

German Australian Association of Tasmania NEWSLETTER

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

WELCOME to our new members

John Stecko and Karin Wider

RÜCKBLICK UND NEUIGKEITEN

COMMITTEE NEWS

The renovations in the back hallway to the toilets are progressing well for Bernie and Thorsten. There is now new plaster on the ceiling; the new dividing wall (between the roller door and the hallway) has a plaster cover and most of the skirtings have been installed. Only the cornices and some other minor adjustments to be made, then everything painted white and after that carpet installed to finish it off.

Computer lessons courtesy Tristan are still available at the Club. Please contact the Club to make arrangements if you are interested.

At the AGM on Sunday 20 August members agreed with the committee on the proposals to purchase a new oven for the kitchen as well as a more permanent roof cover for the deck. Both items exceeded \$5,000 each so it was necessary under the constitution to bring these proposed purchases before the members, for approval.

OKTOBERFEST

at THE GERMAN AUSTRALIAN CLUB

Join in the festivities and support your Club on Saturday 14 October - 12.00 start

Lunch of Kassler, Bratwurst, chicken, potato and Sauerkraut with dessert of Rote Grütze and custard will be served along with tea and coffee. \$25.00 per person

Drinks include traditional German beer, wine, soft drink and spirits available for purchase from the Bar.

Raffles and Lucky Door and Best Costume prizes.

Tickets to be booked and pre-purchased at the club by Thursday, 12 October. Bookings ARE essential.

MOVIE AFTERNOONS

Saturday 26 August 1.00pm

Sputnik (2013, colour, sound, 83 minutes, German with English subtitles), a children's film set in the DDR, will be screening in the Club. Friederike builds a machine to teleport her uncle back from the West, but the results are different to what she expected. Coffee and cake will be served for \$5.00. The bar will also be open. The film has been hired from the National Film and Sound Archive

Saturday 30 September 1.00pm

Fitzcarraldo (1981, colour, sound, 158 minutes, German with English subtitles), directed by Werner Herzog and starring Klaus Kinski, will be screening in the Club. An Irishman living in Iguitos, Peru, chases his dream of building an opera house in the Andes mountains. Coffee and cake will be served for \$5.00. The bar will also be open. The film has been hired from the National Film and Sound Archive.

PRESIDENTS' REPORT

It's August and time for our AGM. The last year as president of our club has simply flown by and I would like to thank all members for placing their trust in me and honouring me with this important role for the club. I hope to see you all at the AGM and will be making my version of a Black Forest Cake for the afternoon tea, as well as serving savouries, following the meeting.

Bernie and I have been working on improvements and eventual completion of the hallway to the toilets off the function room. We've ended up with more work than I had originally planned but it is all progressing nicely and should be completed in the next month or so. Many thanks to Bernie for his hard work and organising of the materials.

Most activities at the club during the winter months have been very much on the quiet side. We have had days on which no one visited the bar during opening hours and even the Kaffeeklatsch last month had only a small attendance. I hope that we will see an all - around improvement in attendances as the days start to get longer and the temperatures start to rise.

Bookings are now open for the Oktoberfest at the club on the 14th October. Please book early as last year's Oktoberfest was a sell - out. We learned our lessons from last year and there will be improvements to the food service and we'll ensure that we have enough bar staff on hand.

Lastly, I would like to thank all of our hard working volunteers who keep the bar open for you, the members, and the dedicated teams who prepare and serve the delicious food at the Schnitzelessen and our functions. The income from these activities is what keeps the club afloat financially. Thank you all for your dedication.

Best wishes and I hope to see you all at the club very soon.

Alles Gute wuensche ich Euch Allen und hoffe dass wir uns sehr bald im Klub sehen.

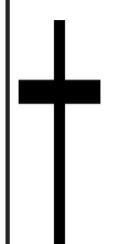
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Members are reminded that this newsletter will be their last unless they are fully paid up financial members of the Club.

BAR PRICES ARE HIGHER FOR NON-MEMBERS.

Ursula Simsons 8.10.1926 ~ 28.5.2017



It is with great sadness, that we announce the peaceful passing of Ursula (Uschi) Simsons in her 90th year in May. Uschi was the wife of Visvaldis (dec), loved mother of Gundars and Lee and Oma to Peter and Annah.

Uschi was one of the Club's most respected and long time members. She was actively involved not only in the establishment of the Handcraft Group, but also in our very popular German Choir. On behalf of the German-Australian Association, but especially the Choir and the Handcraft Group we would like to extend sincere condolences to Ursula's family on their sad loss.

Ursula will be sadly missed by everybody at the German Club.

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 - 6.00pm
Wednesday	4.00 - 6.00pm
Thursday	3.00 - 7.00pm
Friday	4.00 - 8.00pm
Saturday	2.00 - 6.00pm
Sunday	1.00 - 6.00pm

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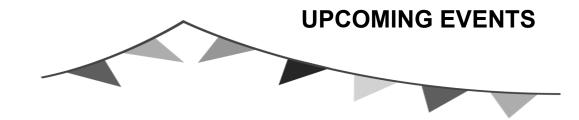
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PASTOOR (nee Patzelt), Eva Maria.

It is with great sadness, that we had to say goodbye to yet another one of our long-time Club members. Eva passed suddenly but peacefully on June 22, 2017. She was the beloved wife of Gustav and Ben (both dec), beloved mother of Gaby and friend to Roger, stepmother and stepmother-in-law of Jenny and Les, Henry, Len and Kirsten, and the adored Oma of all of her grandchildren.

She will be sadly missed by the Club, especially the Handcraft Group and the German Day Centre.

The Club extends its most sincere condolences to Gaby, Roger and Eva's extended family.



SCHNITZELESSEN - 12.00 start

(every 2nd Sunday of the month) Sunday 10 September, 15 October

\$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 27 August, 24 September, 29 October
Visitors are always welcome.
Contact Lilo Kuhn on 62724393 or Edith Bauermeister on 62437243.

GERMAN DAY CENTRE

Every Wednesday.

To book please contact the Migrant Resource Centre on 6221 0999.

GERMAN RADIO PROGRAM

FM 96.1 and 92.1 (Every Sunday 8am - 10am)

MOVIE SCREENINGS - 13:00

(last Saturday of every month)

Saturday 26 August, 30 September, 28 October \$5.00 includes coffee and cake (Check page 7 for details)

OKTOBERFEST

Saturday 14 October 12 midday See page 7 For details

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Meet first Monday of each month at 18:00 Next Meetings: 4 September, 2 October