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GREETINGS PROBIANS!

April, certainly in the northern hemisphere, is known for its showers of rain. In 2012 my husband and I were fortunate enough to go to Paris in April. It was miserable. Cold, wet and rainy nearly every day; and on the day when we were near enough to take a photo of the Eiffel Tower, the top half of it was shrouded in mist. We had raincoats, but I bought an umbrella as well only to have it blow itself inside out the first time we tried to use it.

Another day, as we sat enjoying our lunch in a café, I heard an Irish woman, who lived in Paris and was sitting at the next table telling her mother, who was visiting from Ireland, that she must stop telling people to come to Paris in April as that seemed to be the kind of weather they had been getting in recent years during April. We did enjoy our visit, but we didn't enjoy the weather. (Got a very nice coat there though.)

It has cleared up at last, but I was beginning to think that our usual lovely warm enjoyable autumn was disappearing into "April showers".

All the Best

Joyce

next meeting

5 May 2021

10:00 am Denmark Country Club

Guest Speaker: Professor George Burns – on his travels in Bhutan. Lunch: Tavern

Committee

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FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hoping this little snippet brings a smile for you.

One of the highlights of visiting Bruny Island, off Tasmania, a few years back, was our encounter with an echidna. We'd been hiking around, found some ruins of what we think was an ancient fishing camp of some sort, and decided it was a great spot for a break. We had opened the backpacks and out with the picnic, sitting on the ruins, when this little fellow decided to have a closer look at us. He (or she) was nosing around the rocks and lichen, seeking food. I was wearing hiking sandals, and it went all over them and right in between my toes. It obviously had no qualms about coming right up to us, but finding nothing it fancied, wandered off again and continued its search. Kevin wondered if my toes had a special smell that attracted the investigation. It was really a precious moment and is what has stayed with me, a privilege to have been seen up so close.

Regards, Julie



BIRTHDAYS

Julie Nayda Vicki Lumia Ros Gates Linda Falls Kevin Wragg Harold White Rosemary Thorn Thursday 22 April Wednesday 5 May Sunday 9 May Sunday 9 May Tuesday 11 May Thursday 13 May Sunday 16 May



MEMBERSHIP

Three new members were inducted at the April meeting. They were Stephanie Wierobiej and Claudia and Don Hart.

There are 5 new members yet to be inducted next month. There are 8 on the waiting list.

Please welcome the new members.



Stephanie Wierobiej

My husband and I moved from Esperance after visiting Denmark for many years. I love the place, people and everything about it. I was Manager of Corporate Services in a large school. We lived on 5 acres with my own art gallery "Stephanie's Studio" where I taught art classes, had my own exhibitions and held art functions.

I continue with my art in botanical, landscapes and seascapes and am a member of the Riverfront Gallery. My other interests are photography, gardening and walking. I am delighted to become a member of Probus.



Mark Walsh

This month's guest speaker was Mark Walsh, representing Niagara Therapy Equipment. Mark talked about the

systems of the body, covering such things as blood circulation and lymphatics, and the importance of maintaining these systems as we get older.

He spoke of the benefits of various kinds of massage in assisting circulation and keeping the body in good shape, likening the body to a car that we regularly get serviced. He also referred to machines that Niagara offer to assist with issues such as pain.

If you are interested in contacting Mark and getting a free demonstration, phone him on 0400 344 860 or email him at <u>markwalsh niagarawa@gmail.com</u>.





Claudia and Don Hart

We have been holidaying in Denmark for over 20 years and always thought it was paradise. We bought a block 9 years ago and built our house, retired and came here to live nearly four years ago.

We were both teachers in secondary education.

Claudia has always been interested in various crafts and is now a glass artist and member of the Riverfront Gallery. Since moving to Denmark she hosts a bible study group, loves line dancing, reading and is learning to work in fine silver clay.

Don has had a lifelong interest in sport and fitness, especially tennis, cycling and weight training. He is a keen mathematician and continues to update his Math skills. Since retiring he has also pursued his passion for learning to play rock and blues guitar. Don is a member of the tennis club. gym, SES and volunteers at the Visitor Centre and Repair Café.

Thanks to Kerry Clark.

HAPPENINGS:

Progressive Dinner

Our last outing was the Progressive Dinner which, unfortunately, I was unable to attend. From all reports, once again Ros Gates did a wonderful job of organising all 28 members who participated and had them criss-crossing Denmark in order to enjoy yummy meals including entrée and dinner.



Afterwards everyone met at her place for dessert and coffee. From the looks on their faces, everyone seems to have had a marvellous time. We do hope that this will become a regular event. Everyone thanks Ros heartily for making this such an enjoyable event.

SOCIAL GROUPS

Let's Do Lunch

I am asking for expressions of interest in starting a Lunch Club. I see people meeting once a month in the CRC kitchen to cook and then eat the meal together - possibly being joined by others for the eating bit. I have got names of some interested members already from our last meeting, so it is a question of finding a date and time that suits most people, and working out the details. The charge for the kitchen is \$28, so I'm thinking that for about \$12 each, and with a limit of 10 participants (due to kitchen size), we could pay the hire and have fun with possibly themed meals - all up for discussion. I will contact those on my list and any more who read this and would like to participate.

Please contact me



Wine Appreciation Group

Held every 4th Thursday of the month at the Community resource Centre

The next Wine Appreciation Group get together will be on Thursday 22nd April 5-7pm in the Garden Room at the CRC. The theme will be international wines selected and presented by Brian and Robin Byo nibbles + \$10 for drinkers, \$3 for non-drinkers. For more information contact Peter Lumia



Coffee Mornings

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

Next – 20 April at Reminisce Café at Rivermouth



Kayaking

<u>Kayaking</u> –is held 2nd & 4th 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. **23 April, 14 and 28 May.**

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 EOBLHCOMING EVENTS

21 April – 9:30 am - A Visit to Shapland's War Memorabilia Collection 51253 South Coast Highway. It is just over the Hay River bridge, turn in at the gate that has the "HALCYON" sign on it and a little tin soldier. From the Denmark side the tin soldier is easier to see, next to a green wooden fence. The Concession rate of \$25 includes morning tea of tea/coffee & scones. There is no Eftpos machine there so please bring cash, preferably the correct change.

Lunch will be at the Boston Brewery at 1 pm.

19 May – 10:00 am – National ANZAC Centre League of Local Legends (Entry is Free, if members join the League of Local Legends) – 7 Forts Road, Mount Clarence.

Lunch - 12 noon at the Garrison Restaurant/tea rooms on site.

15/16/17 June? A tour of the Denmark Bakery Bake House, 1/12 Hodgson Street (light industrial area).

- Lunch will be at the Denmark Bakery in town.
- As there has been an overwhelming response to this outing, the party will have to be split into two groups on two different days. More information will be available at the next meeting.

For any other queries please contact: Louise secretary@denmarkriverprobus.org.au



My wife is blaming me for ruining her Birthday That's ridiculous, I didn't even know it was her Birthday

