



NEWS

March/April 2015



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



Birthdays

Happy Birthday and best wishes to

MARCH



Linda Heese	4
Christa Daniels	13
Mark Siegemund	16
Inge Samson	18
Jeff Freeman	19
Kaye Skinner	21
Margot Meir	26
Hortense Schoen	29
Hildegard Andree	29
Veronika Siegemund	31
APRIL	
Heinz Daniels	7

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Egon Eindorf	12
Robert Gaus	12
Edith Bauermeister	19
Eva Barnes	22
Erna Simon	24

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

At last year's AGM, the possibility of the sale of excess land, and/or the Club house to OneCare, which borders our property, was discussed. So far, no firm proposals have been made. However, the CEO of **OneCare**, Michael Powell, will be visiting the Club **this Thursday**, **26 February** at **4pm** to discuss the options of **purchasing the land/Club rooms from the GAAT**. Members are asked to prepare relevant questions and attend with an open mind.



SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

Upcoming events

Schnitzelessen -12.00 start

(every 2nd Sunday of the month)

Sunday 8 March, 12 April

\$17.00 includes a glass of red or white wine & tea or coffee It is essential to pre-book by phoning the Club the **Thursday** prior.

Hand Craft Group Afternoon Tea - 14.00

(last Sunday of each month)

Sunday 29 March, 26 April

Visitors are always welcome.

Contact 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)

Committee Meetings

(first Monday of each month at 5.30pm)

2 March, 6 April or TBA

Movie Screenings

(Saturdays)

28 March, 25 April

Movies are most likely to be musicals. Check the Club for details. \$5.00 includes coffee and cake

Garage and Car Boot Sale Saturday 28 February

See p. 5 for details

Please note that the Club will be closed on Good Friday, April 3, but will be open as usual all other days over the Easter period.



The Executive and Committee wish you and your family a happy and safe Easter.

WORKING BEE REPORT: Many thanks to the ten or so members who assisted with the tasks on the "to-do" list. As mentioned earlier, without the help of volunteers, this Club would really be struggling to stay afloat. What we need is.....more members to volunteer their time. Please step up if you have some spare time and can help to keep out Club afloat.

Harmony Day - Saturday 21 March

Celebrate Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

Did you know:

- around 45 per cent of Australians were born overseas or have at least one parent who was
- 85 per cent of Australians agree multiculturalism has been good for Australia
- apart from English the most common languages spoken in Australia are Mandarin, Italian, Arabic, Cantonese, Greek, Vietnamese, Tagalog/Filipino, Spanish and Hindi
- more than 60 Indigenous languages are spoken in Australia
- 92 per cent of Australians feel a great sense of belonging to our country?

Source: www.harmony.gov.au

Katharina Moldehn 23.7.1937 ~ 3.12.2014

Katharina, (Kathy) passed away after suffering health problems for many years. Kathy and her husband, Alfred, were founding members of the German Australian Association and Alfred maintains Life membership of our Club today. The Moldehns' arrived in Tasmania in 1960. Kathy worked as a seamstress at various locations, especially at Les Lees. For many years Kathy was a very active member of the club, but illness forced her to relinquish many of these volunteer duties. Kathy is survived by her loving husband Alfred, her daughters Anita and Sylvia and their husbands Mark and Adrian as well as her eight grandchildren.

Kathy will be sadly missed by her family and all who knew her.



GOOD FOOD NIGHT - Saturday 21 February

A small gathering of enthusiastic members prepared a range of dishes to share with others at the Club. The variety and number of dishes offered was staggering. Members enjoyed not only the company but the opportunity to share the delicious 15 dishes with likeminded people. One of the most memorable

comments of the evening was: "I really enjoyed eating in company and not just by myself and having a reason to cook." Maybe you are one of those members who can relate to this sentiment? If so, please come along to our next "Good Food" event. Many thanks to Stephanie, Gaby, Martin, Veronika, Kaye and Marie for preparing the dishes and making the night a great success. Report by Bernie Siegemund. (Amended for editorial purposes by M.Hewett)

Garage and Car Boot Sale at the Club Saturday 28 February

If you have some unwanted items you wish to sell, all you need is a gold coin donation, a table, (or hire one from the Club for \$2.00), set up your stall and sell your goods.



The Club will be open from 8am so you can set up inside the clubhouse, under the tarp on the rear deck or in the carpark. Please be set up by 9am.

There will be a BBQ/Sausage sizzle for buyers, sellers, friends and patrons.

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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GERMAN AUSTRALIAN CLUB

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Opening Times

4-6 pm
Closed
3-7 pm
4-9 pm
2-6 pm
1-6 pm

Club Executive:

President Paul Kuchinke

Vice-Presidents Erich Lenz

Kaye Skinner

Secretary Gaby Seely
Treasurer Gaby Seely

Licensee Martin Palecek

Newsletter Margaret Hewett

DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

Recipes, news, events, advertisements, jokes?
Please contact: *Margaret Hewett* on **62 441532** - or by email **margaret.hewett3@bigpond.com**



Decorations at Functions: Members are requested to remove decorations after they have used the Club for a function. The purpose for this request is due to a recent "call-out" from our alarm system monitor, Mekina. Apparently some decorations set off an internal alarm and each of these "call-outs" incurs a cost to the Club. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

"exhibition of watercolours" by one of our members, Maria Fritz at the Magnolia 73 Café
73 Main Road, Moonah
11 April ~ 29 May.

RÜCKBLICK UND NEUIGKEITEN PAST AND PRESENT NEWS



The **Australia Day BBQ** was well attended and enjoyed by over 50 members and their guests. Without the help of volunteers, an event such as this would not be possible. Thanks go to BBQ cooks: Erich, Hans, Michael; the bar was managed by Werner; kitchen hands were Lola and Margaret. Salads were prepared by Erich, Hans and Lola, Werner and Margaret.

The February Schnitzelessen saw our very first "**Meat Raffle**", organised by Martin. The meat tray was won by Hildegard. The raffles will be drawn on Schnitzelessen Sundays as well as on "egg" Fridays. Tickets are \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. The meat is valued at over \$25.00. Runner up prizes are German Australian Club pens. **Snacks** will be provided every "egg" Friday for members to enjoy so please stay and have a drink when you collect your eggs.





Don't eat the blackberries! It appears that the blackberries around the Club have been sprayed with poison so PLEASE do not eat them. One person has already become quite ill from eating them.

Choir News: The Choir is going on tour again, up to Launceston, Georgetown and Deloraine from the 17 to the 20th of March. Again they are sponsored by the MRC. As well as this, the choir will sing twice a month around Hobart at various nursing homes. On Thursday, 2nd April the Choir will sing for the Glenorchy Garden Club. We wish them a safe and happy tour.





Wine Tasting - Saturday 7 March at 2pm

Centre Euro Wines Tasmania, based in Legana in the north of the state, will be bringing a range of German, Austrian and Australian white, red, sparkling and fortified wines as well as spirits to the Club for the popular wine tasting afternoon. The event is being organised by Martin and Robert and you'll be guaranteed of a good afternoon.