

A Pictorial Reflection on years 2013 - 2022



Hobart Probus Club (Men's) Inc

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This history completes the record of years previously compiled,a and is presented on the occasion of the 40th Anniversary of the club in October 2022.

This record is a distillation of information derived from the Club Bulletins available to the compilers from the time span 2013 - 2022. These record much of the monthly activities of the club and, as the IT record was more and more available during the passing years a more photographic and extensive archive was able to be examined.

This record seeks to serve as a pictorial reminder of some of the activities and events each year rather than a written resume.

The Bulletins are available in pdf format and are currently able to be accessed on the club website, <u>Bulletins & Documents - The Hobart Probus Club (Men's) (hobartmensprobus.org)</u>, should anyone wish to refresh their memories or to look for items not included in the following pages. The assistance of Peter and Carol Voss, Ted Best and Brian Gallagher is particularly recognized in making available the digital copies of the Bulletins printed during their time as Editor. Many photos from Bob Pratt have also been used in preparing the record.



During the decade the club has enjoyed strong support from its membership which has maintained its numbers, approaching 120 at its peak but maintaining 100+ throughout the period. New members have contributed markedly to the activities of the club and its management committee.

The passing years also made evident the number of members who have held their association with the club for a longer period. Noteworthy are those current members who have, by 2022, attained 20+ years of membership.

20 years John Brodribb
21 years David Brammall, Bob Brewster*, Stephen Graetzer, Gordon Dowl, Brian Sims*
22 years John Honeysett[#], John Linton*, Brian Roberts*[#], Tony Starr, Athol Wilkes
26 years Adrian Graley
27 years Alex Young*
30 years Max Brown*
*Resigned 2022. #Deceased 2022

Towards the end of this period under review the years 2020-2022 were particularly noteworthy as society grappled with the challenges of the COVID19 pandemic and its effect on the capacity to meet and socialize in Friendship, Fellowship and Fun.

Club finances have remained strong with its Treasurers being very competent overseers of accounts.



Every monthly Bulletin published by our Hobart Probus Club (Men's) Inc carries a reminder of our foundation on 5 October 1982. It is provided in a small font and maybe glossed over until we find that we have entered another year beginning in '2'. We realise that a decade has passed and it is time to look back and time to look forward. Do we still see some challenge in our triple F motto? Are we sure that we are a club which is attractive to recent retirees or are we good because that is how we always do things? Are our outings a chore or a stimulation? Do we have one Greeter or many? A questionnaire may sound noble but it becomes rhetoric if we do not build on the responses to benefit the club.

This year we will celebrate our Club's four decades of friendships made and retirements enhanced. An excellent guide to the past decade is Brian Butler's and John Carter's review of the club's archival reports and photographs, presented to us in written and electronic formats. The Committee values the time and skill put in by our two authors, both of whom were members during the decade covered in this publication. We encourage all members to acquire a copy of their research, contemplating our progress from the past and formulating what may be better and best for the future.

Your committee commends the publication to the membership (the photographs make us all young again) and once again, thanks to our two authors.

Michael Graham President 2022





MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

President: Secretary: Past President: Treasurer: Club Outings: Bulletin & publicity: Ted Best Robin Holmes Darrell Talbot Roger More Bob Pratt Peter Voss

Vice President: Ass. Secretary: Ass. Treasurer: Guest Speakers: Membership: Support and Welfare: Keith Bailey Carl Lawton Trevor Abbott Bernard Knight John Millington Terry Bowes



A happy group enjoying coffee at the end of their water based exercise session. Can you name them all? Ted Best supplied the photograph.



Botanical Gardens



Wooden Boat Centre

Southern Probus Bowls Day



The President of the host club, Ted Best of Hobart Men's Probus, welcomed the 80 players who were representing 12 clubs from the area. The Keith Dickenson Trophy is considered to be very desirable by local Probus bowlers, so the competition was quite fierce with the winning team coming from Shoreline Combined Probus, led by Mark Dwyer. Keith was determined to be present to award the trophy which carries his name, so in spite of 104 years of age he achieved his wish and, after regaling us with a few memoirs, was kind enough to help with the allocation of the prizes for the Carnival

Bonorong Park, March 2013





Enjoyment Through Participation"

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Thanks to the efforts of Terry Bowes, we launched our very own website www.hobartmensprobus.org



Photo of swimming group suitably cropped at above water level



Government House

Do you recognize this venue?Menzies Centre?

Annual BBQ at Waterworks Reserve. Members had the opportunity to compete for the title of Probus World Champion Rissole Maker.







The luncheon group enjoying a convivial meal at the Dr Syntax Hotel, one of the many visited on the monthly roster.



Who? Where? When? Why? A challenge for members.









As the hour of 10 am approached, fifty members and wives assembled on the front lawn in readiness for what was sure to be a memorable experience as guests of the Governor, Mr Peter Underwood and Mrs Underwood.

From the time we were personally announced to His Excellency and Mrs Underwood to the time of our departure we were lavished with hospitality. Our morning began in the Drawing Room where we enjoyed morning tea and where we were able to meet our hosts informally and absorb some of the history of this magnificent home to the Governors of Tasmania since 1858. Our party then proceeded to the Ballroom where we enjoyed a talk by His Excellency on the role and responsibilities of a Governor, followed by a visual presentation of visits by various groups over previous years. Then it was time for our special treat - a performance of a beautiful piece by Schubert for Piano, Violin and Cello enhanced by the excellent acoustics of the Ballroom and the interpretation by this talented trio of players. A memorable experience indeed!

MORNING TEA AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE Tuesday 18 February



Be involved, be inclusive

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Vanners at Trevor Willcox' holiday home at Stewarts Bay

The monthly guest speakers continued to delight our members. John X was certainly well received.



Regular outings continued to give new opportunities to our members.



Aurora Australis showcased the Antarctic effort

Lunch when we toured the Midlands properties of the McShane family





Woodbridge Marine Studies Centre

Man or Superman?

Following Terry Bowes' glowing reports on Club life member Ian Lewis's amazingly rapid recovery from hip replacement surgery the former patient took to his feet at the July meeting to castigate his promoter for suggesting he was, in fact, the "Man of Steel".





Unity in our Diversity

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Proud Mary Trip

wives, enjoyed a "Proud Mary" trip on

Clubs

joined with members from other Probus

Brian Butler John Carter Wayne Wallace Bernard Knight **Bob Pratt** Ted Best

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Launceston

Our overnight visit to Launceston was thoroughly enjoyed by the 18 who participated. Each 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)

Luncheons

Geoff Medhurst continued to arrange the monthly luncheons at various establishments which included Lindisfarne Motor Yacht Club, Blue Eye Restaurant, Dr Syntax Hotel, Ferntree Tavern, Crescent Hotel.

The June luncheon combined with the Ausmas Luncheon.



The Wednesday Walkers continue to be a popular activity



White Beach Vanners





Explore, Enjoy, Experience together

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Hamish Kyle
Brian Butler
Bob Pratt
Brian Butler

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The Cascades at Koonya was a fascinating excursion.



Pick the oldest exhibit

The Orphanage School at New Town.



Life Rafts Tasmania





"Friendship and Fellowship"

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January proved to be a busy Probus month prior to the first meeting of the year. 44 people comprised the group to Hansens Orchard in Huonville to see the cherry and apple harvest.





The IMAS plant at Taroona was illuminating for all.



Terry Bowes and Ian Lewis continued their repartee following Ian's address to a meeting on Muslim Medicine. Their verbal sparring has been a highlight for members.

Our outings continued to be very popular



Classic cars morning tea stop at New Norfolk



Belgrove Distillery was an eye-opener. Tastings were popular!!



Ausmas musicians 'The Brandivinos'





The background gives away the venue.



"Developing Friendships and Networks"

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At the Replica Mawsons Hut





Life Membership for Athol Wilkes





It is a nautical theme here



Andrew Shelverton gave us a most interesting account of the ways in which the Port of Hobart and its operational staff ensure the smooth running of the harbour and the safety of the ships and port infrastructure is carefully managed





ENJOY AND EXPLORE THROUGH FRIENDSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

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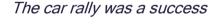
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The year began with great promise!



Members were energetic and involved in activities

Lunch was a goer









Covid Pandemic

Club Meetings Suspended March 17, 2020



The Committee hard at work at the May Committee meeting held using Zoom technology, hosted by David Back.



On resumption an outing to Willow Court in New Norfolk was welcomed by members



Rob Irvine presented with 30 years plaque.

Coffee after Wednesday walk.





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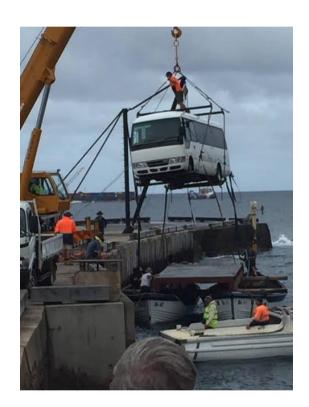
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A highlight for many was the trip to Norfolk Island, delayed 1 year by the onset of Covid











Congratulations to our new Life Member David Brammall. This award is in recognition of David's long and outstanding contribution to our club.



Christmas luncheon entertainment "Jamsetters"



I can't quite hear you! At the Sound Preservation Museum.

It was great to see the new Theatre Royal environment.





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

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Following the Travel Group's successful trip to Norfolk Island In 2021 two groups of members, partners and guests explored Flinders Island in March and April.



Fotheringate Beach





Killikrankie



At the Police Academy our members learned not to disrespect the use of the baton! During the visit there was greater understanding of the expertise and the excellent facilities provided for the officer's training.





Sarge's walk on Tasman Peninsula was well supported and the views much appreciated by the group. Some scrub bashing was required.



The restored Waddamana Power station was a hit with members.







The Ausmas luncheon at the Bellerive Yacht Club for 2022 was well attended.

Life Members:

Les Thirgood *	1992
Max Lyall*	1994
Bert Morgan*	1997
Bill Oats*	1999
Max Windsor*	1999
David Gill*	2007
Rob Irvine*	2007
Frank Williams*	2008
Owen Carrick*	2008
Jim Wishart*	2009
Lionel Lewis*	2010
Norm Potter*	2010
lan Lewis*	2012
Athol Wilkes	2019
David Brammall	2021
* Deceased	

A Final Reflection

Collation of this pictorial record marks the change from past practice as it reflects the move to digital record keeping and digital photography.

The club bulletin is available online and the website holds past editions if desired for reference.

Similarly photographs of outings, significant occasions, and individuals are archived to the website.

It is important for the club history that organisers support the keeping of records of events and forward to the club email address those photos taken. Sadly, each period has seen our membership affected by the loss of some individuals through infirmity, inability to participate, or death. In particular the passing of the following long time members, life members, and presidents are remembered.



Bruce Rosen Snr Vice President



Jim Wishart Past President, Life member. 30+ yrs membership



Bert Morgan Past President , Life member



Darrell Talbot Past President 2012



Ian Lewis. Past President, Life Member. 24 yrs membership

Paul Dalton Photography Group leader and mentor