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SOUTH HOBART PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting of the Association will be held on **Wednesday 11th September, 2024** in the *South Hobart Community Centre*, 42 D'Arcy Street, South Hobart commencing at 7:30 pm.

BUSHCARE WORKING BEES

The Rivulet Group will meet on Sunday 8th September from 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm, meeting at the Tara Street Picnic Area. The South Hobart Group will meet on Sunday 15th September 10:00 am to 12:30 pm, meeting at the end of Wentworth Street (*cul de sac* near 109 Wentworth Street). Any enquiries to John (Rivulet) on **0417 617 572** and Janet (South Hobart) on **6223 8132**.

CASCADE BICENTENARY

A series of articles to celebrate the Centenary of *Cascade Brewery*.

Having been shocked to discover that he was building his Cascade Sawmill on property claimed by local newspaper editor RL Murray, Peter Degraives spent September 1824 trying to sort out the ownership of the land. He wrote to Lt-Governor Arthur, reporting that his sawmill was "in great forwardness", that the stone foundations for the waterwheel were complete, as was the waterwheel itself, but requesting an urgent interview about the land issue. Arthur informed Degraives that Murray's purchase of the property from Robertson (the original grantee) was illegal, and warned him not to become a party to the criminality by leasing or purchasing it from Murray. On the same day, noting that Degraives had not responded to his offer to sell, Murray served an eviction notice on him! Degraives was snookered; desperate to continue building his mill, he was willing to buy the land on which it stood, even for an inflated price, but he feared the consequences from the government if he did. Aware that he had not yet received the grant for his own 2000-acre grant, he hastily assured Arthur that he had no intention of breaking the law, but admitted mournfully that he was in "painful suspense" until he knew "exactly which land is allotted for the sawmill establishment". [Martin Stone. SHLHG.]

SOUTH HOBART COMMUNITY CENTRE

42 D'Arcy Street, South Hobart
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SHPA STREETSCAPE AWARD

See next month.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH SEPTEMBER MARKET

339 Macquarie Street, South Hobart

28th September, 2024

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

The ever-popular *All Saints' Church Market* is on again. Stalls include handmade goods, including soaps, sourdough bread, and gin. Also on sale, are books, cakes and biscuits, plants, vintage and retro-clothing and home wares, handmade jewellery, a garden cafe, chai tea stall, a white elephant stall, lapidary, and a barbecue, plus a lucky dip and quoits game for the children. Be early!

SOUTH HOBART LOCAL HERITAGE PRECINCTS D'Arcy Street - I

[Component streets: Belton Street, Ferndene Avenue, Wentworth Street, Hean Street, Wellesley Street.]

This Precinct lies on land initially part of both the Birch and Murray Estates. It was mainly used for farming and market gardening until it was extensively developed as a residential area during the first two decades of the twentieth century. The first major subdivision that encompassed D'Arcy Street dates back to 1835 when 100 acres of Robert Lathrop Murray's holdings was sold. This was followed by William Birch's Estate that was released in 1838 and offered 24 house and garden allotments for sale along Macquarie Street including where D'Arcy Street is today. Chinese market gardeners worked allotments in D'Arcy Street from the 1890s to the 1920s. During the mid-19th century, South Hobart evolved into a residential area with views of an enclosed and densely settled valley, with development thinning up toward the forested backdrop of Mount Wellington. Davey Street quickly became one of Hobart's most prestigious residential streets made up

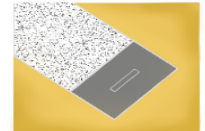


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of large houses and estates, whereas Macquarie Street became the home of working class families with many working at industries located along the *Hobart Rivulet* and living in small domestic cottages. D'Arcy Street links the two streets and is a transition in scale and housing history with medium scale houses on long narrow allotments forming a consistent streetscape with an overall high level of integrity. Architectural styles within the Precinct include Victorian Domestic, Victorian Georgian, and Victorian Italianate. 20th Century styles include Federation Queen Anne, Federation Bungalow, Federation Italianate, Federation Arts and Crafts, Inter-War Anglo Dutch, and Inter-War Californian Bungalows.

OCTOBER BUSH DANCE

By popular demand, the *South Hobart Sustainable Community* is bringing a bush dance to South Hobart. All are welcome to come and dance, laugh, and feast. Dress to impress and join us on 19th October, 2024 from 7-10 pm at the *St. Francis Xavier Church Hall* in Angelsea Street. Tickets can be pre-purchased for \$15 or \$10 concession: at <https://events.humanitix.com/soho-bush-dance>. You'll be treated to the fantastic tunes of Ross Smithard and *Up Jumped Trouble*, and led by dance-calling legend, David "Oddsocks" Wanless. Food is complementary, and drinks will be available by donation.

SOHO RESILIENCE FAIR Saturday 23rd November, 2024

The Fair is a wonderful celebration of our community and increases knowledge of how to strengthen resilience and live more sustainably. We welcome any volunteers to let us know their interest in helping out in a variety of roles, both planning prior to the event and on the day. Please email secretary@southhobart.org with your details and areas of interest.

THANK YOU

Two stalwarts of the *South Hobart Progress Association* are stepping down from their positions with the Association. Long-time Honorary Secretary, David Halse-Rogers, and Philip Brown, our

Treasurer, have decided to retire from their current positions. Their contribution to the Association and the wider South Hobart community cannot be overstated. Community groups like ours rely heavily on a handful of people to keep things moving along - David and Phil are two such people. David joined SHPA in 1990 and has been Secretary ever since. That's over a quarter of a century editing and producing this monthly Newsletter, dealing with all development applications and all our correspondence. He has been involved in nearly every campaign and issue raised by the SHPA in that time. He has been a strong advocate for the protection of our built and natural heritage and ultimately for retaining the values and sense of community that makes this suburb so liveable: and all done with intelligence, wit and charm. Phil Brown officially joined the Association in 2012 and became Hon. Treasurer at a time when the organisation needed both discipline and professionalism; Phil delivered both in spades. Tightening up our financial affairs has seen our bank account go from very 'sick' to healthy. Thanks to Phil the funds now spent on a range of projects in our suburb can be made without worrying about whether or not it is sustainable. We now have a modern community centre and reason to believe the future looks good. We wish both well in their retirement. Of course, this will provide opportunities for others to step forward. There may be some budding secretaries or treasurers out there just itching to have a go. If you are interested, give me a call on **0437 451 138**. [Phillip Hoysted. Snr. Vice President . SHPA.]

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Contributions are welcome and should be forwarded to the Newsletter Editor: dhalsrogers@gmail.com or to PO Box 200 South Hobart 7004 by the first Monday of each month.

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