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## Newsletter

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### Dear members

Cheerful and fed for one week with the delicious food of the Cuckoo Restaurant we came back from our excursion on the 17<sup>th</sup> June. Entertainment, food and the bus-ride were simply excellent and we were having lots of fun. The only regret is that 6 people (SIX!) were enrolled but did not attend without notice. So the other participants had to wait and to the Welfare some unnecessary costs occurred. In the future we will have to think about ways to avoid that.

The first half of 2010 is gone and so also our financial year has come to an end. Many of you have already paid their membership fees, sometimes combined with generous donations, we would be very grateful if the other members could follow this pattern.

Winter has finally arrived, we enjoy our warmer clothes and we are happy if we have a good heating in the house and an interesting book to read.

May I take this opportunity to invite you to our Book market?

It will take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July, between 10 am and 3 pm in the rooms of our office.

As in other years many interesting books arrived in our place. I am sure; there is something for everybody and for every taste. Why don't you just come during the above mentioned hours, enjoy a cup of coffee and find out whether there is also something of your personnel interest available.

Our prices are very reasonable and, by buying something you would also support the AGWS. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Regards from Linde Mohr

**Icebergers at Brighton Beach**

(From an article in the Bayseide Leader)

The Icebergers are a group of 60 and 70years- old who swim every day at Brighton Pier.

I was expecting a collection of the finest eccentrics who race to the water, jump in and scream for a while before retreating to a sauna. I was wrong.

These 20 Icebergers made years of squad training and stroke correction classes look pretty useless.

They set out for a 1.5 kilometre swim. Through the splashes I could see torsos; some had scars from heart bypasses, but most were attached to heads that had huge grins peaking through moustaches. I had to realise that the Icebergers were not only mad but also super fit.

“It is all about consistency and getting used to the conditions” they explained to me.

The key to winter swimming is to start in early autumn and be consistent with it because if you come in the middle of winter you won't survive. Now is the time to start, you don't want to leave it too much later.

The Icebergers are not just a social group they are serious open- water swimmers capable of prodigious distances as opposed to battery hens swimming around in baths. These blokes and ladies are serious swimmers. They get out in the middle of winter, no matter what size swell or weather conditions.

“The end result is this: metabolism is up, and we all eat like horses and sleep like babies,” one said. His favourite swim for the year is the New Year's Eve one when we swim out at a quarter to 12 to a certain pole and wait for the fire works.

**Yours,  
Linde Mohr**

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**New Members**

**Mrs Angelika Marriott  
Mr. Klaus J. Schindler**

Welcome to the Society!

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**Renewal of Membership 2010/2011**

As we are close to the end of the financial year we would like to remind you to renew your membership for 2010/2011. You can pay your membership fee by cash, cheque or with your credit card (Mastercard and Visa). Just give us a call and pay by phone with your credit-card.

## Donations

**Thank you very much** for your donations! Donations for the Tabulam and Templer Homes are marked with \*. Please note that donations which have not been processed yet will appear in the next newsletter

Anwender Mr.	*50.00	Luft Mr.	*200.00
Anwender Mr.	*50.00	Maas Mr. & Mrs.	200.00
Barfuss Mrs.	*25.00	Maas Mr. & Mrs.	*100.00
Barkhoff Mr.	25.00	Meyerheinrich Mr.	*25.00
Bartsch Mr. & Mrs.	10.00	Mix Mrs.	10.00
Behrendt Mrs.	25.00	Mix Mrs.	*15.00
Behrendt Mrs.	*25.00	Napoli Mrs.	5.00
Bennett Mrs.	40.00	Osswald Mr. & Mrs.	25.00
Buettner Mr.	*25.00	Outrata Mrs.	*5.00
Coco Mr. & Mrs.	50.00	Pohlen Mr. & Mrs.	*15.00
Coco Mr. & Mrs.	*150.00	Pusch Mr. & Mrs.	60.00
Cusden Mrs.	5.00	Reichel Mr. & Mrs.	*25.00
Damrow Mr. & Mrs.	*15.00	Ritchies Stores	11.00
Davies Mr. & Mrs.	20.00	Sawatzky Mr. & Mrs.	*200.00
Domin Mrs.	*5.00	Schalle Mr.	*60.00
Dorelat Mrs.	*5.00	Schmidt Mrs. J.	*25.00
Drohn Mr.	124.98	Schmidt Mrs. M.	*25.00
Engeris Mr. & Mrs.	*25.00	Schnabl Mrs. E.	50.00
French Mrs.	*25.00	Schnabl Mrs. E.	*25.00
Geshev Mr. & Mrs.	*15.00	Schneider Mr. & Mrs. T.&E.	*75.00
Gipperich Mr.	5.00	Schulz Mr. & Mrs. R.&I.	5.00
Godtner Mr. & Mrs.	20.00	Schulz Mr. M.	15.00
Hainz Mrs.	*25.00	Smith Mr.&Mrs. H.K.&G.	*100.00
Hampel Mr. & Mrs.	*35.00	Sopp Mrs.	*10.00
Haselroither Mr.	25.00	Steiner Mrs.	*20.00
Hofmann Mr. & Mrs. A.&A.	*100.00	Stotzka Mrs.	25.00
Huebl Mrs. G.	*100.00	Thalmeier Mrs.	*15.00
Jeske Mr.	35.00	Theurer Mr. & Mrs.	*25.00
Juebner Mr.	75.00	Thiecke Mr. & Mrs.	25.00
Kipp Mr.	40.00	Thomson Mrs.	110.00
Kipp Mr.	*20.00	Thomson Mrs.	*50.00
Koehrer Mr. & Mrs.	*15.00	Tippner Mr. & Mrs.	*25.00
Koeppen Mrs.	100.00	Tomanke Mr. & Mrs.	*25.00
Koschmann Mr.	15.00	Udoventya Mr. & Mrs.	50.00
Krein Mrs.	50.00	Walcher Mr. & Mrs.	*25.00
Kuypers Mrs.	20.00	Werner Mr. D.E.	100.00
Liebig Mrs.	25.00	Werner Mr. D.E.	*100.00
Linke Mr. & Mrs. K.&I.	50.00	Werner Mr. R.H.	100.00
Linke Mr. & Mrs. K.&I.	*25.00	Werner Mr. R.H.	*100.00
Loebert Mr. & Mrs.	360.00	Winkels Mr.&Mrs. K.P.&I.	*25.00
Loebert Mr. & Mrs.	*100.00	Wohnsdorf Mrs. R.	75.00
Loewe Mr. & Mrs.	10.00	Wohnsdorf Mrs. R.	*75.00
Loewe Mr. & Mrs.	*15.00		

**Wherever you go - there you are.**  
(Mike Brady)

### Social Worker's Report May 2010

Pension	15	New cases	19
Financial Aid	1	Known cases	77
TTHA &MLH	39	Visits made by social worker	4
Age Care in General	33	Visits from members/clients	41
Language Problems	0	Volunteers assistance	150
Information	198	RRM's	11
Family related problems	0		
Immigration	0		
Legal issues	0		
Health issues	0		
Isolation	0		
Other	1		
<b>Total</b>	<b>287</b>		

### Calendar of Events

**German Stammtisch - for younsters and those young at heart**  
Date not known yet. Please check our website [www.germanwelfare.org.au](http://www.germanwelfare.org.au)

### QU-QU-meet up group - come and chat!

Tuesday, 06. Juli 2010

Where:

AGWS Office

When:

just come between 10.00am and 13.00pm

### German Bookbasar

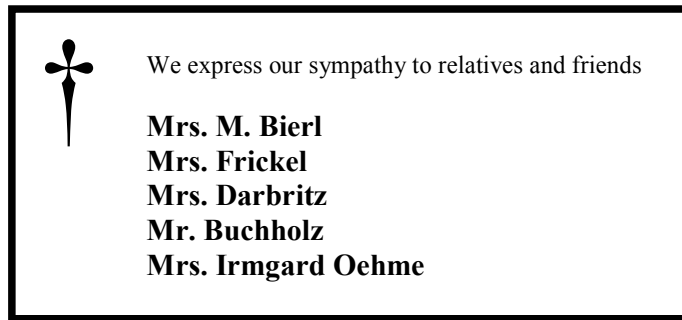
Tuesday & Wednesday, 13. - 14. July

where:

AGWS Office, 24 Albert Road, South Melbourne

when:

10.00am - 3.00pm



## Tabulam & Templer Homes of the Aged

Dear Friends,

Our Homes 118 beds are fully allocated and we presently have 10 people waiting urgently for a place. Our parent societies/residents ratio currently stands at 77 AGWS and 41 Templer (64% - 36%).

A recent article in the ACC Victoria newsletter (aged and community care) was headed “Aged Care industry shock at paltry funding” the article went on to say that the announcement of a 4.8% wage increase has placed the Aged Care Industry in shock as only last week the government announced a paltry 1.7% as its annual funding adjustment despite knowing a decision by fair work Australia was imminent. The article continues that our Federal Government sets all fees and funding for Aged Care including annual adjustments. They allocate places and control supply as well as regulation. Given this reality it was a harsh blow to announce the annual industry funding that is significantly below the real cost of our industry. The government has ripped over 1.4 billion out of the industry in the next 4 years by providing an adjustment which is half what is urgently needed. Overall the article paints a fairly gloomy picture and concludes that older people and their families ought to be alarmed to learn that the Governments tight fist approach is placing at risk the long term future of vital services on which they rely. I have only quoted short extracts of the article to illustrate the overall concerns of the Aged Care industry as a whole. I am however confident that our TTHA’s current financial health is sound but there is no question that expenses are increasing faster than the funding we receive from Government.

Our 38 Elizabeth Street development has received council planning approval with quite a number of provisos the most significant being increased street setback. Our design contractor is now working to incorporate these requirements.

With the cold weather now well and truly settled in, hot coffee in a warm environment with good friends is hard to beat. To this end I would like to remind all that Marie-Anne Beilharz runs a “Kaffeeklatsch” every 1st and 3rd Thursday in our Homes coffee shop and she invites relatives, family or community members to come in for a chat.

On July 22nd we will have “Winterfest” at 10.30 in the Tabulam dining room for which details are still being planned. We are hoping our “Mens shed” will be operational soon. It seems there has been a good response and we are hoping the project will be a success.

Our CACP’s and food services manager M/s Janelle Hingman, has resigned from TTHA to pursue a career in HR (Human Resources). On behalf of the Board we thank Janelle for her dedicated service and wish her well in her new endeavour.

Kind Regards,  
 Hartmut Weller.

**Second Generation Germans  
in Melbourne**

I am looking for people to be interviewed

I am seeking volunteers to participate in a thesis project about people who come from a second generation German background and who can tell me how they think about their identity. I am looking for men and women who are second generation German (one or both parent/s is/are born in Germany) and are between the ages of 18 and 60, who were born in or came before the age of five years to Australia and are currently living in Melbourne. People's anonymity will be protected.

Volunteers will be interviewed on one or two occasions, for approximately 1-2 hours each. The interview location will be determined according to the interviewee's preference.

If you are interested and would like more information on this project, please contact Cathrin Vesna Bernhardt by Email: [cvbernhardt@students.latrobe.edu.au](mailto:cvbernhardt@students.latrobe.edu.au), or by phone +61 3 9479 3358 (work) or 04 1959 4105 (mobile). If I am not at my phone, please leave your name and a contact number and I will return your call as soon as possible.

Investigators: Dr Alberto Gomes, Anthropology Program, School of Social Sciences, La Trobe University, Bundoora; Cathrin Vesna Bernhardt, PhD candidate, Anthropology Program, School of Social Sciences, La Trobe University, Bundoora.

## Announcements / Advertisements

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**German speaking volunteer** for the Chelsea area to befriend a German lady in an Aged Care Facility. The resident wishes to have the chance to speak in her own language and to reminisce about her homeland. The volunteer would have to be willing to have a police check done and to commit to at least an hour a week or fortnight to visit the facility. Those interested please phone 0420 982 816 or 0420 973 956 to arrange an appointment".

German Sausages & delicatessen at **WAGNERS FINE FOODS**. Direct Factory Sale on Fridays between 11.00am - 4.00pm; Saturdays 9.00am - 1.00pm, 12 Elm Park Drive, Hoppers Crossing 3029. Visit our website and order online: [www.wagnersfinefoods.com.au](http://www.wagnersfinefoods.com.au) or call Tel. (03) 87421119.

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### **TTHA Café now open on Sundays**

The TTHA café will now be open every Sunday from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm. This is a great opportunity for friends and relatives to come and visit our residents and enjoy a beautiful café surrounding whilst sampling yummy home-made German cakes, Pretzels and enjoying a cuppa. If you would like to make a reservation- please do so via reception during business hours Monday – Friday 8720 1333 or [ttha@ttha.org.au](mailto:ttha@ttha.org.au)

Otherwise just turn up on the day!

TTHA (Tabulam and Templer Homes for the Aged) in Elizabeth St Bayswater is currently looking to fill 2 part-time “**Food and Domestic Service Assistant**” positions in the kitchen. The shifts are 6:30am – 2:30pm and 2:30pm – 7:00pm.

The ideal candidate should already have a Food Handlers Certificate and a current police check.

Conditions are excellent and family friendly.

Please forward resumes to Krista Koumas via email: [krista.koumas@ttha.org.au](mailto:krista.koumas@ttha.org.au)

Beautiful, elegant fur-porc-velours jacket, size 38/40 with real fur-collar, in excellent condition, for sale. Call 95556563

### **Live on the beach?**

Tasmania, right on the beach, surrounded by nature, in Roches Beach near Acton Park, 15km from Hobart, Bus Stop.

Short Rentals: Homestay Rooms for \$50 a day including breakfast with separate bathroom and toilet. Permanent Rentals: Small holiday flats from \$150 per week including furniture, overheads, power etc.

Contact Hans & Hortense Schoen under 0402 991 301 or 07 38895100 to discuss your particular needs and further options in regard to German-speaking accommodation.

Email: [hobartbeachfront@gmail.com](mailto:hobartbeachfront@gmail.com)

## Newsletter

Would you like to publish something in the next newsletter? If so, we would be delighted. The copy deadline for our August Newsletter is Thursday **17<sup>th</sup> July 2010**.