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THE SOUTH HOBART PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

The first meeting of the Association will be held on Wednesday 11th March, 2026 at 7:30 pm in the *South Hobart Community Centre*, 42 D'Arcy Street, South Hobart. All are welcome to attend, especially any new residents.

BUSHCARE WORKING BEES

The **Rivulet Group** will meet on Sunday, 8th March, 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm, meeting at the bottom of Anglesea Street near the Rivulet Track. The **South Hobart Group** will meet on Sunday, 15th February, 10am to 12.30pm, meeting at the Tara Street picnic area. All equipment provided. All equipment provided. Any enquiries to **John** (Rivulet) on **0417 617 572** and **Janet** (South Hobart) on **6223 8132**.

VALE JONATHAN (JON) OSCAR KUDELKA

Cartoonist

(22nd February, 1972 - 8th February, 2026)

Jon was born on the North-West Coast at Burnie in 1972. By nine he had sold his first cartoon. A 'national treasure', his funny, sharp, and deeply compassionate works made our world a little easier and brighter. He obtained a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry from *The University of Tasmania*. Jon twice won the Walkley Award for Journalism and has been the Museum of Australian Democracy's Cartoonist of the Year twice in 2010 and, again, in 2018. His 2018 Walkley-winning image *From the Heart* - was drawn for *The Australian*, where he worked for 20 years. In it, he depicted Uluru in the shape of an upturned finger, with the official words: "Official government Uluru statement response." He started drawing his cartoons in his inimitable style for *The Mercury* in 1993, and went on to draw political cartoons for more than 30 years, some 10,000 of which were published. An 'adopted' son of South Hobart, Jon was a deeply loved and admired man, especially by his fellow Tasmanians. His wit could be excoriating when directed at politicians, many of whom had his artworks on their walls! With his wife, Maggie, he set up a tongue-in-cheek anti-tourism campaign, selling merchandise with the slogan: "Tasmania is awful - don't come here." He was an extremely generous man, providing appropriate works to illustrate the Association's book: "Beneath the Mountain: A History of South Hobart". The Association,

on behalf of the wider South Hobart community, takes this opportunity of sending our sincere condolences and love to Maggie, Kay and Oscar, and Jon's sisters, Liesl and Anna.

SOUTH HOBART COMMUNITY CENTRE

42 D'Arcy Street, South Hobart
 All enquiries to Bookings Manager
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Sidespace Gallery, Salamanca
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 5:30pm - 7:00pm

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Sidespace Gallery Salamanca Arts Centre Level 1/77 Salamanca Centre Hobart Tasmania.

RESIDENTS UP IN ARMS

South Hobart Community Seeks Assurances on Future of Historic Ground

The South Hobart community is seeking urgent clarification from the *City of Hobart* amid growing concerns that practical control of the *South Hobart Recreation Ground* is shifting toward a single sporting organisation, reducing broader community access to one of the Suburb's few central green spaces. *South Hobart Recreation Ground* has operated as a shared public space since 1888. However, recent developments - including extended closures, expanded weekday bookings, the proposed removal of dogs under a revised *Dog Management Policy*, and the construction of a \$1.9 million club facility - have heightened community concern about the Ground's long-term future. "This is not just about dogs," a community spokesperson said. "Over the past five months, concerns have centred on equitable access. While Council staff has described community communication as demanding, residents are raising legitimate

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questions about the increasing loss of informal public use." Since school has returned, weekday afternoon bookings now prevent children from freely playing on the Ground after school. Residents say this level of weekday allocation is unacceptable for a public community ground. The report acknowledges that the Council report indicates that the Ground will never meet national or state venue standards. It also notes that Football Tasmania has a long-term ambition to establish a "home of football" in Greater Hobart, which is unlikely to be accommodated within the Hobart local government area. "If the Ground cannot meet elite compliance standards, why is community access being reduced in favour of elite use?" the spokesperson asked. The Dog Management Policy Review has shifted from Stage 1 - maintaining the status quo - to Stage 2, recommending that dogs be banned from the South Hobart Recreation Ground, with the proposal only becoming public days before a scheduled Council vote. The proposed \$1.9 million building, originally presented as an upgrade to community facilities, features prominent branding

of the South Hobart Football Club. Community members say this risks the Ground increasingly being perceived as a private soccer ground rather than a shared community asset. The Council agenda for Monday's meeting indicates that mediation - recommended for several years as a pathway to balance competing uses - will no longer be pursued! "Community assets must remain community assets," the spokesperson said. "No single organisation should control a public green space at the expense of equitable access." The South Hobart community is calling on the City of Hobart to:-

- provide a balanced and transparent representation of the facts;
 - guarantee protected informal public access hours;
 - clarify the Ground's long-term strategic intent;
 - formally designate the site as a community recreation ground; and reconsider abandoning mediation
- Community members will attend Monday's Council meeting to observe proceedings and seek clarity on the Recreation Ground's future.

EASTER CHURCH SERVICES IN SOUTH HOBART 2026

**All Saints Anglican Church,
339 Macquarie St**

Palm Sunday 29th Mar: 7:30am Mass;
10:30am Procession of Palms and High Mass (Choir); 5pm Reflection on the Passion in words and music.

Monday in Holy Week 30th Mar: 5pm Mass
Tuesday in Holy Week 31st Mar: 5pm Mass
Wednesday in Holy Week 1st Apr:
5pm Tenebrae

Maundy Thursday 2nd Apr:
7pm Mass of the Last Supper (Choir)

Good Friday 3rd Apr: 9am Liturgy of the Passion (Choir); 11am Stations of the Cross (Ecumenical, commencing at St Francis Xavier Catholic Church)

Easter Eve Saturday 4th Apr: 7pm Paschal Vigil and High Mass (cantors and organ)

Easter Sunday 5th Apr: 7:30am Mass; 10:30am Procession and High Mass

**C3 Beyond Church, 64 Anglesea Street
(over the bridge at bottom of the street)**

Good Friday 3rd Apr: 10 am (one hour service)

Easter Sunday 5th Apr:
10 am Resurrection Sunday

**St Francis Xavier's Catholic
Church, 61 Adelaide St**

Palm Sunday 29th Mar: 9am Mass,
with blessing of palms and reading
of the Passion Gospel

Holy Thursday 2nd Apr:
7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 3rd Apr:
11am Ecumenical Stations of the
Cross (processing through the streets
to All Saints' Anglican Church),
3pm Celebration of the
Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday 4th Apr:
7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday: 5th Apr
9am Easter Day Mass

**St Raphael's Anglican
Church, Fern Tree**

Palm Sunday 29th Mar:
8:45 am Eucharist with
Hymns

Easter Day 5th Apr:
8:45 am Eucharist with
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