

HOBART PROBUS CLUB (MEN'S) INC



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President's Theme for 2022/23

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



MERRY CHRISTMAS EDITION



This month's Greeter is SANTA CLAUS

Covid is on the rise again – Don't let it spoil your Christmas

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.



CHRISTMAS!

BAH HUMBUG

2023 Outing plans



A successful 2023 planning meeting was hosted by Rob Brand, which resulted in another year of intriguing excursions.

The group then celebrated their success with a few liquid refreshments.

November Guest Presenter - Rosie Berger

THE HEADY HEIGHTS OF NEPAL



Wow! Another fantastic presentation from guest speaker Rosie Berger at our Tuesday November 1 meeting. The arduous trek with her husband and teenage children, included passing through ravines, glacial valleys, landslips, over boulders and narrow unformed tracks.

The family even taught the locals how to cook wild rhubarb, remarkably not normally eaten by the scant inhabitants.

It was also impressive to note from their smiles that Rosie's children were really enjoying themselves and would provide a lesson to many children here in Australia on how to enjoy a somewhat dangerous journey.

We were all left with a smile on our faces at the end of the talk with a request for a third presentation in the future. (*Tony Hope reporting*)

Grandkid's Gag for The Month



Granddaughter: (aged nine): Poppy, what is red and smells like blue paint?

Poppy: I have no idea, what is red and smells like blue paint?

Granddaughter: Red paint of course, silly Poppy!!!

(She will be writing gags for Christmas crackers soon)

Melbourne Cup 2022



Thanks again to our Melbourne Cup whisperer, Charles Thomas, for organising the popular sweeps.

The winning horses were Gold Trip 1st \$57.00, Emissary 2nd \$36.00 and High Emocean 3rd \$17.00. Prizes were slightly reduced due to two (2) scratchings.

At the time of publishing there remain three unclaimed prizes Gold Trip (Green), Emissary (Yellow) and High Emocean (Green), these prizes will be with Bob Clifton to hand out at the Christmas Luncheon.

If you are still not able to collect, please ring Charles on 0422 414 861 to arrange collection.

November Outing - Salamanca Historical Walk



Tony delighting the group with his tales of Salamanca's colourful past

A big group rolled up for our postponed historical tour around Salamanca hosted by our historical guru, Tony Hope. Tony took us on a journey through Salamanca's rich history from the earliest days of Hobart to the present. Salamanca has so many facets to its history, including whaling, jam production, industrial factories, and several popular houses of ill repute. Tony shared his extensive knowledge in a fascinating narrative. We ended the walk with a pleasant lunch at the recently refurbished Telegraph Hotel.

Thanks Tony for arranging and delivering another great event.

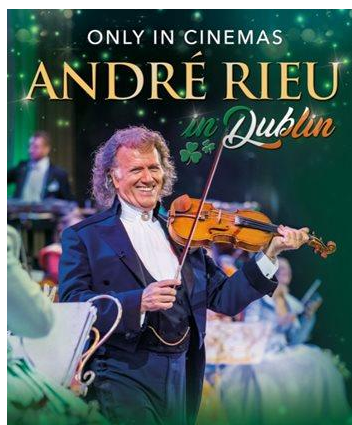
Lunch Brunch Group (Geoff Medhurst 6225 4333)



The luncheon group will wind up for the yuletide break after the Christmas Lunch on Tuesday 6 December.

The next lunch will be held on February 16, 2023, at a location to be decided.

An Evening of fine Music - Andre Rieu



The Club is planning to purchase seats for the premiere of the "Andre Rieu in Dublin" film for Sunday the 5th of February at the State Theatre. There is only one showing and that will be the matinee at 12.30 pm. The cost is \$41.50 p/p and there are no concessions. This is an Australian wide premiere scheduled for the Saturday and Sunday only. We are obliged to pay for the seats when booking. If you wish to be a member of the party please contact David Brammall (0447 532 327 or david.brammall@bigpond.com) or sign the sheet being circulated at our December Christmas luncheon. Once signed in you will need to lodge your payment in the Club's account

immediately. I will consult with our treasurer and make the booking on Thursday the 8th of December. This is open to all members, wives/partners, family and friends.

Club Account:

Name: Hobart Men's Probus

BSB: 017324

A/C Number 4172-49848

Please remember to include your name.

Christmas Luncheon



Royal Yacht Club

Tuesday 6th December

12.00 noon

\$50.00 per person



Christmas is approaching and it is time to start jingling your bells for our Christmas lunch is now only 35 sleeps away!

Senior Vice President Rob Brand and President Michael Graham have been beavering away organising the 2022 Christmas Lunch.

The details have been finalised, as follows.

Date: Tuesday 6 December

Venue: Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania

Time: 12:00 for pre-dinner drinks. Seated 12:30 pm for lunch

Cost: \$50 per head

Lunch includes main and dessert. Red and white table wine, and orange juice are included. Pre-dinner drinks will be at your own expense.



Musical entertainment will be provided by The Jamsetters who will delight you with favourites from our baby boomer era (60s & 70s) and lead you in a chorus of popular Christmas carols.

Numbers are capped at 120 (12 tables of 10), so **book early** and secure your place.

Preferred method of payment is by bank transfer.

BSB: 017 324

Account: 417249848

Acc. Name: Hobart Men's Probus Club

Please include your name in your payment details.

Arrangements are for 10 per table. Please contact Michael Graham at mjgraham17@bigpond.com if you wish to make up a table with friends.

Please notify Michael if you have any special dietary requirements.

2013 -2022 Pictorial History Booklet

2013 -2022 Pictorial History Booklets were issued to members at the 40th Luncheon. Copies for other members can be collected by arrangement with Brian Butler (0409 218 567).

JOB VACANCIES - Treasurer and Assistant



For 2023/4, the Management Committee is looking to fill the positions of Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer.

If you think you can fill one of these positions or contribute to the management of the Club in 2023 or beyond, don't sit back, think positive and make a difference by applying for one of the positions or perhaps indicate your willingness to contribute to the Club in future.

Make the move to be part of a dynamic committee that has contributed so much to the success of the club.

To discuss these matters further please talk to our President Elect Rob Brand who can be contacted on 0418 122 671.

Nomination forms can be obtained from Secretary Phil Mathers and need to be completed before the next Annual General Meeting on 7 March 2023.

Travel Delights (Mike Walpole)

KING ISLAND – February March 2023



Excitement is brewing for the first group of 17 revellers heading for King Island on the 1st February. All is set for a great tour - the itinerary looks wonderful - bags will be packed soon and all will be ready to go.

The second group of 14 will be leaving on 20th March.

KANGAROO ISLAND SA – Early 2024



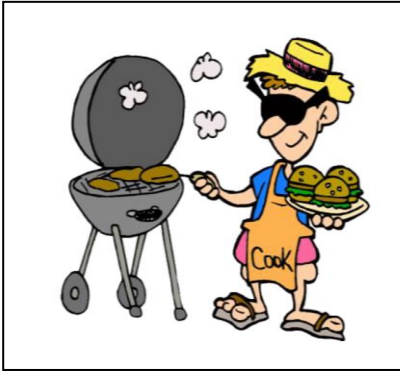
Once again we have had an overwhelming response to the “Expression of Interest” form passed around at our November meeting. We have 36 names on the list for the 5 day tour to Kangaroo Island in March / April 2024.

So, this tour also looks like a real ‘goer’. Now we have approximate numbers your Committee can work on a suggested itinerary.

Watch this space for more details early in the New Year!!!!

For more information please contact Mike Walpole (0429 001 402) or Frank Walker (0417 543 057).

Annual Family BYO BBQ



**SITE 9 WATERWORKS RESERVE, WATERWORKS ROAD
HOBART MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 12.00PM TO 3.00PM.**

All is in hand for our Annual Family Barbecue this year, once again to be at Waterworks Reserve!

I am assured the weather will be perfect!! But the site shelter takes a lot of people, if we need to be under cover.

SO... look forward to seeing you all there. Please come self contained with your BYO BBQ food and drinks.

You might want to bring a folding chair if you're not keen on bench seats. Hat and sunscreen will be obligatory!!

Please record the names of those attending on the Activity sheet which will be available at the February meeting.

Any queries - Please contact Mike Walpole 0429 001 402 or Hamish Kyle 0408 544 601
(Mike Walpole - Sensational Snag Sizzler)

White Beach 2023

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. Power sites are not really a problem but to get the one of your choice –book now! Interested members should contact Bev and Pete (6250 2142).

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.

Online Safety Over Christmas (Brian Butler)



During the coming break over Christmas and the New Year we will all likely be confronted with a scam on computer or phone.

The Australian Government site <http://Beconnected.esafety.gov.au> is a resource that has many useful and enlightening topics to explore and is very worthwhile having a look at. At the very least it helps users at any level of competence find information and items of interest.

In particular the Advanced Online Security topic, and Safety First should be mandatory reading. Internet Banking, Researching Family History, Getting Started Online are some of the many other topics available. I encourage members to check this out and I am happy to assist where I can.

Brian Butler - bsbutler@internode.on.net

Wednesday Walkie Talkers (John Carter 0414 765 910)



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

The Wednesday Walkie Talkers will continue on through the Christmas period.

Contact the ticker off of attendees, John Carter, if you have any queries.

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.*

The regular group will discuss this coming Friday, aerobic sessions over the Christmas period.

Monday & Thursday Walkers (Ian Miller 0407 686 447)



We walk from different venues (eastern shore on Mondays and western shore on Thursdays) with coffee after most walks.

The last walk for 2022 will be on Thursday 22 December and recommence on Monday 9 January.

Contact Ian Miller (0407686447) or Brian Butler (0409 218 567) for meeting points for a 9.30 start.

Christmas Cheer

