



## Denmark River Probus News

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Hello all,

Just a reminder that the next meeting is on the 8th **NOT** the 1st of May. Normal scheduling will resume after that.

Cheers Carmel

### **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

The AGM was held in March and as a consequence we have a few changes of personnel on the committee.

Thank you to Neville and Clare, retiring committee members for their contribution to the smooth running of our club. A Job well done!!

Wendy has retired from the very busy position as Secretary and taken up the Vice President's seat. Wendy has been an amazing Secretary since the inception of DRP. She has effectively organised, minuted and maintained the records and ensured that all the members are kept informed. Wendy has a valuable understanding of the requirements of a community club.

Thank goodness we still have Wendy on the committee as her knowledge is invaluable. Thanks Wendy!

Louise has 'inherited' the secretarial duties with relish and already has shown that she too will be a superb committee member. DRP is fortunate to have, and had these two ladies in this role as it is very time consuming.

Thank you!

Lex has retained the role of Treasurer and has had rather a tough time of late ensuring that the relevant rules are worded to suit our needs and protect our club, certifying safe and practical methods apply. Thanks Lex!

Carmel has retained media and gained Welfare. DRP website is the envy of other clubs, so well done Carmel and keep up the good work. Thank you!

Mal and Carol are again ensuring that we enjoy a varied, happy and interesting list of events. These events are well attended. Croquet last week was great fun and a personal challenge, and the Albany folk looked after us very well. Thank you!

Rose and Trish agreed to keep the Hospitality roles and WOW what a fantastic job they are doing. Morning teas are a delight and the lunches are very well attended. Members, it would be impossible for the lunches to take place if it were not for the vital contributions from us all, We need to make sure that we continue to have our turn in providing a dish. Rose and Trish, you beauties!!! Thank you!

Kevin Johnson has embraced the Guest Speaker co-ordinator's position with gusto! He already has a list of possible speakers reaching far into next year. Kevin has become a valuable committee member. Thank you Kevin!

Kelsey, whilst not a full committee member, does a sterling job as the Meet and Greet person. We couldn't do without you Kelsey! Thank you!

So one and all, let's have a fantastic year, and embrace our creed.

Fellowship, Friendship and Fun.

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### **NEXT MEETING**

**8th May 2019 10h00**

**Denmark Country Club**

**Speaker - Dr Gill Sellar**

**In-house lunch today. \$10.00 per person .....Italian Exchange table in action.**

**Members who provide food please note - you have a choice: Pay the \$10.00 entry fee, keep receipts for food purchased and be reimbursed for ingredients by the treasurer. (We will not reimburse for food purchased if receipts are not presented.) -----OR-----**

**2. Do not pay the \$10.00 entry fee and NOT be reimbursed for food purchased.**



Our guest speaker for April was Diane Harwood,

Diane is the leader of the Denmark Weed Action Group, who, with her team, has been working for thirty years on controlling invasive weeds in the Denmark area.

She has a small group of TAFE- trained volunteers, who have been so successful that they are now called upon to assist other shires with their weed problems.

DWAG aims to control weeds, rather than necessarily to eradicate them, giving the native plants a chance to regenerate naturally. With this in mind, the group ensures that they disturb the ground as little as possible. They work from the best areas of native bushland to the most weed-infested and they make sure that they get back later to do follow-up weeding. They are also mindful of removing and disposing of weed plants so as not to cause reseeding of weeds.

Diane and her team love what they do and their realistic and scientific approach has enabled us and our visitors to enjoy our natural bushland with comparatively few problem weeds.

Thanks, Diane and the Denmark Weed Action Group.

Kerry



## Happenings

### Fran's" Coffee Morning

Come join us at The Teahouse Bookshop

**Tuesday 21st May** 10.00am



### Wine Appreciation Group

Wine tasting **25th April 2019**

-5:00pm to 7:00pm

Garden Room Community

This month we will have:

#### Mal's Quiz Night

Bring plate of nibbles.

\$3.00 towards hire of room.

\$5.00 for tastings

All Probus members welcome.



### Walking Group

**30th April - 09.30 - TBA**

C h e c k : <http://www.denmarkprobus.com/events.html>

Meet at Berridge Park for a town walk

Coffee at Ravens following the walk.



### Singing

**4pm 7th May**

Gazebo opposite IGA Express



### Outings

**Wednesday 22nd May - 10.00am**

South Coast Woodworks Gallery.

followed by:

Lunch at Boston Brewery

## May Birthdays



- 05 Vicki Lumia**
- 09 Ros Gates**
- 09 Selma Clay**
- 13 Harold White**
- 16 Rosemary Thorn**
- 26 Bruce Smith**
- 30 Gavin Gray**

## KEVIN'S FUNNIES

Sometimes, when I look at my children, I say to myself, 'Lillian, you should have remained a virgin.'

Lillian Carter (mother of Jimmy Carter)

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I had a rose named after me and I was very flattered. But I was not pleased to read the description in the catalog: - 'No good in a bed, but fine against a wall.'

Eleanor Roosevelt

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Last week, I stated this woman was the ugliest woman I had ever seen. I have since been visited by her sister, and now wish to withdraw that statement.

Mark Twain

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The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible.

George Burns

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Santa Claus has the right idea. Visit people only once a year.

Victor Borge

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Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint.

Mark Twain

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By all means, marry. If you get a good wife, you'll become happy; if you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher.

Socrates

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I was married by a judge. I should have asked for a jury.

Groucho Marx

iToons

Sunil Agarwal & Ajit Ninan



Impact of Digitalization and automation... Lol!!!



## RALPH'S STILL TALKING

'OLD' IS WHEN...  
Your sweetie says  
'Let's go upstairs and make love'  
And you answer:  
'Pick one, I can't do both!'

'OLD' IS WHEN...  
Your friends compliment you  
On your new alligator shoes  
And you're barefoot!

'OLD' IS WHEN...  
A sexy babe or hunk catches  
your fancy ...  
And your pacemaker opens the  
garage door!

'OLD' IS WHEN...  
You don't care where your  
spouse goes  
.. Just as long as you don't have  
to go along.

'OLD' IS WHEN...  
You are cautioned to slow down  
By the doctor instead of by the  
police

'OLD' IS WHEN...  
'Getting lucky' means you find  
your car  
.. In the parking lot.

'OLD' IS WHEN...  
An 'all-nighter' means not getting  
up  
To use the bathroom.

Change town names to suit your location

Three contractors are bidding to fix a broken fence at a Government building. One is from Auckland, another is from Wellington, and the third is from Ngaruawahia. (That's 2 white contractors, and 1 Indigenous contractor).

All three go with an official to examine the fence.

The Auckland contractor takes out a tape measure and does some measuring, then works out some figures with a pencil. "Well," he says, "I figure the job will run about \$900. That's \$400 for materials, \$400 for my crew and \$100 profit for me."

The Wellington contractor also does some measuring and figuring, then says, "I can do this job for \$700. That's \$300 for materials, \$300 for my crew and \$100 profit for me."

The Ngaruawahia contractor doesn't measure or figure anything, but leans over to the government official and whispers, "\$2,900."

The incredulous official, says, "You didn't even measure up the job, like the 2 other guys. How did you come up with such a high figure?"

The Ngaruawahia contractor whispers back, My quote is "\$1000 for me, \$1000 for you, and we hire the guy from Auckland to fix the fence."

"Done!" replies the government official.

And that, my fellow taxpayers, is how a Government Tender system works - and retains the spirit of the Treaty.