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Greetings Probians

Well, that is as close to a bushfire I ever want to get. Although we found ourselves in the red zone, we were probably reasonably safe where we were. It was the prospect of the forecast wind change possibly bringing an ember attack our way in the middle of the night that persuaded us to evacuate to the safety of a friend's house in Albany. I am sure many of you were closer to the fire than we were, and I hope that you did not suffer too badly as a result of it. Be sure to let us know if we can be of any help should any of you be in need.

All the best

Joyce.

next meeting

2 March 2022 - AGM

10:00 am Denmark Country Club

Guest Speaker: Kaye Millar from Blossoms Nursery Q&A session. **Lunch:** Tayern

Committee

President: Julie Nayda president@denmarkriverprobus.org.au

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FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello everyone and hope all are well and happy! My little bit here this month is hopefully something to make you smile. And please if you can help and step up on the committee it would be great - we need you!

Cheers Julie

- 1. When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.
- 2. To me, "drink responsibly" means don't spill it. 3. Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 pm is the
- new midnight.
- 4. It's the start of a bra
- nd new day, and I'm off like a herd of turtles.
- 5. The older I get, the earlier it gets late.
- 6. When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.
- 7. I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.
- 8. I had my patience tested. I'm negative.
- 9. Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.
- 10. If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say, "Did you bring the money?"
- 11. When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.
- 12. I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.
- 13. I run like the winded.
- 14. I hate when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.
- 15. When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"

16. When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminium can stuffed with celery?
17. I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.

18. When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."

19. Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you right out.

20. Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.

21. My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb.

BIRTHDAYS

Chris Watkins	Thursday 17 February
Glenice Smith	Sunday 20 February
Ken Richards	Friday 25 February
Warrick Gates	Sunday 13 March
Jamie Falls	Sunday 13 March
Trish Edmonds	Thursday 17 March
Stuart Hoskins	Saturday 19 March
Wendy Wildman	Saturday 19 March



MEMBERSHIP

There are 12 people still on the waiting list six of whom have completed three visits.



We still need you to put your hand up.

We still need a

President, and a

Secretary,

Don't be shy. Being on the committee is a very enjoyable experience and you will get a lot out of it.

Perhaps it's me, but it seems to me that President is one of the easiest jobs to take on in the committee; and don't be daunted by the wonderful job that Louise has done as a secretary. She says that so much groundwork had already been done by the Probus organisation and previous secretaries, that the job of doing it was made easy. It is all on the computer and she can easily show you how to do it without any trouble at all.

It is also very satisfying knowing that you are contributing to the efficient functioning of a club that runs so smoothly and is such an enjoyable club to be a part of that there are 12 people anxiously waiting to join us.

Guest Speaker

Once again due to unforeseen circumstances our guest speaker was not able to come and entertain us. Instead Kerry Clark and Steve Hawks provided the entertainment in the form of a quizz. It was a lot of fun even if we had no idea what the answer was to some of the questions. Kerry and Steve allocated each person a table number so that we would meet new members of the club. Whether we came first or last, it is always fun to try our best in the company of friends.

Here are a couple of poems submitted by Rob Norcross. I hope you enjoy them.

Untitled

So here we are in Denmark There's wintry rain outside The birds are at their feeders It's heaven, have I died?

Dogs are on their blankets Wood fire is crackling heat Background noise is rolling waves Yes, everything's a treat

Flowers are bursting fit to bloom Sun comes out, now and then A million stars kiss one goodnight Pinch me and count to ten

So come on down to old Denmark (It's there that you would be)
Just like us, cast cares aside
And win life's lottery ...

Denmark Dawn

Magpies carol out a song Kookas laugh out loud Mopoke plays two notes Roosters do us proud

Dawn comes up at Denmark town With sky of golden hue Moon peeps out behind a cloud Morning star shines through

I walk the dogs at daybreak And all I've said is true If you were here in Denmark I'm sure you'd love it too....

HAPPENINGS:

AUSTRALIA DAY 2022

The day was a bit different from previous years.

Originally, the Australia Day get together was going to be held at Peter and Vicki's place, but as a few people were a bit wary of the weather, and also Covid restrictions etc. Therefore, it was decided to cancel it and go down to Berridge Park instead to enjoy the festivities of the shires' Australia Day event.

As it turned out it did not rain for the duration of the afternoon/evening. We noticed numbers were down at the event, including from our Probus; but a few of us diehards managed to get together, sit around the table, have nibbles and enjoy the music, and other festivities. All in all, it was a lovely afternoon. Let's see what next year brings!!

Vicki Lumia

CONGRATULATIONS





Congratulations are in order for Shirley and Dexter Warne who celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary recently! Woohoo! That is quite an achievement, and something to be celebrated in this modern world where so many marriages don't get past 10 years. Well done you two. We all wish you good health and happiness to the next milestone.

SOCIAL GROUPS



Wine Appreciation Group

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

For more information contact Peter Lumia



Fran's Coffee Mornings

Meets at 10:00 every 3rd Tuesday of the month at various venues.

Next: 15 March – Tea House



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.

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 wildlife, generally just soaking up nature at its best.

For more information contact: Warrick Gates or Stuart Hoskins

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

February 24th (Thursday) – **Croquet** - Lower King Rd Albany. \$10 per player – includes game and morning tea. 9:30am Croquet Gomm Park, 646 Spectators are welcome at a cost of \$5 – morning tea only

Lunch – Frenchy's Restaurant, 65 Frenchman Bay Rd, Albany.

We were requested to change the date from the 17th.

March 16th – Denmark River Cruise –

1st Cruise – 11am – 12noon – Six still seats available.

2nd Cruise – 5pm – 6pm – FULL

Maximum persons per Cruise is 20

Both Cruises will finish with a meal of Fish 'n' chips at Reminisce Café, Rivermouth Caravan Park

Total cost per person is \$45.00 – includes cruise, glass of wine and Fish 'n' chips. Payment to be **made before 4 March** either at the 2 March meeting or by EFT payment.

April 20 – Lawn Bowls 10:00 am – Bowling Club, Denmark.

Lunch: 12 noon – sausage sizzle and salad.

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

AND NOW - MORE FUNNIES FROM KEVIN



They say money doesn't grow on trees, but there's a dog in Colombia that would certainly argue with that. The clever pooch started paying for biscuits with tree leaves after seeing students pass bank notes to a food stall attendant in exchange for the tasty treats. He decided to try it for himself one day, and after getting the result he wanted, he's been doing it ever since.

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A Chinese farmer who quit school in 3rd grade spent 16 years teaching himself law to sue a chemical company for polluting his village. Wang Enlin couldn't afford to buy all the law books he studied at a local bookstore, so he paid the store in bags of corn to let him sit and read, copied all the information by hand, and learned what he could with the help of a dictionary. He won the case in 2017.

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Shops: No Shoes, No Shirt, No Service

People: OK! No Problem

Traffic Laws: Wear a seatbelt in your car or get a ticket

People: OK! No Problem

OSHA: While working in certain places, you must wear safety goggles

and safety gear.

People: OK! No Problem

Airlines: You must be seated and wear a seatbelt, with your tray table

up when taking off! People: OK! No Problem

TSA: Before getting on this plane, you need to remove your shoes, your belt, anything from you pockets and go through this x-ray machine.

People: OK! No Problem

Grocery Stores: Please wear a mask while you are shopping to help reduce the risk of infecting other with a potential deadly virus.

People: HOW DARE YOU TAKE AWAY MY PERSONAL LIBERTIES AND

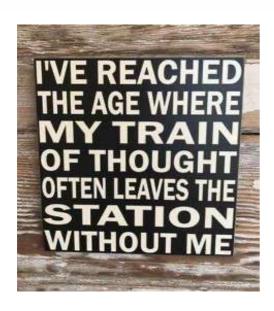
RIGHTS!!



'Syndrome K' was a fake disease made up by Italian doctors to save Jews who had fled to their hospital seeking protection from the Nazis. They were quarantined, and the Nazis believed it was a deadly, disfiguring, and highly contagious illness.

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I REMEMBER BEING ABLE TO GET UP WITHOUT MAKING SOUND EFFECTS...

GOOD TIMES.













