on a Friday evening? We are always open to suggestions and can provide help and advice when needed. We are also always on the lookout for local professional caterers who might be interested in one-off or ongoing meals, so if you can recommend any, please let us know. Get in touch with Lorraine (lcottonballs83@gmail.com)

Upcoming events:

Friday 15 th July	Lorraine and team -sweet and sour chicken and rice
Friday 22 nd July	JK's fabulous fish and chips
Friday 27 th July	No Meal – Quiz night
Friday 5 th August	Lena's Indonesian Cuisine – bistro menu, cash only
Friday 12 th August	Jenny, Polly and Brenda: Thai chicken, Beef & Mushroom in red wine, vegetarian curry, all with rice and apple and cream/ice cream \$20
Friday 19 th August	t.b.c.
Friday 26 th August	No meal – quiz night

TO BOOK: WHEN THE CLUB IS OPEN PUT YOUR NAME ON THE LIST ON THE FOYER TABLE. ALTERNATIVELY SEND AN EMAIL TO 1Riverside16@gmail.com. Regrettably, we can't take 'phone bookings.

Recipe of the Month - Jane Holland

Easy Apple Strudel

9 Ingredients

- 2 tbsp caster sugar
- 1 tbsp plain flour
- ¼ tsp ground cinnamon
- 2 large granny smith apples, peeled, cored, thinly sliced
- 2 tbsp raisins
- 1 sheet (25cm x 25cm) frozen, ready rolled puff pastry, thawed
- Extra flour to dust
- 1 egg
- Icing sugar to dust



4 Method steps

1. Pre-heat oven to 190°C. Combine sugar, flour and cinnamon in a bowl. Add apples and raisins. Toss to coat.
2. Line a baking tray with non-stick baking paper. Place the pastry on a lightly floured sheet of non-stick baking paper. Dust the pastry lightly with flour. Roll the pastry lightly in one direction to form a 30cm x 40cm rectangle. With one short side facing you, spoon the apple mixture over the bottom half of the pastry, leaving a 2cm border around the edges.
3. Roll the pastry into a large log. Place seam side down on the baking tray. Tuck the ends under the roll.
4. Combine the egg with 1 tablespoon of water. Brush with the egg mixture. Cut several 2cm long slits, 2cm apart, into the top of the roll. Bake for 35 minutes or until golden. Transfer to a wire rack lined with baking paper for 30 minutes to cool. Dust with icing sugar and serve.

The Last Laugh – Dave’s Edinburgh Comedy Awards

Dave is a British TV channel famous for showing endless repeats of comedy shows and a quirky sense of humour (example). Dave’s Edinburgh Comedy Awards (formerly the Perrier Comedy Awards as well as other names according to the sponsor, are presented to the comedy shows deemed to have been the best at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. Here are a few of the prize-winning jokes ...

2019 - Olaf Falafel

“I keep randomly shouting out 'Broccoli' and 'Cauliflower' - I think I might have Florets.”

2018 - Adam Rowe

“Working at the job centre has to be a tense job: knowing that if you get fired, you still have to come in the next day.”

2017 - Ken Cheng

“I’m not a fan of the new pound coin, but then again, I hate all change.”

2016 - Masai Graham

“My dad has suggested that I register for a donor card. He’s a man after my own heart.”

2015 - Tommy Tiernan

“Two flies are playing football in a saucer. One says to the other, ‘Make an effort, we’re playing in the cup tomorrow.’”

2014 - Tim Vine

"I've decided to sell my Hoover... well, it was just collecting dust."

2013 - Rob Auton

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"I heard a rumour that Cadbury is bringing out an oriental chocolate bar. Could be a Chinese Wispa."

2012 - Stewart Francis

"You know who really gives kids a bad name? Posh and Becks."

2011 - Nick Helm

"I needed a password eight characters long so I picked Snow White and the Seven Dwarves."

2010 - Tim Vine

"I've just been on a once-in-a-lifetime holiday. I'll tell you what, never again."

2009 - Dan Antopolski

"Hedgehogs - why can't they just share the hedge?"

Contact Us

Something to tell your fellow Club members or the Committee?

For general comments, meal bookings and queries: contact us on the Riverside email 1Riverside16@gmail.com

For questions to the Committee: contact the Secretary direct on secretary.riversideclub@gmail.com

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