



Denmark River Probud News

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Hello all,

The start of a new year and the chance to ponder the workings of the government mind. Please read the following carefully as there will be an exam on it at our next meeting!

My family are about to start a self build home. When brushing up on rules regarding toilets and ventilation they came across this gem:

Health Act 1911
Sewerage (Lighting, Ventilation and Construction) Regulations 1971

14. Offences

(1) Where by these regulations an act is required to be done, or forbidden to be done in relation to any building the occupier of the building has, unless the contrary intention appears, the duty of causing to be done the act so required to be done, or of preventing from being done the act so forbidden to be done, as the case may be.

Any builders out there who can explain that one to me?

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NEXT MEETING

1st February 2017

10h00

Denmark Country Club

Lunch will be in-house @ \$10.00pp



Speaker **Robyn Fairclough**
Librarian

PRESIDENTIAL REPORT

Christmas has come and gone, oh what joy! The New Year is stretched out before us, an invitation to us all to get in there and enjoy every moment, to step up and volunteer in the running of our club. Your commitment and enthusiasm we look forward to and I thank you in anticipation of another great year.

Australia Day on the 26th is a wonderful way to celebrate Australia's uniqueness and our relaxed lifestyle, our willingness to help those suffering and in need. We are indeed the lucky country.

I look forward to your company, the joy and laughter we will all share

Stuart

February

5th Alan Davis

7th Jo Whittaker

12th Cyril Edwards

14th Ely Brown

20th Glenice Smith

25th Ken Richards



Heard on an old episode of Spicks and Specks, a comedian was discussing his appearance in an outback NSW town.

When he arrived to set up for the show all the local men were in the pub and the women were sitting round outside.

Come time for his show to begin the curtains opened and his audience consisted of a few kids running around the front enjoying themselves and a group from a Probud club sitting over in the corner.

The blokes were all still at the pub and the women all still chatting outside. He had to stroll over to round them up before he could start.

Well done the Probud group I say.



Walking Group

No walk in January.
The first walk for the year will be held on the 7th February.
More information closer to the event.

Stuart

Wine Appreciation Group



Met on 19th January at the Morgan Richards Centre. The theme was your favourite tippie. Everyone was in good spirits following the Christmas break. A wide variety and styles of wine were there to be tasted. There was even a nice German Riesling. Wines from local vineyards and South Australia predominated. It was interesting to see what wines people seemed to appreciate most. The evening was full of the usual fun and frivolity, and we welcomed Robin to our midst and she enjoyed herself immensely. Well done to everyone.

The next meeting will be Thursday 23rd February, 5pm – 7pm, Morgan Richards Centre. The theme will be local wines, bring a bottle to share between two, plus a plate of nibbles.

Cheers
Stuart

Fran's" Coffee Morning



Has met twice since the last newsletter.

December 20th we met at the Bibbulmun then at Chill
Lime and
Salt on

Tuesday 17th January. A great turn out both times for our coffee and chinwag morning, a wonderful way to relax and catch up with people in a way we don't often do enough of. Nice weather, nice coffee, nice people, what more could one ask for. The next "Fran's" morning tea will be Tuesday 21st February at Ravens, 10am



Coming Events



Australia Day 26th come join in the **Big Breakfast in Park**, 8 – 10 am. Please BYO plate, knife, fork and a seat.
Gold coin donation required.

Later the same day.

Sundowner (4 pm) at Peter and Vicki's home – 79 Mount Shadforth Road.

You'll need to bring your own drinks, glasses, a plate of food to share and a chair.

Guest Speaker Ross Thornton



Ross Thornton, past President of Denmark Shire Council, was warmly welcomed to speak in place of our scheduled speaker from the Great Southern Development Commission.

Ross captured our interest immediately as he outlined his family history in Denmark, back to his first generation when Denmark's population was 400 people. From a farming background Ross moved to Perth for further his secondary education and following on to University and later pursued a career in Town Planning.

This interest led to his involvement Denmark Shire Council where he held the position of Shire President for 8 years.

His current involvements include WA Planning Commission and Great Southern Development Commission. From this background, past and present, Ross was able to present (without notes) a fully loaded hour of information examining WA's population predictions and strategies.

Of major concern is the continuing urban sprawl of Perth with a predicted 82% of WA's population by 2031.

Perth's expansion is equivalent to the distance from Denmark to Kojonup, 160km, and demands greater water distribution infrastructure than Tokyo surprising statistics.

Ross outlined the problems faced by the WA Planning Commission in providing transport networks for the rapidly expanding city. The Perth Transport Plan's on- going revisions include tunnels under the Swan River and additional rail/freeway networks.

Local Shire's Density Codes are in place for medium density development of large inner city blocks in older suburbs along with strict guidelines for the high rise developments.

Ross explained the importance of Royalties for Regions as a major player in decentralization along with initiatives such as Aging in the Bush.

With the development of regional cities such as Busselton, once a quiet country town, now facing rapid population growth, Ross drew parallels for Denmark.

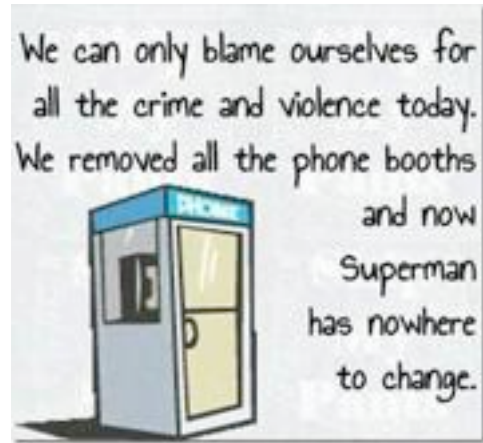
With the inevitability of Denmark's population growth comes an increasing need for the provision of health and education facilities along with expansion of commercial and residential areas. Plans for the industrial park were well in hand along with 780 residential blocks north of the town.

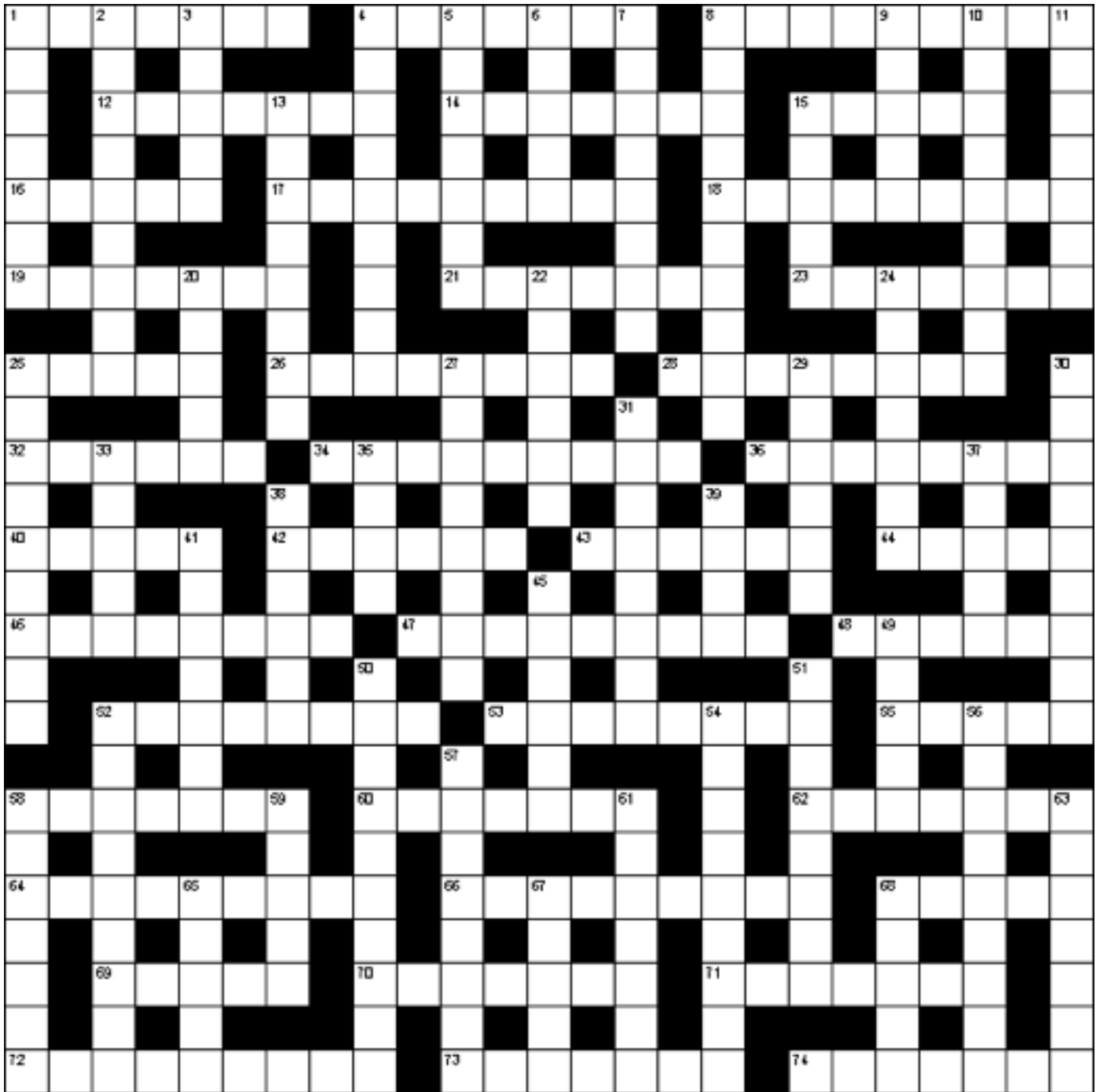
The need for a second bridge is currently a focal point and is under review. Ross reminded us of scenarios of fire or accidents blocking access to and from town and the implications for emergency evacuation or assistance.

Ross's presentation, based on local knowledge and planning expertise, was detailed, engaging and provided a snapshot of Denmark, past present and future.

His willingness to spend time with us at short notice was enthusiastically acknowledged.

KEVIN'S FLINNIES





Across

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|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 1. Marine crustacean (7) | 26. Element (8) | 53. Cellar (8) |
| 4. Type of duck (7) | 28. Circumspect (8) | 55. Garret (5) |
| 8. Exactly the same (9) | 32. Risk (6) | 58. Amassed (7) |
| 12. Stone pillar (7) | 34. Expectations (9) | 60. Equipoise (7) |
| 14. Fatuous (7) | 36. Church (8) | 62. Graceful (7) |
| 15. Musical note (5) | 40. Performed (5) | 64. Villain (9) |
| 16. Throw out (5) | 42. Suitable for cultivation (6) | 66. Stamina (9) |
| 17. One who expects the worst (9) | 43. Mute (6) | 68. Italian dish (5) |
| 18. Farcical (9) | 44. Incisors (5) | 69. Disagree (5) |
| 19. Hankered (7) | 46. Exhaustive (8) | 70. Environmental condition (7) |
| 21. Evidence (7) | 47. Arduous (9) | 71. Liberate (7) |
| 23. Reading stand (7) | 48. Vote (6) | 72. Disbelieving (9) |
| 25. Parts of a book (5) | 52. Attuned to the feelings of others (8) | 73. Hereditary (7) |
| | | 74. Thin (7) |

