

## THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA ASSOCIATION



# PROGRAM

## The 25<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL MEETING HOBART 10-11 February 2011



We take great pleasure in inviting you to Tasmania for the 25<sup>th</sup> OAA National Meeting, which we are endeavouring to make really enjoyable, while providing a chance to make new friends. The weather should be mostly in the 20s, with cooler nights – ‘comfortable and pleasant.’ However, pack a sunhat, a warm jacket and a wind/waterproof jacket – frequent changes are common.

The nationally recognised Wooden Boat Festival, Salamanca Market and Hobart Regatta take place that weekend, with the opportunity to wander, sample fine foods and wines and enjoy the superb wooden boats and fun events on the harbor. THE TOWN HALL and WREST POINT are the focal point for events in Hobart. You will receive more detailed information when you register. Because of the Wooden Boat Festival, which attracts thousands, **book early**, especially accommodation. You will find you get a better deal on accommodation if you **book it directly yourself** (see Accommodation List for help).

Please note, that for sound reasons, registrations can only be accepted after **30 November 2010** in exceptional circumstances. Please book before that date.



### PRE NATIONAL MEETING EVENTS – 7-9 February 2011 (details p.3)

Prior to the Meeting, two day tours are planned in each of the three regions, staying in one hotel, with no packing each day, to provide a ‘real holiday’ at reasonable cost and so make your visit worthwhile. There will be opportunities to sample a mix of fresh attractions, including National Trust buildings, historic country towns, wilderness areas and boat trips; plus wineries, honey, raspberry and cherry farms. Meet up with old friends and make new ones in the OAA

prior to the National Meeting. Each tour will depend on the numbers filling them. We will contact you and transfer you to your second choice if your tour preference is not filled.

As well, David Luttrell, who conducted the West Coast Tour in 2004 will offer a three day, two night tour, travelling from Launceston to Cradle Mountain and Queenstown (overnight), Strahan, back by cog railway to Queenstown (overnight), Lake St Clair and Derwent Bridge to Hobart.

### THE NATIONAL MEETING – the central event

This event will take place in two main venues, to reduce moving around and to keep costs reasonable. For all events, lounge suits and miniature medals will be acceptable dress code. The National Meeting will centre on the superb Town Hall and The Boardwalk, overlooking the river at Wrest Point; with receptions at Parliament House and at Government House. The Symposium will feature four outstanding speakers focussing on ‘*We are Australian*’ More details will be provided when you register. It will be worth coming just for this. The Multi-faith Observance and Wreath-laying Ceremony will be a simple exploration of Unity with a wreath being floated in the water for all those who have died giving service to Australia.



### POST NATIONAL MEETING TOURS

Take time to visit the Salamanca Market or the Wooden Boat Festival. There will be a luncheon trip on the Derwent in the ferry *Cartela* for those who wish. Then a group may travel next day to Launceston via the Lake Highway and experience unique alpine landscape and Golden Valley. On Monday these people will enjoy an historical tour of Northern environs, including Eskleigh. Others may select the East Coast two day tour, including Coles Bay, staying at Bicheno overnight and reaching Launceston via memorable North East roads like the Weldborough Pass. The final day of the tours will include a river trip down the Tamar and a dinner ‘Finale’ in Launceston.



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 Theme – “We are Australian”

You can register online at  
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 complete the registration form in *The Order*

## Overview of the Coming Events

We have reduced the costs considerably to enable more members to attend this important 25 Anniversary National Event. **We hope that every Regional Group will be represented**  
*Arrive on Wednesday for the Welcome Dinners and leave on Sunday or, as well, enjoy an inexpensive tour, either before or after the Meeting.*

| EVENT                                     | DETAILS   |                      |
|---|---|----------------------|
| Thursday 10 Feb. 2011                     | <b>DAY 1 - NATIONAL MEETING</b>   | included in Reg.Fee  |
| <b>Please register early</b>              | <b>Book your <u>own</u> accommodation <u>soon</u></b><br>The Wooden Boats Festival is on at the same time, so B & Bs are filling now.   |                      |
| <b>0900-1230 REGISTRATION</b>             | Register your arrival at the <b>Town Hall</b> . Meet your friends there, unwind and relax – chairs, coffee, toilets<br>Own lunch arrangements   | Own Lunch            |
| <b>1330 TOWN HALL</b>                     | <b>Lord Mayor’s Welcome and Opening of National Meeting</b> by the Nat. President, Hon Shane Stone AC   |                      |
| <b>1400 -1600 Town Hall</b>               | <b>Symposium</b> – four excellent and well-known speakers   | In Reg. Fee          |
| <b>1630 – tour Parliament</b>             | Limited numbers – let us know if you are interested.  |                      |
| <b>1700 – 1800 Parliament House</b>       | <b>Premier’s Reception</b> – 3 small blocks from the Town Hall ( <i>taxis for those who cannot walk</i> )<br>Own dinner arrangements  | <b>Nil</b>           |
| Friday 11 Feb. 2011<br><b>WREST POINT</b> | <b>DAY 2 - NATIONAL MEETING</b>   | included in Reg. Fee |
| 0830-0850                                 | Registrations in foyer entry to the Boardwalk<br><b>Venue for all three meetings</b>  |                      |
| <b>0900 – 1000</b>                        | <b>Multi-faith Observance and Wreath-laying</b> ceremony<br>Simple ceremonies reflecting the need for unity in our community; and recognition of all who have died, in whatever capacity, giving service for Australia. |                      |
| <b>1015</b>                               | <b>AGM</b>  |                      |
| <b>1100</b>                               | Morning tea   |                      |
| <b>1130</b>                               | <b>Members’ Forum</b>   |                      |
| <b>1230</b>                               | Lunch - \$22 at <i>Wrest Point</i> , or own arrangements<br><i>Own time</i>   | Own cost             |
| <b>1715</b>                               | Transfer Coaches to Government House  | See below            |
| <b>1800 Government House</b>              | <b>Reception at Government House</b>  | <b>Nil</b>           |
|   | 48 seater Coaches transfer to <i>Wrest Point</i>  | In Reg. Fee          |
| <b>1930</b>                               | <b>Official Dinner</b> Cost not included in Reg. Fee  | <b>\$75 pp</b>       |
|   | <b>REGISTRATION FEE</b>   | <b>\$70 pp</b>       |



## PRE NATIONAL MEETING PROGRAM

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| PRE NATIONAL MEETING TOURS                       |   |   |
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| <b>ACCOMMO - DATION</b>                          | <b>NB – Book your own accommodation early for all areas. See Accommodation List attached – phone or email</b>   | <i>Book for two or three nights</i>   |
| TWO DAYS   | <b>NORTH WEST TOURS</b>   |   |
| <b>Mon 7 Feb.</b>                                | <b>Day 1 – NORTH WEST AREA<br/>Arrive on Sunday or early on Monday for Monday's tour,</b>   |   |
| <b>Railton<br/>Sheffield</b>                     | Quality bus to Ambleside, Latrobe, Bells Parade , Railton topiary, Sheffield murals (wander); Raspberry Farm, Barrington, Anvers chocolates; Sir Joseph and Dame Enid Lyon's home at Home Hill; Maritime Museum, to the Argosy Motor Inn.   | <b>\$60</b><br><br>lunch, am/pm teas - own cost                                 |
|  | <b>NW Dinner</b> - Argosy Motor Inn – own choice and cost   | Own cost  |
| <b>Tuesday 8 Feb.</b>                            | <b>Day 2 - NORTH-WEST AREA<br/>Arrive by Tuesday morning</b>  |   |
| <b>Wynyard<br/>Stanley</b>                       | Scenic route – Ulverstone through Penguin to Burnie, possibly Lactos Cheese /Whiskey Distillery, Old Surrey Road, Pioneer Village Museum (a.m. tea), Wynyard Exhibition Centre and vintage cars; Wharf Hotel Wynyard (lunch); Table Cape (views) to the Nut; Stanley Discovery Centre, Green Hills Rd, Highfield, Dovecote Road, and return to Devonport. | <b>\$70</b><br><br><i>Chair Lift –own cost<br/>lunch, am/pm teas - own cost</i> |
| <b>1830</b>                                      | <b>NW Welcome Reception</b> - Meet other members of the OAA NW Regional Group at Argosy Motor Inn.  | <b>\$17</b>   |
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| TWO DAYS   | <b>NORTHERN AREA TOURS</b>  |   |
| <b>Monday 7 Feb.</b>                             | <b>Day 1 - NORTHERN AREA<br/>Arrive on Sunday night for these tours</b>   |   |
| <b>Meander<br/>Mole Creek</b>                    | To Deloraine and Meander, exciting Ginseng Farm, a Honey Farm Mole Creek (Hotel Lunch), cave area, Cethana Dam, Raspberry Farm and return to Launceston.  | <b>\$50</b><br><br><i>own lunch,<br/>am/pm teas</i>                             |
| <b>Tuesday 8 Feb.</b>                            | <b>Day 2 – NORTHERN AREA<br/>Arrive on Monday night for this tour</b>   |   |
| <b>Barnbogle</b>                                 | Legerwood (unique wood carvings); Barnbogle Golf Course, lunch, peaceful Bridport, Batman Bridge, Beaconsfield, Tamar Ridge Winery and river road with superb views, via vineyards to L'ton   | <b>\$60</b><br><br><i>own lunch,<br/>am/pm teas</i>                             |
| <b>1830</b>                                      | <b>Welcome Dinner</b> - various restaurants around Launceston offering your choice of menu. Hosted by the Northern Regional Group. Each will pay their own restaurant costs   | Own choice venue and cost<br>Pay at the time                                    |
| <b>Wed. 9 Feb.</b>                               | <b>FROM DEVONPORT- LAUNCESTON TO HOBART</b>   |   |
| <b>From Devonport &amp; Launceston to HOBART</b> | Devonport to Launceston to Hobart with fascinating stops at Evandale (featured on the Collectors), Campbell Town, Ross (lunch at Wool Centre), Oatlands (Casaveen) and Kempton  | <b>\$ 30</b> from Dev<br><b>\$ 25</b> from L'ton<br>own Lunch etc.              |

## PRE NATIONAL MEETING – OPTIONAL TOURS CONTINUED

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| <b>OR</b><br><b>WEST COAST</b><br><b>7-9 Feb.</b><br>Arrive Hobart<br>5 p.m              | David Luttrell who provided the 2004 OAA tours, again offers -<br>Day 1 –L'ton, D'port, Cradle Mt., Zeehan, Queenstown<br>Day 2 –coach to Strahan, Gordon River, Wilderness Railway, back to Q'town & Paragon Theatre (Historical film)<br>Day 3 – Q'town, Nelson Falls, Tarraleah, Derwent Bridge (lunch), Wall in the Wilderness, to Hobart.   | <b>\$560 pp</b><br>twin share<br>(add \$125 for<br><i>single supplement</i> )                 |
| <b>PRE-NATIONAL MEETING</b>  | <b>SOUTHERN AREA</b><br><b>Arrive on Monday or Tuesday evening for these tours.</b>  |   |
|  | <b>DAY 1 - TUESDAY 8 FEB.</b>  |   |
| TUES 8 FEB<br>9 - 5<br>Huon Valley<br><br><b>OR</b>                                      | Luxury tour down the delightful Dentrecastreux Channel to a Sheep Cheesery at Grandview, Birch's Bay, Dentrecastreux Cherries, Lunch at Hartzview Winery, through the Huon Valley to Franklin (history, woodturning & great souvenirs); return to Hobart.  | <b>\$60</b><br>inclusive  |
| TUES 8 FEB<br>9 -12 & 1-4<br>Female Factory<br>20 persons per tour.<br>Weather dependent | Morning or afternoon tour from Wrest Point to Mt. Wellington, via Ferntree and rainforest, for incredible views, ( <i>Wear warm, WINDPROOF clothes &amp; flat heels</i> ). Then Devonshire Tea in the Matron's Cottage of the Female Factory plus the fascinating history of the inmates; plus an optional, emotionally enriching, short tour of the grounds Or rest in the gardens<br><br><b>If the mountain is not visible, we will go <u>instead</u> to the Cascade Brewery and Gardens before going to the Female Factory.</b> | <b>\$35</b><br><br>+ if wet,<br>Cascade Brewery \$20<br>Seniors \$15<br><b>pay on the day</b> |
|  | <b>DAY 2 - WEDNESDAY 9 FEB</b>   |   |
| WED 9 FEB<br>10 - 3.30<br>Theatre Royal & Museum<br><br><b>OR</b>                        | Coach to The Theatre Royal. There meet <i>Friends of the Theatre Royal</i> and perhaps a ghost, enjoy a tour with <i>Champaignois</i> , nibbles, and a fun talk by the CEO Tim Munro; a gentle walk to the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery for Lunch; a visit to the Old Bond Store, a tour and talk by Director Bill Bleathman and return to your hotel.   | <b>\$50</b><br>inclusive  |
| WED 9 FEB<br>9 - 4.30<br>Historic & heritage tour of Hobart                              | Historic-heritage tour of Greater Hobart, viewing numerous sites and buildings; and noting events which shaped Tasmania. It will link the visitor with well known world events and people, including visits to: the bronze tribute to Abel Janszoon Tasman, Arthurs Circus, the unique glass window in St George's Church, the Real Tennis Court (Royal) and the Hobart Synagogue. Enjoy a light lunch at "Lyndhurst" (featured on ABC 'Collectors ' with its virtual 'Aladdin's Cave' of treasures.                               | <b>\$70</b><br>inclusive  |
|  | <b>WELCOME RECEPTIONS – SOUTH</b>  |   |
| <b>Wed 9 Feb Welcome Dinners</b>   | <b>All registrants</b> (those arriving from the North and North-West too) are invited to join in the Welcome Dinners at tables of 10 in favourite restaurants, offering your choice of menu at affordable prices, depending on what you select. Each table will be hosted by members of Southern Regional Group.   | Each will pay their own restaurant costs  |



**Or, perhaps come for the National Meeting, cruise on the *Cartela*, and take one of the tours after the National Meeting. We trust you will remember 2011 with great pleasure.**





## POST NATIONAL MEETING OPTIONAL TOURS CONTINUED

|  | POST - MEETING EVENTS - DETAILS  |   |
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| <b>POST NATIONAL MEETING EVENTS</b>  | <b>- SOUTHERN AREA</b>   |   |
|  | Fly out on Saturday - Or<br>Book a night's accommodation in Hobart   |   |
| <b>Saturday 12 February<br/>Farewell Lunch on<br/>Derwent</b>  | Lunch \$36 (3 course) on River Derwent in "Cartela ;<br>and browse at the Wooden Boat Festival and Salamanca<br>Market- own cost   | <b>\$60</b>   |
| <b>A CHOICE</b>  | <b>TRAVEL TO LAUNCESTON</b>  |   |
| <b>Sunday 13 February<br/>LAKE HIGHWAY<br/>1 day trip to<br/>Launceston</b>  | Tour to Launceston via scenic Lake Highway, Bothwell,<br>alpine pencil pines, Great Lake, Lunch at Miena Hotel,<br>Golden Valley, Deloraine Westbury (20 seater bus)   | <b>\$36</b><br>own lunch,<br>am/pm teas   |
| <b>Or</b>  | <b>Book Accommodation for Launceston - 1 night</b>   |   |
| <b>Sunday 13 February<br/>&amp; Mon. 14 February<br/>EAST COAST TOUR<br/>2 day Tour<br/>Hobart to<br/>East Coast<br/>to Launceston</b> | <u>Day 1</u> Travel to Buckland (see genuine, superb mediaeval<br>glass) up Bust-me-Gall to Orford, past world-famous bird<br>sanctuary Moulting Lagoon, to Coles Bay, up the Hazards<br>to view Wineglass Bay, Freycinet National Park and the<br>Lighthouse on Cape Tourville, Sleepy Bay to <i>Bicheno</i> .<br><u>Day 2</u> past Chain of Lagoons to Scamander (Old Bark Mill<br>a.m. tea) St Helens, Pyengana, St Columba Falls<br>Weldborough Pass to Scottsdale, Lebrina (winery),<br>Lilydale, Hollybank to Launceston | includes<br>accommodation<br>Bicheno Hotel<br><b>\$180pp</b><br>twin share<br>(add \$40 for<br>single supp)<br><br>Own lunch,<br>am/pm teas |
|  | <b>FAREWELL IN LAUNCESTON</b>  |   |
|  | <b>Book Accommodation Launceston - 2 nights</b>  |   |
| <b>Monday 14 February<br/>Historic Tour</b>  | (for those who reach Launceston on Sunday)<br>Historic tour - Clarendon House Evandale, Perth, lunch at<br>Eskleigh, Longford, to Launceston (Basin Café)  | <b>\$70</b><br>Own am/pm teas   |
| <b>Tuesday 15 February<br/>Tamar River</b>   | Peaceful launch trip from the Gorge down the Tamar,<br>Seaport, Batman Bridge to Whirlpool Reach and return<br>with wine tasting, lunch and morning tea included.  | <b>\$120</b><br>inclusive<br>Seniors less   |
| <b>Tuesday 15 February<br/>Farewell</b>  | <b>FINALE</b> - Dinner - a reasonable cost meal together at a<br>favourite restaurant  | Own cost  |

### PLEASE ADDRESS ANY INQUIRIES TO EITHER -

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There are, of course, a number of commercial operators who can take you to, for example, the Tahune Air Walk, Hastings Caves, the Thermal Pool and Southport, or Port Arthur, Salmon Ponds and Russell Falls, or Richmond, if you wish, during your stay.

**Contact** – Tasmanian Travel and Information Centre,  
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