

# 'How Did We Do It?'

By Club Member Caroline McIntyre

Many of us lived as children in the 40's 50's and 60's. Looking back it is hard to believe that we have lived as long as we have.

As children we would ride in cars with no seat-belts or airbags.

Our cribs were covered with brightly coloured lead based paint.

We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, doors, or cabinets; and we rode our bikes with no helmets.



We would spend hours building our Billy Carts from scraps of wood and then ride them down the hill, only to find out that we forgot the brakes.

After running into bushes a few times we learned to solve the problem.

We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the lights came on.

We played dodge ball (brandy) and sometimes the ball would really hurt.

We got cut and broke bones and teeth and there were no law suits. They were accidents. No one was to blame but us. Remember accidents?

We had fights and punched each other and were black and blue and learnt to get over it.

We ate cupcakes and bread and butter and we drank sugar drinks but we were never overweight. We were always outside playing.

We shared our drinks with our three or four friends, from one bottle, and no one got sick from this.

We did not have playstations, X-boxes, video games, surround sound systems, mobile phones, personal computers, Internet, chatrooms- we had friends. We went outside and found them.

We rode a bike or we walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door or rang the bell, or just walked in and talked to them.

Imagine such a thing.

Without asking a parent and by ourselves!

We made up games with sticks and tennis balls, we ate worms, and although we were told what would happen we did not poke out many eyes, nor did the worms live inside us forever.

Our generation has produced some of the best risk takers, problem solvers and inventors.

We had freedom and responsibility, success and failure, and we learned how to deal with it.

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## \* Wannetta \* 'Forever in Our Hearts'

A CD has recently been released in memory of Wanetta of 'Wanetta's Country Plus'.



Wanneta wrote the 17 songs on the 'Forever in Our Hearts' CD at the age of 14.

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# Ma's Country Kitchen



Ma has been off around the world since last month's Newsletter and she's collected loads of **quick and handy tips** on cooking all kinds of meals.

**Brown onions faster-** Onions will brown faster if 1/2 teaspoon of salt is added to the onions while frying.

**Avoid sticky rice-** Add a few drops of lemon juice & a pinch of sugar to the rice while cooking.

**Easy garlic skin removal-** Garlic skin comes off easily if the garlic cloves are warmed a little before peeling.

**Safe cooking with oil-** Sometimes hot oil starts foaming and starts rising in the pan. Dissipate the foam to avoid this situation by adding a marble sized ball of tamarind (Indian Cuisine) to the oil.

**Removing fat from soups-** Fat can be easily removed from hot soup by floating a large lettuce leaf on the surface.

**Crisp onions better-** Onions will turn out crispier if soaked in milk for a little while before frying.

**Perfect rice-** Add a few drops of lemon juice and 1/2 tsp. ghee while cooking rice to make it whiter and keep the grain unbroken.

**Salty soup fix-** Place a raw potato in the bowl & it will absorb the extra salt.

**Prevent egg smell in cakes-** To get rid of the smell of eggs in the cakes, add one tablespoon honey to the cake batter while beating it.

Thanks Ma!

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## Buck's DVD

Unfortunately on **BUCK OWENS - LIVE FROM AUSTIN TX** (Via Shock in Australia) a mere **34 minutes** is the full extent of the show.

Sad for us, because **Buck** was in excellent form this **night of October 23, 1988.**

