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HOBART PROBUS CLUB (MEN'S) INC



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President's Theme for 2021/22



'Probus - Friendship, Fellowship and Fun for Fellas'

This month's Greeter is PAUL CACCAVO

An Important Reminder – past protocols are still in place.

We again need to make members aware that before coming to the meeting everybody once again considers the Covid -19 protocols regarding their current health status, recent travel and exposure to others who may have been interstate etc. If in doubt please don't attend until you ensure everything is in order and that there is no risk to yourself or to our members.

GET TO KNOW YOUR COMMITTEE



PROBUS BRAINS TRUST
IN ACTION

The adjacent picture depicts our President Stando leading this fine body of men (The Probus Committee), seen here deep in thought considering the big issues of the day.

Moving clockwise from front, around the table:

Rod Moore (Junior Vice President)

Tony Hope (Presentations)

Mike Walpole (Past President)

Bob Clifton (Treasurer)

Stando (President)

Phil Mathers (Assist. Secretary)

Sarge (Secretary)

Rob Brand (Outings)

Mike Graham (Senior Vice President)

Neil Blaikie (Absent – taking picture)

Vale Rob Irvine -1929 - 2021



Sadly the club has lost one of its great stalwarts, and a life member, Rob Irvine.

Until his passing, Rob was our longest serving member. The adjacent picture captures Rob, last October, receiving a plaque in recognition of thirty years of membership and service.

Rob joined our club in 1990 and was soon taking on leadership roles, joining the committee in 1992, becoming vice president in 1993 and then president in 1994.

Rob set up the first club bulletin, which he produced from 1998 to 2001.

He contributed to the club in so many ways and will be missed.

June Guest Speaker: The TYO - 2020 and beyond



Tasmanian Youth Orchestra (TYO) CEO Kyna Hart informed and entertained the members with current activities of the TYO. Kyna explained how the orchestra was instrumental in the personal and academic development of a significant number of young Tasmanians.

COVID impacted the orchestra in 2020 but through innovation and the great efforts of Kyna, her team, and the orchestra members, the TYO has emerged stronger than ever.

The presentation was concluded with some classical pieces displaying the amazing talent of the young Tasmanian musicians.

As an aside, past President Mike Walpole was disappointed to hear that a gumleaf (or comb and paper) concerto was not included in their classical repertoire.

JULY Guest Speaker - Sound Preservation Society of Tas. (SPAT)



Ray McNab (President, SPAT) and Phil Tyson (Vice President) will provide an overview of the history, mission, current position, and aspirations of the organisation. They will display and demonstrate some of the recordings and equipment from the Association's collection.

Ray and Phil will discuss their drive to create the Sound Museum into one of the best small museums in Tasmania and make it a "must see" destination in Hobart.

Winter Seasons Greetings



Charles Thomas and Greeter Chis Jones

Members were warmly welcomed on the first day of winter by our June Greeter, Chris Jones OAM.

Chris is seen here welcoming the Club's Melbourne Cup specialist, Charles Thomas.

I am sure many members enjoyed a warm handshake and Chris' welcoming smile on the cold winter's morning.

If you would like to be a meeting Greeter, please contact our Junior Vice President Rod Moore. It is a great opportunity to meet and engage with members and, also for members to get to know you better. NB

TALENT IN OUR MIDST



Carl Lawton

Past President (and many other Probus roles) Carl Lawton is continuing his long running love with original scripts and scores for plays and musicals. He is currently preparing his latest musical 'Heidi'. This production follows the hugely successful musical adaption of 'Pride and Prejudice' penned by our talented club member. Many members will remember attending a performance of 'Pride and Prejudice' at the Playhouse in the halcyon pre Covid days.

I, as well as many other members, will be looking forward to Carl's latest work arriving on stage. NB

On The Road Again



Our dedicated Secretary Sarge has hit the tarmac and headed north for a well earned vacation. During his absence the burden of his Probus duties will be carried by his most capable assistant, Phil Mathers.

The adjacent picture depicts Sarge and Phil in the handover process. You will notice Sarge has his wallet open. I'm not quite sure what is going on there, however, I do know Phil is a very good negotiator!! NB

July Birthdays



Many happy returns to those clocking up another year in July.

1 Michael Salter, 2 Tony Hope, 7 Peter Cripps, 8 Peter Middleton, 11 Mike Woolley, 14 Graeme Howard, 21 Chris Jones, 25 Lindsay Lovell, 29 Adrian Graley

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES - Injection of Funds Required!



Annual fees are rolling in but there are still a few members yet to submit their payments.

Payment is painless with no side effects. One injection of funds will last 12 months when a booster will be required for continued membership.

Payment may be made in person to the Treasurer (no appointment necessary) or preferably direct to the club's bank account.

Annual Fee \$40.00

The Club's bank details are:

Name: Hobart Men's Probus

BSB 017 324

A/C Number 4172-49848

Please include your name in the transfer details.

Hearing Clearly at Monthly Meetings



There was a positive response, at the June meeting, for the use of a microphone and stand for those wishing to address the members. With this all speakers were amplified to provide a clear sound to all members.

Thanks to Rob Brand for supplying his sound equipment for the trial.

The Committee will now investigate and consider acquiring the enhanced sound system. If you have any comments or suggestions to improve the quality of sound at the meetings, please contact Mike Graham 0400 031 946 mjgraham17@bigpond.com or Neil Blaikie 0407870302 neilblaikie@iprimus.com.au

JUNE OUTING - AUSMAS



Close to 80 members, partners and friends gathered at the Bellerive Yacht Club on Tuesday 29 June for the annual Ausmas lunch. It was pleasing to see that so many participants were present to appreciate the outstanding organising efforts of Bob Clifton.

The Brandivinos were in full voice with three new Rob Brand original satirical parodies. The crowd loved it. Rob and his band's original take on

issues of the day are hugely popular and they are a real asset to the club.

The suggestion of a winter solstice nude swim was not so well supported. It appears the Aqua Aerobics group swims are as close as we will get to it!



Thanks to our organiser Bob Clifton



Brandivinos on song



Ausmas - Three wise men!









July Outing

Tuesday 20th July 2021
Old Bellerive Post Office
10.45 am



19 Cambridge Road Bellerive



Followed by Lunch at the Waterfront Hotel

Upcoming Items of General Interest

Luncheon Group (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)



Our mid winter lunch is on **Thursday July 15** and what better place to have booked than 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 include 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.

I try to eat healthy. I never sprinkle salt on ice-cream, I only eat decaffeinated pizza and my beer is 100% fat free!

Wednesday Walkers (John Carter 0414 765 910)

The Wednesday group meets at Long Beach ready to start our walk at 9.30.

There are plenty of options available. Some of us walk along the foreshore and then along the beach to the jetty opposite Lipscombe Larder and back. Others take shorter walks around the burbs and have coffee at either the Nosebag or Beach House. Who you walk with and where, at what pace and which place you wish to have coffee (or not) is your choice. Keep walking and keep well.

Warblers (Bob Brewster. 6225 1964)



https://www.hobartmensprobus.org/club-calendar/

It is pleasing to see that the Warblers have been able to begin their activities again. The group assembles each 2_{nd} and 4_{th} Tuesday at the Sandy Bay Bowls and Community Club at 10.00 am. Members are warmly encouraged to join the group.

Aqua-Aerobics Group (Ian Miller 0407 686 447)



Our activities have recommenced following relaxation of restrictions on the use of the Doone Kennedy Pool. Interested members and/or partners are most welcome to join us each Friday morning at 7.45 am in the pool. Coffee and nibbles follow in the pool café.

Monday & Thursday Walkers (Ian Miller 0407 686 447)

We walk from different venues (**eastern shore on Mondays and western shore on Thursdays**) as per the schedule sent to all members on 4/3/21. Contact Ian Miller (0407686447) or Brian Butler (0409218567) for the meeting point at 9.30 a.m.

The schedule of walks for July /Dec 2021 is now available for interested members. Copies will be able to be collected at the June meeting or on email from Ian Miller or Brian Butler.



Seconds from disaster



"and I'm telling you, you do snore"

Club History Project



We have begun to compile the history of the club from 2013 onwards as we prepare for the club's 40th birthday. Any members with memories or photographs of significant events/occasions in those years are asked to forward these for possible inclusion in the booklet being prepared.

Brian Butler / John Carter

TRAVEL GROUP - FLINDERS ISLAND (David Brammall)



You can collect an itinerary for this venture from the table on entry at our next meeting. The proposed dates are Sunday the 20th to Wednesday the 23rd of March, 2022.

It is pretty much the same itinerary as presented at our last meeting with the addition of an optional ½ hour or 1 hour scenic flight over Lady Barren Island and environs. The cost for a group of six is \$500 for the ½ hour and \$850 for the full hour. This is scheduled for the Monday afternoon. It will be possible to have more than one flight if the numbers warrant it.

A list will be circulated at the meeting asking for those who are ready to commit to do so. Alternatively you can contact David Brammall before the end of July. Ph. 6225 1273 or david.brammall@bigpond.com

August Outing - Save the Date

Below is a sneak preview of our August outing so you can get it into your calendar and diaries early.

