



Grey Power

Whakatane District

*Wish You All a Very Happy Christmas
together with a Healthy & Happy 2018*

The management committee wish all our members a very happy Christmas, together with a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year.

Our next meeting will meeting will be held in February/March 2018, which will be detailed in our first Newsletter for the year.

Should anyone have any suggestions for guest speakers at our forthcoming meetings, we would love to hear from you; please contact us either via our website or to our email address, both of which are listed herein.

A now a few light hearted moments & stories to start the festive season.

Retirement

Retirement can be a wonderful thing. Though the change is certainly big - from stopping our day jobs and staying at home, to the hours that we've gained where we now need to keep ourselves busy, and hopefully enjoy ourselves too. Indeed, retirement has many secrets...

Question:

When is a retiree's bedtime?

Answer:

Two hours after he falls asleep on the couch.



Question:

How many retirees does it take to change a light bulb?

Answer:

Only one, but it might take all day.

"Retirement is wonderful. It's doing nothing without worrying about getting caught at it"
Gene Perret

Question:

What's the biggest gripe of retirees?

Answer:

There is not enough time to get everything done.



Question:

Why don't retirees mind being called Seniors?

Answer:

The term comes with a 10% discount.

Question:

Among retirees, what is considered formal attire?

Answer:

Tied shoes.



"There's one thing I always wanted to do before I quit...retire!"
Groucho Marx



Question:

What is the common term for someone who enjoys work and refuses to retire?

Answer:

Idiot

Question:

Why are retirees so slow to clean out the basement, attic or garage?

Answer:

They know that as soon as they do, one of their adult kids will want to store stuff there.

Question:

What do retirees call a long lunch?

Answer:

Lunch.

*"I have never liked working.
To me a job is an invasion of privacy."*
Danny McGorty

Question:

What is the best way to describe retirement?

Answer:

The never ending Coffee Break.

Question:

What's the biggest advantage of going back to school as a retiree?

Answer:

If you cut classes, no one calls your parents.

Question:

Why does a retiree often say he doesn't miss work, but misses the people he used to work with?

Answer:

He is too polite to tell the whole truth.



*"I enjoy waking up and not having to go to work.
So I do it three or four times a day."*

Gene Perret

I am a Seenager – a senior teenager.

I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 60 years later.

I don't have to go to school or work.

I get an allowance every month.

I have my own pad.

I don't have a curfew.

I have a driver's license and my own car.

I have ID that gets me into bars and the whisky store.

The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant.

And I don't have acne.

Life is Good! Also, you will feel much more intelligent after reading this.

Older Brains

Brains of older people are slow because they know so much. People do not decline mentally with age, it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have so much more information in their brains, scientists believe. Much like a computer struggles as the hard drive gets full, so too, do humans take longer to access information when their brains are full.

Researchers say this slowing down process is not the same as cognitive decline. The human brain works slower in old age, said Dr. Michael Ramscar, but only because we have stored more information over time. The brains of older people do not get weak. On the contrary, they simply know more.

Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is NOT a memory problem, it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

I have more friends I should share this with, but right now I can't remember their names. So, please pass this on to your friends; they may be my friends, too!



BEST EVER SENIOR CITIZEN JOKE -

A woman brought a very limp duck into a veterinary surgeon. As she laid her pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest.

After a moment or two, the vet shook his head and sadly said, "I'm sorry, your duck, Cuddles, has passed away." The distressed woman wailed, "Are you sure?" "Yes, I am sure. Your duck is dead," replied the vet.

"How can you be so sure?" she protested. "I mean you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something."

The vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room. He returned a few minutes later with a black Labrador Retriever. As the duck's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the duck from top to bottom. He then looked up at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head.

The vet patted the dog on the head and took it out of the room. A few minutes later he returned with a cat. The cat jumped on the table and also delicately sniffed the bird from head to foot. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly and strolled out of the room.

The vet looked at the woman and said, "I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, 100% certifiably, a dead duck."

The vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys and produced a bill, which he handed to the woman.. The duck's owner, still in shock, took the bill. "\$150!" she cried, "\$150 just to tell me my duck is dead!"

The vet shrugged, "I'm sorry. If you had just taken my word for it, the bill would have been \$20, but with the Lab Report and the Cat Scan, it's now \$150."

An archaeologist is the best husband any woman can have: the older she gets, the more interested he is in her -

Agatha Christie

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