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# HOBART PROBUS CLUB (MEN'S) INC

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PRESIDENT'S THEME FOR THE YEAR  
**"Be involved, be inclusive"**

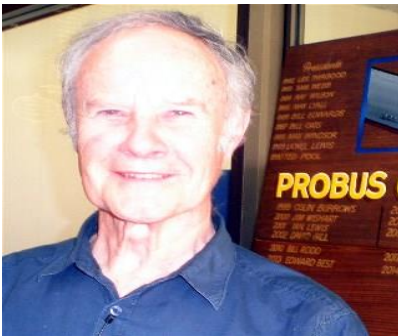
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Today's Greeter is Graham Brownell.

## REPORT ON October 2015 MEETING

**Membership:** Seventy five members and one guest were present at the meeting. It was reported that our Club membership is currently 120 including five non-active members.

**Finance:** Balance in CBA A/C at 30/9/2015: \$4937.50.



October's guest speaker, Dr George Cresswell, played a very big role in Australia's CSIRO oceanography development which has led ultimately to the latest Hobart institution ... The Investigator. His greatly enjoyed talk to members, however, focused on his earlier and amazing motorcycle exploits in Antarctica.

## **Melbourne Cup Sweep. (Charles Thomas 6248 590/ 0422 414 861)**

Today's the one day in November! \$5.00 per horse - prizes \$60 1st, \$40 2nd and \$20 3rd based on 24 runners.

## **Today's Guest Speaker: Eric Wapstra "The career of an accidental climate change scientist: from Darwin to cable cars"**

Erik Wapstra is an evolutionary biologist working in the School of Biological Sciences at the University of Tasmania. The official summary of his career is that he pursued a PhD at UTas in the late 90's and then spent the next decade undertaking post-doctoral fellowships in Sweden and at Macquarie University and The University of Sydney. In 2004 he was lured back to join UTAS where he now runs the Behavioural and Evolutionary Ecology Research Group (or BEER Group) teaching and researching in Ecology and Evolution.

## **Reports of recent activities:**

### **Luncheon Group:** (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)

You can be certain that no one left our lunch at Wrest Point with a feeling of emptiness. Some enjoyed four delicious courses plus coffee and a glass of wine or beer for around \$30. A repeat visit is definitely on the agenda.

**Photography:** (John Brodribb): Our October meeting reviewed recent discussion on the future of the Photography Group & confirmed a core group of members are enthusiastic for its continuation. With Darrell Milbourne & his expertise in photography to participate we are challenged to learn more on the use of our cameras beyond the Auto function. We also reviewed the results of our Hobart waterfront photo shoot & members recent travel photos.

**Shene Visit:** (Geoff Medhurst): Our cars started rolling into the car park by 11 am and we were soon inside the dining end of the stables warmed by the fire and enjoying a cup of tea or coffee and delving into our little box of cake and biscuits.

Our hostess was Anne Kernke who, along with her husband, has embarked on a long restoration program and the results are everywhere.

The story of Shene dates back to 1819, when Governor Lachlan Macquarie granted the land to Edward Paine, grandson of King George III. The homestead and stables were designed by Francis Butler, fourth son of prominent English lawyer Gamaliel Butler who founded the legal firm later known as Butler McIntyre and Butler. They were completed in 1850.

After inspecting the stable complex we moved on to the homestead to discover rooms decorated and furnished as they would have been in early colonial days.

One certainly is left with the impression that the construction of Shene was a symbol of the wealth and power of the landed gentry in the nineteenth century.

**I.T Group:** Our last meeting drew 18 participants and the topic of the use of tablet computers was widely explored. We still struggle to determine the most appropriate format that gives all an opportunity to have a particular need addressed. The active participation of members was evident and appreciated.

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

### ***Christmas Luncheon (Brian Butler 62494939)***

December 8<sup>th</sup> at the University Club. Payment required to the Treasurer at this meeting. \$45 per head. **Prepayment details:** Direct Debit to the Club Bank A/c.

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Please advise any dietary requirements.

### ***Outings (Bob Pratt 62252317 or [bobgill.pratt@bigpond.com](mailto:bobgill.pratt@bigpond.com) )***

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November is a visit to the Norske Skog Boyer Mill for a guided tour to view the production of LWC, a light weight clay coated paper. With the decline in the demand for paper used in the production of daily newspapers Norske Skog faced the option of ceasing production from Boyer Paper Machine 2 (PM2), or converting the machine to produce LWC paper at a project cost of around m\$87. This paper replaces paper previously imported from overseas & is mainly used in the production of advertising catalogues that may find their way into your letterbox.

Travel to the Boyer Mill for a 10.30 am start will be by private cars, with car pooling recommended. Lunch is at 12 noon in the mill Cafeteria, following the paper machine inspection.

Intending visitors with health or mobility issues should consider:

- Access to the paper machine operation involves walking a total of around 1km on concrete surfaces from the Boyer Mill entrance to PM2 & return.
- The environment within the paper machine building is hot, humid & noisy; requiring the wearing of mill supplied hearing protection.

It is a requirement for access to the Boyer Mill site that all visitors undergo a safety induction process; wear long sleeved clothing & closed footwear. Mill supplied safety glasses, high visibility vests & safety helmets are to be worn.

A booking list will be circulated at the November meeting. For further information contact John Brodribb 6225 0897.

## *Swimmers (Athol Wilkes 6224 1673)*



Why not join the group for a dip, exercise and morning tea/coffee at the Hobart Aquatic Centre at **7.45 a.m. every Friday**. Members and partners are welcome.

You can enjoy socialising with the Sandy Bay Probus “latte set” afterwards!

## *Luncheon Group (Bob Stagg 0416133629 )*

Our November luncheon will be at the Derwent Sailing Squadron in Sandy Bay at 12 for 12.30pm on Thursday 12th November, They have prepared a great

menu- **Main:** Choice of

Porterhouse steak with chips and salad with your choice of pepper or mushroom sauce.

Beer Battered fish of the day with chips and salad with home made tartare sauce.

Chicken Parmigiana with chips and salad.

**Dessert:** Choice of

Chocolate tart with ice cream.

Vanilla panna cotta with passion fruit coulis

All this for \$30 including a glass of wine, beer or soft drink

## *Vanners (David Brammall 62251273)*

**Vanner's Barbecue** The details are:

**Date:** Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> November      **Location:** Site 1, Dru Point, Margate (Has been booked)      **Time:** 12 noon to 2.00'ish      **Requirements:** Bring everything except a BBQ.

Many bring their own chairs and tables for using outside if the weather is kind.

**Attendees?** The festivity is open to all members of the club( wives and friends included)

## **Vanner's White Beach Holiday**

All club members are reminded that the Vanner's annual holiday at White Beach is scheduled for **February next year from Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> or any part thereof**. Sites have been provisionally reserved. Deposits for each site are due. If you wish to be part of this activity then please confirm your booking with the management (Vicki and Tony). The same applies to those who wish to book a cabin. The phone number is: 6250 2142. If you say that you are part of the Hobart Probus group you may well receive a discount. Do remember that this is open to all members. Come and join us! Bring your kayaks/boats too and anything else that might add to the general enjoyment of your stay.

## *Photography (John Brodribb 6225 0897)*

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30 am is planned as a photo shoot focused on panning techniques on the moving traffic of Davey St, backgrounded by the sandstone building of the early Customs House. Coffee will follow at Mures Lower Deck.

## **Warblers (Bob Brewster 62253402)**

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

## **Strollers (Bill Mottershead 6225 1935)**

Walkers enjoy the beachfront walk each **Wednesday** followed by coffee at a nearby restaurant. Meet near Beach House, Lower Sandy Bay at **9:30a.m.** Partners are welcome.

## **IT group (Brian Butler 62494939)**

Next meeting November 9<sup>th</sup> at Sandy Bay Bowls Club 10.00 am

## **Club Welfare (Terry Bowes 62825465)**

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



Proud Mary on the Murray

The Proud Mary is being promoted to Probus clubs around the State and a number have arranged 5 and 7 day door- to- door tours involving a 5 day Murray River cruise and an optional 2 days in Adelaide. The boat has 18 self contained double cabins (cruise ship size) and full on-board catering. Bookings require groups of 10 or more.

A representative proposes attending at the end of a meeting next year to explain the offer to interested members. A combined tour with members of another club might be arranged to achieve required numbers

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Hobart Probus Club (Men's) Inc. will be the Christmas Luncheon on **Tuesday December 8<sup>th</sup>** at the University Club.

## **BIRTHDAYS FOR NOVEMBER**

Congratulations and many happy returns to: Geoff Cavanagh (2<sup>nd</sup>), Gordon Goward (2<sup>nd</sup>), Ian Lewis (2<sup>nd</sup>), Athol Yeoland (3<sup>rd</sup>). Peter Middleton (3<sup>rd</sup>), Max Brown (4<sup>th</sup>), David Lovett (6<sup>th</sup>), Brian Roberts (7<sup>th</sup>), Tony Starr (8<sup>th</sup>), Peter Calvert (10<sup>th</sup>), Carl Lawton (10<sup>th</sup>), Rob Loney (15<sup>th</sup>), Stephen Graetzer (16<sup>th</sup>), Ewen Cummins (18<sup>th</sup>), John Carter (19<sup>th</sup>), John Ponsonby (28<sup>th</sup>)

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