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GREETINGS PROBIANS Wishing you all a very happy Christmas.



NEXT MEETING

4 January 2023

10:00 am at the Denmark Country Club

Guest Speaker: Bev & Roger Seeney & Ros & Warrick Gates - Their Recent Ride

Lunch: Boston Brewery.

WANTED - new committee members for 2023

Don't forget to think about volunteering for the committee in 2023.

OJOYCE

Committee

President: Kevin Nayda <u>president@denmarkriverprobus.org.au</u>

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Shirley Warne
Wally Pederick
Wendy Olsen
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Monday 19 December Saturday 24 December Friday 30 December Saturday 31 December Tuesday 10 January Monday 14 January Tuesday 24 January Wednesday 25 January



MEMBERSHIP

There are 12 people on the waiting list, many of whom have completed three visits.

Guest Speaker

BENMARK SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SINGERS

There was no guest speaker for December. Instead we had guest singers. The Denmark Senior High School music students came and sang Christmas Carols for us. We were all very impressed with the professionalism of their presentation. Well done singers.

After the singing and morning tea, there was a quiz sitting on our tables waiting for answers. As the answers were supplied, in random order, it was not a hard quiz resulting in most tables getting them all correct. That meant asking more questions to determine a winner.

HAPPENINGS:

Our last outing in November was to the Surf Gallery (see November newsletter). There isn't one planned for this month, which would be next Wednesday anyway. Nor is there an outing planned for January. Therefore, our next outing will be in February. In the meantime enjoy the holidays and time spent with your family and friends.



TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

By Clement Clarke Moore

Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled down for a long winter's nap,

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash,

Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below, When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer,

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name;

"Now, DASHER! now, DANCER! now, PRANCER and VIXEN!
On, COMET! on CUPID! on, DONNER and BLITZEN!
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!
Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly, When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky, So up to the house-top the coursers they flew, With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my hand, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot, And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot; A bundle of toys he had flung on his back, And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes -- how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow;

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath;
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook, when he laughed like a bowlful of jelly.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf, And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself; A wink of his eye and a twist of his head, Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work, And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk, And laying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose;

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, And away they all flew like the down of a thistle. But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight, HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL, AND TO ALL A GOOD-NIGHT!

SOCIAL GROUPS



WINE SPPRECIATION GROUP

The wine appreciation group meets from 5-7pm on the **4**th **Thursday** of the month at the **Denmark Men's Shed**, just past the Rivermouth Caravan Park on Inlet Drive.

For more information contact Peter Lumia



Fran's Coffee Mornings

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

20 December - Kebab Café (yes they do coffee).

17 January - Mrs Jones



Kayaking – is held 2nd & 4th Fridays (weather permitting)

8:00am in the water. Launching from the boat ramp at the Denmark River Mouth Caravan Park. Afterwards coffee at the Caravan Park's Reminisce Café. Contacts - Warwick Gates and Stuart Hoskins

FORTHCOMING EVENTS LOBLHCOMING EVENTS

Our next outing will be:

15 February 2023 - Torbay Glass followed by lunch at the Elleker Tavern.

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

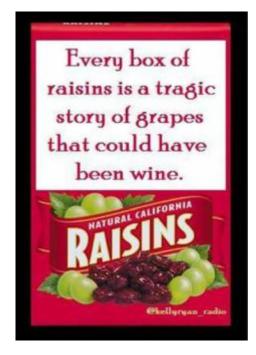
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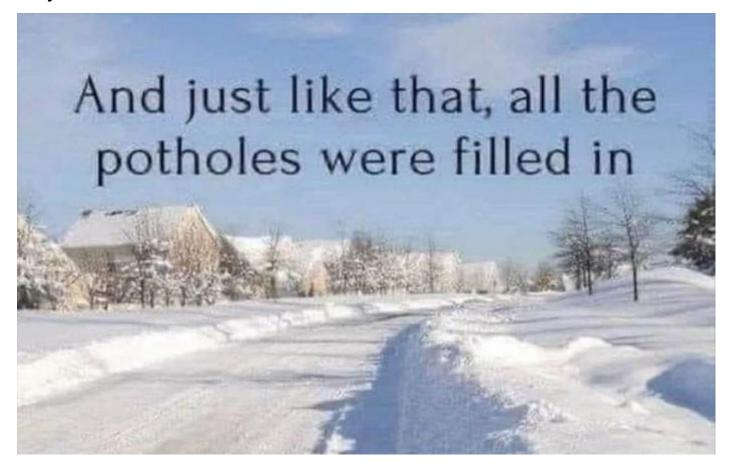


Thank you to all who contributed jokes for the newsletter.





Pity we can't do that in Australia



HAPPY (HRISTMAS AND A HEALTHY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!