

News & Views From Our Committee and Club Members

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The Green Thing

In the line at the store, the cashier told an older woman that she should bring her own grocery bags because plastic bags weren't good for the environment.

The woman apologized to him and explained, "We didn't have the **'Green Thing'** back in my day."

The shop assistant responded, "**That's our problem today. Your generation did not care enough to save our environment.**"

He was right -- our generation didn't have the **'Green Thing'** in its day.

Back then, we returned milk bottles, soda bottles and beer bottles to the store. The store sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled. But we didn't have the **green thing** back in our day.

We walked up stairs, because we didn't have an escalator in every store and office building. We walked to the grocery store and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time we had to go two blocks. But she was right. We didn't have the green thing in our day.

Back then, we washed the baby's diapers because we didn't have the throw-away kind. We dried clothes on a line, not in an energy gobbling machine burning up 2000Watts -- wind and solar power really did dry the clothes. Kids got hand-me-down clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing. But that old lady is right; we didn't have the **green thing** back in our day.

Back then, we had one TV, or radio, in the house -- not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a handkerchief (remember them?), not a screen the size of the state of Western Australia... In the kitchen, we blended and stirred by hand because we didn't have electric machines to do everything for us. When we packaged a fragile item to send in the mail, we used a wadded up old newspaper to cushion it, not Styrofoam or plastic bubble wrap. Back then, we didn't fire up an engine and burn gasoline just to cut the lawn. We used a push mower that ran on human power. We exercised by working so we didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity. But she's right; we didn't have the **green thing** back then.

We drank from a fountain when we were thirsty instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time we had a drink of water. We replaced the razor blades in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull. But we didn't have the **green thing** back then.

Back then, people took the tram or a bus and kids rode their bikes to school or walked instead of turning their mums into a

24-hour taxi service. We had one electrical outlet in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances. And we didn't need a computerized gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 2,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest pizza joint.

But isn't it sad the current generation laments how wasteful we old folks were just because we didn't have the green thing back then?

George Dobie (Vice President)

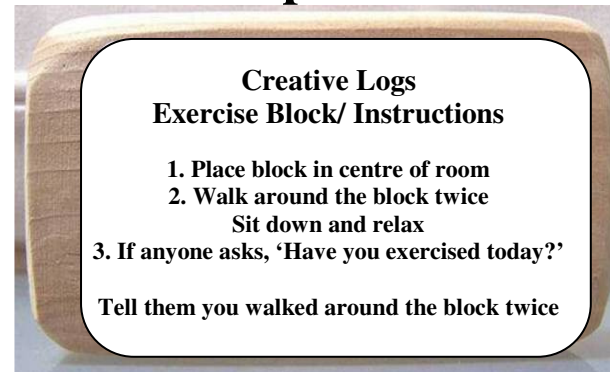
Dot's Spot

I went to my psychologist and he said "You're crazy" I tell him I want a second opinion. He said 'OK. Your ugly too!'



Lovely Dot Burke

Leoni's Keep Fit Products



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Keith's First Tattoo

He got an eagle on his right shoulder blade when he was 24.

How much does **Aussie Keith Urban** love America? Enough that for his 24th birthday—he decided to salute his **'new country of choice'** with a sizable tattoo of an eagle over his right shoulder blade.

"I got an eagle because I was in America," the singer revealed recently

"I had just been spending time here, I was single at the time and I thought, 'Gosh, it's my birthday, I want to give myself a cool gift.' I thought the eagle just seemed perfect. "It was American, I had my freedom, and it was something that would be on this journey with me for my whole life."

How's that? for an Aussie!



Just a Thought From Bill Northcott!

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Hi Bill

We're thinking of you and wishing that you feel better soon.

Here's hoping you are eating your morning porridge.

Best wishes from everyone at
Gawler Country Music Club

Tons of Puns

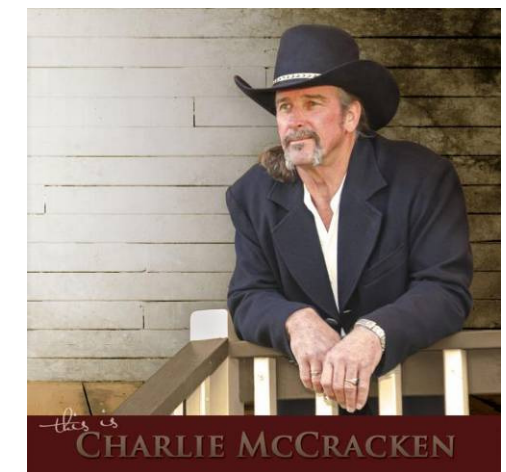
Those who jump off a bridge in Paris are in Seine.
A man's home is his castle, in a manor of speaking.
Practice safe eating - always use condiments.
Shotgun wedding - A case of wife or death.
A man needs a mistress just to break the monogamy.
A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
Condoms should be used on every conceivable occasion.
Reading while sunbathing makes you well red.
When two egotists meet, it's an I for an I.
A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two tired.
Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.
She was engaged to a boyfriend with a wooden leg but broke it off.
A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
If you don't pay your exorcist, you get repossessed
With her marriage; she got a new name and a dress.
The man who fell into an upholstery machine is fully recovered.
You feel stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.
Local Area Network in Australia - the LAN down under.
A lot of money is tainted - Taint yours and taint mine.
A boiled egg in the morning is hard to beat.
He had a photographic memory that was never developed.
Once you've seen one shopping centre, you've seen a mall.
Acupuncture is a jab well done.



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Sunday 16th October
Charlie McCracken & Band



Some Country Facts

China has 19% of the world's population, but consumes ... 53% of the world's cement
... 48% of the world's iron ore
... 47% of the world's coal
... and the majority of just about every major commodity.

- In 2010, China produced 11 times more steel than the United States.
- New World Record: China made and sold 18 million vehicles in 2010.
- There are more pigs in China than in the next 43 pork producing nations combined.
- China currently has the world's fastest train and the world's largest high-speed rail network
- China is currently the number one producer in the world of wind and solar power.
- Chinese consume 50,000 cigarettes every second ... Not an enviable record though ...
- While they manufacture 80% of the world's solar panels, they install less than 5%.

However Chinese Country Music is not so popular internationally and has never had a Country Track in the Country Top Ten...Unless you know better!