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Hello all,

The start of another Probus year and the new committee has been formed, which gives the rest of you another 11 months to breathe freely before the next recruitment campaign begins.

The new committee are:

President: Carmel Stott (Media)
Vice President: Trevor Morse (Events)

Secretary: Wendy Wildman (Membership)
Treasurer: Steve Hawks (Hospitality)

Events: Liz Morse

Kerry Clark

Meet & Greet: Glenice Smith Hospitality: Rosemary Thorn

Valma Ball

Guest Speakers: Clare Thallon (Welfare)

We would like to thank all those who took the time to submit suggestions for future speakers and venues for outings Remember this is your club and that your input is always welcome.

Welcome to our new members, Kathy and Alan Brooks, Julie and Kevin Nayda, Margaret and Rob Norcross and Grant Ball. We hope you enjoy your membership.

Lunch this month is In-house. Will all those preparing the food please either keep their receipts to receive a refund or don't pay the lunch fee.

Carmel Stott - president

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NEXT MEETING

5th April 2017

10h00

Denmark Country Club

Lunch = In-house \$10pp

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Speaker Sue-Ellen Shaw

Co-ordinator of the

Lower Great Southern Alliance



March / April Birthdays

March 19th Stuart Hoskins

19th Wendy Wildman

24th Derris Lund

April 10th Liz Morse

10th Robert Woods





Guest Speaker Brian Wilson

lan introduced our guest speaker, Brian Wilson ... biophysicist ... who took us along a journey into the mysteries of the origins and formation of oil. With a series of visuals he explained, in simple terms,

the complexities of oil and gas formation as part of Earth's evolutionary processes, referred to as The Petroleum Process. (plenty of info on websites if interested)

This captured our interest as we learnt that something we take for granted in our daily lives has been an ongoing complex process for millions of years.

Again, with visuals to clarify his points, Brian described various of means of surveys used to detect location, depth and magnitude of oil fields and explained that from search and survey until commercial production can take up to a decade, even longer.

Brian outlined the various survey methods widely used including gravity surveys, magnetic methods, seismic surveys (aerial and marine)

Having discussed his professional work, Brian moved into Travelogue Mode which was both surprisingly humorous and entertaining. He took us along the pathway of his personal journey ... Australia, Indonesia, Manila,

Vietnam, jungles, impassable terrain, rough bush shelters and the like, each enriched by humorous anecdotes.

To conclude, Brian fielded questions from the audience Will the oil fields eventually be exhausted? How gas forms as part of the evolutionary process? What is fracking and what are the environmental implications of this process?

After warm applause for a very informative and entertaining presentation, lan presented a gift that he insisted Brian should open for all to enjoy ...

... a fold-up silicone kettle for use when doing it tough somewhere off the beaten track.



Walking Group



The Walk this month was along the newly completed pathway from the Windfarm along the coast to Lights Beach. It was very pleasing to see Kerry, Rosemary and other keen walkers join with the Denmark Probus Club for

a walk on the Wild Side.

The sun was shining and the wind was brisk (especially in exposed areas). It really was ideal for a sociable walk. The trail from Ocean Beach Road to Lights Beach is something we should be proud of and enjoy, congratulations go to the Shire, well done. Till next month.

Cheers Stuart

Wine Appreciation Group



The theme for February was local wines. Rob tried to "palm" us off with a Grange Wine (???) but we were all too wise for that. (Fake label), next time we will make him drink it all whist we carry on with the wonderful variety on offer.

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

Fran's" Coffee Morning



February 21st started out with heavy hail but undeterred 10 Probarians bundled up and fought their way down to Ravens. By the time we arrived the sun was shining

and we were sheltered from the wind. The coffee, chatter and laughter all compensated for any vulgarities of the weather.

Next coffee morning is March 21st at Mrs Jones Cafe.

Outrage of Activities

March Outing

I cannot believe how many times I have driven past this complex without even sparing it a glance! What a wonderful place to spend a few hours.

The team of volunteers keep the exhibits and the gardens in pristine condition. The guides are well informed and the labelling must have taken weeks.

Glancing around the tables at The Shed I think that nearly everyone decided to enjoy the Chicken Platter for lunch.

Photos available soon.

Next outing will be to Hicks Robotic Dairy on 19th April 2017. For those who wish lunch will be at the Lake House. Menus can be found at:

https://www.lakehousedenmark.com.au/lhwp/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Restaurant-Menu.pdf

REVIN'S FUNNIES





Has that fish been tested

> Is that bread gluten-free?

The generation of today are so allergic to everything, future wars will be fought by throwing bags of peanuts and cat hair at each other.

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No more crosswords. Thought we could try some Sudoku for a change.

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Presidents Report - 2016/2017

What a wonderful and enjoyable year we have had in 2016/2017. Interesting and varied guest speakers and events, there was something for everyone.

I would like to start the thankyou's by thanking everyone of you, our members, for your commitment to attend meetings and willingness to take part in events, your appreciation of the guest speakers and your general enthusiasm and joyfulness of just being together.

Thank you to the committee for their sterling effort throughout the year. It has been a pleasure to work with you all.

To Wally, our Vice President, for the huge effort in organising the away trip to Alcoa/Mandurah and the Pharaohs Exhibition. A very successful trip. Also for your always warm and friendly Meet and Greet together with your trusty sidekick Louise, thank you both.

Morning teas with Kaye, a truly superb effort appreciated by everyone. Always cheerful, always helpful, thank you Kaye.

To Wendy Wildman, a special thank you for the outstanding job you do as Secretary, always organised and efficient.

Steve, our Treasurer, for keeping the finances up to date and in order.

Carmel, our Media person, for doing a fantastic job of keeping us all informed.

Rosemary, Kerry and Glenice, Events organisers, for their efforts in providing interesting and varied events. These included Shaplands Museum, Bureau of Meteorology, Torbay Glass, Quiz afternoon, Combined Christmas Luncheon, Australia Day Breakfast, Sundowner at Vicki and Peter's and Lawn Bowls event, well done ladies and thank you.

Kaye and Glenice, our in house luncheon hostesses. A great effort and thank you for a job well done.

The guest speakers organised by Ian, always a challenging job to find interesting people. This was achieved with outstanding results. Speakers included Rob Baisley, Cliff Frewing, Jill Gow, Heather Marr, Wendy Edgeley, Ian Rayson, David Rae, Ross Thornton, Robyn Fairclough and today Brian Wilson. Well done Ian, and thank you.

To Rosemary and Neville for making the Wine Appreciation Group the success it has become, a great effort, thank you both.

For the people who have done the write-ups for the Guest Speakers etc, a difficult job always well done. Thank you. Also to Carmel for her photography skills.

A special thankyou to Bob Allan for stepping in at short notice to Audit the books.

And to those I have missed thanking, (who ever you are) I apologise, so thank you for all your efforts. Greatly appreciated.

2016/2017 has been a very good year for Denmark River Probus with an increase in total membership, now standing at above sixty. Attendance at meetings is excellent with the In-house luncheons becoming a huge success with attendance now in the high forties.

Thank you, again, to you all for making the year just gone a pleasure to have been your President

Stuart Hoskins

Outgoing President 2016/17