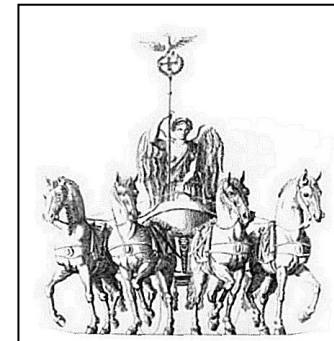


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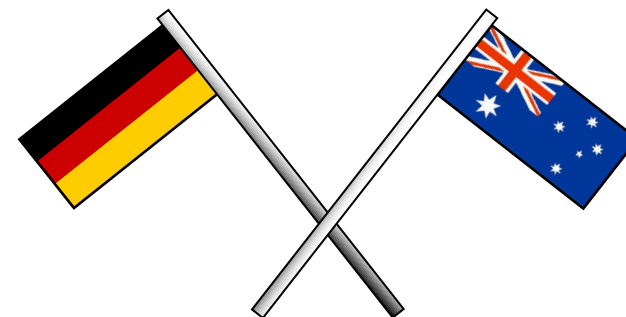


**NEWS**

**October 2011**



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

*Happy Birthday and best wishes to*



Josef Purscher, Stephen Byers	1
Leonie Jackson	5
Frank Hesman	7
Ursula Simson	8
Erika Zache, Stuart Hunt	9
Joyce Angel	11
Gudrun Gnesel, Lilo Kuhn	15
Karl Bourjou	19

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### 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER - DAY OF GERMAN UNITY

Following World War II, the area that was Germany was divided into four military sectors controlled by France, the United Kingdom, the United States and the Soviet Union. On May 23, 1949, the sectors controlled by France, the United Kingdom and the United States became the Federal Republic of Germany. On October 7, 1949, the sector controlled by the Soviet Union became the German Democratic Republic.

The two countries developed very different political and economic systems and, due to the political tensions in post-war Europe, there was little contact between the inhabitants of the two countries. A protest against the German Democratic Republic's government occurred in Leipzig on September 4, 1989. More demonstrations took place across the German Democratic Republic.

The protests called for political reform and to open the borders. On November 9, 1989, the checkpoints between the two countries were opened and people were allowed to travel freely. This date marked the "fall" of the Berlin wall.

These events lead to political change. Democratic elections paved the way for unity in the German Democratic Republic on March 18, 1990. The "Treaty of Unification" was signed by both countries' leaders in August that year. Finally, Germany's unification became official on October 3, 1990.

The Brandenburg Gate and the Berlin wall were two important symbols of Germany's division following World War II and Berlin's and Germany's unification in 1990. Images of the Brandenburg Gate and the Berlin wall's destruction are often displayed on German Unity Day. The German unification treaty also symbolizes the day and its meaning.

## SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

### Upcoming events

**German Unification Day BBQ**  
Monday 3rd October Midday—BYO food

**Oktoberfest**  
Saturday 15th October  
\$25.00 per head - 6.00pm start

**Potato Cakes**  
Due to a continuing lack of support there  
will be no potato cakes.

**Schnitzelessen - 11.30 start**  
(every 2nd Sunday of the month)  
**Sunday 9 October, 13 November, 11 December**  
\$15.00 includes a glass of red or white wine & tea or coffee  
Please pre-book by phoning the Club the Thursday prior.

**Hand Craft Group Afternoon Tea - 14.00**  
(last Sunday of each month)  
**Sunday 30 October, 27 November,**  
Visitors are always welcome.  
Contact Edith Bauermeister on 62437243.

**German Radio Program**  
FM 96.1 and 92.1  
**Every Sunday 8am - 10am**

**G.A.S.T. lunches for seniors**  
Generally every **Wednesday** at 10.00 am  
To book please contact the  
Migrant Resource Centre on 6221 0999.

**Committee Meetings**  
The new committee will meet for the first time on  
**Sunday 2nd October** at 5.00pm

## Germany in October



**Oktoberfest** in Bavaria is the highlight of Germany's festival calendar: Every September and October, over visitors from around the world mingle with locals to celebrate Bavarian culture and cuisine and to have a good time with German beer, music, parades, concerts, and fun rides.

**When:** September 17 – October 43, 2011

**Where:** Munich

### Stuttgart Beer Festival - Cannstatter Wasen

The Cannstatter Wasen, as this festival is called in German, started as an autumn fair in 1818 and quickly became one of the leading beer festivals in Germany, second only to Oktoberfest in Munich. People can enjoy Swabian food, beer and wine and Oompah bands, parades, roller coasters....etc.

**When:** September 23 - October 9, 2011

**Where:** Stuttgart

### Frankfurt Book Fair

The Frankfurt Book Fair, annually held in October, is the world's largest trade show of books and the place to be for book lovers, publishers, translators, and authors. During the week, the book fair is only open to accredited trade-visitors, but on the last weekend of the fair, everybody can take a peek into the international world of media. There are readings, exhibitions, concerts, and films alongside the presentation of books.

**When:** October 12 -16, 2011

**Where:** Frankfurt

### Festival of Lights in Berlin

During the Festival of Lights, more than 45 of Berlin's most iconic landmarks and historic buildings will be illuminated from 7 p.m. until 1 a.m. every night. The Festival with its laser shows, light projections, and fireworks transforms the Berlin TV Tower, the Museums Island, the Brandenburg Gate, and many more attractions into magical visions. Special "lightseeing tours" are offered by bus, boat, or bicycle.

**When:** October 12 - 23, 2011

**Where:** Berlin

### Classic Tomato Chutney - Recipe from Jeanette Brennan

1.5 kg ripe tomatoes, peeled and chopped  
2 ½ cups white wine vinegar  
½ cup sultanas  
1 large onion, chopped  
1 clove garlic, chopped  
1 tblsp salt  
4 whole cloves  
½ teaspoon cayenne pepper  
1/3 cup caster sugar

In a large saucepan, combine all the ingredients, except the sugar. Simmer on medium to high heat until mixture comes to the boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer for one and a half hours until tomatoes soften.

Stir in sugar until dissolved; bring to the boil and cook for a further 25 minutes, stirring frequently until the mixture thickens.

Pour chutney into sterilised jars and seal. Store in a cool dry cupboard for up to 3 months. Keep in the fridge after opening.

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## Groups and Communities

**The German Choir** The Choir needs people who love singing songs in both English and German. Practice is every Monday at 15:30. 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 players as well as those who merely see it as a game. So, anyone can fit in. If you are interested, please contact the Club.

**Canasta Players:** The Canasta Players love a good game of cards with lots of social interaction and they meet on Thursdays at **3.30**. Please call Margot Meier on 6249 3420 if you would like to participate.

**Austrian Community:** Our Austrian Club Members have a table especially booked for them on Thursdays. Check with Harry at the German Club 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.

## Eggs for Sale



Hans is back!

The eggs are generally delivered to the Club on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month.

If there are any order changes please phone Hans on 6267 2645.

## GERMAN AUSTRALIAN CLUB

30 Bowden Street, Glenorchy  
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### Opening Times

Monday, Tuesday	4-6 pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	3-7 pm
Friday	4-9 pm
Saturday	2-6 pm
Sunday	1-6 pm

### Club Executive:

President	Paul Kuchinke
Vice-Presidents	Erich Lenz Kaye Skinner
Secretary	Margaret Hewett
Treasurer	Gaby Seely

## RÜCKBLICK UND NEUIGKEITEN ~ PAST AND PRESENT NEWS



Source: <http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/germany/german-unity-day>

The German Australian Club will be celebrating **German Unification Day** with a barbeque at the club. It is a BYO affair, i.e. bring all your own meat to cook on the barbeque and anything else you may wish to eat. The Club and bar will be open from midday. Paper plates and plastic cutlery will be provided. Please come along and enjoy the celebration.

The **Annual General Meeting** was held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September. The attendance was very disappointing though. The meeting heard a report from outgoing President, Hans Lenz and outgoing Treasurer, Sandra Laird. Hans took over the President's position from long standing President, Frank Cashion and has now handed the reins to Paul Kuchinke. Sandra has been Treasurer for 13 years and has been part of the Committee for 14. The new Treasurer will be Gaby Seely. We welcome two new members on the Committee as well – Hans Streit and Denis Cooper.

### The 2001 – 2012 Executive and Committee are as follows:

President:	Paul Kuchinke
Vice Presidents:	1. Erich Lenz 2. Kaye Skinner
Secretary/Public Officer:	Margaret Hewett
Treasurer:	Gabriela Seely
Committee Members:	Denis Cooper Harry Engel Jeffrey Freeman Hans-Jorg Lenz Michael Rowe Bernie Siegemund Werner Spitzer Hans Streit

The new committee will meet for the first time on Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Club at 5pm. Members and guests are welcome to attend.

## DO YOU HAVE ANY ITEMS OR ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

(RECIPES, NEWS, JOKES, INTERESTING INFORMATION, ETC.)

Please contact:

E: [margaret.hewett3@bigpond.com](mailto:margaret.hewett3@bigpond.com)

P : 6245 1374

**Oktoberfest:** By now, everyone should have received notice that the date of the Oktoberfest has been changed to Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm. Once you have paid, you will be issued with a ticket which must be presented at the event. Bookings and payment NEED TO BE MADE by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

Our new website: <http://www.germanclubtas.com.au/>



## Welcome to our new member

Mandy Ochsendorf