

## HOBART PROBUS CLUB (MEN'S) INC



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President's Theme for 2022/23

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



*This month's Greeter is JOHN CARTER*

### 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.*

### *Omicron*



"You may think I am not around as much as I used to be. Well, I'm having a little holiday. If you drop your guard, however, I, or one of my family, will be coming to live with you, without notice".

*Keep taking precautions and be safe.*

### *August Greeter - John Thomson*



Our friendly greeter for August was John Thomson. The picture is of John greeting our membership officer John Brodribb.

John (Thomson) is a relatively new member and it is great to see him being involved in this and other club activities - NB.

John greeting John

## *August Guest Presenter - Dr Tony Webster*



Our August guest presenter was Dr Tony Webster who detailed 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 was fascinating to understand how early decisions on the layout of Hobart have led to the city we know today.

I know I have a new appreciation of the geological and geographical aspects of Hobart. When driving around the city I can envisage the location of the waterfront cliffs and the location of the significant colonial buildings to them. It is interesting to know that the Royal Hobart Hospital is constructed on the site of the very first rudimentary hospital. Obviously, a good site choice.

Thanks to Tony for sharing his interesting insights. NB

## *September Guest Presenter - Peter Cripps*

### *To Conserve Port Arthur*



Our September presenter is one of our own, esteemed architect Peter Cripps. Peter's previous presentation included a fascinating architectural overview of the Versailles Palace. We have been looking forward to his return to the podium ever since.

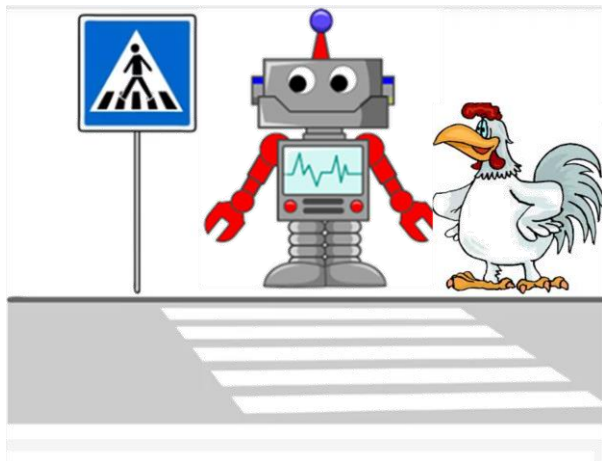
Peter is back with a presentation of the work undertaken to preserve Port Arthur as an important historic site of world heritage significance.

Peter is a Life Fellow of the Royal Institute of Architects, Founding Member and Fellow of the Institute of Arbitrators, a Member of the Australia International Council on Monuments and Sites, and a Life Member of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings.



We are fortunate to have such a talented achiever in our midst. This will be a must-see presentation. NB

## Modern take on an old gag



My seven year old granddaughter, Faye, posed to me the following question:

*Faye:* Poppy, why did the robot cross the road?

I thought hard but could not think of an answer.

*Poppy:* OK, why did the Robot cross the road?

*Faye:* Because the chicken programmed the robot's central computer to do just that!'

Sometimes I feel so old!! - NB

## August Outing - Richmond Gaol



The long march to the cells!



Does anyone know where to from here?

We had a strong attendance of history aficionados at our August outing to the Richmond Gaol.

Many of us have been there before but the display has been substantially expanded and improved from my last visit a decade ago.

It appeared there were several attendees that have ancient relatives who spent time there (in the cells, that is).

Our Organiser, Rob Brand presented a detailed historical account of the Richmond area and the role the gaol had in it. We thank Rob for the excellent research, which added so much to the experience.

After an informative lap around the exhibits, it was off to lunch at the Richmond Arms Hotel, where Mike Walpole was saddened to see that porridge and gruel are no longer on the menu!



## September Outing Historic Oatlands

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022

11.30am – 1.30 pm



A history tour of the beautifully preserved Georgian period township of Oatlands, followed by a tour of Carrington Mill, Distillery (optional) and lunch.

**Meet at the Oatlands District Historical Society Museum, 107 High Street at 11.30 am**

For more information, contact:

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Hobart Probus Club (Men's)

Celebrating



Years

**18<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**\$50pp**  
by EFT

Seagrass Restaurant

Beverages at  
own expense

12.00 for 12.30 pm

Tables of eight or ten. For preferred table arrangements contact Rob Brand on [rmbrand@bigpond.com](mailto:rmbrand@bigpond.com) with details.

On Tuesday 18th October 2022 the Club will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary at a luncheon to be held at Seagrass Restaurant, Lower Sandy Bay.

This is a very significant milestone for the club, and it is hoped that most members and partners will attend and enjoy the celebration.

There is a limited a la carte menu at a cost of \$50.00 per person with members responsible for their own beverages. Payment should be made to the club account. Don't forget to include your name.

The Brandivinos will be presenting more clever musical parodies for your enjoyment.

*(Rob Brand)*

## *White Beach*



### ***Vanners, Tenters and Cabiners***

Our White Beach holiday is scheduled for Monday the 13th of February (power sites) Tuesday the 14th (cabin) to Monday or Tuesday of the following week or whatever suits in between. All the cabins have been reserved for Probus members. As of the 18/7/22 only three remain. Interested members should therefore contact Bev and Pete (6250 2142) before they are all booked out! Power sites are not really a problem but to get the one of your choice –book now!

Due to popular demand the Jamsetters will return for a Tuesday night concert. On the Wednesday night Rob Brand (of Brandivino fame) will lead us in singing many of our old favourites. Thursday night is planned for the annual dinner and shindig supported by the Jamsetters and Nanette calling the dance steps. It is very likely Graham Sargison will again take the microphone to lead the diners in a rousing rendition of the Battle of New Orleans.

Come along and enjoy a great time

## *Luncheon Group - August Munch*



Luncheon Group (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)

Our August lunch was held at the Wrest Point Boardwalk where most of our munchers enjoyed the magnificent surroundings and a tasty roast dinner. The noise came from a table full of ladies from the Kingston ladies Probus Club lunch group and so a few friendly winks were in order.

## **Upcoming Items of General Interest**

### *Luncheon Group - September Feast*



Geoff Medhurst 0418 136 618

This month we have again booked the Marquis of Hastings buffet and a real treat is in store. There will be no excuse for hunger and at just \$28.50 for all you can eat this has to be the bargain of the year. Be sure to leave some room for a glass or two (additional cost).

The date is Thursday September 15 from 12 noon.

## *Wednesday Walkie Talkers* (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)



15 walkers made a cheerful group enjoying the sunshine on Thursday 25th August at Cornelian Bay. Coffee and a 'bacon buttie', for Roger, followed.

The group on Mondays and Thursdays welcome more participants. The schedule of venues can be obtained from Ian Miller or Brian Butler.

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 back in action. Choir Master Lil Stevenson informs us that the “Warblers” will be taking a winter break. They will look to **resume on Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of September.**

While your PROBUS committee notes with some sadness the recent resignation of Bob Brewster, we record our gratitude for the years of skill and leadership he has given to the Warblers. This merry band of male and female singers has given great pleasure to our members, and to the general public on our festive occasions, such as past Christmas luncheons.

Warblers are seen to value their past (from the 1990s, Bill Oates and other conductors), and enjoy their present, (singers who enjoy their song, with no Dame Nellies or Carusos, who have a respected pianist and conductor, and who always pause for a chat and morning tea). They rightly have a future and welcome new members with an affinity for choral performance, particularly from our PROBUS Club.

Enjoy your music, the participation and the fun? Give the Warblers a go - cantare, volare live on!  
(*Michael Graham - Baritone*)

## A Little Humour for September

**Only the Poms would do this!**





# Pickles

