



Convict Trash



Run 1909 - 16/10/23

Hare: Merkin – Location: Cronulla

Starters Gun

A lovely warm October day until around 3.30/4.00pm (depending upon what side of Captain Cook Bridge you live) gave way to cold, blustery winds and a big drop in temperature. So once again the black and gold jackets were out and about in abundance. Bingo called time to start at 6.29pm. She was wearing a singlet top and feeling the cold.

Circle Report - Grewsome

In 1919 Mr Fred Baker a Cronulla resident organised a meeting to form a Bowling Club in the area. Unfortunately, as sufficient water could not be found the project fell through and the sum of £600 which had been collected from local residents to form the Club had to be returned.

Eventually in 1924 a good supply of fresh water was found in sufficient quantities to sustain a green. Records show that 10 residents held a meeting for the purpose of forming a bowling club for Cronulla. The first Clubhouse was situated between the existing No.1 and the No.2 greens facing north. Entrance was by way of a driveway at the rear of the clubhouse off Wilbar Avenue.

The early years were tough with no poker machines or bar or as it was known then 'Refreshment Room' and it was suggested that shares be taken out by the Club's members to the value of £20,000. This was to be divided into 4,000 shares of £5 each with Mr William Munn Abbott receiving Share Certificate No.1 on 5th May 1927. This share was donated back to the Club on his passing in June 1946. In fact in due course during these tough times most members donated their shares back to the Club enabling much needed progress to take place.

In October 1938 the Cronulla Women's Bowling Club was formed. By the late 1940's early 1950's the Club had improved its financial position and in October 1951, the Club purchased the property in Croydon Street where the present Clubhouse stands.

1956 saw two more houses in Wilbar Avenue being purchased so allowing the construction of a third green. This meant that the old clubhouse was to be removed and No. 2 green to be extended to its present size. The surrounds of No.3 green were sown and slowly with great care and skilful attention the turf multiplied enough to cover the whole of No.3 green. With the old clubhouse removed a new one was constructed to house the growing

population of members. This time and with the prior purchase of the land in Croydon Street it was decided to build a two- story clubhouse which still stands today.



Run Report – Duck (a good impartial mate to do the report)

***a great run**

***the last run in Cronulla went nowhere near the beach but this time there was a southerly blowing and lots of sea and sand to enjoy**

***the halfway bucket featuring Woollooware Whispers (Merkin’s special secret recipe) was much appreciated**

Score – 9/10

Athletes – None this week

Birthdays - None this week

Prickette –

***Merkin > Scotch Mist – Mother of the Year Award - enjoyed drinks at the halfway bucket and son Andrew was missing**

***Doc > Blondie – she had been good all week**

Prick –

***Duck > Grewsome – where was Andrew ???**

***Grewsome > Duck – Duck thinks he has friends**

***Grewsome > Duck – problems he experienced when attempting to assemble the collapsible recycling container**

***Moa > Duck – called Doc ... Duck**

***** And this weeks winners are Scotch Mist and Duck *****

Visitors –

Grahame

Janet

Announcements –

Rabbit –

***Hares needed for future runs**

***Sir Les's run in two weeks – Halloween theme**

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Next Weeks Run

Hare : Dish

Date : 23/10/23

Start : Pagewood Hotel

2 Maroubra Road, Maroubra.

Car parking available behind Hotel

On On : Pagewood Hotel