



Dying to die

The world according to Magenta Appel-Pye

My wonderful mother-in-law, Elizabeth Appel, (God bless her), has passed over. It was an overdue death because the medical establishment wouldn't let her go naturally.

As no-one in her family survived beyond 80, she started planning for her death in her late 70's and insisted that she did not want an 80th birthday party. However, she got an 81st.

Elizabeth was absolutely appalled when she turned 90. Years ago, she asked if I could help her go. I told her that, even if I had access to something, it was illegal and so I couldn't.

I told her that if she really wanted to die, she should stop taking her medications and start smoking again. But she didn't.

It's a difficult stage of life for us and many friends our age as well. We rushed down to Sydney five times last year because she was dying but

she was a tough old bird. She survived Hitler and Stalin as well as old age. We learnt to take each day as it comes and be thankful for life in all its stages.

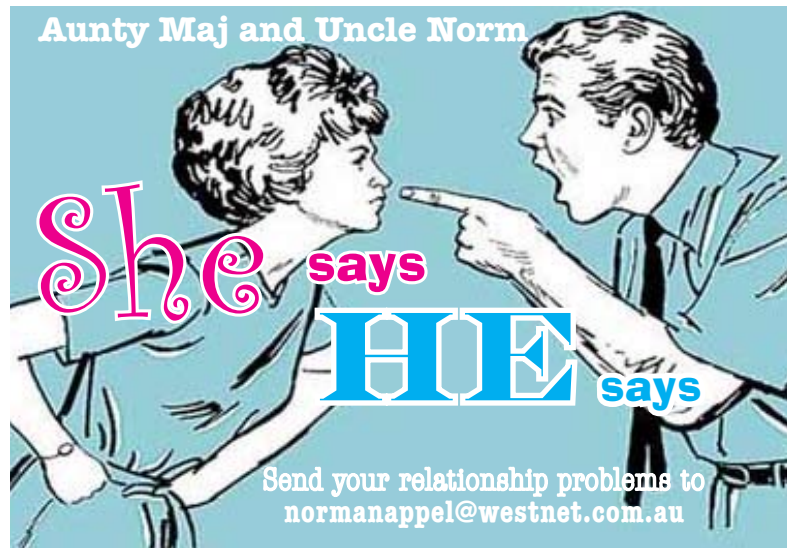
My Mum, Peggy Pye, is still playing her double bass at 89, along with her 95-year-old trumpet playing, singing boyfriend, Aubrey, and they are still performing. Music keeps them going and, making others happy, gives them quality of life.

However, when we did her shopping, she told us not to buy green bananas because she didn't know if she would still be around when they ripened.

Voluntary euthanasia is currently available in Victoria but you have to have lived there for one year. With so many baby boomers getting older, it will only be a matter of time for them to introduce it all over Australia.

What a relief, because currently they treat dogs better than humans.

Vale Elizabeth Appel, 20th September 1923 to 5th March 2019.



She says

Dear Phyllis, give his balls a good scrutinise and, if there's no nasty rashes or growths, you can safely think he's either rearranging or simply enjoying himself. I know it's hard for women to understand this, but men are obviously different.

Recently I was collecting some big passionfruit in my sarong. I found it uncomfortable having these orbs swinging around between my legs as I walked along.

I mentioned it to Norm who said "now you know what it's like for us blokes." Poor bastards! It would be annoying. He also complained that they're not appreciated or admired enough. Maybe he's right. I've never heard one of the Sisters say, "He has a beautiful pair of cojones."

We may have to accept that men need to make regular adjustments. The other day, on the street in Nimbin, in broad daylight, a young man stopped right in front of me, put his hands down his pants and jiggled his balls around.

Then he pulled his hand out and, unashamedly did a further outer adjustment. Maybe they got twisted and really hurt but surely, he could have had some discretion.

You never see a woman stick her hand down her bra in public, give her breasts a jiggle around and a pat afterwards even though those underwire bras are bloody uncomfortable.

Phyllis, I assure you that it's normal. They all do it. I guess we can just be grateful for the longer shorts fashion so they're not staring us in the eyeball when we sit opposite like they used to in the 70's.

You'll just have to either help him out, or look the other way.

What do you get when you're holding two green balls? Kermit the Frog's undivided attention.

He says

Dear Phyllis, The great Billy Connolly once mused that when God created Adam, he ended up with some left-over elbow skin and decided he could make it into these wee little baggies.

No doubt the Creator figured it would also keep Adam amused when he had nothing else to do. Unfortunately, it led to Adam having weird fantasies and urges which probably led to the creation of Eve.

The original purpose of these wee little bags seems very much in play today as it was 3000 years ago, you know, when the Universe was created.... How else do you think popular sports like snooker, football, cricket and tennis got started?

Seriously though, if that's possible, try and imagine that all your internal equipment 'down there' was suddenly turned inside out and you had to wear it all on the outside. How do you think you'd cope with that? It's like a pair of hamsters and a snake living in your pants 24/7. They're constantly tossing and turning, getting in each other's way, and generally annoying the hell out of their host.

A bloke's boys spend most of the time cooped up in the confines of steamy, fetid underpants, so when a bro has the chance to set them free occasionally and give them a bit of fresh air and exercise, it's a good thing. Actually, it's absolutely essential. So, is it normal? Hell yes!

In cricket, ball tampering is a major breach of the rules, so if your boyfriend uses sandpaper whilst performing his gonad Olympiads, firmly warn him, like a good umpire, that if he persists, he'll have to see the doctor or the psychiatrist.

Otherwise grab yourself a coffee, sit down, settle in and enjoy the show.

A man went to the psychiatrist wearing nothing but cling wrap. The psychiatrist said, "I can clearly see your nuts."



Once again our Giraween NP walk was postponed due to bushfires and lack of water at the camp grounds causing National Parks to close the camping area.

As we were keen to get out and about, a last minute change to Springbrook NP was organised.

The weather was showery at night but the days were threatening but clear. A great two days, and the camping area and walks were first rate.

There are some very good short walks and from all reports the long walk is well worth the effort. We will return to see it all.

WALKS PROGRAMME

Friday 12th to Sunday 14th April – Iron Pot Creek in Toonumbar N.P.

Leader: Peter Moyle 0412-656-498

One of our favourite camp areas, 40 minutes west of Kyogle with pit toilets, a camp kitchen and campsites under the rainforest. Camping fees apply.

Grade 4. On the Saturday we will be going to Eden Creek Falls: a special place not visited often. This will be a serious walk and a scramble down and up from the old picnic area. Leaving the camping area at 9am and with a lunch break on the track, we should be back at camp by 3pm. There will be slippery sections on loose surfaces and steep grades.

Grade 2-3. On the Sunday we will do the Murray Scrub walk in the morning from 8.30am. Members and visitors can come for the weekend or one or both days as day trips. Ring Peter for registration and details.

Sunday 28th April – Whiskey Creek in Mount Jerusalem National Park

Leader: Bill West 0429-933-544

Grade: 3-4 Walking on some off tracks and steep grades, slippery conditions will be encountered. Good footwear needed. **Bring** water, lunch and hat.

Meet: 9am at the primary school in Uki or if coming from Mullumbimby out past Main Arm on the Uki Road, on the corner of Mann's Road and Whiskey Creek fire trail in the Mt Jerusalem National Park at 9.30am. It is best to ring Bill re meeting point and details of walk.

Sunday 12th May – Goanna Headland at Evans Head

Leader: Megan 0415-063-302

Grade: 2-3 Meet: 10am at Chinaman's Beach car park. Two beautiful coastal walks: each year we come here and we never tire of this wonderful spot and a nice coffee after. Goanna Headland followed – after lunch at the beach – by a walk through Dirrawong reserve. Each walk about 1.5 hours Bring: water, lunch and a hat.



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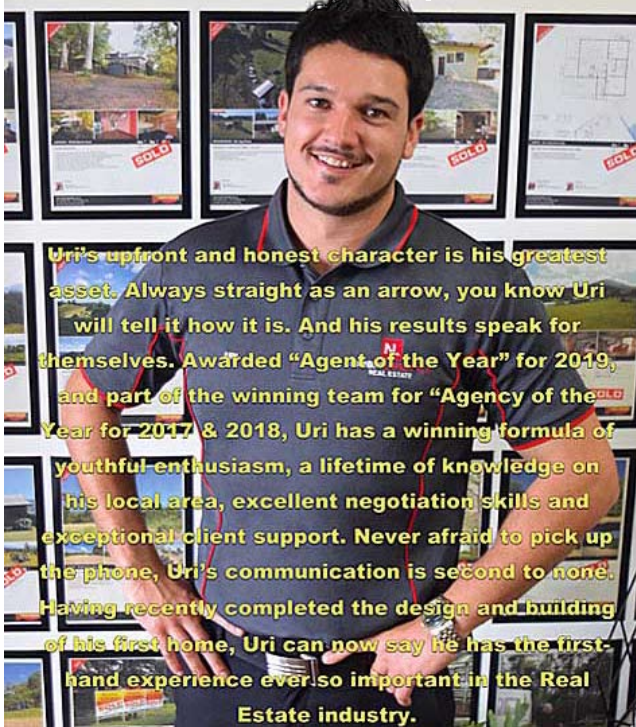
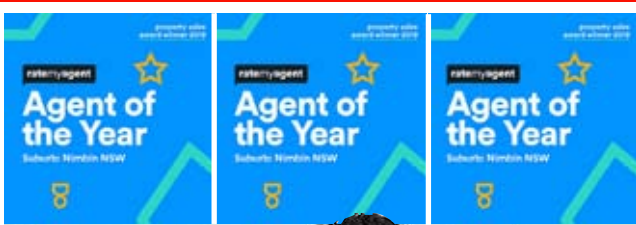
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