



## Probud Club of Glen Osmond Newsletter 475 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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### From the President

Abel Tasman – The first European to sight Tasmania

My wife and I were recently on holiday in Tasmania, a beautiful island which many of you will also have also visited. Whilst there, it is difficult not to reflect upon the Dutch seafarer, Abel Tasman, the first European to sight the island which now bears his name. The Dutch were, and still are, extremely interested in seaborne trade. Thus, in 1602 the Dutch East India Company was established to trade with Asia, and the colonised Dutch East Indies, now Indonesia, in particular. This seaborne trade was hugely profitable and in 1609, the company took over a port city called Jakarta to further this trade and changed its name to Batavia. (The original name was restored at the end of colonisation in 1949.)

Abel Tasman was born in 1603 in the Netherlands and chose to become a seafarer and a skilled navigator. He joined the Dutch East India Company in 1633 and sailed to Batavia, from where he undertook many voyages seeking to expand trade routes. One of these voyages started from Batavia in August 1642 in the Heemskerck, a small three masted warship, escorted by the similar, but smaller, Zeehan. From Batavia, Tasman headed west to Mauritius, and then south before turning east to sail well south of the Australian coast until he sighted an island. He named this island Anthonia van Diemenslandt after the Governor of the Dutch East Indies. This was shortened to Van Diemen's Land by the British and changed to Tasmania on New Year's Day 1856.

Tasman continued his voyage eastwards and sighted the South Island of New Zealand which he named Staten Landt after the Dutch parliament. Dutch cartographers subsequently renamed it Nova Zeelandia, which Captain Cook anglicised to New Zealand. Continuing his voyage northwards, Tasman passed by Tonga, Fiji and the north coast of Papua New Guinea and arrived back in Batavia in June 1643. In many ways, this epic voyage is comparable to our much more recent moon landings given the huge differences in knowledge and technology available to Tasman and our astronauts.

Steve Lincoln

### Next Meeting

The next General Meeting will be held 10.00am at the Beaumont Bowling Club on Monday 2nd October 2023. There will be a Committee Meeting at 9.00am prior to the General Meeting.

*Please direct any **apologies to Attendance Officer Helen Johnston** on 0428 897 654.*

**Speaker:** Ian Cooper.

Ian tells the family story of Joe Cooper, a pioneer settler in the Northern Territory and his son Reuben, an outstanding sportsman who is widely recognised as the founder of Australian Rules football in Darwin.

**Topic:** "Buffalo Men"

**Members Profile:** Lilya Flaks

**Morning Tea:** Kath Smith                      Jill Oliver

**Happy Birthday** to our members who celebrate a birthday during September.



Joan Babidge  
Mary Catford  
David Clarnette  
David Davidson  
Kaye Leaker  
Bill Nankivell  
Jill Rundle

Special congratulations to Bill Nankivell who celebrates his 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September; may the celebrations be joyful and long.

### **Activities**

#### **October 30th 2023**

Gathering in the park. Please join us in Hazelwood Park (off Davenport Terrace) at 12.30pm for a picnic; bring your own lunch etc.

#### **November 13<sup>th</sup> 2023**

An excursion by bus to Mundoo Island to find the shorebirds and explore the area with Sally Grundy. Lunch will be at the Hindmarsh Island tavern at your own expense.

We will leave from Davenport Terrace, Hazelwood Park at 8.30am and return by 5pm

Thank you to Chris Lincoln for obtaining a grant from Burnside Council which means the cost for the day will be \$10.

#### **December 11<sup>th</sup> 2023**

Christmas lunch at the Caledonian Hotel, 215 O'Connell Street, North Adelaide at 12.30pm. Cost to be advised

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