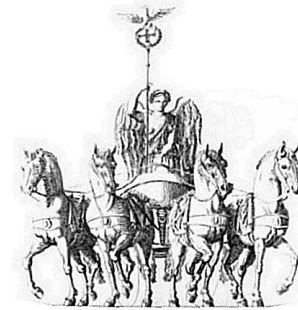


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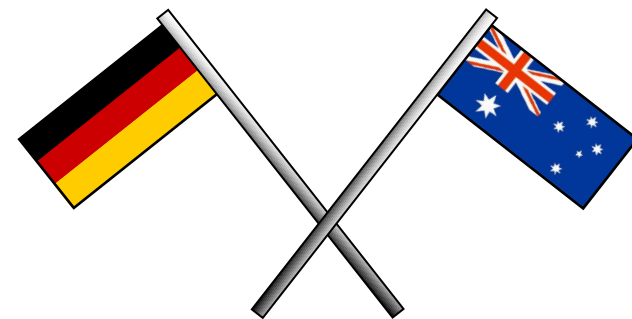
NEWS



November / December 2015



**German Australian Association Inc.
30 Bowden Street, Glenorchy, Tas 7010
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Birthdays

Happy Birthday and best wishes to



NOVEMBER

Gaby Seely	3
Dallas Neumeyer	5
Erika Plaschke	20
Horst Tiefholz,	21

DECEMBER

Dinie Harrison	4
Brigitte Potter	8
Brigitte Siedler	12
Ernie Barnes, Gertrude Koch, Renate Kieselbach,	17
Harald Preuss	19
Maria Fritz	30



Welcome to our new members

Eric & Robyn Proks, Christine Eaton,
Ian Blackmore, Janina Mozdyniewicz,
Michael Grace, Elizabeth Eberstein

Please note that the Club will be closed on
Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

Upcoming events

Free Sausage Sizzle

Sunday 20 December at Lunchtime

Come along and enjoy a sausage and onion in bread.
There will be no Australia Day BBQ at this stage.

Schnitzeessen - 12.00 start

(every 2nd Sunday of the month)

Sunday 8 November, 13 December, 10 January

\$18.50 includes a glass of red or white wine & tea or coffee.

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

Hand Craft Group Afternoon Tea - 14.00

(last Sunday of each month)

Sunday 29 November, 27 December

Visitors are always welcome.

Contact Edith Bauermeister on 62437243.

German Day Centre

Every Wednesday.

The last one for the year will be on **9 December**
re-opening in February at a date to be advised.

To book please contact the

Migrant Resource Centre on 6221 0999

German Radio Program

FM 96.1 and 92.1

(Every Sunday 8am - 10am)

Committee Meetings

Meetings 1st Monday of every month at 17:45

Movie Screenings - 13:00

Saturday 28 November and 19 December

(Check Page 3 for details)

\$5.00 includes coffee and cake

Bar Snacks and Meat Tray Raffle

Every "egg night" Friday

Peter Gerhart Stitz

29 August, 1930 ~ 21 August 2015

Sadly we say goodbye to one of our long-term members ~

Peter Stitz.

Peter was born in Koenigstein, 25 kilometres from Frankfurt. He had one sister, Rosemary who was born 5 years after him. His father, Hugo, was a school teacher and in 1934 was forced to join the Nazi party or lose his teaching position. The war had a lasting effect on Peter who witnessed many bombings and machine gunfire. Peter was forced to join the Hitler Youth at 10 years of age. He was called up to the home guard at 14.

In 1961 he visited relatives in East Germany and while he was there, the Berlin Wall was closed. He was now separated from his parents, but managed to return to West Germany when a soldier allowed him safe passage.

When the war ended, Peter spent 5 years working in Frankfurt and daily witnessed the aftermath of war. It was at this time he decided to migrate to Australia. Luckily, he could speak English fluently. He eventually joined the Australian Army and served in Vietnam for two and a half years. After this, Peter worked as Officer in Charge of various canteens at the Officer Training School in Portsea, Victoria for 10 years before moving to the Brighton Army Camp in Tasmania. Peter was also posted to assist with the aftermath of Cyclone Tracey in Darwin. He had a career with the army which spanned 26 years.

Peter enjoyed living in Tasmania, and particularly enjoyed coming to the German Club. He led a quiet life, filled with memories and classical music. He dreamed of returning to Germany but was too ill.

To quote Peter himself: *"I have had a hard but fortunate life".*

Peter will be sadly missed.

AGM

Our **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** was held at the Club rooms on **Sunday, 6 September, 2015 at 3.00pm**. Our 2015 - 2016 Executive consists of Paul Kuchinke as President; Robert Toldeo and Kaye Skinner as Vice Presidents; Gaby Seely as both Secretary and Treasurer. The Committee is made up of

Denis Cooper, Veronica Dalton, Harry Engel, Erich Lenz, Michael Rowe, Thorsten Sell, Tristan Sell and Bernie Siegemund.

A motion was put to the meeting to sell some of our land to OneCare and this was passed unanimously.

MIGRANT RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS: Seniors Week Activities

This year the clients from our three Day Centres chose different destinations for their Senior's Week activity. The German Day Centre visited Richmond, the Chinese Day Centre went to the Salmon Ponds followed by lunch at New Norfolk, and the Multicultural Day Centre enjoyed a day at Mt Field National Park.

Also as part of Seniors Week this year the Migrant Resource Centre held a Multicultural Fair. There was plenty of cake, biscuits and lemon curd for sale, as well as bric-a-brac to buy. The day was a great success and enjoyed by all. Many thanks to everyone who donated or made items to sell.

The German - Australian community on Bruny Island, members of the CWA, organise a German style Christmas market each year at Adventure Bay.

GERMAN CHRISTMAS MARKET

Sunday 6 December 10.00am ~ 3.00pm

Adventure Bay Community Hall

German Bratwurst with Sauerkraut and potato salad

Continental cakes, Gluehwein (hot mulled wine)

Locally made Christmas arts and crafts - Christmas decorations

Please contact Christa Sell on 6260 6277 for more information.

Groups and Communities

The German Choir is very well known in the South-East corner of Tasmania where they do public 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.*

Canasta Players: The Canasta Players love a good game of cards with lots of social interaction. They meet on Thursdays at 15.30 at the Club. *Please contact the Club if you would like to participate.*

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	4.00 - 6.00 pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	3.00 - 7.00pm
Friday	4.00 - 9.00pm
Saturday	2.00 - 6.00pm
Sunday	1.00 - 6.00pm

CLUB EXECUTIVE:

President	Paul Kuchinke
Vice-Presidents	Robert Toledo Kaye Skinner
Secretary	Gaby Seely
Treasurer	Gaby Seely
Licensee	Martin Palecek
Newsletter	Margaret Hewett

DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

Please contact: *Margaret Hewett* on **62 441532**
or by email **margaret.hewett3@bigpond.com**
or the Club on **6272 9445**



The Committee encourages members and friends to come along to the Club on "Egg - night Fridays" and buy tickets in our meat tray raffles.

Congratulations to our latest winner
Maree Bongard.

RÜCKBLICK UND NEUIGKEITEN PAST AND PRESENT NEWS

OKTOBERFEST REPORT

Our members celebrated a wonderful Oktoberfest on Saturday 17 October which raised \$1,000. Thank you to those members who attended and a huge thank you to our volunteers. Without their generous support events such as these wouldn't go ahead.

Martin and Gaby prepared the sumptuous meal with some great meat from Cradoc Hill Meats, which will be opening a shop in Goulburn Street in November. Martin secured raffle prizes from many businesses (too many to list here) which raised \$320.

Thank you to Dainie Jurevics who MC'd the raffle dressed in traditional lederhosen!

A great time was had by all and President, Paul Kuchinke, presented a prize for the best dressed male and female. Check out the photos on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/germanclubtas>



MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Executive and Committee of the German Australian Association of Tasmania wish all members and their families a happy and safe Christmas and New Year. We hope that you will come along to attend the Club events with your family and friends

MOVIE AFTERNOONS



Saturday 28th November 1.00pm:

Die Blindgänger (2003, colour, sound, 87 minutes), directed by Bernd Sahling, will be screening in the Club. In spite of giving impressive auditions, Marie and Inga are rejected by a school band on account of their blindness. A chance encounter with Herbert leads to them starting their own band instead. The film will be shown with English subtitles and there will be no intermission. Coffee and cake will be available for \$5.00. The bar will also be open. The film is provided courtesy of the National Film and Sound Archive.

Saturday 19th December 1.00pm:

Die Drei von der Tankstelle (1930, black & white, sound, 90 minutes), directed by Wilhelm Thiele, will be screening in the Club. Returning from a holiday, Willy, Kurt and Hans discover they are bankrupt and all their furniture has been seized, leaving them with only their dog and automobile. Well-known songs from the Comedian Harmonists feature in this musical comedy. The film will be shown without an intermission and with English subtitles. Coffee and cake will be available for \$5.00. The bar will also be open. The film is provided courtesy of the National Film and Sound Archive.