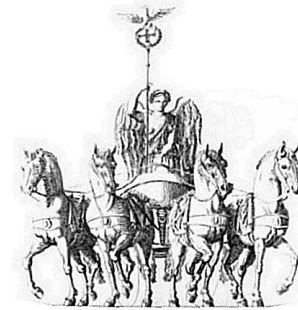


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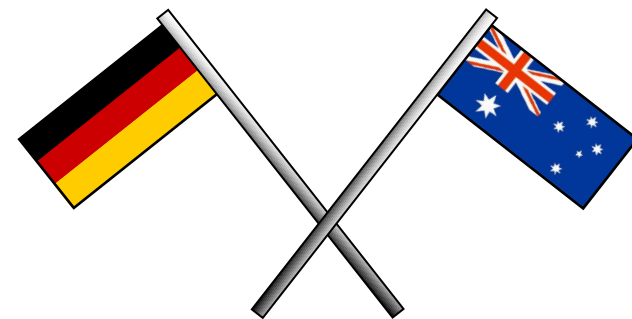
**NEWS**



**November / December 2016**



**German Australian Association Inc.  
30 Bowden Street, Glenorchy, Tas 7010  
Ph: 03 6272 9445**



## Birthdays

Happy Birthday and best wishes to



### NOVEMBER

Gaby Seely	3
Dallas Neumeyer	5
Erika Plaschke	20
Horst Tiefholz,	21
Cameron Atkinson	22
Reg Linton	23

### 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

Clyde Parsell, Angie Hoffmann,  
Graziano Ceron, Ian Cooper

### OPENING/CLOSING TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

**Christmas Eve** Saturday 24/12/16 - normal opening hours  
CLOSED Sunday 25/12/16 reopening Thursday 29/12/16

**New Years Eve** Saturday 31/12/16 - normal opening hours  
CLOSED Sunday 01/01/17 reopening Thursday 05/01/2017

## SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

### Upcoming events

#### Schnitzelessen - 12.00 start

(every 2nd Sunday of the month)

#### Sunday 13 November, December 11

Christmas theme for the December Schnitzelessen.

**\$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 Christmas Lunch

#### Sunday 27 November - 12.30pm

As the lunch will be prepared by outside caterers PLEASE book at the Club.

Contact Edith Bauermeister on 62437243.

There will be no afternoon tea in December.

The next afternoon tea will be **Sunday 29 January 2017.**

#### German Day Centre

Every Wednesday.

To book please contact the Migrant Resource Centre on 6221 0999

Last meeting for 2016 will be on 14 December.

Day Centre will resume in early February.

#### German Radio Program

FM 96.1 and 92.1

(Every Sunday 8am - 10am)

#### Movie Screenings - 13:00

(last Saturday of every month)

#### Saturday 26 November

\$5.00 includes coffee and cake (Check Page 3 for details)

**There will be no film afternoons in December or January.**

#### Bar Snacks and Meat Tray Raffle

Every "egg night" Friday

(Eggs are delivered to the Club every fortnight)

#### Melbourne Cup Day

Tuesday 1 November 12 midday (see page 3 for details)

#### Shared Dinner

Saturday - 19 November at 5.30pm (see page 5 for details)

#### New Year's Eve

Bring your own meat to cook on the BBQ and also a salad.

#### Australia Day

Thursday 26 January 2017 - it is proposed to have a pig spit roast/roast beef if there are enough volunteer helpers.

## PRESIDENTS' REPORT

It was great to see a good attendance at our Unification Day BBQ and it was particularly pleasing to host a visit by the Honorary Consul Of Germany, Dianne Bye, on the day.

This year's Oktoberfest was a great success broke a few records from what I have been told. Thank you very much to everyone who attended and shared the good times. My very special thank you goes to the small group of hard working volunteers who made the day possible! My thought is that we may have an Oktoberfest in March or April next year...if Christmas can be celebrated in July, then why not Oktoberfest in March. I'd like to hear some feedback on the idea please.

We now have a year planner in the foyer of the club and I hope that the various groups within the club will use this to note any events which are held at the club or attended by groups such as the choir outside the club. I'm hoping that we can avoid clashes of events by simply keeping track of all of them.

I've had an interesting and somewhat busy introduction to the role of president of our club over the last two month. I have been very pleased with the many positive comments from members. Over the next few months, I'd like to complete the work on the passage to the toilets off the function room and some changes to the deck and a store for the BBQ off the deck. This has been discussed by the committee and if the costs are acceptable, it should proceed very soon. I've also had some discussions with a number of our members on a better shade solution over part of the deck. This was brought to a head when our existing cover was blown off the framework at the Oktoberfest. Stay tuned for ideas on this issue.

Last but most importantly, I would like to thank all of the volunteers for their dedicated and hard work during the year who make this club what it is ! I also thank every member for their contribution to the club and all of you who have visited the club or attended one of our functions.

As this is the last newsletter before the festive season, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families a very happy Christmas and a safe and prosperous 2017.

Frohe Weihnachten und einen guten Rutsch!

Thorsten

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## SHARED DINNER



Join us for an evening of food and stimulating conversation at the Club from 5.30pm on Saturday 19 November 2016. Bring a dish – enough to serve six people and add it to the community table to share and enjoy.

If you don't bring a dish there will be a charge of \$10.00 per head.

## INFORMATION FROM THE HONORARY CONSULATE OF GERMANY

They can give advice on consular matters, including German passport applications and certification of German documents, as well as the following services listed on the Official Website of the German Missions in Australia:

<http://www.australien.diplo.de/Vertretung/australien/de/04/0-Konsularinformationen.html> (information in German)

<http://www.australien.diplo.de/Vertretung/australien/en/04/0-Konsularinformationen.html> (information in English)

The office operates by appointment only and is attended on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:30am to 1:30pm.

We can be reached anytime via email [consulassistanthobart@gmail.com](mailto:consulassistanthobart@gmail.com) or by phone during our office hours on 6270 2266.

**Level 3, 85 Macquarie Street**

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**Hobart TAS 7001**

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## WANTED - German Speaking Tour Guides

Bettina Kramer from Insight Australia is seeking German speaking guides in Hobart for a cruise ship visit next March.

Please contact Bettina Kramer at [bettina@insightaustralia.com.au](mailto:bettina@insightaustralia.com.au)

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## 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.*

## GERMAN AUSTRALIAN CLUB

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<https://www.facebook.com/germanclubtas>

### Opening Times

Monday, Tuesday	4.00 - 6.00 pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	3.00 - 7.00pm
Friday	<b>4.00 - 8.00pm NB CHANGE</b>
Saturday	2.00 - 6.00pm
Sunday	1.00 - 6.00pm

### CLUB EXECUTIVE:

President	Thorsten Sell
Vice-President	Tristan Sell
Secretary	Gaby Seely
Treasurer	Gaby Seely
Licensee	Martin Palecek
Newsletter	Margaret Hewett

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### DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

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

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### To sum up the Norfolk Island Choir tour here is a poem written by Helmut Klein:

Dear folks from Norfolk Island, we wish this could be our land,  
We have been here for just a while, but everyone does smile-smile-smile.  
The greenest island we have seen, well known for it's "Bounty" history.  
There are lovely fruit trees everywhere, but we've seen no koala bears,  
No roo's or emus anywhere, if they could swim across the sea,  
They would help you harvest every tree.  
We thank you all to let us come, unfortunately we must go home.  
But we will come again one day, perhaps we'll never go away.  
All our love and thanks so much, we'll try our best to keep in touch.

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## RÜCKBLICK UND NEUIGKEITEN

### CHOIR NEWS-NORFOLK ISLAND FRIENDSHIP TOUR 9-18 OCTOBER 2016

The friendliness of the "Islanders was immediately apparent and our stay at the Trade Winds Cottages was a home away from home. Burnt Pine, the island's centre is very much geared for tourism. The Island is very beautiful with green rolling hills surrounded by Norfolk pines, rugged coastlines and magnificent views wherever you go. Chickens and cows have the freedom to roam wherever they choose; they are the councils lawnmowers.

We were invited to speak on radio and the weekly newspaper also had reports about us to tell their appreciation for the visit to Norfolk Island and for bringing the European culture in song. Our first concert was at the St. Barnabas Chapel with stained glass windows and beautiful old pews. It had excellent acoustics which suited sacred songs and a mixture of the alpine songs. The main concert took place at the Ferny Lane Theatre with our full repertoire featuring the alpenhorn, rolling plates, cowbells and the yodel song. We sang at the school of 200 children who were so excited about the instruments that they kept clapping to the beat. We had a request to sing for the elderly at the hospital. We also had an invitation from proprietor of Trade Winds to visit her home. We sang on the edge of the cliff for all her friends and we were rewarded with a most delicious dinner. In between concerts we all kept busy with shopping, sightseeing, markets, Botanic Garden, National Park, climbing Mt. Pitt, Captain Cook Memorial, glass bottom boat, Convict Kingston Tour, Art Trail, Colleen McCullough home, Fletcher Christian Mutiny Cyclorama, Pitcairn Settlers, driving around the Island many times. Even though the Island is very small; only 8km long and 4km wide, there was not enough time to see and experience everything.

**MELBOURNE CUP DAY LUNCHEON:** Tuesday 1 November from 12 midday. Bring a plate of savouries to share and buy a drink. Watch the racing on the big screen. Maree will supply the cake. Come along and enjoy the afternoon.

**PREIS SKAT:** Saturday 3 December. First round starts at 10:00 so please be in attendance from 9.30. Lunch will be served at approximately 12 midday with the second round starting at approximately 1.00pm.

### MOVIE AFTERNOONS



There will be **no film afternoons in December or January**. We will resume in February. Unfortunately the planned movie, "Goodbye Lenin" is unavailable.  
*Saturday 26 November 1:00pm*

The film *Wintertochter* (2011, colour, sound, 90 minutes), written and directed by Johannes Schmid, will be screening in the Club. 12-year-old Kattaka sets off on a road trip with her neighbour Lena, hoping to find her biological father Alexej in Poland. 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.