

HOBART PROBUS CLUB (MEN'S) INC



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PRESIDENT'S THEME FOR THE YEAR

**ENJOY AND EXPLORE THROUGH
 FRIENDSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP**



This month's Greeter: Graham Standen

VALE – JIM WISHART (1925 – 2020)

B. Sc, F.R.A.C.I., C Chem, OAM

Jim was a humble and highly intelligent man with a very sharp mind who joined our Club in 1991. He served as Secretary for 5 years (1994-1998), Vice President in 1999 and as President in 2000. He was awarded Life Membership in 2009. Jim was also our Club Historian and compiled the first 30 years of our Club history (1982 -2012) available in booklet format. Until deteriorating health took a hold, Jim was an active member of the Aquarobics and Photography Activity groups.

Professionally Jim was a highly qualified Industrial Chemist particularly proficient in Forensic analysis and Toxicology. He was awarded an OAM in 1987 for ground – breaking work in this field. Jim was meticulous by nature and this carried through to the Club operations where Jim would frequently convey his extensive knowledge and intellect “from the floor”. His contribution, presence and friendship will be sadly missed. Rest in Peace Jim.



Meeting Apologies!

It would be appreciated if apologies for meetings be directed where possible to our Membership Officer, John Brodribb, through his email address brodribbs@gmail.com



Our last meeting.

It was great to see so many attend at our first meeting since Covid restrictions were put in place.

A full meeting program was held with two new members inducted, (a hearty welcome to Malcolm and to Bruce), President Mike in charge of his first meeting, a different set up and procedure, and our own Ian Miller making us all realise what we are missing being locked down as he gave us his illustrated travelogue of one of his excursions.

Ian drew the member's prize and this was accepted by Carl Lawton.

This month's Guest Speaker

Harry Quick

Harry was born and raised in Victoria, lived in South Australia and finally settled in Tasmania, after returning from 2 years living and working in Canada. He was a Teacher in Tasmania and South Australia for a total of 23 years. He then worked as an adviser to Senator Michael Tate for 5 years, before entering politics and being elected to House of Representatives for 5 terms 1993 - 2007 as the member for Franklin. Harry is proud of the fact that he retired undefeated. Harry has great compassion and commitment to those things he believes in.

His Topic today is "The Headstone Project" - A task to erect headstones and plaques over the unmarked graves of WW1 soldiers lying in cemeteries throughout Australia; approximately 14,000.

Welfare Report

Hamish Kyle returned to Tasmania on Aug 24th and is currently in isolation at home. He will be contacting members as usual and will have a full report for the October meeting. In the meantime we are aware that members Neil Blaikie, Terry Bowes and Wes James have had health issues and we wish them all the best in the coming days.

Luncheon News (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)

Our lunch in August was held at an old favourite, the DSS, where 14 members enjoyed excellent service, great value meals and of course a generous serve of friendly banter. Welcome back!

September Birthdays

3rd John Elms, 4th George Strickland, 12th John Milliington, 13th David Brammal, 17th Gordon Dowl and Michael Graham, 18th Darrell Milbourne, 21st Graham Sargison, 29th Phil Mathers, 30th Lewis Hamnett

Items of General Interest

VANNERS AND CABIN DWELLERS

Members are reminded that our annual holiday at White Beach Tourist Park is to take place from Monday the 8th (for Vanners) Tuesday the 9th (for Cabin Dwellers) to Tuesday the 15th of February next year. Some cabins and power site bookings have already been pencilled in. All those proposing to attend should contact Peter and Bev, the proprietors, on Ph 6250 2142 or by e-mail (see their website) to confirm a booking by the end of November or earlier.

For the benefit of those new to the club this event is open to all members and friends with a caravan or equivalent or those who wish to join us by booking a Park Cabin. Do feel free to join us for all or part thereof. Thursday will as usual be our Dinner night. When confirming a booking do be sure, in order to obtain a discount, to mention that you are part of the Hobart Probus group. This year our group topped 30. It was great fun!

For further information speak to David Brammall.

TRAVEL GROUP (Intrastate and interstate)

This activity (see our website) is not forgotten but for obvious reasons is, for the duration of our “Covid” crisis, being held on the “backburner”. If however you have any thoughts on this activity please do not hesitate to pass them on to Brian Butler, Mike Walpole or David Brammall. All suggestions big or small will be gratefully received.

Luncheon Group (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)

For September we will visit a very special venue for the first time in quite a while. Our destination is the Cascade reception centre which has recently re opened with a new look and menu. The best news is that the beer bar is well and truly operating, which of us can draw the best glass of beer?

The date is Thursday September 10th from 12 noon. Book your place today or by contacting Geoff on 0418 136 618 or gmedhurst@gmail.com

Aquafun Group With the closure of the 25m pool at the Aquatic Centre until October there is little prospect of an early return for this activity group.

Warblers. Given the close proximity required both to practice and to perform, not to mention the vulnerability of the age group involved, it has been decided on advice to put this activity on hold until further notice.

Office bearers / coordinators for 2020

President	Mike	Walpole	0429001402
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Secretary and Public Officer	Graham	Sargison	0417548379
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Junior VP	Michael	Graham	0400031946
Treasurer	Bob	Clifton	0418262646
Assistant Treasurer	David	Back	0407895255
Guest Speakers	Carl	Lawton	0422486722
Club Outings	Rob	Brand	0418122671
Bulletin & Publicity	Brian	Butler	0409218567
Membership	John	Brodribb	6225 0897
Support & Welfare	Hamish	Kyle	0408544601

It is terrific to get contributions for our bulletin. This one is greatly appreciated. There is always room for more and perhaps hopefully inspires more members to put pen to paper.

I was reflecting on my youth in Sydney (as you do when you turn 70) and remember hearing of this mysterious game VFL, they played in Melbourne. No self-respecting Sydney-sider ever discussed the issue, so I didn't know much about it.

Things changed dramatically for me when I met my future wife Lyn, at university in Sydney. Lyn's parents were Victorians. They were nice people with a dedication to a strange religion, VFL.

In those days I had no concept of Australian Rules except to know that Victorians were sport fanatics and a step up from fanaticism when it came to VFL. Lyn's father's first question when he met me was "What VFL team do you support?" I realised it was a trick question with only one correct answer, that I didn't know. I cleverly avoided an answer by asking in return "What team do you support?" "HAWTHORN" he beamed. My next words were not so clever. "Oh, I haven't heard of them. Are they any good?" It didn't go well. It got worse when AFL began and I started following the Sydney Swans. That was the South Melbourne team that signed a pact with the devil and moved to Sydney. I never mentioned Australian Rules in the company of my Father in Law after that first meeting.

Australian Rules might look funny when you first see it but deep down it is serious stuff.

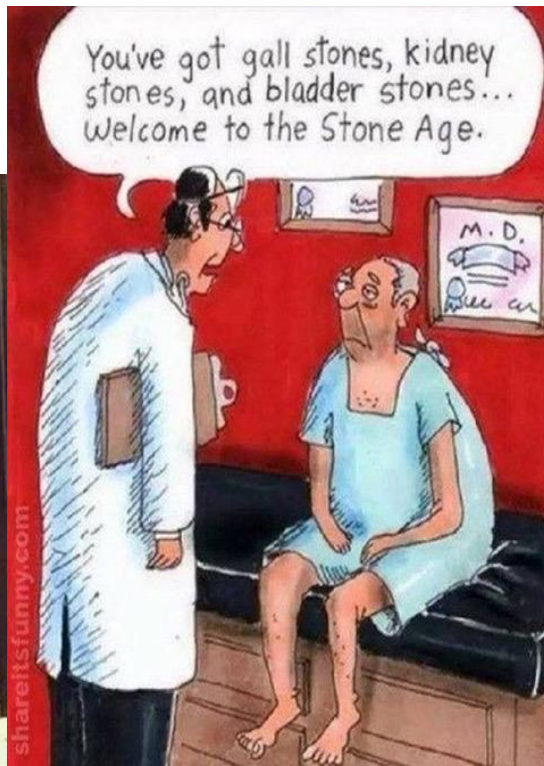
Neil Blaikie (Rugby Union Tragic)

For your serious attention.

The current editor of the Bulletin will retire from the position at the next AGM in March.

After 4 years it is time for a new face and new ideas. If you are prepared to look at this as your contribution to our club please let Secretary Graham know. In the coming months there is plenty of opportunity for a transfer in understanding of the process currently in use (Microsoft Word), printing, distribution, shared editorial publishing, as desired. There will be backup available in case of holiday plans or change of circumstance.

It is not a difficult task and gives a wonderful opportunity to understand and contribute to the club.



England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.

I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.

They told me I had type-A blood, but it was a Typo.

