



Denmark River Probos News

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Hello all,

I would like to start by extending congratulations to Kaye and Harry White and to Glenice and Bruce Smith. Both couples are celebrating 50th wedding anniversaries. Kaye and Harry on the 26th of November and Glenice and Bruce on the 30th December.

While you are all experiencing the sense of well being and goodwill that Christmas brings I would like to remind you that it is time to think of nominating to serve on the committee. Nomination forms will be emailed out at the end of this month, and there will be copies on the entry table at the January meeting.

On a sadder note let me pass on communication received from Yvonne and Alan Robertson.

We would like to thank everyone for the fantastic support we have received from the Denmark Community in general, and the Members of the Denmark Riverside Club in particular, following our son Paul's sudden death in October.

The words of comfort, the flowers, the cards and the telephone calls we received were all very much appreciated and have helped us tremendously in our trying to come to terms with our loss.

They say that time is a healer and from our own experience, that is certainly true. We are gradually accepting what has happened and although it is still difficult to talk about Paul without becoming quite emotional, we are coping. Paul's passing still seems so unreal and it is hard to comprehend that we shall never see him again. The doctors say that he died of natural causes and did not suffer, which is a comfort to us.

Thank you all so much for caring We value your friendship.

Yvonne and Alan

I would like to wish you all a very merry, but very safe Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

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PRESIDENTIAL REPORT

Yes, Christmas is upon us, and so another year is nearly done and dusted, where does it go? It has been a very good year for myself and the Probus River Club, with having very good turnouts to all our meetings and functions as well as our membership growing, very pleasing. We are a happy lot, with having very interesting and diversified guest speakers, excellent morning teas and in house luncheons. I would like to congratulate and thank everyone who contributed their time and effort in bringing about such an excellent outcome. Very much appreciated by all.

I take this opportunity in wishing everyone a Very Merry and Happy Christmas and look forward to a happy and safe New Year.

Cheers
Stuart



December

19th Ralph Drayton-Witty

23rd Robin Rogers

24th Carol Harry

January

10th Shirley Warne

16th Wally Pederick

NEXT MEETING

4th January

10h00

Denmark Country Club

Lunch will be at the Denmark Hotel



Speaker Simon Lyas

Executive Officer of Great Southern
Development Corporation



Walking Group

The walk this month was from Emu Point to Middleton Beach, where we had smoko then back to Emu Point Cafe for lunch.

The weather was beautiful, sea calm, flies minimal, all in all a beautiful walk. On the way to Middleton Beach we watched a large Cruise Liner pass on the way to berth in Albany. On our return from Middleton Beach we enjoyed taking shoes and socks off and splashing in the surf as we wandered along the beach. Very enjoyable. No walk in January.

Wine Appreciation Group



The end of year Christmas celebrations held on Thursday 24th November was a great success. All aboard the bus to West Cape Howe Winery for an interlude of tasting, purchasing and for some, a coffee and chat in a very nicely presented sampling room.

A visit to the historic St Werburgh's Chapel was very enlightening – it was built in 1873 so has quite a bit of history.

The luncheon at Windrush Winery was very enjoyable, the food was very good, the wine tasting and subsequent drinking went down a treat. The company as always was very sociable. Jan and John, hosts at Windrush Wines, put a lot of thought and effort to make our visit perfect.

The next meeting for the group is January 19th, 5pm – 7pm, Morgan Richards Centre with the theme to bring a bottle of your favourite tippie to share, plus a plate of nibbles.

Cheers

Stuart

Photos have been posted at:

<http://www.denmarkriverprobus.org.au/gallery.html>

Fran's Coffee Morning



The next meeting for "Fran's" morning tea will be held on Tuesday 20th December at the Bibbulmun Coffee Shop at 10:00am

Cheers

Stuart

November Events



Denmark Probus Club hosted the combined clubs Melbourne Cup Luncheon on 1st November at the Denmark Surf Club. See previous review

The Combined Christmas Luncheon

was held at the Denmark Riverside Club rooms on 30th November.



Members of Denmark River and Denmark Probus Clubs were treated to a memorable afternoon, music arranged by Trevor Morse and ably assisted by Liz and the choir gave rousing renditions of Christmas Carols which all went down a treat and thoroughly enjoyed by all. The meal was excellent and plentiful so that anyone who wanted to avail of themselves could have seconds. The flower arrangements and table dressing made for the setting to look superb. The atmosphere and conviviality of everyone made for great Christmas cheer.

Well done.

Cheers

Stuart

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Although not an event our December meeting was a very enjoyable afternoon with fun and games organised by John and Rosemary, lunch catered by the committee and an entertaining quiz courtesy of Steve..





**Guest Speaker
David Rae**

St John Ambulance

The Probus talk for November was given by David Rae, a paramedic with St John Ambulance, whose duties also encompass training

volunteers and the public in first aid throughout our region.

David outlined the long history of St John's, which dates back to the crusades. St John's was a monastic order, formed to give first aid to sick pilgrims. Centuries later it was disbanded by Henry the eighth, because it was a Catholic organization, but it was re-formed in the nineteenth century to give first aid to workers in the industrial revolution in Britain.

St John's was introduced in Australia in the eastern colonies in 1888. It started in WA in 1892 and ran first aid courses. The first decade of the twentieth century saw new centres established in Fremantle and Boulder. The women's nursing division started in 1913, introducing women to the skills of first aid. Many went on to serve in World War 1.

After the war, the organization continued its growth, assuming responsibility for Perth's ambulance service as well as educating the public in first aid.

Curtin University now offers a Bachelor of Science in Paramedics. After a year's study, students are able to work in the job and continue their study concurrently.

In 1938 St John Ambulance service commenced in Denmark. A contributory scheme started in 1952. St John runs monthly first aid courses here.. Operational volunteers need to be passed for fitness, which involves being able to do 2 minutes of CPR.

Subscriptions to the ambulance service are encouraged, and it is pleasing to note that the money raised from these subscriptions in Denmark is spent to improve our local facilities.

When asked if drug abuse leads to a lot of ambulance callouts, David surprised some of us in saying that although drug abuse is a problem, by far the most abused drug in this community is alcohol.

David's talk was both entertaining and enlightening. With officers like him, as well as volunteers such as our own Bob Allen in the organization, our local ambulance service is in good hands.

We KNEW this was coming, Made in Mexico.....

Guess what: This product is being exported throughout the World and has doubled the Mexican economy ~



The Test

The phone rings and the lady of the house answers, "Hello." "Mrs. Sanders, please." "Speaking." "Mrs. Sanders, this is Doctor Jones at Saint Agnes Laboratory.

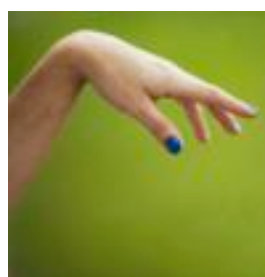
When your husband's doctor sent his biopsy to the lab last week, a biopsy from another Mr. Sanders arrived as well... We are now uncertain which one belongs to your husband. Frankly, either way the results are not too good."

"What do you mean?" Mrs. Sanders asks nervously. "Well, one of the specimens tested positive for Alzheimer's and the other one tested positive for HIV. We can't tell which is which." "That's dreadful! Can you do the test again?" questioned Mrs. Sanders.

"Normally we can, but MEDICARE will only pay for these expensive tests once."

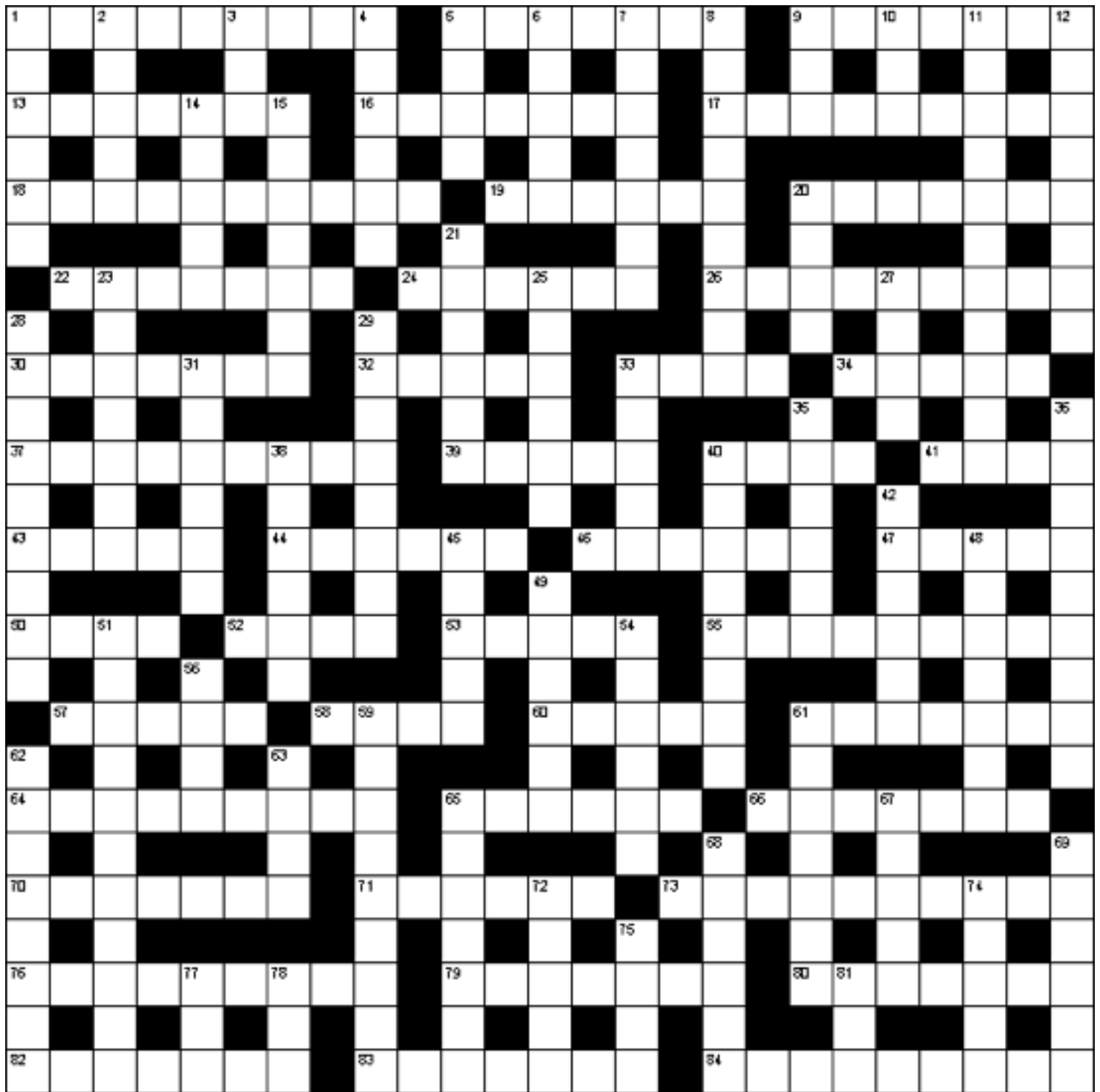
"Well, what am I supposed to do now?"

"The MEDICARE Helpdesk recommend that you drop your husband off somewhere in the middle of town". "If he finds his way home, don't sleep with him!"



You can tell a lot about a woman by her hands.

For instance, if they are around your throat she is probably slightly upset.



Across

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| 1. Musician (9) | 34. Banquet (5) | 60. Large oval fruit (5) |
| 5. Clear of blame (7) | 37. Whirlpool (9) | 61. Green (7) |
| 9. Edges (7) | 39. Boredom (5) | 64. Consumption (9) |
| 13. Polo sticks (7) | 40. Notice (4) | 65. Pale (6) |
| 16. Perils (7) | 41. Continent (4) | 66. Cane syrup (7) |
| 17. Deliberated (9) | 43. Dapper (5) | 70. Time interval (7) |
| 18. Alimentary (10) | 44. Disregard (6) | 71. Birds of prey (6) |
| 19. Eerie (6) | 46. Previously (6) | 73. Recalled the past (10) |
| 20. Type of bird (7) | 47. Greek epic poem (5) | 76. Does away with (9) |
| 22. Demolish (7) | 50. Woodwind instrument (4) | 79. Methods (7) |
| 24. Talented (6) | 52. Urban area (4) | 80. Aromatic herb (7) |
| 26. Custom (9) | 53. Overwhelming fear (5) | 82. Give evidence in court (7) |
| 30. Responses (7) | 55. Owned (9) | 83. Show (7) |
| 32. Part of a jacket (5) | 57. Legal excuse (5) | 84. Spotted dog (9) |
| 33. Tallies (4) | 58. Corrosive substance (4) | |

