



Denmark River Probus News

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Hello all,

Gazing out the window at a very sparse, bedraggled garden last week I got to thinking that there must be something that could be done to bring the area to life so started hunting down ideas for vertically challenged gardens. This is a sample of what I found. Maybe it will inspire you to start a new project in Spring.



London: Edgware Road Tube Station. This garden was established in 2011 and is part of a greening of London project.

In Paris's 17th arrondissement is a 10-story apartment building that's so completely covered with potted plants that the building itself is invisible. Each flower pot is dense with foliage from rapidly growing bamboo plants. The entire apartment block appears to be a giant display of potted plants.



A signature architectural feature of Paris is the vertical garden, or mur végétal (vegetation wall). Seeming to defy gravity, these gardens cover walls in chic boutique

interiors, outside museums, within spas and elsewhere. The Seine-facing garden at the Musée du Quai Branly, by Patrick Blanc, is Paris' most famous.

Situated in the heart of the Madrid's cultural district, the Caixa Forum Museum vertical garden was designed and created by Patrick Blanc using his Le Mur Végétal system. The adjacent square is accessible to the public who can walk up, touch, and explore over 15,000 plantings on the hydroponic living wall. Nearly 300 different species were chosen by Patrick Blanc who had to keep in mind Madrid's very demanding seasons - very hot in the summer and cold in the winter.



Carmel Stott

Info also available at:

<http://www.denmarkriverprobus.org.au>

NEXT MEETING

4th July 2018

10h00

Denmark Country Club

Lunch = Denmark Pub

Speaker = Bill Chandler

July Birthdays



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| 17th | Anne Peterson |
| 25th | Kevin Nayda |
| 28th | Susan Allan |
| 28th | Ian Hardwick |



Guest Speaker for June

The guest speaker this month was our own member, Carole Wright, who spoke on how to give a presentation.

As an experienced presenter with her own company, Wright Way Presentations, Carole showcased her skills with a dynamic talk, which was engaging from beginning to end.

She explained the need to move an audience into action. The way to do this is through our love of story. The story must have a clear message and purpose to keep the audience engaged.

When giving a presentation, it is important to present your key points at the outset, elaborate on them in the middle when people's attention is likely to wander, then reiterate important points at the end.

Prepare well, giving special attention to questions people may ask at the close of the presentation. An economical way of using your preparation time is by brainstorming your ideas onto Postit notes, which can be rearranged where necessary as you hone your plan.

A useful tip Carole gave for delivering the presentation is to speak to a spot at the back of the room, at eye level with the audience. This she called the "thinking spot." If distracted by interruptions, swallow, or take a sip of water, before continuing.

The presentation should be a conversation, spoken as if to a person you know well.

Carole's talk was well received, judging by the number of questions at the conclusion. I am sure there will be some amongst us that are now keen to give a presentation to try out their new skills.

Kerry Clarke



Fran's" Coffee Morning

Dare to be different. Why not call into Denmark Antiques and Devonshire Teas **Tuesday 19th June** 10.00am
All members invited.



Wine Appreciation Group

The wine group met for a most enjoyable dinner at Kaye and Harry's in June. Thank you both so much for the use of your home.

Wine tasting **26th July 2018** -5:00pm to 7:00pm
Garden Room Community Resource Centre.
Theme - Own choice of wine - brown bag tasting.
Bring plate of nibbles
\$3.00 towards hire of room.

Walking Group



Walk for **Tuesday 26 June**. Meet 9am at little IGA, Walk East along path to Heritage bridge, cross the bridge walk west to a track to the right towards pony club and Berridge Drive where we will have morning tea provided [with a swing] afterwards continue to start point.

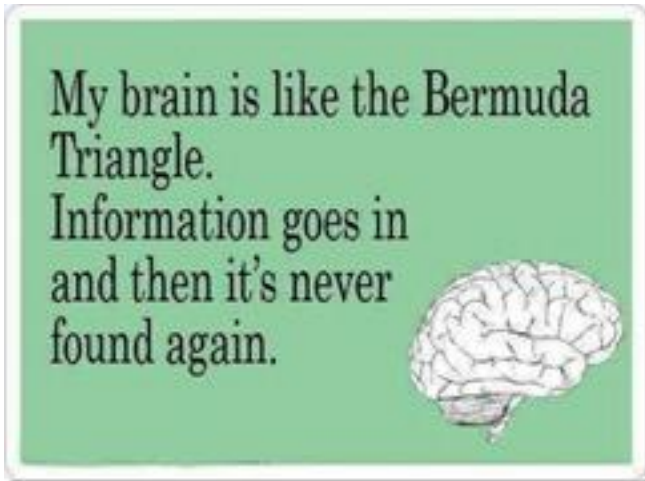


Outings

Have you signed up yet for Ten Pin Bowling on **Wednesday 20th June?**
10:00am - 12:00noon

The Bowling Alley is at Centennial Park Albany (120 Stead Road). You must wear soft soled sneakers (bring your own)
Cost \$15-\$21pp.
Lunch at White Star Hotel in Stirling Terrace.

Photos from past outings can be found at:
<http://www.denmarkriverprobus.org.au/gallery.html>



By the time a man is wise
enough to watch his step,
he's too old to go
anywhere.

SYMPATHETIC HUBBY

This guy is sitting at home alone when he hears a knock on the front door. There are two sheriff's deputies there. He asks if there is a problem. One of the deputies asks if he is married, and if so, can he see a picture of his wife. The guy says "sure" and shows him a picture of his wife. The sheriff says, "I'm very sorry sir, but it looks like your wife's been hit by a truck." The guy says, "I know, but she has a great personality, and she's an excellent cook."

RALPH'S SAY

Don't mess with seniors.

The £2.99 Special

We went to breakfast at a restaurant where the 'seniors' special' was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for £2.99.

'Sounds good,' my wife said. 'But I don't want the eggs..'

'Then, I'll have to charge you £3.49 because you're ordering a la carte,' the waitress warned her.

'You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?' my wife asked incredulously.

'YES!' stated the waitress..

'I'll take the special then,' my wife said..

'How do you want your eggs?' the waitress asked.

'Raw and in the shell,' my wife replied.

She took the two eggs home and baked a cake.

DON'T MESS WITH SENIORS!!! WE'VE been around the block more

Siamese twins walk into a pub in Sydney and park themselves on a bar stool.

One of them says to the bartender,

"Don't mind us, we're joined at the hip. I'm John, he's Jim. We'll have two VB's, thanks."

The bartender, feeling slightly awkward, tries to make polite conversation while pouring the beers.

"Been on holiday recently, lads?"

"Off to the States next month," says John. "We go to the States every year, hire a car and drive for miles, don't we, Jim?"

Jim agrees.

"Ah, The States!" says the bartender. "Wonderful country the climate, the beer, the culture"

"Nah, we don't like that American crap," says John. "Pies, peas and VB, that's us, hey, Jim?"

And we can't stand the Yanks; not civil and polite like us Aussies."

"So why keep going to the States?" asks the bartender.

"It's the only chance Jim gets to drive."

A BIT MORE FROM KEVIN

Boss, I Had Some Problems Today....

