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Hi

Our president has returned from gallivanting around the world and it was good to see her at our last meeting.

It is not too late to change you mind about joining the visit to Discovery Bay. You just need to contact Graham to organise payment.

We will not be retiring to the pub for lunch after our July meeting. At a cost of \$10 per person soup and sandwiches will be available at the Country Club following the meeting. I urge all those attending to stay and socialize, if possible. Stuart will be in attendance at the front desk when you sign in and it would be appreciated if you could hand over your \$10 to him at this time.

Those booking for the Christmas in July dinner also need to ensure they have paid their \$60.

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A NOTE FROM KAYE

Thank you to everyone who attended our last meeting! The first for me since being president. Thank you also to everyone who helped while I was away. The club was in very good hands.

It was a wonderful holiday with lots of wonderful life experiences but boy is it great to be home!! Back to gardening and woodworking etc.

I'm really looking forward to a great year for Denmark River Probus Club so keep the ideas rolling.

That's enough for now, take care of each other.

Warm regards

Kaye

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Upcoming Birthdays June:

23rd Fran Pederick 29th Wendy Lind 29th Neville Thorn 30th Gweneth Polini 30th Kevin Stone July:

10th Peter Polini 15th Peter Taylor 28th Susan Allen 28th Ian Hardwick 28th Yvonne Robertson



July Speaker

Peggy Vickers Bush Poet

Peg lives in Albany and writes and performs her poetry in a friendly, personal style. Her poetry is mostly humorous with a rural setting.

NEXT MEETING

1st July

10h00

Denmark Country Club

Soup, sandwiches, tea and coffee to follow

MAY SPEAKER MIKE TAYLOR



Our speaker for the June meeting was Mike Taylor president of the Albany Men's Shed.

"Men's Shed" is the biggest growing organisation in Australia, there are 160 "Men's Sheds" in WA and 1,100 in Australia with interest growing in England, Canada and the USA.

Mike explained "Men's Shed" is different to the shed in the backyard where you are on your own "Men's Shed" is all about socialising, sharing, networking and learning new skills. Men of all ages can join, no skills are necessary and everyone supports each other. Young men stimulate the older men and the young learn new skills, ages in Albany range from around 25 to 85.

Some of the projects "Men's Sheds" embark upon are making equipment for organisations such as schools, kindergartens, hospitals, and doing repair jobs too small to call in a tradesman. Some men just come in for a coffee and a chat. Anyone with a disability is encouraged and supported. Mike said visits to the Dr for depressive illness had decreased, while men encourage each other to have general medical checkups.

The head body in WA is WA Men's Shed Association (WAMSA) and Australia wide it is Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA). Every "Men's Shed" is affiliated with AMSA taking care of insurance and all legal matters.

The many projects Albany club embark upon enable them to generate their own income, as an example you will see benches members have made in the street and at the school and they helped repair a building, damaged by fire, at Twertup in the Fitzgerald National Park.

Albany club have recently received a Lotteries West grant to build their own club house enabling them to move from the shed they are renting at the show grounds.

"Men's Shed" is all about men getting together, talking, supporting each other and learning new skills. A very worthy project you must agree.

Thank you Mike for explaining it so well.

Lyn.

VISIT TO VALLEY OF THE GIANTS AND THURLBY HERB FARM

On Wednesday 27th May our outing was something of a 5 hander. As a reminder to those who haven't come on a Probus outing, you might be interested to know that we met outside the small IGA at 9:15 so that we could organise car share. For example, Stuart and Louise kindly gave a lift to three more members so we had an interesting ride to Valley of the Giants with lots of talk about the various landmarks and associated personalities along the way.

At the Valley of the Giants three of us chose to take the Tree Top Walk. Although we had all three done the walk



before it had been a while back. It was an overcast but still morning and, for those who don't mind heights, it was as beautiful as ever to be up near the tops of those amazing tingle trees.

Back at ground level we followed the others in a meander around the "Ancient Empire Boardwalk". This gave us a chance to stand inside the base of several trees and wonder at the ability of the tree to live and prosper with a huge hollow made by fungus and/or fire. By this time there were about 12 of us when we collected in the gift shop.

Back in cars we had a very pleasant drive to Thurlby Herb Farm which was about 25 kms away. A wander through the pretty cottage garden followed where we tested our herbal knowledge. The garden does not have large fields of herbs and the reason for this became clear later. Then it was time to look round the gift shop which had a wonderful array of goods as well as the expected herbal and soap products. These were particularly beautifully packaged.



At 12:30 after rearranging the dining room, our group, now 14, sat down for our anticipated lunch. We had all chosen and paid for our choice of

meal at the last Probus General Meeting as it is very important for the hosting business to have a firm catering plan. This could have been a recipe for disaster as 14 "+60 somethings" tried to remember a couple of weeks back. Stuart had

planned for this by very kindly writing out the complete description of every meal on a separate slip for each of us. I enjoyed sitting, chatting while I confidently anticipated my "Open sandwich served on our famous Thurlby homemade bread Ferguson Valley lightly smoked chicken with red pepper aioli and salad". I really think that thoughtful act by Stuart added a lot to our enjoyment of the meal; no worries about misremembering or arguments with other misrememberers! The group had high praise for Gavin, who sat next to me, said his the meal. Smoked Salmon Risoni was one of the best meals he had had out in a long time.

The final stage of our outing was a visit to the Soap making factory with Geoff explaining the process of combining the two main ingredients of soap in a variety of combinations to produce the large range of products we had seen for sale. He explained that most of the perfumes used would need vast plantations of plants to produce enough so these are mostly bought in. At the end of the tour we were invited to choose a couple of bars of soap as a take home gift.

I would recommend a visit anyway but to go with the Denmark River Probus Club made it a particularly good day out with good company. Just what Probus is all about.

Thank you Stuart (Activities/events & hospitality).

Rose Robson

Even When They Lie, Women are Noble - Gerald McEathron

One day, when a seamstress was sewing while sitting close to a river, her thimble fell into the river. When she cried out, the Lord appeared and asked, "My dear child, why are you crying?"

The seamstress replied that her thimble had fallen into the water and that she needed it to help her husband in making a living for their family.

The Lord dipped His hand into the water and pulled up a golden thimble set with pearls. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked.

The seamstress replied, "No."

The Lord again dipped into the river. He held out a silver thimble ringed with sapphires. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked.

Again, the seamstress replied, "No."

The Lord reached down again and came up with a simple leather thimble. "Is this your thimble?" the Lord asked.

The seamstress replied, "Yes."

The Lord was pleased with the woman's honesty and gave her all three thimbles to keep, and the seamstress went home happy.

Some years later, the seamstress was walking with her husband along the riverbank, and her husband fell into the river and disappeared under the water. When the seamstress cried out, the Lord again appeared and asked her, "Why are you crying?"

"Oh Lord, my husband has fallen into the river!"

The Lord went down into the water and came up with George Clooney. "Is this your husband?" the Lord asked.

"Yes!" cried the seamstress.

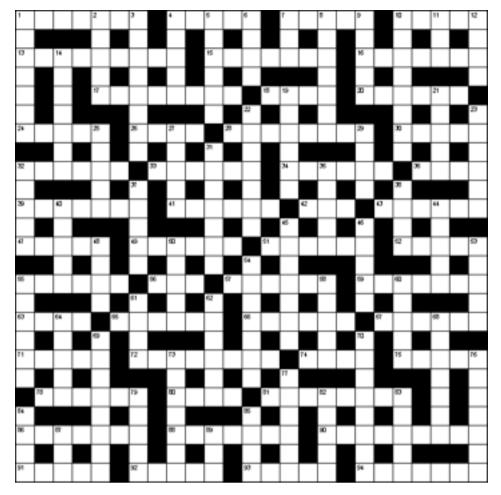
The Lord was furious. "You lied! That is an untruth!"

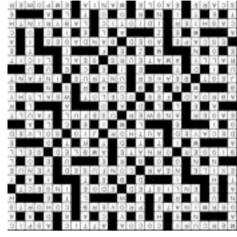
The seamstress replied, "Oh, forgive me, my Lord. It is a misunderstanding. You see, if I had said 'no' to George Clooney, you would have come up with Brad Pitt. Then if I said 'no' to him, you would have come up with my husband. Had I then said 'yes,' you would have given me all three. Lord, I'm not in the best of health and would not be able to take care of all three husbands, so THAT'S why I said 'yes' to George Clooney.

And so the Lord let her keep him.

The moral of this story is: Whenever a woman lies, it's for a good and honorable reason, and is always in the best interest of others. That's our story, and we're sticking to it.

Signed, All Us Women





Across

- 1. Planet (7)
- 4. Type of bean (5)
- 7. Garret (5)
- 10. Jelly (5)
- 13. Produce buds (9)
- 15. Adage (7)
- 16. Company of supporters (7)
- 17. Joined the military (8)
- 18. Boundary (4)
- 20. Air-breathing arthropod (6)
- 24. Deport (5)
- 26. Close (4)
- 28. Muddled (8)
- 30. Meeting place (5)
- 32. Larger (6)
- 33. Embellished (6)

- 34. Strolled (6)
- 36. Vend (4)
- 39. Rotted (7)
- 41. Writer (6)
- 42. Lively dance (3)
- 43. Figured out (6)
- 47. Avid (5)
- 49. Response (6)
- 51. Handy (6)
- 52. Flaw (5)
- 55. Overseas (6)
- 56. Charge (3)
- 57. Wildcat (6)
- 59. Affluent (7)
- 63. Joke (4)
- 65. Chemistry jar (6)

- 66. False (6)
- 67. Child (6)
- 71. Mass meeting (5)
- 72. Non professionals (8)
- 74. Marine mammal (4)
- 75. Legal (5)
- 78. Flee (6)
- 80. Matured (4)
- 81. Dressings (8)
- 86. Teller (7)
- 88. Crackbrained (7)
- 90. Maze (9)
- 91. Frighten (5)
- 92. Bird of prey (5)
- 93. Craze (5)
- 94. Endow (7)

Down

- 1. Tycoon (7)
- 2. Merge (5)
- 3. Young racehorse (8)
- 4. Professional cooks (5)
- 5. Aped (6)
- 6. Affirm (4)
- 7. Expert (3)
- 8. Pills (7)
- 9. Desert plants (5)
- 10. Glue (8)
- 11. Golfing term (3)
- 12. Money (4)
- 14. Hurrying (7)
- 19. Vanquish (6)
- 21. Small boat (5)
- 22. Ennui (7)
- 23. Shouted (6)

- 25. Foe (5)
- 27. Main artery (5)
- 29. Song for two (4)
- 31. Fought (7)
- 32. Emblem (5)
- 35. Concise and succinct (5)
- 37. Paragon (5)
- 38. Sport (4)
- 40. Cheroot (5)
- 44. Strongroom (5)
- 45. Set apart (7)
- 46. Talons (5)
- 48. Quantity of paper (4)
- 50. Silken (5)
- 53. Assignation (5)
- 54. Get (7)
- 55. Recant (6)

- 58. Ceasefire (5)
- 60. Invalidate (5)
- 61. Greek letter (4)
- 62. Zephyr (6)
- 64. Cylindrical storage towers (5)
- 68. Public sale (7)
- 69. Explosive (8)
- 70. Qualified for (8)
- 73. Astounding (7) 76. Instructor (7)
- 77. Kestrel (6)
- 79. Spooky (5)
- 82. Geological formation (5)
- 83. Small fragment (5)
- 84. Performs (4)
- 85. Molecule (4)
- 87. Division of an ocean (3)
- 89. Anger (3)