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#### **GREETINGS PROBIANS!**

Woohoo! A Brand-New Year!

Let us hope for better times during the course of this year. It is my firm hope that this is the year that that virus will be defeated and eradicated from the face of the earth!

Don't forget that our AGM is just around the corner to be held during our March meeting. Start thinking about how you can contribute to our club.

There are four vacancies on the committee. Do you like organising outings? Do you like finding interesting people to entertain us? Would you like to take care of membership? These are all tasks that are very necessary for the well-oiled functioning of our club and are calling out for your help.

Come on - join us. I initially dreaded the thought of being on the committee, but I am really enjoying it. All the Best Joyce

# NEXT MEETING

# 3 February 2021

10:00 am Denmark Country Club

Guest Speaker: Kit Bewley & Jeff Atkinson – End of Life Doula Lunch: in-house cold meat and salads

#### Committee

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#### FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hullo to all you happy souls, half-way through January already, you're expecting exciting times ahead no doubt, great.

Please note that our AGM is just around the corner, so now is the time to put your hand up, help on the committee, meet new people and get to know them, what an opportunity not to be missed, Great way to make new friends, and that's what Probus is about. Fun, Fellowship, and Friendship. The more you put in, the more you get out. Great thought for a great day.

Cheers,

Stuart.



#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Wally Pederick Saturday 16 January
Wendy Olsen Sunday 24 January
Jo Whittaker Sunday 7 February
Andrew Maitland Thursday 11 February
Chris Watkins Wednesday 17 February
Glenice Smith Saturday 20 February
Ken Richards Thursday 25 February

Happy Birthday to you all!

#### MEMBERSHIP

Two new members - Glenda and Peter Lord will be inducted at our next meeting. Please make them welcome. That leaves eleven people on the waiting list.

#### NB - MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOW DUE

The preferred method of payment is by bank transfer. See Website for details.

# **Guest Speaker**

There was no guest speaker for January. Steve Hawks put together a quiz to keep us amused and tax our brains. Kerry Clark did a sterling job of marking our submissions and keeping score. I was very surprised at how close the scores were as the quiz progressed. There were a number of tables vying for the top spots all the way. I was sure that Table No. 6 was going to be the winner as they led most of the way, but they were pipped at the post by Table No. I. I was on Table No. 2, and although we did not win, I think we came equal second with another table whose number I cannot remember.

It was all good fun. I was surprised how in the first round of ten questions the answer to each of them was a single letter. For example – "What was the name of the man who made the gadgets for James Bond?" Answer – "Q". And "What is the most common blood type?" Answer – "O"; and so on.

I liked the way that we were all given a number allocating each of us to a particular table. That mixed us all up and gave us an opportunity get to know other people in the room. It was probably the factor that made so many of the tables almost equal in the scoring stakes as the brainy people were scattered throughout the room rather than congregating on only one table. Not only was it a fair distribution of talent, but an interesting way to discover the hidden talents of the other people on your table.

## HAPPENINGS

On New Year's Day Kaye and Harry White made their garden available to all from Probus, The Men's Shed and the morning walkers to help herald in what we all hope will be a less traumatic year for the world.

All who attended had a very enjoyable few hours, eating (the abundant and varied foods), drinking (responsibly - of course) and as usual non-stop chatter.



## **SOCIAL GROUPS**

Don't forget our regular get togethers for the new year.

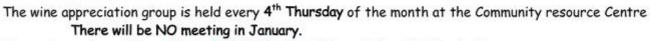


#### The Singing Group

The singing group meets on the **1st Tuesday** of the month in the Sanctuary at 3:30 pm during winter (cost \$3), or the wetlands boardwalk during summer.

Next - 2 February 2021 at the Wetlands Boardwalk. For more information - contact Val Ball

# Wine Appreciation Group



Our next meeting will be - Thursday 25 February, 5-7pm at the CRC Garden Room.

BYO nibbles, \$10 per drinker, \$3 for non-drinkers.

For more information contact Peter Lumia



## Fran's Coffee Morning

Meets at 10:00 every 3rd Tuesday of the month at various venues. Come along and Socialise! At a safe distance, of course.

The next one will be on the 19 January at the Green Pantry.

Then 16 February at Tea House Books.



# Kayaking

<u>Kayaking</u> –is held 2nd & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays (weather permitting) 9:00am in the water. Launching from the boat ramp at the Denmark River Mouth Caravan Park. Afterwards coffee at the Caravan Park's Reminisce Café. January – 22, 5 & 19 February 2021.

All types of paddle craft are fine – sit in, sit on, canoe type – it is paddling for pleasure on our beautiful river Paddle time is up to you, but normally, usual paddle time is about 1-1 ½ hours it is entirely up to the individual paddler. It is for the pleasure of being out on the water, soaking up the peace and quiet, admiring the wild life, generally just soaking up nature at its best. For more information contact: Warrick or Stuart

# FORTHCOMING EVENTS

There are no events scheduled for January; but you may find a group of your Denmark River Probus friends at the Twilight Family Concert in Berridge Park to celebrate Australia Day, starting at 4pm 26 January, 2021. For more information see <a href="https://www.denmark.wa.gov.au/events/australia-day-twilight-family-concert/360?c=4">https://www.denmark.wa.gov.au/events/australia-day-twilight-family-concert/360?c=4</a>

February 17th – 12 Noon, Lunch at Ducketts Mill Wines & Denmark Farmhouse Cheese, 1678 Scotsdale Road. Make your own way there.

March 17th - Whale World Albany (if there is sufficient interest). Details TBA.

AGM - Annual General Meeting – 3 March. It is time to consider whether this is the time that you make your contribution to our club for 2021/2022.

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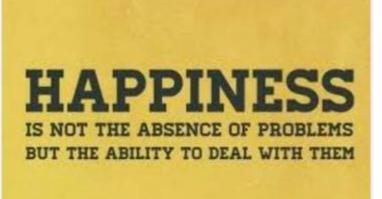
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# What's the best thing about Switzerland?

I don't know, but the flag is a big plus.

WHY WAS 6 AFRAID OF 9 ON NEW YEAR'S EVE?

Because 9, 8, 7 ...



"The BEST way to PREDICT the FUTURE is to DESIGN IT."

- Buckminster Fuller







RIGHT word, in the RIGHT place at the RIGHT time, can soothe, calm and heal.