

HOBART PROBUS CLUB (MEN'S) INC



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President's Theme for 2021/22

'Probust - Friendship, Fellowship and Fun for Fellas'



This month's Greeter is our New Junior Vice President, Rob Moore

An Important Reminder

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.



President Stando

Waxing Lyrical

On April 6, our new President 'Stando' took the chair for the first time and enlightened the throng with his words of wisdom.

A key message was to introduce your friends and acquaintances to the wonders of Probust. They are welcome to come along to meetings and outings to get a taste of what Probust is all about.

Most importantly he kept the meeting on time so there was adequate time for tea and bikkies.

2020 Melbourne Cup Sweeps



Despite numerous requests for members to claim their Melbourne Cup sweep winnings, \$53 remains unclaimed and in the tight grasp of our Treasurer.

This amount is better than winning a sweep and the club didn't even buy a ticket. A great result for our club!

PROMOTING THE NZ – OZ TRAVEL BUBBLE

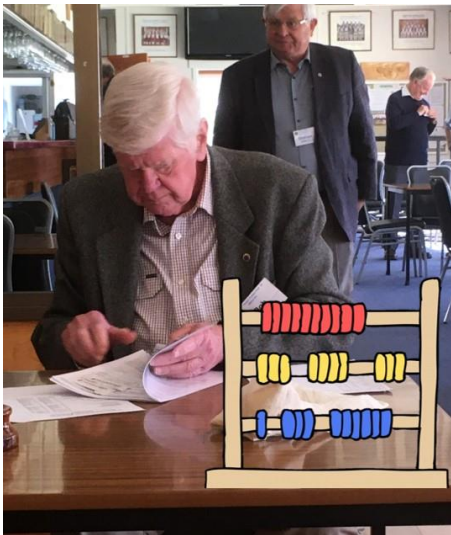


Singing Sarge

As direct travel between Tasmania and New Zealand is commencing, our proud Kiwi Secretary 'Sarge' used the singing of the National Anthem to promote the upcoming NZ - OZ 'Travel Bubble' by singing both national anthems, simultaneously! He can be seen here in full voice encouraging Tasmanians to travel to the land of his birth.

He wisely stopped short of the haka so as not to put anyone off the idea!

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES – Now Due



Checking for financial members

Membership fees are now due and our Treasurer, and financial wizard, Bob Clifton, is ready and waiting to accept them.

The preferred method is direct deposit into 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.

Bob is also willing to accept cash and cheques, but not Bitcoin.

Members Photos



The latest Gallery can be seen on the Club website under 'Members'. If your photo is missing, PLEASE send one to the club email address hobartmensprobus@gmail.com or ask to have yours taken at our meeting. It would be great to have all members represented and we have a way to go to reach that target.

April Guest Speaker - Report

THE REMARKABLE CAPTAIN JAMES KELLY OF VAN DIEMEN'S LAND

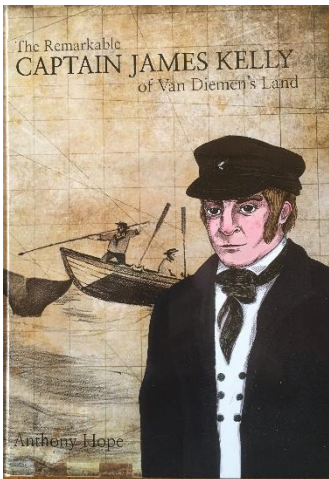
Presenter: Tony Hope – Tasmanian Historian Extraordinaire



Our resident historian and author, Tony Hope, delivered another enthralling and entertaining presentation, this time on the amazing exploits of Captain James Kelly. Many of us would have been aware of Captain Kelly but few would have known of the contribution he made to the early development of Tasmania. A man who took advantages of his opportunities and Tasmania has benefited as a result.

Tony mentioned that he greatly enjoyed learning new historical insights through his research. From the feedback, the members also enjoyed the learnings from his excellent and engaging presentation.

Thanks Tony. We look forward to your next presentation.

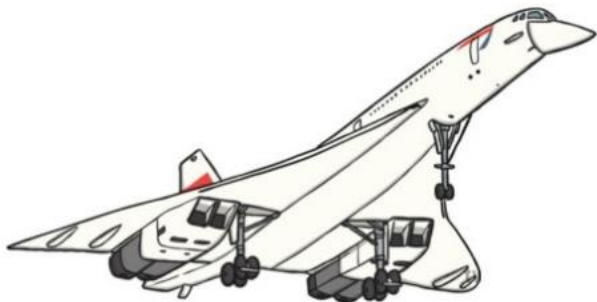


You can find more detail of the exploits of Captain Kelly in Tony's new book:

'The Remarkable CAPTAIN JAMES KELLY of Van Diemen's Land'

May Guest Speaker – 'The Rise and Demise of the Concorde'

Air Vice-Marshal Peter SCULLY, AO, RAAF (rtd)



Our members will be again presented with a fascinating presentation from the high-flying Air Vice Marshall (Rtd) Peter Scully. His presentation is on the ill-fated Concorde aircraft and covers the remarkable development of aviation, details of the Concorde, the fatal accident and analysis of the causes.

Peter's talk will provide a special insight into this remarkable aircraft. Don't miss it.

April Outing – Car Rally



Seventeen enthusiastic members, partners and friends met at the rain drenched Bowls Club car park for the April Car Rally. The rain did not dampen spirits and with the thought of a contest there was a strong competitive atmosphere. Six cars lined up with drivers and navigators ready to accept the challenge. Looming large were the big V8 cars, Ivan Pearson's Rolls Royce, Sarge's Jensen and Stando's Daimler. With the instruction to 'start your engines' the air was filled with the throaty gurgle of the big V8s. They roared out of the car park with the navigators desperately trying to locate the numerous petrol stops they would need along the way.

The editor (Neil) and his wife Lyn were on babysitting duties and had two small grandchildren in tow. They followed the V8s with cries of 'are we there yet', 'I'm hungry', and 'I need to go to the toilet' coming from the back seat, even before we reached the Hope and Anchor hotel (founded 1818!). The route took the cars along winding roads through Glenlusk and on to New Norfolk for morning tea. Stando arrived white faced as his massive Daimler took up most of the narrow road as he thundered through the Molesworth hills.

Onward through Bushy Park, Bothwell and then to lunch at the Kempton Distillery. The organizers had set some trick questions to separate the 'clever' from the 'not so clever' participants. Most fell into the 'not so clever' category, however, Stando had his very clever wife, Christine, as his navigator and they came in convincing winners with 15 correct answers. If it wasn't for Christine, Stando would still be driving around out there, somewhere.

Thanks to Graham Sargison, Mike Graham and Mike Walpole for organizing a fun day out. - NB

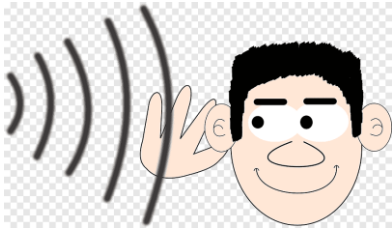


And the winners were?
Christine and Stando



Hamish showing surprise that his
quiz answers were wrong!

Hearing Clearly at Monthly Meetings



As previously mentioned, Mike Graham and Neil Blaikie are investigating whether members are having trouble clearly hearing meeting proceedings.

We had good feedback at the last meeting. One constant request was to always use the microphone when speaking. In future you will, therefore, be asked to use the microphone if

you wish to make a statement or pose a question from the floor. This will take a little more time handing the microphone around, but it will substantially benefit many members.

If you wish to provide information on hearing difficulties, please contact Mike Graham 0400 031 946 mjgraham17@bigpond.com or Neil Blaikie 0407870302 neilblaikie@iprimus.com.au

AUSMAS 2021 Save the date

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| Please note that the mid year Christmas lunch will be held as follows | |
| Date: | Tues. 29/06/2021 |
| Venue: | Bellerive Yacht Club |
| Further Details: | TBA |

Luncheon News (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)

Our April lunch was held at the ever popular DSS being very ably looked after by Tom. As usual the nine who attended had an excellent time with tasty food, good drinks and lots of chatter. Best of all it was not far to go home.

May Birthdays

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

3 John Linton, 6 Roger Billingham, 8 Brian Austen, 8 Terry Kay, 8 Chris Park,
10 Mal Portwin, 11 Brian Gallagher, 15 Paul McCann, 25 Alex Young, 28 Barry Simpson,
28 Athol Wilkes

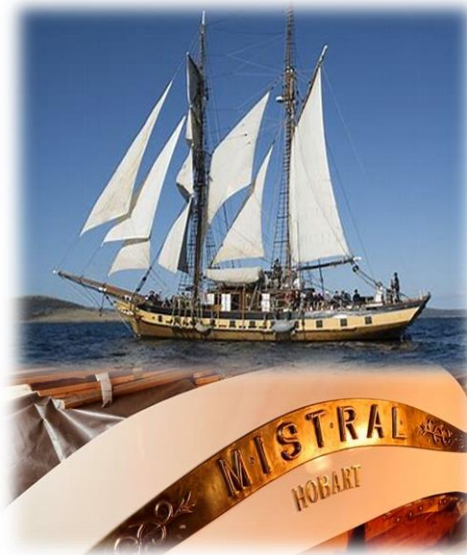
May Outing Thursday 20th May 2021

Tour of *Windeward Bound* and *Mistral* Restoration Project followed by Lunch

Meet up at Elizabeth Pier 10.00 am for an inspection of *Windeward Bound* hosted by Captain Sarah Parry.

This will be followed by an inspection of the *Mistral* Restoration project prior to lunch at (FISH FRENZY??)

The tour cost will be \$20 per person, which is a tax deductible donation to the *Windeward Bound* Trust to assist in their valuable work.



Items of General Interest

Luncheon Group (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)



In May we will continue our yachting theme at the Lindisfarne Motor Yacht Club where the beer is cold and the food always excellent. Expect lovely river views, plenty of parking and a lot of good cheer. The date is **Thursday May 13** and the bar will welcome us from 12 noon. Book your place today or by contacting Geoff on 0418 136 618 or gcmehurst@gmail.com

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.

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. Walk locations and starting points are also located in the club web calendar. <https://www.hobartmensprobust.org/club-calendar/>

Aquafun 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.

Warblers (Bob Brewster. 6225 1964)

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



Arguing with a woman is like reading the Software License agreement.



In the end you have to ignore everything and click "I agree".



"The 6 feet of safe distance makes things tougher for all of us."

Special Men's Video-

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t7Y0I91rubg>

TRAVEL GROUP (David Brammall 6225 1273)



No further updates were available for this edition, however, last month's article is reprinted below, for your information.

Further to my remarks at our March meeting, I can add that I am in touch with another party to see if I can come up with a better (cheaper) deal for a three night stay on Flinders Island. (I will ask for a King Island option as well.)

I am operating on the basis of it being a **package** deal with all expenses covered. That includes travel –both to and from– internal sightseeing with driver/guide, meals, accommodation

and “entry charges”. I may be able to update at the April meeting but my contact is away until the end of the month.

As was pointed out at the meeting the trip can be done much more cheaply if we: self-cater in rented cottages, self-drive, self-guide, self-organise etc but I suspect that that is not what those interested in going wish for. Please advise me if that is not the case.

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