



German Australian Association of Tasmania

NEWSLETTER

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German Australian Association of Tasmania Inc.

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Happy Birthday!

	BRIDGET HAYDE	1
	MARGA PAUSE	4
	ULLI KUHN	8
	MARTIN PALECEK	10
	GRAEME RODDAM	11
AUGUST	FRANK FORMBY	13
	MAREE NEUMUT	14
	LAURA RITTENHOUSE	23
	HELMUT KLEIN	25
	THORSTEN SELL	26
	KARL JAKUBEC	28
	LIBBY RIME, ERIC PROKS	29
	CHRISTINE EATON	2
	HELGA KLEIN	5
SEPTEMBER	BASIL HICKEY	14
	HORST ANDREE	25
	KARINA CERON, LILLY GLASSON	26
	WERNER SPITZER	30



YOUR CLUB IN THE TIME OF COVID

As you all know, the Club has reopened after a few long months of shutdown. We're happy to be back together and want to do everything in our power to keep our members, community, state and country free of Covid. Please do not come to the club if you are exhibiting any symptoms or if you have been in contact with anyone who has tested positive with Covid. When visiting the club, use the hand sanitiser provided, keep 1.5m apart and do your part to keep us all healthy and safe.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I hope that this newsletter finds all of our club members and their families well in these continuing strange times. The situation in Victoria shows just how easy it is to go from a good situation to a total disaster. I can't stress enough just how important it is to continue to be very vigilant and to follow the rules. Now that we have re-opened the club, please maintain the social distancing rules. Please don't gather around the bar. Purchase your drinks and then sit down at the tables with your friends and enjoy the company and your beverages. At our functions, please maintain your distances while waiting to pay for your food and only come to the bar for drinks when there is room to do so. We are cleaning surfaces and door handles etc. on a regular basis and there is plenty of soap in the toilets as well as hand sanitiser to ensure that you can wash your hands. It's all very simple and common sense!

We re-opened the club on Sunday the 12th July with a roast lunch and dessert for some 72 guests. We were fully booked for 77 but had a few late cancellations due to ill health. Both rooms were close to capacity and as a result some guests weren't seated with their usual groups. For us to try and seat everyone together, could you please tell us with whom you would like to sit when you book and we will do our very best to make it happen. More importantly, everyone appeared to have a good time and enjoyed their meal if the empty plates coming back to the kitchen were any indication. I did mistime the cooking of the meat a bit and the service was delayed by half an hour but this just gave everyone some extra time to catch up after a four month break. Thank you all for coming!

The committee has agreed to reduce our opening hours at the club as we are struggling to find volunteers to open we often don't get any guests on some days. We will continue to monitor the demand and hope that things improve in the future.

As a result of the shorter opening hours, it will be more difficult to book at the club and consequently, the temporary booking arrangements will become the normal. To book for any function at the club, please call Gabi or myself as we have the booking book at home. Gabi can be reached on 0407 495 593 and our home number is 6229 7555. You can leave a message on the home phone if necessary. All payments will be collected on the day of the function.

I look forward to seeing you all at the club very soon. Take care and look after each other!

Thorsten



WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB

MOVIE AFTERNOONS

Saturday 29th August 1.00pm: *Des Teufels General* (1955, black and white, sound, 115 minutes), directed by Helmut Käutner, will be screening in the Club. Luftwaffe General Harras, a highly regarded WWI veteran, is arrested on the orders of Heinrich Himmler. The film is in German with English subtitles and has been hired from the National Film and Sound Archive.

Saturday 19th September 1.00pm: *Die Konferenz der Tiere* (1969, colour, sound, 95 minutes), based on the children's book by Erich Kästner, will be screening in the Club. Disappointed by humans' inability to live in peace, a group of circus animals take matters into their own hands. The film is in German with English subtitles and has been hired from the National Film and Sound Archive.

Cost is \$5 per movie and includes the movie followed by coffee & cake.

RETURNING GROUP & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

KAFFEEKLATSCH is back at 2pm on the last Sunday of each month (except October) in a new, Covid friendly mode. Cost is \$10 with food provided (sweet & savoury) and served to each attendee. Coffee & Tea will also be delivered to the table. Next dates: 30 August, 27 Sept. NOTE: **Bookings essential** by the Thursday before each Kaffeeklatsch. Book with Club, Gaby (0407 495 593) or Thorsten (6229 7555).

SKAT :The Skat Players meet Fridays at 17.00 There are experienced & more serious players as well as those who simply enjoy the card game. All players catered for. *If you are interested, please contact the Club.*

AUSTRIAN COMMUNITY: Our Austrian Club Members play cards at the club every Thursday at 3:00. *Contact the Club for more information.*

Merton Art Group Mondays 11.30am. Members meet for painting

OTHER: Other groups will be returning to the club over time. Contact the organisers or the club for more information.

CLUB LUNCHES

Sunday 2nd August 2020, midday

Shnitzeessen, usual choice of sauces. Selection of vegetables. Tea, coffee & biscuits

\$18 per person – pay on the day – but please book on the numbers below

Sunday 16th August 2020, midday followed by AGM at 2pm

Kartoffelpuffer, apple mousse or sugar and cinnamon, followed by tea & coffee and Berliner (donut)

\$10 per person – pay on the day – but please book

Sunday 6th September 2020, midday

Father's Day Roast with veg and dessert with tea or coffee

\$18 per person – pay on the day – but please book

Saturday 26th September 2020, midday

Oktoberfest – pork knuckles with beer sauce or chicken, sauerkraut and mashed potato. Pretzels & beer will cost you extra!!

\$15 per person – pay on the day – but please book

Sunday 4th October 2020, midday, Schnitzeessen \$18 per person

Book by phoning the club, Gaby on 0407 495 593 or Thorsten & Gaby on 6229 7555 after 4pm to book for any of these functions.

GERMAN RADIO PROGRAM



Listen to Lilo, Karina and Karl Heinz every Sunday 9-10am on FM 96.1 and 92.1 or online at www.hobartfm.org.au and click into "listen now".

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

First Monday of the month at the Club: August 3rd & Sept 7th 6.00pm.



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OPENING TIMES

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

(Bar will remain open until 5.00pm on Saturday and Sunday if customers are still utilising the bar)

2019 - 2020 CLUB EXECUTIVE

President	Thorsten Sell
Vice-President	Tristan Sell, Veronica Dalton
Secretary	Gaby Seely
Treasurer	Gaby Seely
Licensee	Martin Palecek
Public Officer	Margaret Hewett

NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK

Please address all newsletter issues, suggestions & requests by email to germanclubtas@outlook.com or by ringing Laura on 0448 007 751.

CLUB BUSINESS



Membership Payments: Membership payments are due on 1 July 2020, there is a 'grace period' of two months, so if your membership is not paid by late September you will not get your newsletter anymore.

Life Memberships: Please think about nominating someone for Life Membership - the committee meeting on Monday 3rd August is your last chance for the nomination to be considered.

Don't forget that the Constitution has been updated and more than ten years service is not required - "Members may be nominated for life membership in recognition of special services to the club. Nominations are to be presented to the Committee for review and confirmation and those new Life Members will be presented at the next Annual General Meeting. Life members shall thereafter be entitled to all the privileges of membership without paying the annual yearly subscription or any special payment for such life membership"

If you have someone in mind that has made a special contribution and can't think what to write on the nomination form, ring Gaby on 0407 495 593 with your nomination and some reasons why they should get the Life Membership and she will fill in the form on your behalf.

AGM: The AGM is on Sunday 16th August at 2pm after the Kartoffelpuffer function

Remember you need to be financial to be able to vote. Proxy votes are available from the club during opening hours or can be emailed.

Also, nominations for committee members need to be completed by Thursday 6th August 2020 - that's only a couple of weeks away - so get nominating.