

# **German Australian Association of Tasmania**

# **NEWSLETTER**

**APRIL 2020 - MAY 2020** 



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Apologies to those whose birthdays we missed in February & March. We send you special belated greetings and hope you had a great day!



#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President's report

What do I write at a time like this? I'm telling everyone around me to stay home, don't go out unless you really have to. Only meet others if you have no choice. Why? This virus simply can't spread if we isolate ourselves! We have closed the club completely until further notice because it's the sensible thing to do. Let's all try and get through this as unscathed as possible and then have a big party afterwards.

As nothing will be happening at the club, I will ask the committee to allow the executive to meet monthly by phone for a short meeting to authorise the bill payments etc. This is not covered by our constitution, but these are extraordinary times.

Our new chairs arrived at the club in time for the last Schnitzelessen and everyone who sat on them was very happy with the comfort. As there was some money left over from the grant, we have ordered four new tables identical to the nice wooden tables at the club. We'll dispose of four of the Laminex tables once we have the new ones.

Quite a few of you contacted Gabi and myself and wanted to come to our wedding on the 1<sup>st</sup> May but in the current circumstances we have had to cancel our wedding reception at the Italian club. We have also cancelled our Honeymoon to Europe. We are still hoping to get married on the 1<sup>st</sup> May but it would only involve our families and even that may not be possible. We will have to wait and see. Our plan is to have a late reception and party once this is behind us.

Look after yourself and stay well. If anyone feels that you want to talk to someone, I'll be very happy to take your phone calls after 6:00 pm on 6229 7555.

**Thorsten** 



# Self assessment for risk of coronavirus (COVID-19)

Have you been in, or transited through, mainland China or Iran in the past 14 days, Do not attend work and returned from South Korea on/after 5 March, or returned from Italy on/after 11 March? self-quarantine for 14 days after If you have a fever or respiratory symptoms: Have you been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19? Self-guarantine for 14 days ring the Public from the last day of contact spending more than 15 minutes face-to-face with a person who is a confirmed case in the 24 hours Health Hotline with the confirmed case before they showed symptoms or once they showed symptoms; and 1800 671 738 or sharing a closed space for more than two hours with a person who is a confirmed Public Health will contact you contact your GP case, once they've shown symptoms or 24 hours prior. If your symptoms are extreme, which Have you been in casual contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19? Go about your normal business, Casual contact is defined as: require emergency but monitor yourself for spending less than 15 minutes face-to-face in any setting with a person who is a confirmed case treatment, ring 14 days for the most common AND they had symptoms at the time 000 or go to symptoms of COVID-19\* sharing a closed space for less than two hours with a person who is a confirmed case the emergency AND they had symptoms at the time. department NO Are you experiencing fever or respiratory symptoms AND have returned home from overseas? Self-quarantine NO Testing is not recommended Are you experiencing fever or respiratory symptoms? for you at the current time Contact your GP, ring 000 or go to the emergency department if your You do not need to self-quarantine or be tested for COVID-19 symptoms are extreme If you are unwell with any other illness your doctor will assess and manage you in the normal way.

Additional information for healthcare workers and residential care workers

In addition to the above steps, the following information applies to healthcare workers and residential care workers who have direct contact with patients or residents.

If you have an influenza-like illness, which is a fever above 37.5 and symptoms of an acute respiratory infection (shortness of breath, cough and/or sore throat):

- do not go to work; and
- ring the Public Health Hotline 1800 671 738, or a GP or emergency department, to arrange for testing and appropriate care.

If you test negative you can return to work when well, at the direction of your treating doctor. A healthcare worker who has worn appropriate personal protective equipment while treating a patient does not become a close contact as a result of that care. They may be a casual contact as a result of that care so should monitor themselves for 14 days.

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are fever, cough, shortness of breath, muscle pain and fatigue.



## **GERMAN AUSTRALIAN CLUB**

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#### **2019 - 2020 CLUB EXECUTIVE**

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Treasurer Gaby Seely

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**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.

# Information about your club and COVID-19

As of 19 March 2020 the Club Executive made the difficult decision. to close the club until further notice. The bar will not be open and no activities can be carried out on the premises.

As you all know, the situation with this pandemic is changing daily and has now reached the point where keeping the doors open risks exposing club members and volunteer staff to unacceptable risks. And, as the government continually increases health and safety requirements on organisations like ours, we are already finding it virtually impossible to comply.

We apologise to any who have been inconvenienced by attending the premises before receiving this notice but there was no time to give earlier notice.

Please take care of yourself, stay safe and look after friends, family, neighbours and those in your community.

#### **Merton Group Art Exhibition**

The Merton Art Group, which meets at the club, is having an art exhibit from now through April. It is being held at the Restaurant in the Tasmania Golf Club Restaurant, 1420 Tasman Highway, Barilla Bay, Cambridge. Contact the venue for times and to confirm its policy with respect to COVID-19.

## **German Radio Program**

Listen to Lilo, Karina and Karl Heinz Every Sunday 8am -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 to be held via phone conferencing until the Club reopens