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



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'Probus - Friendship, Fellowship and Fun for Fellas'

#### This month's Greeter is PETER TIERNEY

### 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.

#### CHECKING OUT THE CHECK IN!



Roger Barrett is seen here checking out the check in as he enters the Bowls club for the August meeting.

As you would be aware, checking in to the bowls club before a meeting is now a legal requirement. It is likely to remain so for the foreseeable future.

Members without a suitable smartphone to read the QR code can be checked in by a volunteer member in that area. This was successfully trialled at the August meeting and only requires the entry of name and phone number on the volunteer's phone.

Checking in is not simply a wise act to protect yourself and the members from the dastardly virus, but also to comply with legal obligations of our club, and the bowls club.

It will speed up the process if you have your check in app open and ready as you enter the clubhouse.

Thanks to all the members who continue to do the right

thing and check in.

#### ALTERED CARPARKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER



The Sandy Bay Bowls Club is about to commence replacing their grass greens with a synthetic surface. This is likely to be underway at our September meeting. David Back has informed the club that it is anticipated that heavy machinery will be in the carpark, resulting in limited or no parking there. Stop-go persons may direct you to park on the street. A rough construction road will be formed from the carpark to the bowling green nearest to Margaret Street.

Best to park clear of the construction site and not interfere with the works.

# August Guest Speakers - The District Nurses



Louise and Kate

Louise Andersson and Kate Pendlebury from The District Nurses were our presenters at the August meeting.

Louise is the Home Care Packages team leader and specialises in critical care, psychiatry and immunisation. Kate is the Home Care Packages case manager.

Kate and Louise provided valuable information to members on the services provided by the district nurses that will help maintain our quality of life as we age.

# September Guest Speakers – EDUCATORS OF DISTINCTION



In September we delve back into the depth of talent in the members pool. This time we will be enlightened (and educated) by three distinguished senior educators, John Carter, Brian Butler and David Brammall.

John has titled his presentation 'Fun Facts and Fantasies of the Wide and Wonderful place called Special Education'.

Brian's presentation is entitled 'Education vs Schooling - my perspective'.

David was school captain at the Hutchins School and returned to undertake an extensive career in education and senior management at the school.

# Luncheon Group - August Munch



Our lunch for August was a very special event. For the first time we visited the Royal Hobart Golf Club. The day was magnificent, the view from the dining room was post card perfect and the meal was both delicious and inexpensive. We will return. (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)

## Let there be Light - Brian Butler



Brian spoke to the group about the development of new therapies utilising various wavelengths of light, in his case for the treatment of Parkinson's Disease. The healing power of light has excited some interest in a number of medical fields and has had varying degrees of success with individuals. Brian could not say his continuing good health is attributable to his helmet treatment but is hopeful that it is a contributing factor and certainly worth the time given to it.

## Juture Spray Painter



My wife, Lyn, and I are just back from a wonderful few days at Cradle Mountain Lodge. One breakfast we sat near a young family which included a baby boy in a highchair. He was chomping into a big bowl of porridge and had just filled his mouth to capacity when he took a deep breath and stopped. His eyes bulged and then blasted out the biggest sneeze he could muster. He sprayed the Scottish delicacy across the widest area possible, mainly over his little sister and mother opposite, and the neighbouring table behind them. The parents spent the next ten minutes cleaning up and apologising to the surrounding tables while the baby happily completed his bowl of porridge.

It is wonderful being a grandparent, leaving the clean up to the parents. Been there and done that, well until the next grandchildren sleepover! NB

## That Takes the Cake! - Tony Hope



This is what arrived when I asked for the carrot cake on the menu! - TH

It is lucky Tony didn't order rock cake, or even worse, mud cake! - NB

# Sepember Birthdays



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

3 John Elms, George Strickland, 13 David Bramall, 17 Gordon Dowl, 17 Michael Graham, 18 Darryl Milbourne, 21 Graham Sargison, 29 Phil Mathers, 30 Lewis Hamnett.

## The Need for Speed



Past President and renowned petrol head, Mike Walpole, is preparing for his dotage with this new mobility scooter. Mike has always been one for speed. His pram was his last vehicle without a turbocharger. It may consume more high octane fuel than a formula one racing car but Mike claims it is the perfect solution to Hobart's traffic problems, particularly as he can drive on the footpath.

The pillion passenger seat does look a little uncomfortable for Ingrid, though. – NB

## August Outing - The Theatre Royal and Hedberg Centre



Tim Munro working the audience.

Nearly 30 members (many of them being well established ham actors) and partners gathered in the foyer of the Hedberg Centre for a tour of the new building and the adjacent Theatre Royal.

We were hosted by the Theatre Royal CEO, Tim Munro, who generously allocated valuable time to take us through every nook and cranny of both buildings.

The history of the Theatre Royal, opening in 1837, is well known. Seeing the back stage and original dressing rooms brought home just how old it is. It must have had the same architect as Port Arthur.

All had seen a performance there but were surprised at the size of the stage when opened up. The newly opened Hedburg Centre is jointly occupied by UTAS. The new theatres and facilities are state of the art. The two buildings have been blended thoughtfully and it is wonderful to know we have such an outstanding facility in Hobart.

Grateful thanks to David Brammall for organising such an enjoyable day out.



New Hedburg Theatre



The open stage



Waving from the Royal Box

# September Outing - Channel Heritage Centre



The September Outing is to the:

#### **CHANNEL HERITAGE CENTRE on 21 SEPTEMBER**

This outing has been organised by Sarge who has been released from quarantine especially to organise the day.

#### The arrangements are:

Tuesday 21 September (Sarge's birthday but no large presents please!)

10.00am - meet in the carpark of the Channel Heritage Centre on the left hand side, Channel Highway, heading south from Margate

Coffee followed by a talk from the Curator

10.30am Guided tour and inspection of the Centre

12.00 Lunch in the Centre cafe

1.30pm Depart

Our Heritage Centre hostess is Sue Anderson.



I know it is a dog license. He was driving.



### **Upcoming Items of General Interest**

# Luncheon Group (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)

In September we will return to the **Dr Syntax Hotel**. The Doctor never misses, with great food, cold drinks and easy parking. Go on, sign up for a fun afternoon. Join the regulars to see how good it is. **The date is Thursday 16 September 2021 from 12 noon.** Book your place today or by contacting Geoff on 0418 136 618 or gemedhurst@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.

## 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). 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 available at the meeting or on email from Ian Miller or Brian Butler.

# Save the date for the October outing

#### Visit to Grandvewe innovative cheese farm



Get in early and put **Friday 22 October** into your diaries for a visit to Grandvewe cheese farm at Birchs Bay.

This family run operation started as a sheep cheese farm and has developed into so much more, winning numerous awards for innovation.

The Grandvewe philosophy is "We are always looking for innovative and creative ways to find no-waste solutions that honour our sheep and have a positive impact on the environment".

As an example, they produce Vodka from the waste whey from their cheese making process. Come along and hear the rest of their interesting story.

We will be treated to a presentation of the farm operations by a family member followed by cheese tasting.

The cost will be \$15 per head.

I am informed that new spring lambs should be on show.

The visit will be preceded by lunch at Peppermint Bay.

More details will be provided in the October Bulletin.

Neil Blaikie – organiser.