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OCTOBER 2018 NEWSLETTER



By the time you get around to reading this October newsletter the footy will most likely be all over, so who won - if you're a Demons or Tigers supporter you probably don't care.



What's been happening



The Secretary's office is taking shape and the billiard table has become the centre of attention - check out the waiting list for the game - maybe it's time for a club championship contest to be arranged.

Janelle Cadd from Parks Vic presenting Geoff Hergt with a certificate of appreciation for all the work carried out by members of DVMS in restoring the signage & line marking throughout Braeside and Karkarook Parks.





Woman saves herself in Crocodile attack using a small Walking Stick.

This is a story of self-control and marksmanship by a brave, cool-headed woman with a walking stick against a fierce predator.

Here is her story in her own words:

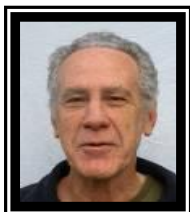
"While out walking along the edge of a creek just outside of our house in Darwin, with my soon to be ex-husband discussing our property settlement, kids and other divorce issues, we were surprised by a huge 5 metre crocodile which suddenly emerged from the murky water and began charging at us very fast with its large jaws wide open. The Croc must have been protecting her young and her home because she was extremely aggressive.

If I had not had my little \$5 dollar Reject Shop walking stick with me, I would not be here today!

Just one hard whack to my estranged husband's knee cap was all it took. The 'Croc got him easily and I was able to escape by just walking away at a brisk pace.

The amount I saved in lawyer's fees was really incredible and I got the lot.

'Where ya been?'



Warren Duncan (member #2). *Warren was our founding President and played an instrumental part in getting the DVMS up and going. He has not been to the shed lately and the following article tells us why.*

I was absent from our shores from late April until mid July on a trip that would take me into the wilds of the UK, France and the Netherlands. The major focus of the visit was for me to do some cricket umpiring in the UK and then to take in some of the continent en route home.

I umpired in the English midlands taking games primarily in Worcestershire, with the odd game or two in neighbouring Warwickshire, and then later in July in the Middlesex County League around London. What an experience.

Saddled with the fact that news was current about how some of our senior cricketers sometimes employ mind-boggling schemes to tamper with the ball I expected more feedback than I got. There was some good natured ribbing, that's about all. I had heard about how beautiful some of these areas of England were and I was not disappointed. After having the wettest winter since William The Conqueror arrived the grounds and pitches were picture perfect and usually located in magnificent settings. Parked on what was once the village's common, many clubs have maintained their facilities for over 100 years, some going back to the late 1800's.

I had around 22 games covering groups from open age league to youngsters, public school competitions and even over 60 and over 70 year olds. The standard was pretty good and even the oldies cricket was of reasonable standard. It seems that many older English cricketers don't join men's sheds they just try to race around cricket fields as they did when they were lads. I can assure you some of the fielding wasn't as sharp as you might expect watching TV! One guy took about 10 seconds to reach down to pick up a ball and then eventually fell over in the act. All taken in good humour.

That was something I will take away, the good humour but also while they all wanted to win there wasn't the 'in your face' aspect to it that Australian cricket has. The game at most levels is also steeped in tradition and there is a great respect for umpires. They ring a bell 5 minutes before the game starts and it was great see the locals parading around the ground to watch the matches and then occasionally drop in for a pint at the club when they did so.

Many clubs had their grounds sharing the surrounding area with the local church and even the cemetery, which as you know is the dead centre of town and usually where dead balls come to rest.

The weather was warm and balmy. Yes warm and balmy. Only half a day lost to rain. One young lad asked me whether we would be having extra drinks breaks as it was going to be 24.

A few quick highlights. English Pubs, all of them. Bending the arm and yarning at quite a few clubs after games. Finding a groundsman repairing a pitch before the game as foxes had dug it up the night before looking for food! Deer wandering down to the fence at one ground watching proceedings and umpiring games at the Worcestershire County Ground between 4 public school sides which had some of the best young talent in the country.

After that to Europe, including Paris. I toured the WW! Battlefields and stayed at Amiens. As many of you know it's a sobering time to do this and it reminded me again of the sacrifices that others have made for us. Australians hold a special place for the French especially in this part of the country and I was honoured to stand in even the very weak shadow of so many great Australians.

The following day the Tour de France came though Amiens and the day after that the World Cup erupted in the village. C'est fantastique and boy did they celebrate. I even forgave them for beating us a few World Cups back by diving in the box to get a cheap penalty.

The only reason they say 'Women and children first' is to test the strength of the lifeboats. (Jean Kerr)



Den McKeegan
Member 230

[Here's another article on why Denis has been away.](#)

OUR SON'S LONDON WEDDING

On 14th August my wife, daughter, son in law, 3 year old granddaughter, 9 month grandson and myself left Melbourne on the long plane journey to London, with 2 short stop over's in Brunei and Dubai. With 2 young children, sleep on the plane was a priority for us all. Unfortunately neither of them got any sleep on the first leg and only nodded off half way through the second leg to Dubai.



We stayed as a family throughout our time in London and Marlow. The first part of our trip we stayed in Paddington, only a 5 minute walk to the tube (underground rail network). Being a keen cricket lover, we went with other family members to see their equivalent of our Big Bash T20 at Lords which is the home of cricket. It was an exciting game with the result going down to the last over. A good chance to enjoy a cold beer without having to drive home. The UK alcohol limit is .08. They actually don't have booze buses and you would only be checked for alcohol if you did something wrong or had an accident.

A few days before the wedding we travelled by car to Marlow, about 10 minutes from Stubbings near Maidenhead. It was quite an easy drive using Google maps. This was a great place to stay with the only problem being lack of parking spaces. There is a very busy High Street with plenty of cafes, restaurants and pubs with the Thames River running through the town.

The Bucks afternoon / night was a BBQ and drinks at our son's house followed by short stopovers in some of the pubs close to where he lives. Meanwhile the ladies enjoyed a High Tea in London. Both events were a great success.

The weather was kind on the day of the wedding, warm but not too hot thankfully. The reception took place at the Stubbings Estate where there was a large marquee for all of the guests. Pre dinner drinks for a couple of hours followed by the dinner and drinks and of course dancing. Quite a number of family and friends made the trip over to London. We also had a BBQ the day after the wedding, although it rained throughout the day.

It was then another 3 flights back to Melbourne and it took a couple of weeks to overcome the jet lag. Back to the real world again until another trip, although only a visit back to the UK again next year.

What's coming up

We have been invited to attend the official launch of the redeveloped

MORDIALLOC MEN'S SHED

Thursday 18th October 2018 ... 2pm-3pm

1 McDonald St Mordialloc (*former site of StJohns Ambulance*)

Please RSVP by Thursday 4th October to 9581 4518

MELBOURNE CUP DAY - FAMILY PICNIC AT THE SHED

Yes, it's on again - the mouse trap powered vehicle race. Last year's winner has put out a challenge so start designing / constructing - think outside the box..... try a rat trap or something else. Just as long as it goes fast.



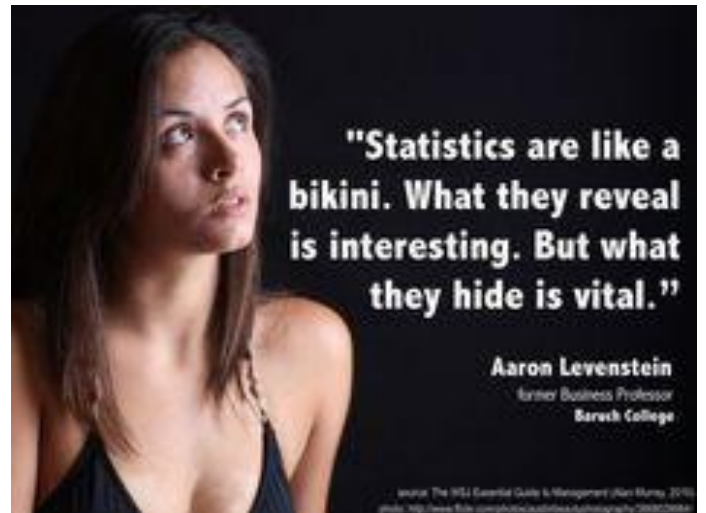


DVMS Christmas dine out at the
Keysborough Golf Club -
Saturday December 15th.
 The notice board will have the booking details

Orders are now being taken for DVMS club shirts & jackets - see the notice board for details or better still let Graham Kilby know your sizes and add your details to the list.

Birthday wishes to & get well soon:

Member #	First Name	Last Name	Day
155	Frank	Formica	1
251	Ken	Cavanagh	1
93	Cyril	Webster	9
173	Piya	Aruma	9
247	Gerard	Pelicier	9
199	Sam	Cotsopoulos	12
22	Theo	Breeuwer	14
30	Paul	Brennan	14
18	Robert	O'Brien	22
70	Bob	Prestt	23
246	Phil	Martin	23
27	Geoffrey	Colquhoun	27
62	Ron	Wood	27
156	Philip	Stephens	28



If God had intended us to fly he would have made it easier to get to the airport. (Jonathan Winters)



Vladimir Putin, wanting to get on the good side of voters, goes to visit a school in Moscow to have a chat with the kids. He talks to them about how Russia is a powerful nation and how he wants the best for the people. At the end of the talk, there is some time for questions. Little Sasha puts her hand up and says "I have two questions. Why did the Russians take Crimea? And why are we sending troops to Ukraine?" Putin says "Good questions..." But just as he is about to answer, the bell goes, and the kids go for lunch. When they come back, they sit back down and there is room for some more questions so another girl, Misha, puts her hand up and says, "I have four questions. My Questions are - Why did the Russians invade Crimea? Why are we sending troops to Ukraine? Why did the bell go 20 minutes early for lunch? And where is Sasha?"

As I hurtled through space, one thought kept crossing my mind - every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder. (John Glenn)

CENTRELINK BENEFITS

Dear Sir,

I have a Benefit Question.

Many years ago, I married a widow out of love, who had an 18-year-old daughter.

After the wedding, my father, a widower, came to visit a number of times, and he fell in love with my step-daughter.

My father eventually married her without my authorisation.

As a result, my step-daughter legally became my step-mother and my father my son-in-law.

My father's wife (also my step-daughter) and my step-mother, gave birth to a son who is my grandchild because I am the husband of my step-daughter's mother.

This boy is also my brother, as the son of my father.

As you can see, my wife became a grandmother, because she is the mother of my father's wife.

Therefore, it appears that I am also my wife's grandchild.

A short time after these events, my wife gave birth to a son, who became my father's brother-in-law, the step-son of my father's wife, and my uncle.

My son is also my step-mother's brother, and through my step-mother, my wife has become a grandmother and I have become my own grandfather.

In light of the above mentioned, I would like to know the following:

Does my son, who is also my uncle, my father's son-in-law, and my step-mother's brother fulfil the requirements for receiving childcare benefits?

Sincerely yours,

THE ANSWER:

Of course you qualify I have arranged to start mailing cheques to all of you just as soon as you arrive here in Australia.

Welcome!

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8.30 am—1 pm

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31 MARCUS ROAD, DINGLEY VILLAGE

**PLEASE STOP BY AND SUPPORT
OUR AUSTRALIAN FARMERS'**



2018 FOOTY TIPPING

We had 11 members participate in our Footy Tipping competition up to round 23 which has just completed. Finals were not included.

This is all done on line using the **Footy Tips** computer system. The advantage of having it online is it completely managed by ESPN which has some very good software features. You receive email reminders and tipping results for each round and can change your tips if you decide up until 5 minutes before each game starts. It would be good to have more members and friends participate next year.

Results for the season below could not have been any closer, with **1 point overall margin separating 1st and 2nd.**

1st: Denis McKeegan – 136 winners, 636 points margin

2nd: Paul Brennan – 136 winners, 637 points margin

3rd: Peter McCarthy – 136 winners, 696 points margin



DVMS GOLF DAY

30th AUGUST 2018

**A brave bunch of golfers rugged up and ready to take on the elements on a cold and wet August day.
Ron Prestt has done it again and taken out the Bunnings NARGA award again.**



Pairs winner Peter Holt with a combined score of 71.5



Yours truly also partnered with Peter as pairs winner



Least putts winner was again for the 2nd time Philip Dodgson

Well done to everyone who turned up to play on our 3rd DVMS Golf day for 2018, congratulations to all the prize winner's, and again many thanks to both & spring BUNNINGS (KEYSBOROUGH) Park Golf Course for their support in supplying vouchers for the prize & raffle winners. also many thanks to tony ford for standing in for David Ellis and taking some great photos. See more photos on the following page.



Jack DeZoete nearest the pin winner



Steve carting along 2 bags at once.



John Newman, I can't do this anymore.



Vaughan and Ron with caddy Steve.

THE WINNER FOR OUR GOLFER OF THE YEAR AWARD WILL BE DECIDED ON OUR FINAL GOLF DAY FOR 2018 ON THE 15TH NOVEMBER, PLEASE KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THE SHEET ON THE NOTICE BOARD. EVERYONE WELCOME PLAYER'S, CADDIE'S OR JUST COME ALONG FOR THE WALK. # SEE YOU THERE # CHEER'S DEREK.



REMEMBER - daylight saving starts Sunday, October 7th at 2.00am

Put your clocks FORWARD one hour.

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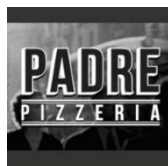
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