#### THE BULLETIN 5 July 2022

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



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President's Theme for 2022/23

'Probus-Friendship, Fellowship and Fun: Excelsior!'



#### This month's Greeter is Peter Cripps

#### **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.



# A Warm Welcome on a cold, cold day

It was pleasant to walk in from the cold to receive a warm welcome from our June meeting greeter, Richard Metcalf.

Richard met our members with great enthusiasm, which set the scene for an enjoyable meeting.

Richard has been a member for a year, being inducted in August last year.

If you would like to be the greeter and get to know more members, simply contact Rob Brand at the next meeting.



## June Guest Presenter - Rosie Barry

Our June presenter Rosie Barry detailed her amazing family cycling adventure through Europe. They started in the Loire Valley with the goal of reaching Switzerland. They achieved that target in quick time and thought 'why don't we mosey on down to Vienna'. With still time on their hands, they decided to cycle on through rough roads and rain to Budapest. No worries, easy stuff for the fabulous Barry family. I could tell the members' hammies were cramping up at the thought of all that cycling, not to mention the seizing of all those metallic joints.

AND, Rosie and her family are planning more fantastic escapades. We must ask her to return and entertain us again. NB

# July Guest Speaker - Dr Tony Webster

#### Geology, landscape and the British settlement of Hobart

Historical accounts of the 1804 British settlement of Tasmania rarely mention the ways that their decisions were influenced by the landscapes of the places they chose to settle. This talk is about the role that the geology and landscape of Sullivans Cove played in the foundational years of Hobart, and the earliest land-use choices made as the British adapted to a new environment. It will be shown that despite the intensity of over two centuries of urban development and landscape modification, the geology and pre-European landscapes of Sullivans Cove had a profound influence on the early development of Hobart and their effects remain deeply embedded in the modern urban landscape.

Dr Webster is a Hobart-based consulting geologist working with GeoDiscovery Group Ltd, and is also an honorary senior lecturer/fellow of the University of Tasmania and the University of Queensland.

# Notice from the Secretary

#### **Distribution of Membership Lists**

In recognition of Privacy protocols and the need to minimise the risk of security breaches, the Committee has approved the following 'Membership List Distribution Guidelines'.

#### Membership List Distribution Guidelines

LIST TYPE	RECIPIENTS
Full Listing – All member information	Secretary, Membership Officer
Committee – Name, Partner, Address, Telephone numbers and Email	Committee Members, Functions/Outings and Travel Coordinators
Restricted – Name, Partner and Telephone numbers	Activity Coordinators
<b>Attendance</b> – All Member Names	All Members

Lists shall be distributed in PDF format by the Secretary.

#### Privacy

All lists to include the statements: 'Private and Confidential for Probus use only and not to be used for any other purpose'.

It should be noted that 'Members have a right to request withdrawal of their personal details from Membership lists'.

Phil Mathers - Secretary

# Yacht Club Yacht

Ozmaster of Ceremonies

Bob Clifton

# Ozmas - Yuletide on the Winter Solstice

Members and friends gathered for another Ozmas fun and foodfest on the winter solstice. We had a good turn out, despite it not being a Dark Mofo event!

The fabulous Brandivinos again entertained us with their witty parodies. With great excitement and anticipation from the crowd, Rob Brand introduced their new member, Sarge on Bass. The mob were thrilled with the addition of his vibrant bass runs.

Thanks again go to Ozmaster, Bob Clifton, who not only organised the dinner but made sure that the members forked out the funds to cover costs.



Titanic Icebergs

I eavesdropped on this intimate discussion with Mike Woolley informing Phil Mathers on the size of the iceberg lettuces he can grow on his Taroona plot. These are rare and expensive items and Phil's wife Christine, who loves this lettuce, can be seen leaning in and listening intently (on right side of picture).

John Thomson, in the foreground, is showing no interest in the conversation. He must grow plenty of his own! NB



And then there were four



Hey Mister Bass Man!

# Vale - Brian Roberts

Sadly our club has seen the passing of another valued member, Brian Roberts.

Brian was a long serving member joining the club in 2000. He contributed through working on the outings committee.

A minute's silence was held at the June meeting as a mark of respect, and to remember Brian. Our thoughts go out to his family and friends. NB

#### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES – Injection of Funds Required!



It is time again to renew our annual membership and replenish the Club's coffers.

Please renew your membership if you haven't already done so as the club now has to pay Sandy Bay Bowls Club from the membership fees.

The Committee decided at the March meeting, that the annual fee would be \$70. The basic fee of \$40 is unchanged from last year. \$30 was added to cover meeting room costs, so there will no longer be a collection of \$5 at each meeting. This will remove the health risk of handling money and improve efficiency in managing funds. This approach was unanimously endorsed by the members at the AGM.

Only 13 left to pay their fees. Let's get that down to zero so the club can carry on with its popular and valued activities.

Annual Fee: \$70.00

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.

# July Outing MyStateBank Arena

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 11.30am – 1.30 pm



Enjoy a tour of the revamped arena, now home of the Jackjumpers NBL Team, followed by a two course lunch in the member's dining room.

**COST IS \$30 P.P.** payable via Direct Deposit by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

Meet up under the canopy at Gate 2

For special dietary requirements or more information contact Rob Brand 0418 122 671 or rmbrand@bigpond.com

# Save the date - 40 Year club Celebration



Our organising committee on the job

Open your diaries and save the date:

#### **TUESDAY 18 OCTOBER**

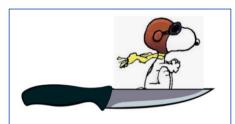
for our massive 40 year celebration. The venue will be the Seagrass Restaurant in Sandy Bay.

Special arrangements are being made for a working lift to assist those who may be challenged by the stairs.

The Brandivinos will be there, in fact I saw them composing new tunes on their napkins at the Ozmas dinner.

40 years, that's something to celebrate. -NB

# Travel Delights - KING ISLAND late February or March 2023



Flying Sharp Airlines
Cutting Edge Aviation

Applications to join our group tour to King Island have now closed. Wonderful news - numbers have far exceeded our expectations. Two groups totalling 35 travellers will be heading for the four-night, five-day tours early in 2023.

Tas Vacations has again been tasked with developing the travel package, including flights from Hobart and return with Sharp Airlines, four nights' accommodation at Boomerang by the Sea, breakfasts and all meals, locally guided tours, and entry fees to attractions.

The itinerary we have organised looks fantastic and it won't be long before bags are being packed, and we will be heading off to unearth the natural wonders, heritage icons, and local taste sensations of this remote outpost in Bass Strait.

More detailed information will be made available to all those travellers as it becomes available from the travel agents.

For information, please contact Mike Walpole 0429 001 402 mwihwalpole@bigpond.com or Frank Walker, <a href="mailto:fwalker5@bigpond.com">fwalker5@bigpond.com</a> or 0417543 057.

# Support and Welfare - Brian Butler



Our Support and Welfare Officer, Brain Butler, reported at the last meeting the sad tale of illness, and unfortunately the passing of some members lately.

There is a bright side, however. It was good to see Brian Cannon back with us in high spirits at the Ozmas lunch, after a spell away.

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

# Luncheon Group - July Feast Geoff Medhurst 0418 136 618



In July we will again visit one of our favourites, the **Lindisfarne Motor Yacht Club**, where the beer is cold and the food is always excellent. Expect lovely river views, plenty of parking and a lot of good cheer. The date is **Thursday July 14** and the bar will welcome us from 12 noon. Book your place by signing the sheet or by contacting Geoff on 0418 136 618 or gcmedhurst@gmail.com

### Wednesday Walkers (John Carter 0414 765 910)



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

Dear Walkers.

We need a reason to get out of bed each day.

A nude swim in the Derwent does not do it for many of us.

How about a brisk walk on a sunny morning along Sandy Bay beach and foreshore then a stimulating cup

of coffee followed by engrossing and challenging conversations with intelligent club members and partners?

That will do it!

Come and try it every Wednesday starting at 9.30 am.

John Carter, ticker offer of attendees.

# Aqua-Aerobics Group (Ian Miller 0407 686 447)



Come and join us for some warm water exercises at the Doone Kennedy Pool. Interested members, wives and or partners are welcome to join **us** each Friday morning at 7.45 am in the pool followed by coffee after in the pool café. *Dunk yourself then dunk a biscuit*.

# 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 (0407 686 447) or Brian Butler (0409 218 567) for the **meeting point at 9.30 a.m**.

# Warblers



The Warblers are currently in recess, however, a meeting of interested parties is being held to determine their future path.

The bulletin will report later on their decision.

# A Little Humour for July

Many thanks to Brian Gallagher, Lewis Hamnett, and others for continuing to send in cartoons. Also thanks to many other members who sent funnies that give me a great chuckle but can in no way be published. NB





