



German Australian Association of Tasmania

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2019 - MAY 2019



German Australian Association of Tasmania Inc.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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MAY	Tony Ambroz	20
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RÜCKBLICK UND NEUIGKEITEN

NEW EVENTS for your calendar:

Pre Easter Social Lunch for the Czech and Slovak Association on Sunday 14 April at 12:30. \$30.00 per person. Book and pay at the Club by Friday 5 April.

Easter Lunch on Easter Sunday 21 April at midday. \$20.00 per person. Please book and pay at the Club by Thursday 18 April. See insert for details.

Mother's Day Breakfast on Sunday 12 May from 9-11. \$12.50 per person. Please book and pay at the Club by Thursday 9 May. Full details in insert.

Flinders Island Choir Tour 18-22nd of March 2019

Monday, nineteen of us went on the bus to Launceston to board the Sharp Airline plane. This was a charter flight for us, the plane had nineteen seats only, has a very tight fit and we were allocated to put the weight structure in the correct way. We arrived after lunch, settled into the comfortable and homely cabins surrounded by lovely garden areas. We inspected our four cars on hire and the first outing was Castle Rock, a magnificent rock formation, some took the hard road and some walked along the beach. From there we went out to the platform where the shearwater come home to roost. We had a small picnic and watched a brilliant sunset. That was a long day, so we were glad to go home ourselves to rest.

Tuesday, out early morning going to Killiecrankie (we couldn't bring any diamond's home they were too big) from there we travelled to Palana, beautiful beaches, incredible, everywhere we went. Just as well we had two mermaids on board, they see water and off they go, the brochure says 120 untamed beaches, they had to make some use of it. We travelled further up to North-East-River, one of the best fishing spots and fantastic bird life. A full on day and to round it off we had our evening meal at the Flinders Island Interstate Hotel, you had to see it to believe it, we were gorging ourselves and had an excellent evening together.

Wednesday, from early morning on, again everyone was out, always to meet somewhere, Wybalenna Chapel, Emita, Furneaux Museum, anywhere and everywhere... slowly we got around the top of the island, some did this and some did that including a flat tyre. With lots of fun and laughter we always got there. Then in the evening we had our concert at the pavilion, part of the Island Cabin Park. The proprietors did an amazing job, got everything ready, decorated and invited the island people. Our conductor and his wife blew the Alpenhorns twice, the people would not stop clapping. The singing and the acoustic was magnificent, everyone loved it and asked us to come back. They all brought supper for afterwards and it was a typically island people generosity.

Thursday, this day we all went towards the end of the island to Lady Barron. There we saw a yellow beach we have never seen in our life before, all around we visited mountain walks, lookouts, lagoons and different beaches. Midday we had our lunch at the Furneaux Tavern for fish and chips, the batter was so good I have to give you the recipe the cook gave me: flour, egg, beer, lite and fluffy, just delicious. Afterwards everyone went their way again to meet up somewhere else. Our mermaids wanted to have a swim so we visited Trousers point, that was named for a little boy who came off a ship au naturel. Maybe by then Flinders ran out of names. On the way home we did what we always did WATCH OUT for wallabies; to count thirty on a 30km stretch is normal. In the evening we had an invitation to the Lodge, great fun to sing and laugh together about jokes and old reminiscences of times gone by, stories from everyone they had already forgotten and warmed up again. Over all a lovely time of fellowship and being together.

Flinders Island: Drive, walk or cycle, you'll never forget the untamed spectacular beaches, yellow grey or white. Enjoy the magnificent nature of the rivers, lagoons and mountains, the far horizon over the land and sea, this is the island beauty.

Renate Gehlhaarr

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Wow! I doubt whether our club has ever or will ever see and hear the likes of the German Brass Band from the Algäu Region again! The 50 or so club members and the 35 members of the band who attended the free BBQ and concert at the club will long remember an absolutely fabulous evening. The whole band played and entertained us for a full hour and after the BBQ, six members of the band played for another 2 hours. Everyone enjoyed the food and company and had a great time. Thank you to all who attended and especially our visitors from Germany who made the evening such a success.

The Paella lunch which had been planned for the 24th March was cancelled by me due to lack of bookings. I had set a minimum of 24 persons for the event and by Thursday we only had 17 bookings. I don't like to cancel events but the amount of work that goes into the planning and preparation for a lunch is significant and is all done by our small group of volunteers. It takes little more time to prepare a lunch for 50 people than it takes for 15. However, the satisfaction that comes from the larger functions make the effort really worthwhile and we also make a few dollars for the club.

We have planned two special functions for the next 6 weeks, the Easter Sunday lunch and Mothers' Day breakfast. Please book and pay early so that we can plan and organise the days. We hope to see as many of you as possible at these events and we'll have a free glass of bubbly for you at both.

The newly sanded and varnished floor in the front bar looks great and the wider door to the function room has also been completed. The door is now wheelchair compliant as is the door to the front bar. The emergency exit signs will be changed to indicate this door as the fire exit from the function room. The kitchen will no longer be a designated emergency exit.

Please remember that the committee is looking for nominations from our members for life memberships of the club. It's been a long time since the last honour of life membership was awarded and we have a bit of catching up to do. The nomination forms are at the bar but if you would rather talk to me and suggest someone then please do so. Who has been a valuable member of the club for a significant time? Who goes the extra kilometre? Who has been there to help when help is needed. You can call me on 6229 7555 after hours.

Alles Gute, Best wishes to everyone,

Thorsten



MOVIE AFTERNOONS

Saturday April 27th 1:00pm & Saturday May 25th 1:00pm
Details of movies will be posted in the club and on Facebook.
Cost \$5 includes movie followed by coffee and cake.



GROUPS AND COMMUNITIES

The German Choir has recently enjoyed a trip to Flinders Island. You can read about it on page 7 of this newsletter. They will perform on the 8th of April at Eureka Glenorchy Gardens Village, 26 Vieste Dr, Glenorchy and on the 6th of May at Manor Gardens, Kingston. Visitors and their friends are welcome to attend these performances. The Choir would welcome more people who love singing German and Australian songs. Practice is every Monday at 15:30 at the Club.

Contact Renate Gehlhaar on 6272 2757 for further details.

Skat Players: The Skat Players meet every Friday at 18:00 and Sundays at 13:30. There are experienced and more serious players as well as those who simply enjoy the card game. The games cater for all players.

If you are interested, please contact the Club during opening hours.

Austrian Community: Our Austrian Club Members have a table especially booked for them on Thursdays.

Contact Horst Meister at the German Club on Thursday afternoons if you would like to join.

Lithuanian and Latvian Community members meet at the Club.

Phone the Club to find out when they will next join us.

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OPENING TIMES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday	4.00 - 6.00pm
Thursday	3.00 - 7.00pm
Friday	4.00 - 6.00pm
Saturday	2.00 - 6.00pm
Sunday	1.00 - 6.00pm

2018 - 2019 CLUB EXECUTIVE

PRESIDENT	<i>Thorsten Sell</i>
VICE-PRESIDENTS	<i>Veronica Dalton</i> <i>Tristan Sell</i>
SECRETARY	<i>Gaby Seely</i>
TREASURER	<i>Gaby Seely</i>
LICENSEE	<i>Martin Palecek</i>
PUBLIC OFFICER	<i>Margaret Hewett</i>

Newsletter Changes

Our long-time editor of the club's newsletter, Margaret Hewett, is taking a break from the position for a while to take care of some serious health issues. For this reason, please address all newsletter issues, suggestions & requests by email to germanclubtas@outlook.com or by ringing Laura on 0448 007 751. Laura has kindly stepped into the role of newsletter editor and we thank her for doing so.

Missing Newsletters?

Did you or anyone you know miss out on a newsletter? We've cleaned up the mailing list and may have accidentally dropped someone from either the email or print list. Please accept our apologies and let us know our mistake by calling or emailing the club so we can fix our lists before the next newsletter comes out.

REGULAR EVENTS

SCHNITZELESSEN - 12.00 start
(first Sunday of the month)

Sunday 7 April, 5 May. Price: \$18.00

It is essential to pre-book by phoning the Club by the Thursday prior.

HAND CRAFT GROUP AFTERNOON TEA - 14.00

(last Sunday of the month)

Sunday 28 April, 26 May

Contact Edith or Lilo

Visitors are always welcome.

GERMAN RADIO PROGRAM

FM 96.1 and 92.1

(Every Sunday 8am - 10am)

MOVIE SCREENINGS - 13:00

(last Saturday of the month)

Saturday 27 April, Saturday 25 May

\$5.00 includes coffee and cake.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

First Monday of the month at 18:00

MERTON ART GROUP

Mondays from 11.30am

Members meet for painting and art activities

LINE DANCING

Thursday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00

Members free; non-members \$3.00

Call Laura Rittenhouse on 0448 007 751 for more information.

*Do you think someone at the club deserves **Life Membership**?*

Pick up a nomination form from the club, explain (on the form) why they should receive Life Membership and forward the form to the Committee.

The Committee will shortlist the nominations and present them at the AGM in August. Life Members get free membership for the rest of their lives and will have their names placed on the Honour Board in the Foyer.