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President's Report



Hello fellow members

Following the Annual General Meeting I was concerned that my first report would be notifying you that the Club would have to close for want of a nomination for the position of secretary. However, we now have a nomination for secretary so our club will be able to continue. This is great news because we have a great club full of great people and it would have been a great shame to see it close. Leone and I have really enjoyed the fellowship, friendship and activities of the club since we joined in 2020 and we look forward to the year ahead. This year our club has had a shaky start with the postponement of the AGM due to cyclone Alfred and the threat of having to close our club. Perhaps that threat has made each of us appreciate what we have even more. Now all we need is a Social Events Coordinator. I hope you all are looking forward to the year ahead as much as I am.

President Jack

Members Spot

Ian McLeod spoke of his life growing up in Liverpool England after World War 2. He was involved with the scouts and travelled around Europe with the Senior Scouts. He was an engineering apprentice at Liverpool Shipyard and eventually went to sea with a New Zealand company transporting apples and lamb between UK and NZ.

Met his wife Ann and married in Leeds Yorkshire. Moved to Fiji for 3 years teaching at the Maritime school in Suva. Later moved to Sydney and worked as Sales Engineer. Raised their 3 children and started camping and caravanning with the family. Downsized and moved to Ettalong Beach on the Central Coast NSW where they started caravanning around Australia and in 2023 moved into Natures Edge Village at Forest Glen. Celebrated their 50th Anniversary back in Fiji and this year was awarded an OBE.



CAROL AND GEOFF BLACKSHAW (A short family history). They decided to have their members spot in the newsletter rather than at a meeting.

CAROL

I grew up in Gladesville NSW. I attended Riverside Girls High and left after the Intermediate Certificate at aged 15. I attended Sydney Technical College for 12 months undertaking a secretarial course (when one learnt Pitmans Shorthand – doesn't happen these days)

I had always wanted to train as a nurse but the hospital I wanted to train up the starting age was 18, so for the two years to fill in the gap I worked for the NSW Bookmakers Cooperative Society.

I began my nursing career at Royal North Shore Hospital and was one of the last groups to complete the year training before it went to three years and now a University Degree.

During my working life I basically worked in ophthalmological practices up until I retired at 60.

I met Geoff who lived next door to a girlfriend and after 18 days were engaged and married 9 months later. We both say we were "desperate".

Our first house was in Ryde, NSW. We adopted a little girl 4 years after we married. We then moved to North Epping and then to Epping. When we both retired we moved to Callala Bay which is on Jervis Bay NSW.

Because our daughter had moved to Queensland because of her job we moved nearly 3 years ago to the Sunshine Coast and have made our home at Natures Edge Forest Glen where we have a nice relaxing lifestyle.

GEOFF

Carol and I were both born in Ryde Hospital, 5 months apart.

I grew up in Ermington NSW all my single life. I left school at 16 and became an apprentice fitting and machinist toolmaker at a heavy industrial company. I wanted to "get off the floor" so I joined Westinghouse Brake and Signal company and stayed for 33 years finishing as the Contracts Manager for wagon and locomotive brake equipment.

Carol and I met and married in 1974 living in Ryde and Epping then moving to the South Coast Callala Bay.

I participated in several sports over the years from archery to pistol shooting (representing Australia in Korea in the Australian Shooting Team) then back to archery. As these were individual sports, I made the switch to a team sport and as my father and brother played lawn bowls so it became an obvious choice. I began playing in 1999 and have continued to play.

I played social golf twice weekly whilst living in Callala Bay but have not continued with this in Queensland.

We have enjoyed living in all our homes making friends in each location. We still keep in touch with people from each area.

I had a man's shed in Callala Bay which I enjoyed working but moving to Queensland it necessitated the sale and give away all the machines I had acquired over several years. This is something I miss.

We are enjoying our current residents and also membership at Probus – more friends and friendships being made.



Induction of New Members

President Margie had the pleasure of inducting our newest members Julie and John Van Didden into our club. Please introduce yourself and make them welcome.



Our APRIL Speaker:

Caitlin Delaney, and education officer with the RACQ, spoke about some of the road rules that catch people out as they have changed over the years and keep evolving.

Also, the importance of having a health certificate if 75 or older. The certificate must be carried at all times when in charge of a vehicle. If it is not carried and an accident occurs it could affect insurances and liabilities.

Detailed explanation of road rules can be found at www.tmr.qld.gov.au

Caitlin was thanked by Ken Evans and a certificate of appreciation was presented.

Wedding , Anniversaries & Birthdays

Congratulations to those with birthdays or wedding anniversaries for the month of May

Happy Wedding Anniversary

Maureen & Brian Clark

Happy Birthday

Judi Nommensen, Iain Mcleod, Ian McKaskill
Zenda Gourley-Hack, Margaret Mulholland,
Elva Duggan, Errol James, Aidan Whitham,
Nan Sargood, Anne Scholes, Richard Perry,
Anne LeClaire, Julie Van Didden

Upcoming Guest Speakers

MAY: Ralph Devlin- Retired Barrister

JUNE: Christopher Reynolds-Australian History

JULY: Cheryl Ryan-Travel Agent adventures around the world

AUGUST: Ellen Whinnett- Dual Walkley Award winner. Ex middle east foreign correspondent

SEPTEMBER: Office of Fair Trading

OCTOBER: Chris Holland- Photography

Probus Fees and Membership renewal and Risk acknowledgement forms

To all our members who have not paid their annual fees of \$78 as yet, they must be paid by the end of May and a copy sent to the treasurer.

The Membership and Risk acknowledgement forms must be completed and a copy give to Jeanette Leeson at the same time.

Thanks
Your Committee

Club Greeting Roster for 2025-2026

MEETING DATE	GREETERS
	Laureen Jerome
May-12	Aidan Whitham
	Jeff Feuerheerdt
Jun-09	Robyn Feuerheerdt
	Chris Holland
Jul-14	Elaine Anderson
	Sonia Holmes
Aug-11	Elva Duggan
	Nev Winter
Sep-08	Fay Winter
	Merv Grant
Oct-13	Wendy Grant
	Judy Clarke
Nov-10	Judi Nommensen
	Frank Coard
Jan-12	Tricia Coard
	Richard Perry
Feb-09	Margaret Perry
	Neil Hansen
Mar-09	Kay Hansen

We ask all greeters to be ready at the entry door to the meeting by 9.00am. Greeters badges available at the registration desk.

As the roster is set in advance there may be times where it will not suit you. If this should happen, would you please arrange a swap directly with another member so that this role is always filled in time.

Thanks to all members who offered to assist. Remember if you are unable to greet on the allotted date, please swap with someone yet to do the greeting and the confirm with Brian Clark (Ph 5326 2618) for inclusion in the newsletter.

Thanks, Anne & Barry Le Claire

Past Events

Wednesday 2nd April - Board Games

Fourteen keen board gamers were very keen to enjoy a fun afternoon on a very rainy day. Midway through we broke for a lovely afternoon tea of cookies and hot cross buns.

Bev & Lindsay Robertson / Kay & Neil Hansen



Friday 11th April - Golf Report

Despite a soggy course and a little misty rain midway our 7 members had a pleasant morning at Glenview. It was the Ian's turn to take home prizes. Ian Nunn came first for the fruit and vegies and Ian Noble took home the flowers.



Our members haven't reached this stage as yet.

Tuesday 15th April.- Coffee Morning

15 members enjoyed chatting amongst themselves whilst having morning tea at Goodlife Cafe members. Any new members most welcome.



Anzac Day 25th April

Judi and I arrived early at a very wet and wild Anzac Day morning, we were able to lay the wreath, along with many other organisations. Obviously, there were quite a few vacant seats which was unfortunate because a lot of preparation had gone into it, as always. The schools were well represented and they were very brave, being in summer uniforms. We were wet; however, we had come prepared. The school children were drenched. Unfortunately the dawn service was cancelled and it was surprising that this service went ahead.

This is the first time I can remember the weather being like this for Anzac Day.

Fran Matlock



Wednesday 30th April -Walk

Eleven members enjoyed the walk today at The Maroochy Botanical Gardens.



Bus Tour to Dubbo Zoo 27th April **WILD WESTERN PLAINS AND WATERFALLS TOUR**



Report from Margaret Perry

16 of our Probus members had an early start on Sunday morning and a beautiful day travelling south. Lunch was at Olivers near Maclean on the banks of the River Clarence, followed by a walk around Maclean. We then travelled via Coffs Harbour and Bellingen to "The Lodge" and the Three Blue Ducks Restaurant.

Monday, after a good breakfast at the Bellingen Butter Factory, we travelled up into the Great Dividing Range, along Waterfall Way through Dorrigo, stopping at the Dorrigo National Park and then some breath-taking Waterfalls, Dangar, Ebor and Wollomombi - Ebor Waterfall being the most spectacular. Our stop for the night was in Armidale.

Once again, another lovely morning and great anticipation of our stay at the Western Plains Zoo. This was more than we all had envisaged. Wonderful with the animals parading in the front of our Glamping Tents. At dinner our Entree included sliced Boar, Salt and Pepper Crocodile and Pork Sausage. The next morning was an early, chilly start, travelling in the Zoo Bus to watch the animals in the Savannah being fed and then to our delight we watched an Elephant having its morning bath and health check. What a beautiful sight, it was wonderful watching the animal enjoying the water and being scrubbed and how well it was trained and interacted with its keepers.

After a couple of relaxing hours, we went to the main Zoo, where some of us hired carts and others walked or ran to view the animals in their enclosures. What a great experience. Later that afternoon we were taken in the Zoo Bus to be up close to the animals while they were feeding. Firstly, we enjoyed feeding the Giraffes, such big animals but very gentle when we offered them carrots. Unfortunately, this tour was cut short as we experienced a Queensland storm, thunder and lightning, heavy rain and hail.

On our last morning the 'Perrys' were late to the bus (Oh dear!) for our last visit to the Zoo. On arrival we all boarded the 'Caged' Bus to go into the Lion enclosure. It was a great experience to watch the younger Lions at play, one had a soccer ball, and the others were just 'play fighting'.

Finally, our visit to the Zoo came to an end and we were on the Bus travelling to Moree for our last dinner together, followed by another early morning travelling home.

What a great trip, with many thanks to Lynn and Andrew of Mystic Mountains and the wonderful company of fellow Probiars.

The following poem is contributed with many thanks to Anne Le Claire

DAY 1

Richard & Margaret, Jack & Leone, Lauren, Elva, Merv & Wendy, Mary & Errol, Judy & Judi Barry & Anne, Lorraine & Ian.

Lesley & Jennifer joined our group then Suzanne & Ross at Beenleigh.

Capably led by Andrew & Lynn to Dubbo and Back safely.

We left the coast at 7am under sunny skies of blue with 22 of us now on board we were off to Dubbo Zoo.

We took a coffee break in Yatala by passed Brisbane and the Gold Coast. Our next stop was McLean, where Scottish tartans adorn each light post.

This town on the clarence river settled in 1862 now has barrages to protect it when flood come surging through.

Once more on board our comfy coach the miles and time just fly. In Coffs banana growing farms are giving blueberry crops a try.

We left the highway around 4pm to join the "waterfall way" Bellingen Lodge in the rolling hills was our luxury overnight stay.

We had happy hour at sunset with the Dorrigo plateau in view.

Then dined in the "3 blue Ducks". Lamb a popular choice from the menu.

DAY 2

Ate at Bellingen butter factory where town history is preserved. Minor repairs on our coach gave time to wander the town and observe.

It was a winding climb up to Dorrigo passing landslides & towering trees to "Gandwana Land" and the skywalk after a talk and morning tea

While lunching at the Ebor Pub we heard local stories to enthrall recent rains enhanced the view of Dangar and Ebor falls.

Spied our mystic mountains coach in cloud at the end of a road less travelled. Trod a mossy path to a wonderful view after a 10K drive on the gravel.

Our last stop was a lookout in "John Oxley Wild River National Park" 1813 Explorer John Oxley surveyed this land said the plaque.

It was a tasty end to an active day as we dined on chicken and steak. Armidale Rydges had comfy bed with no reason to stay awake.

DAY 3

In autumn colours tree lined streets glowed in the sun. An early fog had lifted to announce a sunny day to come,

Back roads led to a quaint old church which spoke of by-gone days. Now ivy clad, built in the 1800's it's still in use today.

From Dorrigo to Tamworth, we dropped down 1,200 metres. We left rainforest and ferns behind to find open plains the features.

With barley a 4-hour drive, we took back roads to "Black stump way" past painted silos in Dunnedoo to a Zoo Welcome to end our day.

Settled into our Zoofari Lodge tents we then met for the evening meal. Tastes of crocodile, wild boar & pork gave our dining an African feel.

DAY 4

At 7 we boarded a zoo bus passing giraffe, zebra, ostrich and white rhino, Mel Grant, the keeper, who cares each day for Paponi the endangered black rhino.

Saw an elephant given it's daily scrub. To do this task takes 2. Carrots are given as small rewards with more food when the bath is through.

For the zoo tour some used 6 seat carts and followed a detailed map. The animals are calm in their open enclosures and this keeps the crowds coming back.

With a thunderstorm brewing we boarded a bus and fed carrots to the giraffe. Using their tongues they reached down to bite, while Jacob took photos-what a laugh.

With the carrots gone we showed empty hands and the giraffe all turned and ran. As raindrops fell, we ran too. To the bus when the storm began.

We rolled down the flaps as the rain poured down and sheltered beside the savannah.

But when hail began, the tour was off!

Well soon we were back for dinner.

DAY 5

One more early start with the guide to hear of more animal ways then it was all aboard but the count was short.

Some will try every last thing to stay! The lion enclosure is well secured with close up viewing sections. We drove amongst the pride of the lions in a bus with great protection.

The Lions were relaxed, playing soccer or stalking behind a tree. It seemed like they weren't in a zoo but in their habitat, roaming free.

Fairwell Zoofari, farewell great staff, farewell western plains zoo.

We're driving north on our way home in the capable hands of Andrew.

We stopped to walk in Pillaga scrub, but little "Rock Art" could we see passing fields of cotton in the setting sun.

By 6 we were in Moree, had a short delay at the "Burke and Wills" for the motel had muddled Lynn's booking. Aromas of Roast rose from the kitchen helping us know what was cooking.

DAY 6

With a very long drive we left before 8. Some will doze a little, I think. Some farmers pay to support breast cancer wrapping their cotton in pink.

We've admired the ways of water, the majestic creatures in the zoo, and gazed in awe at autumn colours. All god's gifts for me and you.

Atre lunch in Toowoomba it's all downhill

Soon we'll all be home. Thanks so much to Lynn and Andrew. From this group who love to roam.

Thursday 1st May Tour and Devonshire Tea- Buderim Pioneer Cottage

Unfortunately, due to a number of last-minute cancellations and thus lack of number this event had to be postponed.

Marg is organising a future date in August or September which will be listed in future newsletters when available.

UPCOMING EVENTS

For all events, if you are paying by direct debit, please send an email to the Event Organiser & Treasurer once you pay for the Event.

Wednesday 7th May Board Games.

Time - 1.30pm

New members are always welcome to join us for a fun afternoon playing a variety of board games. You do not need to have played any of the games previously. We play for fun, enjoy a lot of laughs and hopefully keep our brains a little active.

Cost: \$5.00pp

Venue: Croquet Club, Syd Lyngard Drive Buderim

Event Organisers: Bev & Lindsay Robertson - Ph 0438822659 / Kay & Neil Hansen Ph 0405283146

Monday 12th May: Time 9.30am

Meeting starts at 9.30am at Maroochydore Surf Club followed by a lunch at the Surf Club at the member's expense.

Friday 16th May Golf

Time: 7:45 am

We will play a 9-hole Stroke event at Glenview Par 3 as usual. Our handicap system is such that everyone must win a prize eventually as we increase handicaps by 2 each time you play but do not come 1st of 2nd. If you come 1st your handicap is reduced by 50% and by 2 if 2nd.

New members are always welcome, and a fun game is had by all no matter what your golfing prowess is.

Our members also play on Tuesday each week at the same time and place except for the week of our general meeting when we play on the following Friday instead. The cost is \$16.00 per 9 holes followed by \$2.00 coffee/tea and biscuits in the clubhouse partaken over friendly banter between our players.

Event Organiser Ken Evans or Ian Noble

Tues 20th May- Morning Coffee

Time: 10:00 am

The Goodlife Cafe, 100 Buderim Pines Dr. Buderim

Join us for a relaxed morning every third Tuesday of the month chatting and getting to know fellow Probians over morning tea of your own choice from the well-stocked cafe. An opportunity for everyone to get acquainted with each other and make new friends. PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR BADGE!

Event Organiser: Evelyn Hedges
Ph 5477 1218

Wednesday 28th May Walk and Picnic Lunch -La Balsa Park Gardens

The May Walk will be on Wednesday 28th at 9.45 am for a 10 am start from La Balsa Park, corner of Pacific Blvd and Gulai St Buddina. We will do an anticlockwise walk via the water tank and the Point Cartwright lighthouse then down to the southern breakwater and back to the park.

For those who wish to stay we will have a picnic lunch in the park. There is a cafe opposite or you can bring your own. For those who do not wish to walk please join us for a picnic lunch. There is a café opposite the park to purchase coffee and or food.

If you put your name down on the sheet and are unable to attend on the day, please call Ian 0414838459 or Carol 0414767151



Future Events

11th June- Full Moon Rising

Viewing from a yet to be determined surf club on the coast, Meal at members cost. Details to follow.

Event Organiser: Margie Smith

Friday 13th June High Tea – Rumours Café Buderim Gardens 10am

Situated In Buderim Gardens Retirement Village at 405 Mooloolaba Rd Buderim Rumours Café have a delicious High Tea. Marg Mulholland and Evelyn Hedges have sampled it and agree it is well worth the cost of \$15.00 per person. Unfortunately, the numbers are limited to 20. If you are interested, please put your name down on the list provided, then let Brad Davies and I know once you have paid.

Event Organiser: Lucy Upcott 0447202932

Thursday 17th July – Christmas in July Lunch at Twin Waters Golf Club

We have chosen this venue because the price suits our budgets, and the ambience and food were excellent last Christmas. More details will follow in the ensuing months.

Event Organiser: Janet Bruce

Wednesday 30th July-Jesus Christ Superstar at Lyric Theatre Brisbane

The iconic global phenomenon, **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR**, arrives at QPAC from June with a mesmerising new production that has received unprecedented acclaim and accolades during its US and UK tours, including an Olivier Award for Best Musical Revival. Fran still has some tickets remaining. Cost is \$70. Payment is required by 28th April. Featuring lyrics and music by Emmy, GRAMMY, Oscar and Tony winners **Tim Rice** and **Andrew Lloyd Webber**, **JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR** dramatizes the final weeks of Jesus Christ's life through the perspective of Judas.

Event Organiser: 0407342809 Fran Matlock

Monday 15th December- Christmas Lunch at Twin Waters Golf Club

We have chosen this venue because the price suits our budgets, and the ambience and food were excellent last Christmas. More details will follow in the ensuing months.

Event Organiser: Janet Bruce

Calender of Future Events;

<u>May 2025 EVENTS</u>	<u>REGULAR ACTIVITIES</u>
Wed 7th 1.30 pm	Board Games
Monday 12th 9.30am	Monthly meeting at Maroochydore Surf Club
Friday 16th 7.15am	Golf at Glenview
Tuesday 20th 10.00am	Coffee Morning at Goodlife
Wednesday 28 th May	Walk and Picnic Lunch
<u>UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
Wednesday 11 th June	Full Moon Rising
Friday 13 th June	High Tea at Rumours Café.
Thursday 17 th July	Christmas in July at Twin Waters Golf Club
Wednesday 30 th July	Jesus Christ Superstar at Lyric Theatre
Monday 15 th December	Christmas Lunch at Twin Waters Golf Club

We have no events currently organised for August, September, October or November so if any off our members have any suggestions, please discuss it with any of the committee.

As we found last year the club has a more active social life if more members contribute with ideas or organising of individual events.

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR INFORMATION BOOKLET FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ON MEMBERS AND ACTIVITIES

DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENTS TO: WESTPAC BSB 034243 A/C 751330 THEN

FOR THE BENEFIT OF NEW MEMBERS AND FOR INSURANCE PURPOSES PLEASE WEAR YOUR PROBUS BADGE AT ALL ACTIVITIES.

If you change your email address, please notify the Secretary.

Welfare & Support

Carol Noble — 0414767151

Any members who are ailing or needing support please ensure that Carol knows about it so that the Club is able to provide whatever assistance it can.

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The Suggestion Box



If any member has any ideas for a new interest group or a social outing we would love to hear from you. Talk to or send an outline of your idea to anyone on the management committee who would love to be able to present more activities for our members each month so that they can achieve more fun and friendship together.

Thanks to Jo Drake for this article:

FOLLOWING THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DEATH OF NEIL ARMSTRONG THIS WEEK, THIS LITTLE BIT OF TRIVIA IS QUITE INTERESTING. ON JULY 20, 1969, AS COMMANDER OF THE APOLLO 11 LUNAR MODULE, NEIL ARMSTRONG WAS THE FIRST PERSON TO SET FOOT ON THE MOON.

HIS FIRST WORDS AFTER STEPPING ON THE MOON, "THAT'S ONE SMALL STEP FOR MAN, ONE GIANT LEAP FOR MANKIND," WERE TELEVISED TO EARTH AND HEARD BY MILLIONS.*

BUT JUST BEFORE HE RE-ENTERED THE LANDER, HE MADE THE ENIGMATIC REMARK - "GOOD LUCK, MR. GORSKY".

MANY PEOPLE AT NASA THOUGHT IT WAS A CASUAL REMARK CONCERNING SOME RIVAL SOVIET COSMONAUT. HOWEVER, UPON CHECKING, THERE WAS NO GORSKY IN EITHER THE RUSSIAN OR AMERICAN SPACE PROGRAMS.

OVER THE YEARS, MANY PEOPLE QUESTIONED ARMSTRONG AS TO WHAT THE -

'GOOD LUCK, MR. GORSKY' STATEMENT MEANT, BUT ARMSTRONG ALWAYS JUST SMILED.

ON JULY 5, 1995, IN TAMPA BAY , FLORIDA , WHILE ANSWERING QUESTIONS FOLLOWING A SPEECH, A REPORTER BROUGHT UP THE 26-YEAR-OLD QUESTION TO ARMSTRONG. THIS TIME HE FINALLY RESPONDED. MR. GORSKY HAD DIED, SO NEIL ARMSTRONG FELT HE COULD NOW ANSWER THE QUESTION.

IN 1938, WHEN HE WAS A KID IN A SMALL MID-WESTERN TOWN , HE WAS PLAYING BASEBALL WITH A FRIEND IN THE BACKYARD. HIS FRIEND HIT THE BALL, WHICH LANDED IN HIS NEIGHBOR'S YARD BY THEIR BEDROOM WINDOW.

HIS NEIGHBORS WERE MR AND MRS GORSKY. AS HE LEANED DOWN TO PICK UP THE BALL, YOUNG ARMSTRONG HEARD MRS. GORSKY SHOUTING AT MR. GORSKY,

"SEX! YOU WANT SEX?! YOU'LL GET SEX WHEN THE KID NEXT DOOR WALKS ON THE MOON !"

TRUE STORY. It broke the place up.

THINGS MOM USED TO SAY

What part of NO don't you understand?
I don't care who started it!
Money doesn't grow on trees.
Your face will stay like that!
Your hands are not broken.
Beds are for sleeping, not jumping on.
No pudding until you finish your dinner.
Don't sit so close to the TV. you'll get square eyes.
No one said life is fair.
Eat your vegetables
Carrots help you see in the dark.
I don't know is not an answer.
Because I said so..that's why!
You'll take someone's eye out with that
Don't get smart with me.
If someone told you to jump off a cliff would you?
Say pardon not 'what'
Who's 'she' the cats mother.
It'll end in tears.
Back in my day
Close the door, were you born in a field.
I want, never gets.
Do what I say, not what I do.

A guy stuck his head into a barbershop and asked, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looked around the shop full of customers and said, "About 2 hours." The guy left. A few days later, the same guy stuck his head in the door and asked, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looked around at the shop and said, "About 3 hours." The guy left. A week later, the same guy stuck his head in the shop and asked, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looked around the shop and said, "About an hour and a half." The guy left. The barber turned to his friend and said, "Hey, Bob, do me a favor, follow him and see where he goes. He keeps asking how long he has to wait for a haircut, but he never comes back." A little while later, Bob returned to the shop, laughing hysterically. The barber asked, "So, where does he go when he leaves?" Bob looked up, wiped the tears from his eyes and said, "Your house!"

Murphy from Dublin, decided to expand the line of furniture in his store, so he decided to go to Paris to see what he could find. After arriving in Paris, he visited with some manufacturers and selected a line that he thought would sell well back home.

To celebrate the new acquisition, he decided to visit a small bistro and have a glass of wine. As he sat enjoying his wine, he noticed that the small place was quite crowded and that the other chair at his table was the only vacant seat in the house. Before long, a very beautiful young Parisian girl came to his table, asked him something in French (which Murphy could not understand), so he motioned to the vacant chair and invited her to sit down. He tried to speak to her in English, but she did not speak his language.

After a couple of minutes of trying to communicate with her, he took a napkin and drew a picture of a wine glass and showed it to her. She nodded, so he ordered a glass of wine for her.

After sitting together at the table for a while, he took another napkin and drew a picture of a plate with food on it, and she nodded. They left the bistro and found a quiet cafe that featured a small group playing romantic music. They ordered dinner, after which he took another napkin and drew a picture of a couple dancing.

She nodded and they got up to dance. They danced until the cafe closed and the band was packing up. Back at their table, the young lady took a napkin and drew a picture of a four-poster bed.

To this day, Murphy has no idea how she figured out he was in the furniture business !!!!!!!

**A farmer pulls a prank on
Easter Sunday. After the
egg hunt he sneaks into
the chicken coop and
replaces every egg with
a brightly colored one.**



**Minutes later, the rooster
walks in. He spots the
colored eggs, then storms
out and beats up the
peacock.**