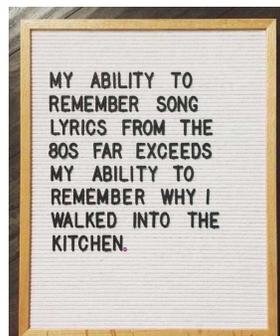
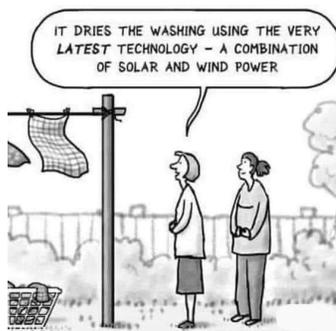


Fortnightly News Update

29 July 2022

THREE PIECES OF GOOD NEWS!!

1. Members may remember that following the Book Fair this year, we packed up more than 50 boxes of good quality books for school-aged children, with the intention of sending them to schools in the Lismore area which had lost so much in the recent floods. Their District Education Directorate has now let us know that they are ready to receive the books. Cue a search for the best and cheapest way of transporting them. We had received quotes ranging from \$700 to over \$3000!! However, the fantastic news is that we now have an offer from Murrumbidgee Canberra Rotary, with assistance from All Bids Auctions, to deliver them free of charge to us, and the books will be on their way early next week. To quote someone whose name I don't recall just now, HOW GOOD IS THAT?
2. Some heavy rainfall earlier this year resulted in a lot of water soaking into the carpet in the book processing area, damaging the carpet and also damaging the bottom of the bookshelves in that area. The good news here is that our insurance company has accepted our claim and will pay for replacement of the carpet and repair of the bookshelves.
3. And #3 – great to see Polly back where she belongs – keeping everything running smoothly and happily at the Club – after a brush with the virus.



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COMMUNITY NOTICES AND INFORMATION

All of us who may have worked in government, education or corporate organisations will recognise the advanced strategies outlined below.

Modern Day Management Philosophies

The tribal wisdom of the Dakota Indians, passed on from generation to generation, says that,

"When you discover that you are riding a dead horse, the best strategy is to dismount."

However, in government, education, and in corporate Australia, more advanced strategies are often employed, such as:

1. Buying a stronger whip.
2. Changing riders.
3. Appointing a committee to study the horse.
4. Arranging to visit other countries to see how other cultures ride horses.
5. Lowering the standards so that dead horses can be included.
6. Reclassifying the dead horse as living-impaired.
7. Hiring outside contractors to ride the dead horse.
8. Harnessing several dead horses together to increase speed.
9. Providing additional funding and/or training to increase dead horse's performance.
10. Doing a productivity study to see if lighter riders would improve the dead horse's performance.
11. Declaring that as the dead horse does not have to be fed, it is less costly, carries lower overhead and therefore contributes substantially more to the bottom line of the economy than do some other horses.
12. Rewriting the expected performance requirements for all horses.