# **HOBART PROBUS CLUB (MEN'S) INC**



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#### PRESIDENT'S THEME FOR THE YEAR

### "Developing Friendships and Networks"

Today's Greeter is Mike Walpole

### Our Guest Speaker - Topic 'My Air Force Career'

#### Air Vice-Marshal P.J. SCULLY, AO, RAAF (rtd)

Peter Scully was born in Manly, NSW and educated at North Sydney Boys' High School. He joined the RAAF as a cadet at the RAAF College Point Cook in January 1952 and graduated with the Queen's Medal and the Sword of Honour as a pilot in December 1955. He spent the major portion of his flying career as a fighter pilot, flying Vampires, Meteors, Sabres and Mirages (and managed to scrounge two flights in the F/A-18.) He completed four tours in Malaysia/Singapore, including one as Personal Assistant to the Air Officer Commanding No 224 Group RAF during the Malayan Emergency and three tours at the RAAF's Base at Butterworth, Malaysia, including one as Commanding Officer of No 3 Squadron (Mirage). During his time at Butterworth he was leader of a Sabre aerobatic team which performed in Singapore, Bangkok and Saigon and later, the solo display pilot on the RAAF's first Mirage squadron.

Air Vice-Marshal Scully retired from the RAAF in 1990 having flown over 5,000 hours, mainly in single-engine aircraft. In retirement he returned to flying instruction for a while. He has spent considerable time researching RAAF history, particularly that involving the RAAF's contribution to the air war in Europe and the Middle East during 1939-45, a subject on which he completed a Research Paper for the Australian War Memorial to assist their gallery re-development. He has also completed a series of 50 Oral History recordings on this subject for the AWM. He is patron of the Odd Bods (UK) Association (RAAF who flew with non-RAAF squadrons) and of the RAAF Europe organisation.

Following retirement from the RAAF, he and his wife Felicity – a Tasmanian - moved to Tasmania where he maintains an active interest in Air Force and Veterans' affairs through the RAAF Association. For relaxation he plays the piano and 'cello. He pursues favourite pastimes of fishing and gardening (currently orchid growing) and music. Unfortunately, his wife died several years ago after a long illness.



### Our Last Meeting - Jonah Gouldthorpe

This was a well received practical talk which gave our members good advice and information about gardening in pots and the advantages and pitfalls inherent in this practice.

There was plenty of opportunity for questions and answers about members experiences and for clarification.

The background detail for our guest showed his practical nature and lived experience.

### Last Month's Activities Report

#### Ausmas Luncheon.

On a bitterly cold day, reminiscent of Christmas in Europe, 57 Probus members and their partners gathered at Salamanca Inn on 25<sup>th</sup> June for the Club's annual Christmas in winter lunch, Ausmas. Excellent entertainment was provided by the Brandivinos.

A selection from the available photos will accompany the August Bulletin.



#### **CLUB ACTIVITIES: UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Luncheon Group**

Our mid winter lunch is on **Thursday July 11** and we have booked the Ferntree Tavern, a great spot on a cold winter's day. You can warm up in front of the blazing log fire whilst enjoying a toddy or two and anticipating a delicious lunch which will included a succulent roast. You may choose from the extensive menu and pay for meal and drinks at the bar. Time is 12 for 12.30.

#### MAWSONS HUT VISIT



The July outing is a visit to Mawson's Hut Replica Museum on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Arrival should be around 10.50 am in preparation for a guided tour at 11.00 am. The concession fee is \$12/Head,

The tour will be followed by lunch at the Hope and Anchor Tavern, with meals ranging from \$15 - \$18. The schedule of participants will be circulated again during the meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2019.



**IT Group** next meets at the clubrooms on July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10.00. All welcome to join in IT related discussion.

### **Future Outings**

July 9	Mawson's Hut	Rob Brand
August 8	Anglesea Barracks	Neil Blaikie
September 10	Botanical Gardens (Tulip time) & Café	Rob Brand
October 8	Transport Museum	Neil Blaikie

#### SCOTTSDALE & EAST COAST TOUR—DECEMBER THIS YEAR

If there is sufficient interest a two night and three day tour to the North and East Coast is planned for December[Monday 9th – Wednesday 11th] Places of interest to visit include: Ross [Wool Centre]; Bridestowe Lavender Farm; Little Rivers Brewing Company Lulworth and/or Fanny Bay Distillery; Legerwood World War 1 Memorial Carved Trees; the Tin Trail-Derby & Pyengana; St Helens & Swansea with guided tours of the Barkmill Museum and the Swansea Museum and on to Kate's Berry Farm and Spiky Bridge. (N.B. any further suggestions would be gratefully received)

The Ball park figure cost is \$550-\$600 and this will include: Accommodation for two nights; Breakfast x 2; Dinner x 2; Lunch x 2/3; and entry cost to all places visited and of course Bus hire. The tour, like the West Coast one, is open to all Probians & wives/partners & friends. If interested, please let David Brammall know. At this stage it is an "interest" count not a commitment. Please add your name to the list circulating. It will be circulated again at our July meeting.

**David Brammall** 

### Club Welfare (Robin Holmes 62459326)



Members are requested to contact Robin if they are aware of any member who is ill, in hospital, or otherwise indisposed and either he or his family may need assistance.

## Warblers (Bob Brewster 62251964)



The Warblers meet in the SBBC Clubrooms at 10:00a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Extra voices are always welcome.

# Aquarobics (Ian Miller 62252560)



The group meet each Friday at the Doone Kennedy Aquatic Centre at 7.45 am for exercise, splash, and the opportunity to discuss local and world events. Coffee and nibbles follow in the cafe. The group welcomes casual participants should you feel you may benefit from a bit of clean fun.

# Strollers (Athol Wilkes 62241673)



This committed group of walkers enjoy the walk along the Sandy Bay Foreshore each Wednesday at their own pace. Some are fast and furious; others resemble slow snails and yet others simply strollstroll. There is a place for all! It is followed by coffee at a nearby restaurant. Meet near Beach House, Lower Sandy Bay at 9:30 a.m. Partners are welcome.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Hobart Probus Club (Men's) Inc. will be on Tuesday, August 6th 2019

Women sometimes make fools of men, but most guys are of the do-it-yourself variety.

#### BIRTHDAYS FOR JULY

1	Michael SALTER	2	Tony HOPE	7	Peter CRIPPS
8	<b>Peter MIDDLETON</b>	<i>11</i>	Michael WOOLLEY	4	Dan REARDON
<i>14</i>	Graeme HOWARD	<i>21</i>	Chris JONES	<i>25</i>	Lindsay LOVELL
28	Kevin HENDRY	29	Adrian GRALEY		

Members with responsibilities!

President	Neil	Blaikie	0407870302
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Two secrets to keep your marriage brimming

- 1. Whenever you're wrong, admit it;
- 2. Whenever you're right, shut up.

Member's contributions to the Bulletin are always welcome. The greater number of guest reporters the more varied and interesting the Bulletin content can be.

# Photo Gallery: this month we feature the **Wednesday Walkers**.

Member's contribution of any Probus related photos for inclusion in this gallery would be appreciated.











A beach walk for some, shorter for others, and then conviviality





And, of course, COFFEE.

