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



Founded: 5 October 1982 by the Rotary Club of Hobart *Postal Address: PO Box 2008, Lower Sandy Bay 7006*\* *Website: www.hobartmensprobus.org*\*



PRESIDENT'S THEME FOR THE YEAR "Unity in our Diversity"

Today's Greeter is Michael Salter.

### Report on September Meeting





The September meeting saw the induction of our newest member, John Elms (near left), who was introduced by John Brodribb.

Our guest speaker was Assistant Secretary Neil Blaikie (far left) who gave an absorbing account of major dam failures around the world ... their causes and impacts.

#### Probus Christmas Lunch 2016

This year our very popular Christmas Lunch will be held on **Tuesday 6th December at the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania**. The traditional 2 course lunch with wine will this year be supplied at a cost of \$35 per head (less than last year). A list will be circulated at the October meeting or bookings can be emailed to Carl Lawton.

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### Today's Business....

Our October guest speaker is our own Don Macleod. His Presentation is entitled: "From The Hebrides to The Antipodes" and will outline the life and times of a prominent Scottish family and their place in early Scottish history, the rise and fall from grace of a Scottish chief and the restoration of a title almost 400 years later to an Australian.

Don Macleod is a 4th generation Macleod born in Tasmania. He is a graduate of the University of Tasmania and of Deakin University in electrical power engineering and management. Of particular relevance to the presentation, Don succeeded his father in 2001 as Chief of The Lewes, and, as such, has a strong background and interest in Scottish heritage and history.

Finance: Balance at CBA at August 31st was \$4546.70.

*Membership:* After the September meeting the Club had 114 members (inc. 2 Bulletin only)

# Reports of recent activities:

**Luncheon Group:** Our August lunch was tailored for the dining room at the Crescent Hotel where nine of us fitted in nicely. Those who selected the roast Pork opined that it was as good mother used to make (how can they remember that long ago?) whilst the chicken and steak was right up to standard.

# Photography:

A late September meeting in the Brodribb home reviewed member's achievements photographing a foggy landscape. Photos presented were taken around Australia, western Canada & Alaska.

Outings: LAUNCESTON VISIT

Our overnight visit to Launceston was thoroughly enjoyed by the 18 who participated. Each I suspect had their own highlight, ranging from the Museum, Planetarium, Seahorse world, Lunch at the Tamar Cove Motel, the Beaconsfield Mine, Moore's winery, Cataract Gorge and Dinner, Breakfast and Accommodation at the Tamar Valley Resort (the old Grindelwald). I was fascinated by what we saw at Seahorse World and the passion of our guide. The offerings at Grindelwald were also of an exceptionally high standard-well worth revisiting. Organised by David Brammall.



### *Travels:* PROUD MARY

A Probus group from Hobart Probus (Men's) travelled to South Australia and spent six days sailing on the Murray from Murray Bridge to the first lock at Blancheport and back a distance of 320 km. With many shore excursions, fine food, on board entertainment and expert inputs from Captain Dave and ecologist Michael our group of eight, led by President Brian, had a great journey and also enjoyed some time in and around Adelaide from a Hilton Hotel base. Our fellow 28 passengers included a group from Claremont Probus and several Probeans from the North.



#### *I. T.:*

A larger group enjoyed an extensive session with John Thorne from Hobart Macquarie Probus Club who gave us a wide ranging insight into uses of our digital devices. We will now restructure our meeting format and trial a different meeting day (now the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday) to enable access to our projector. A portable screen has also been donated for our use. We thank John for his time and enthusiasm.

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

### Guest Speakers (Graham Sargison 62278904)

The Tasmanian Police Commissioner, Darren Hine, will be our guest speaker in November. He will speak on the topic "Policing Issues in Tasmania."

# Outings (Bob Pratt 62252317 or bobgill.pratt@bigpond.com)

### Wednesday, 19th October. Take Tea with Harriet at Runnymede.

Here is an opportunity to obtain history first hand. Harriet is the "daughter" of the original owner of the historic property of Runnymede at New Town. Not only do you get a complete history of the Bailey family and property but you will enjoy an elegant afternoon tea, hosted by Harriet who will share her knowledge of whaling in the early days and the by-product of scrimshaw. Unless you have already done so, please confirm your intention to attend this outing as the sheet circulates today. The cost will be either \$20.00 or \$28.00 depending on the number attending. Pay on the day. Those attending will be well advised to arrive early to take advantage of the opportunity to wander through the Runnymede gardens. Parking is available at the rear of the building. Organiser Trevor Willcox.

The proposed Outings for 2016 and 2017 are as follows:

Nov Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Blundstone Arena. Please note the new date. Ian Eadie.

#### Jan Tues 24th HANSEN'S ORCHARDS

Arrangements are in hand to visit this operation at Grove on Tuesday the 24th of January (picking time). A list will be circulated at our November meeting. This would be a good follow-up to our Berry farm visit last January.

Please remember, partners, relatives and friends are welcome on our Outings unless otherwise specified.

# Photography (John Brodribb 6225 0897)

Monday 17 October at 10 am is an out in the field photo shoot, meeting at the Mermaid Cafe Kettering, close by the Bruny Island ferry terminal. The photo opportunities in a scenic bay are diverse, whatever the spring weather may bring. Coffee & maybe cake can follow at the Mermaid Cafe.

# Vanners (David. Brammall@bigpond.com or 62251273)

White Beach revellers are asked to let David Brammall know when you are going to White Beach as "Vanners", "Cabin Dwellers" or "Holidaymakers" before the Christmas Luncheon so that he can make the appropriate arrangements with the proprietors of the "Lucky Ducks" restaurant. Kelly and Grant are looking forward to our patronage. Likewise if you are staying at the White Beach Tourist Park please confirm your booking with the managers, Pete and Bev.-preferably before the end of November but definitely before Christmas.

The dates again: Tuesday the 14th to Friday the 24th of February for all or part thereof.

# Luncheon Group (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)

As the sun marches towards summer and maritime pleasures are again in focus we booked at one of our favourite venues - the Lindisfarne Motor Yacht Club. Here we can savour an excellent two course lunch with a glass of wine for just \$35 and this includes free river views, plenty of parking,

and lots of good cheer. The date is Thursday October 13 and the bar will welcome us from 12 noon. Sign on today or contact Geoff on 0418 136 618 or gcmedhurst@gmail.com

### 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 (Athol Wilkes 62241673)



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

# Aquarobics (Ian Miller 62252560)

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.

# IT group (Brian Butler 62494939)

Next meeting's focus will be on 'Ways our devices can make Travel easier'. October 24. SBBC.

### Club Welfare (Robin Holmes 62825465)

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 be in need of assistance.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Hobart Probus Club (Men's) Inc. will be on **Tuesday November 1st** at the Sandy Bay Bowls Club.

#### **BIRTHDAYS FOR OCTOBER**

Congratulations and many happy returns to: Roger Sewell (2<sup>nd</sup>), David Back (4<sup>th</sup>), Ken Milton (7<sup>th</sup>), Frank Walker (7<sup>th</sup>), Alan Hargreaves (14<sup>th</sup>), Ian Miller (18<sup>th</sup>), Trevor Wilcox (18<sup>th</sup>), Hamish Kyle (19<sup>th</sup>), Bob Brewster (20<sup>th</sup>), Ian Eadie (20<sup>th</sup>), Lew Munro (26<sup>th</sup>) and John Thompson (28<sup>th</sup>).

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<sup>\*</sup> OTHER CLUB OUTINGS ORGANISERS - David Brammall, Hamish Kyle, Ian Eadie, Geoff Medhurst, John Brodribb, Gordon Goward, Carl Lawton, Trevor Willcox.