



### A Message from the President

Dear Members,

It is a great pleasure to announce that Northern Branch President **Dr Eric Ratcliff OAM** has been awarded the **Royal Society of Tasmania Medal 2021**. This award recognises Dr Ratcliff's outstanding research on architecture, building conservation, art, history and in the profession of psychiatry in addition to his service to the Royal Society of Tasmania spanning 50 years of membership. Eric will deliver the Royal Society of Tasmania Medal Lecture at Government House, Hobart on 30 March 2022, and RST members will be invited to attend. It is also a real pleasure to announce that **Associate Professor Rebecca Carey** has been awarded the **M.R. Banks Medal 2021** for her outstanding work as a mid-career researcher in volcanology. Associate Prof Carey will deliver the M.R. Banks Medal Lecture next year on a date to be arranged. Nominations for the RST Doctoral Awards close on 15 November. Warm thanks go to the Honours and Awards Committee Chair, Prof Jocelyn McPhie and Committee Members for their dedicated work.

The Council has awarded **Certificates of Appreciation** to two people who have rendered significant service to the RST: David Reilly, a communications consultant who was of great assistance to the Society at the time of the Apology to Tasmanian Aboriginal People in February; and our Hon. Solicitor, James Crotty, whose legal advice has been very much appreciated. Grateful thanks go to both David and James.

Our **Northern Branch** invites you to a lecture by Emeritus Prof Greg Woods on Sunday 28 November at 1:30 pm. The lecture will focus on Professor Woods' research into Tasmanian Devil Facial Tumour Disease and will be held in person at the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Inveresk, Launceston and via Zoom. [You can book here.](#) If you have missed any past lectures, you can catch up with them on our [RST YouTube channel.](#)

I do hope you can join us for the Royal Society of Tasmania **Christmas Dinner** at the Royal Yacht Club, Sandy Bay on Thursday 9 December. RSVPs have been coming in strongly, so if you would like to attend, please reply soon to secure your place. A special addition to the evening will be the launch of the Society's newest publication, the *Illustrated Checklist of Tasmanian Beetles* prepared by experts Dr Simon Grove, Lynne Forster and Dr Nick Porch.

I would like to offer a warm welcome to **new members** Elizabeth Archer, Dr Helen Howarth, Peter Lelong, Sarah Lloyd, Joyce Mackey, Dr Susan Owen, David Skegg and Di Vertigan.

**Date for your diary:** On Monday 7 March 2022, Prof Kate Warner AC and Government House Official Secretary, David Owen, will present an illustrated lecture on their recent book, *Government House Tasmania: A Remarkable Story*. This will follow the AGM to be held at 4 pm at the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania.

Warm regards,

Mary Koolhof, President

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## The Royal Society of Tasmania Annual Doctoral (PhD) Awards 2021

Nominations are now open for the RST annual Doctoral awards. Two awards are made for excellence in research by recent PhD graduates. In 2021, one award will be reserved for nominations in non-STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine) disciplines. The other award will be open.

### Conditions of the Doctoral Awards

The awards shall be made to nominees who are no more than three years, or three years' equivalent-full-time, after their PhD graduation.

The awards are intended to recognise significant advances based on the PhD research, as evidenced by published or in press peer-reviewed papers in national/international journals or equivalent outputs in fields where publications are not the norm.

The research should have been largely carried out in Tasmania or under the aegis of a Tasmanian-based organisation.

Nominations may be made by anyone, although no self-nominations will be accepted.

The value of each award is \$1000 (AUD). **Nominations will close on 15 November 2021.**

[Click here](#) for the guidelines to the awards.

## The Royal Society of Tasmania 2021 Christmas Function

On the following page is the Invitation to this exciting event.

The address will be presented by:

**Professor Greg Lehman** BSc, GradDipEnvStuds  
(Hons), PhD, *UTas*, MSt History of Art, *Oxford*  
on the topic of

### **Terra nullius in Tasmanian colonial art**

The idea of Australia as an 'empty land' was dismissed by The Australian High Court in 1992. However, the implication of *terra nullius* as a rationale for British occupation of Aboriginal territory persists, largely unrecognised, in our colonial archive. Art Historian Greg Lehman will illustrate a dramatic example of this in the visual history of Van Diemen's Land. Attendance form below.





# INVITATION

The President and Council of The Royal Society of Tasmania  
warmly invite members and friends to the

## 2021 Christmas Function

to be held on Thursday 9 December, 5:30 for 6pm

Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, Marieville Esplanade, Sandy Bay

The address will be presented by

**Professor Greg Lehman**

**Title: Terra nullius in Tasmanian colonial art**

and will be followed by a two-course plated meal (\$65 per person).

Wine and beer will be available for purchase.

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- \* If you have special dietary requirements, please contact the office.
  - \* If attending only the lecture there is no charge, but please complete and return this form giving your name and email.

**LECTURE ONLY:** Number of people attending only the lecture. \_\_\_\_\_

**DINNER:** Number of people attending the dinner \_\_\_\_ @ \$65 each    **Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAMES** \_\_\_\_\_

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### PAYMENT METHOD:

**Bank Deposit**

Commonwealth Bank BSB 067 000    Acc 00800763

Please leave name and "dinner" as the reference.

**Cheque**

**Credit Card**

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***RSVP:** Please complete this form and email to [admin@rst.org.au](mailto:admin@rst.org.au)  
or post to: The Royal Society of Tasmania, GPO 1166, HOBART TAS 7001  
to arrive by **16 November 2021**.*

*The form can be filled electronically or printed and scanned.*



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**RST Northern Branch**  
invites you to a public lecture

## **A Double Devil Dilemma**

presented by  
**Emeritus Professor Greg Woods**



**Where:** Meeting Room, QVMAG at Inveresk

**When:** 1:30 pm Sunday 28 November 2021

**Admission:** Free for members, \$6 general admission, \$4 students, QVMAG Friends and members of Launceston Historical Society.

**BOOK for QVMAG lecture – 0417 330 118**  
or [apcachris@gmail.com](mailto:apcachris@gmail.com)

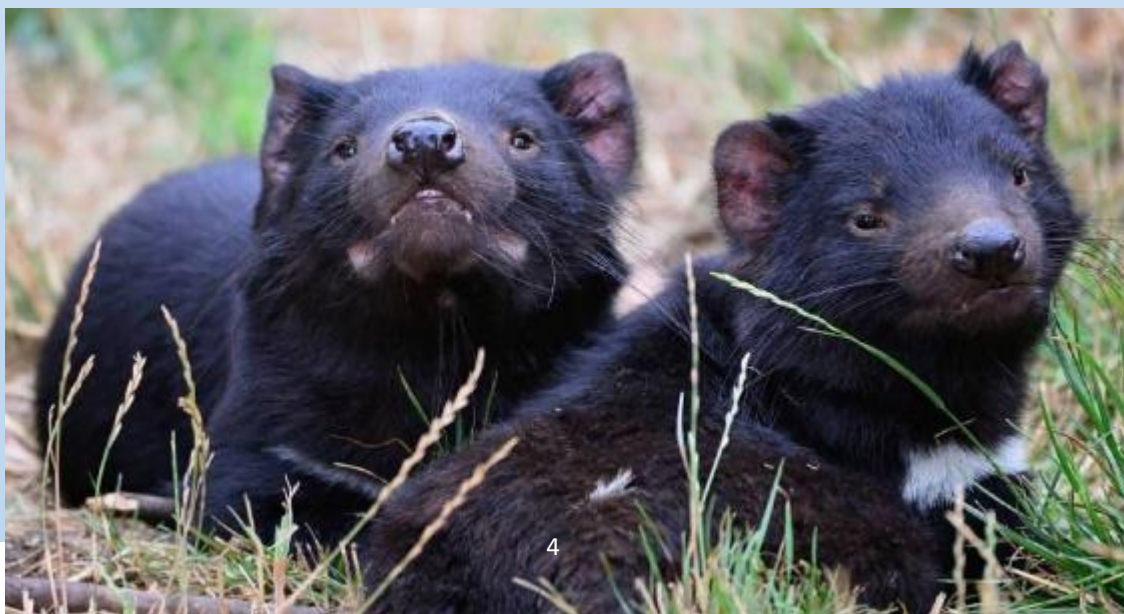
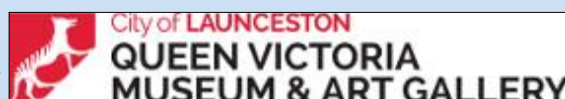
for Zoom webinar, register at [rst.org.au](http://rst.org.au)



**Abstract:** Transmissible cancers are rare. However, Tasmanian devils are dying from two transmissible cancers that comprise Devil Facial Tumour Disease (DFTD). Both cancers arose from Schwann cells that avoided immune elimination. Research is revealing why devils appear to be susceptible to these transmissible cancers. Promising vaccine research and field observations that some devils can recover from DFTD provide hope for the devil population's future.

**Biography:** Greg Woods' (PhD, FFSc [RCPA]) lifelong interest in immunology has led to studies of T cells, leukaemia, UV irradiation, tumour immunology, dendritic cells and Devil Facial Tumour Disease in laboratories in Hobart, Toronto, London and Scotland. Awards include a "Eureka Award for Environmental Science" and the "ASMR Research award in Recognition of Distinguished Service to Medicine, Science and Community".

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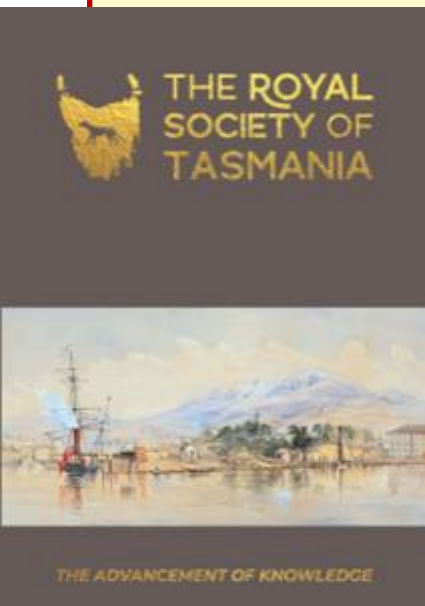




## RST Publications are Great Ideas for Christmas Gifts!

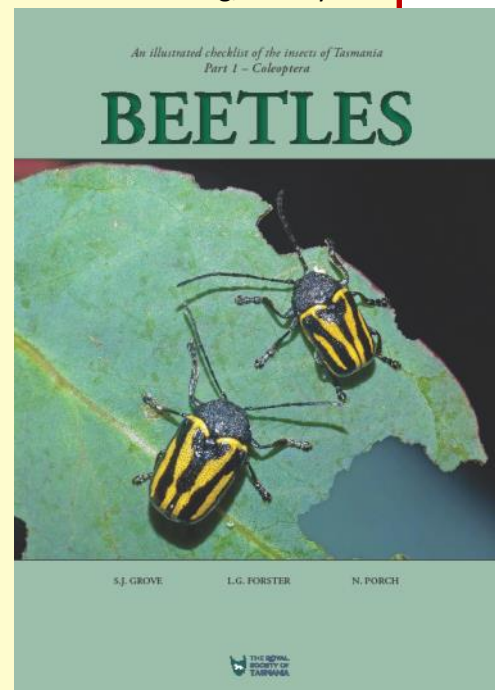
Three new publications will soon be available to add to your reading list or Christmas shopping and if you missed out on your copy of *Australian Mineral Discoverers*, a second print run has just arrived.

All items below are available for purchase online via the [RST Shop with some offering a membership discount](#).

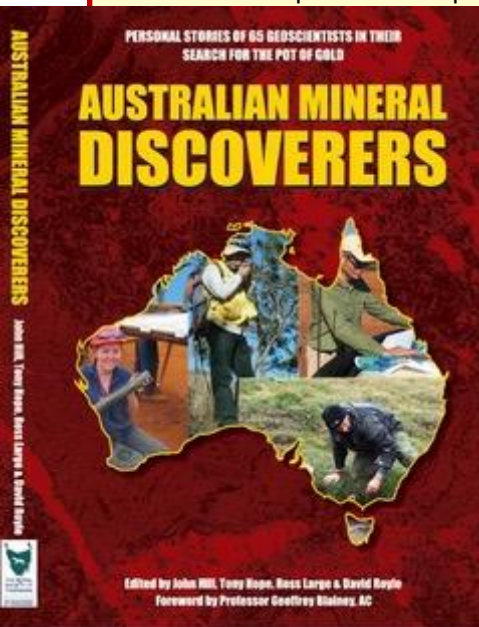


**RST Notebooks** featuring a choice of three cover images from the Society's rare art and book collection (- see cover at left), will be on sale shortly in lieu of the longstanding RST calendar which is no longer being produced. Beautifully bound and presented, these prestigious notebooks are ideal for meeting notes or creative writing, so why not buy yourself a couple or as gifts for others?

**An Illustrated Checklist of Tasmanian Beetles**, prepared by experts Simon Grove, Lynne Forster and Nick Porch (- see cover at right), is an exciting new taxonomic guide to Tasmanian beetles with diagnostic information on nearly 3000 species, including over 600 endemics and seven species found only on Macquarie Island. Featuring thumbnail images of every group and 16 full colour plates, this fantastic new resource will help you identify and learn more about Tasmania's enigmatic beetle fauna.



Following Volume 155(1) celebrating the RST Northern Branch centenary in June 2021, the RST Journal **Papers and Proceedings Volume 155(2)** will be published in December featuring the transcripts of speakers at the historic *Apology to Tasmanian Aboriginal people*, as well as a diverse range of scientific and review papers of wide interest. Your copy will be automatically posted if it's selected as part of your annual RST membership. Otherwise volumes can be purchased separately until sold out.

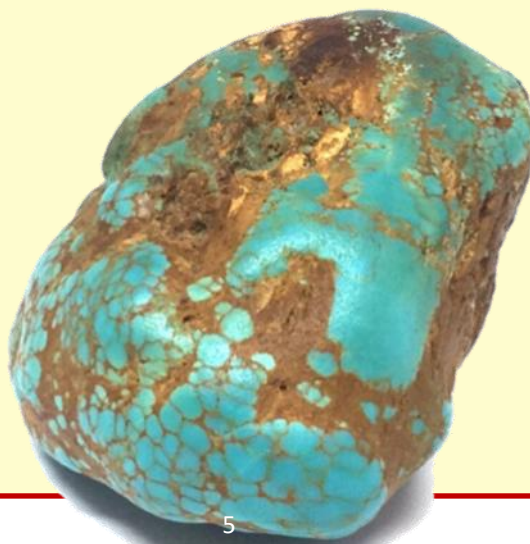


**Australian Mineral Discoverers: 1950–2010** first published in December 2020 has now been reprinted. Edited by John Hill, Tony Hope, Ross Large and David Royle, this book features the biographies of 65 Australian mineral explorers and educators. Their stories show that the discovery of buried minerals is an extremely complex science, requiring knowledge, innovation, disciplined application of geological principles, teamwork, persistence and luck. **\$60.00 full price**

**Members of the Royal Society discount on this item @ \$50.00**

For overseas orders, please contact the Society directly to calculate postage and place the order: [admin@rst.org.au](mailto:admin@rst.org.au)

For orders of more than one copy, please contact the Society direct: [admin@rst.org.au](mailto:admin@rst.org.au)



## Royal Society Office

The Royal Society office is open on Wednesday mornings 9:00 am to midday. Enter the Custom House building from the **Davey Street entrance and register at the Visitors' Desk**. TMAG's Safety Plan requires all visitors' details to be recorded or use the QR code.

A phone call prior to your visit will help with more speedy arrangements.

Please phone between the hours of 9:00am – 12 noon on a Wednesday morning on 03 6165 7014.

### Main contact:

GPO Box 1166

Hobart TAS 7001

Email: [admin@rst.org.au](mailto:admin@rst.org.au)

### Northern Branch contact:

Christine Beswick, Secretary:

0417 330 118

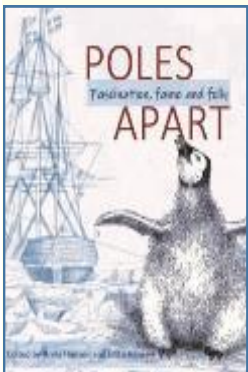
PO Box 47 Perth TAS 7300

Membership forms and renewals can either be posted to the Post Box (see above) clearly marked 'Royal Society of Tasmania' or completed and emailed to the address above.

Book and calendar sales are available either through the RST shop, on our [website](http://www.rst.org.au), by email or by phone through the office.

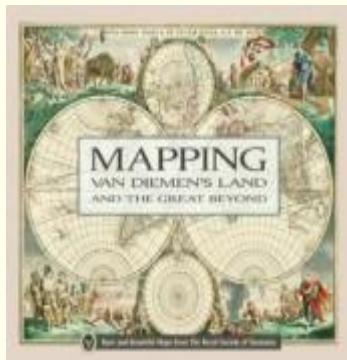
## 10% discount for Members on these books.

### Discounted prices for members are shown beside each book:



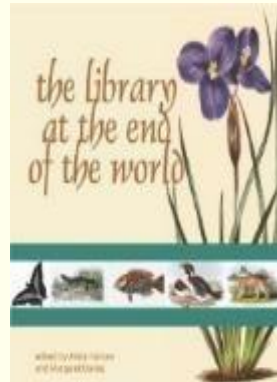
#### *Poles Apart: Fascination, Fame and Folly*

Hardcover (\$22.50) and Softcover (\$13.50)



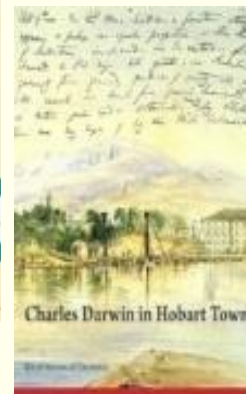
#### *Mapping Van Diemen's Land and the Great Beyond*

Hardcover (\$54) and Softcover (\$36)



#### *The Library at the End of the World*

Hardcover (\$54) and Softcover (\$36)



#### *Charles Darwin in Hobart Town*

Softcover (\$32)



#### *Papers and Proceedings*

Since 1849, the Society has published annual volumes of refereed scholarly papers. The *Papers and Proceedings* publishes research that focuses on Tasmania or is particularly relevant to Tasmanians.

Personal subscription to the *Papers and Proceedings* are made through membership of The Royal Society of Tasmania. Prices for back editions of *Papers and Proceedings* range from \$10 – \$40 per volume. Members of the Society are eligible for a

**10% discount**, please contact the **Honorary Editor** at [editor@rst.org.au](mailto:editor@rst.org.au)

### Royal Society 2021 Calendar

Features 13 lovely watercolours by Francis Guillemard Simpkinson de Wesselow. Retail price: \$8.00 plus postage and handling as applicable.

Members of the Royal Society can also order calendars from the [website](http://www.rst.org.au) or the RST office at the newly discounted price of **\$7.00**.

Purchase direct from the Royal Society Office on Wednesday mornings 9:00 to 12:00 noon or email [admin@rst.org.au](mailto:admin@rst.org.au) or phone Wednesday mornings on 03 6165 7014.





## RST Office Contact Information

A new email address has been created specifically for our Office Assistant, Ruth Mollison: [office@rst.org.au](mailto:office@rst.org.au)  
Please now send relevant emails for attention of Ruth to this new address.

Emails for The Royal Society of Tasmania, in general, should still be sent to: [admin@rst.org.au](mailto:admin@rst.org.au)

Matters relating to RST correspondence should be sent to: [secretary@rst.org.au](mailto:secretary@rst.org.au)

### Mawson's Huts Foundation Carves a New-Look Antarctic Festival

Australian Antarctic Festival will be rebranded to embrace its international relevance and has been scheduled to run over four days next year: 24–28 August 2022.

"The festival will feature free events in venues around Hobart and will further promote the city as the Asia-Pacific region's premiere gateway to the Antarctic," Greg Carter, CEO of the Mawson's Hut Foundation said.

"As well as the usual opportunities for members of the public to examine the latest Antarctic and marine research, there will be a program of fascinating, entertaining and educational events from many of the countries represented."

"Suffice to say that the festival will have broad appeal ranging from academia, exhibitions and displays, a planned 'road show' for regional areas and entertainment including Antarctic-related comedy and quiz nights," Carter said.

"The Frank Hurley Photographic Competition will be expanded to establish a stunning new and historical Antarctic photography exhibition, and there will also be a collection of artefacts and equipment from Australia's history of exploration in Antarctica. The usual ship and aircraft visits, the informative Law Lecture and the popular Australian Antarctic Festival Gala Dinner are also being planned."

"All proceeds from the Gala Dinner will go towards the Mawson's Huts Foundation which seeks to educate the next generation of Antarctic explorers and preserve Australia's Antarctic heritage," Greg Carter said.

As well as the support from the City of Hobart, the festival is sponsored and supported by Events Tasmania, the Australian Government, Australian Antarctic Division, Royal Australian Navy, University of Tasmania, CSIRO, Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies, TasPorts and the Mawson's Huts Foundation.

In addition, Chimu Adventures is supporting the festival by offering visitors the option to participate in a three-day tour based around the science, discovery and Antarctic expeditionary history.

"The three-day itinerary includes an historic walking tour, a visit to Mawson's Huts replica museum and a tour of visiting ships, among other Antarctic themed activities," Carter said.

For media enquiries, please contact Greg Carter on 0411 484 101.



For more information on the 2022 Australian Antarctic Festival, visit <https://www.mawsons-huts.org.au/antarctic-festival/>

For further details on ticketed 2022 Australian Antarctic Festival events, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/australian-antarctic-festival-34206310717>

For further details on the Chimu Adventures offer, visit <https://www.chimuadventures.com/en-au/antarctic-festival-2022>



## Certificate of Appreciation

Communications consultant, **Mr David Reilly**, has been awarded a Certificate of Appreciation by the RST Council in recognition of his significant service to the Society at the time of the Apology to Tasmanian Aboriginal People in February.

President Mary Koolhof is pictured presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to David on behalf of the Society.



## The Royal Society of Tasmania Stall at the Garden Clubs of Australia Plant Fair

The Royal Society of Tasmania was part of this year's Garden Clubs of Australia Southern Tasmania's Plant Fair held at the beautiful *Valleyfield* at New Norfolk, a privately owned property listed with the National Trust, and one of the oldest continuously lived in homes in Australia. The stunning garden runs down to the river and contains established trees, roses, espalier fruit trees and an orchard.

**Above:** *Valleyfield*, New Norfolk.

The two-day event over the final week in October promised a fun-filled weekend of all things plants and gardening, including specialist growers, access to plant experts, rare and unusual horticultural treasures, indoor plants and much more. The opportunity to experience the gardens and buildings at *Valleyfield* was certainly a drawcard. As the Friday set-up day dawned, ominous skies, wild winds, rainstorms and cold, sleety weather threatened to cast a pall over the event as the intrepid organisers and stallholders set up their wares. But with excellent and faultless planning, the set up was accomplished and stallholders left the building with the hopes of a brighter tomorrow.

And a new day did dawn and the sun did come up on the Saturday.

The Fair had a very pleasing attendance of over 850 and we were certainly blessed with the weather as the heavy rains of Friday diminished, although the chilly breeze on Sunday could have been more merciful. The majority of the attendees were Tasmanians (with five busloads coming from Launceston, Longford, Sheffield, the Huon and Campbell Town) and a few visitors were from Queensland.

The Royal Society of Tasmania stall was a great opportunity for the Society to educate the public about its significant role in Tasmanian society, and to promote its image and mission statement. There were opportunities for new members to sign up. The stall offered books, cards, calendars and other merchandise from our stockpile of very beautiful publications and memorabilia. Very great thanks are offered to those who manned our stall over the weekend: Peter and Kathy Manchester, John and Kaye Volkman, Robbie Poynter, and Mary and Grady Koolhof. The RST also acknowledges with thanks the work of Heather Pryor, the GCA Southern Tasmania Zone Coordinator, and Bernard Pryor OAM who were significant and consistent in their management of the weekend.

Our grateful thanks are also extended to the whole Warner clan who were present throughout

**Right:** Dr Julie Rimes at the RST stall.







the weekend, talking to visitors and helping to guide visitors around the property. As the Sunday crowd diminished, they were seen wiping tables, stacking chairs, helping exhibitors out to their cars with trestles and chairs, and carrying out unsold plants. To the Warner and



**Above:** From left, volunteer RST members, Dr John Volkman of Sandy Bay and Robyn Poynter of Mt Stuart assist some visitors to the stall with information about the Society and its various publications.  
**Right:** Volunteer RST member Grady Koolhof of Geilston Bay shows Kaye and Garth Johnson some RST merchandise.

Bradshaw families, we all owe our gratitude and thanks for their gracious hosting of the event.

The Plant Fair has grown to be one of the most popular garden fairs in Southern Tasmania. The specialist growers and unique stallholder produce are just two reasons to escape to someone else's beautiful garden each time. We thank the GCA Southern Zone for allowing us to be part of the event.

**Dr Julie Rimes**

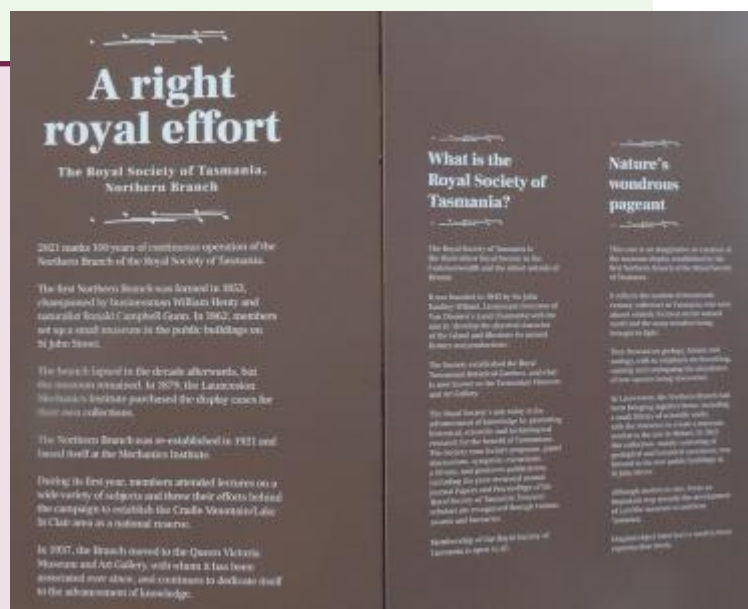
## QVMAG Display

A display honouring the Centenary of the Northern Branch and its long association with the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery in Launceston was launched by the Mayor of Launceston, Albert Van Zetten, at the meeting of the Branch on 24 October.

The exhibit, curated by Lynette Ross, features specimens known to have been long in the collection, perhaps including items from the initial gatherings of the Northern Branch in its

earlier foundation in 1853.

The specimens are displayed in a traditional manner, and accompanied by panels outlining the history and influence of the Society and the Branch. It will be on display at least until March 2022.







## Special & Rare Collections

The Royal Society of Tasmania collection (of approximately 7000 books, 1600 journals, private deposits and maps) is housed in the Special & Rare Collections on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of the Morris Miller Library on the Sandy Bay campus, University of Tasmania.

Special & Rare Collections provides both physical and virtual access to the collection; and a reference service to assist members and researchers in person, via email and phone.

It is currently staffed by Heather Excell, Wendy Rimón and Juliet Beale.

**Above:** From left, Library Officer Heather Excell, Librarian Wendy Rimón and Librarian for the Collection Juliet Beale.

Current opening hours are Monday to Wednesday 10.00 – 5.00 pm (closed for lunch 12.30 – 1.30 pm).

- ♦ <http://www.utas.edu.au/library/research/special-and-rare-collections>
- ♦ <https://sparc.utas.edu.au/index.php/the-royal-society-of-tasmania-collection>
- ♦ <https://eprints.utas.edu.au/view/collections/PapersProceedingsRoyalSociety.html>

**Right:** RST Honorary Secretary, Marley Large, is pictured signing the updated Deed of Agreement between the Society and the University of Tasmania regarding the care and management of the RST Library housed in the Morris Miller Library UTAS Sandy Bay campus. The Agreement is updated periodically and then signed by the RST President and one other Council member.

Note: The Royal Society's official seal appears as a red stamp on the Deed. The original seal stamp is on the left of the picture. It is used to leave an embossed impression on a red-coloured stamp which is then affixed to an official document that has been signed by the President and a member of our Executive.





## The Society's Library



Special & Rare Collections (5th floor, Morris Miller Library at UTAS Sandy Bay campus) including TRST Library asks that all visitors and researchers comply with the following COVID-safe practices:

- Please make appointments via [special.collections@utas.edu.au](mailto:special.collections@utas.edu.au) to assist with managing maximum occupancy requirements.
- Opening hours are 10:00 am to 5pm, Monday to Wednesday, closed for lunch 12:30 – 1:30 pm.
- Maximum occupancy of two visitors at any one time and must be adhered to.
- You are required to maintain the recommended 1.5m physical distance.
- Make sure you have had your temperature checked before entering the Library.
- Temperature checks will be undertaken at the entrance to Morris Miller Library.
- If you are not a staff member or student at UTAS, you will need to sign in on entry to Morris Miller Library to enable contact tracing.
- The Library is providing hand sanitiser, cleaning wipes and carrying out additional cleaning.
- If you are feeling unwell, please do **not** come to the Library.

Library staff will continue answering all email enquiries and can scan and email requests as needed, so if you don't wish to visit the Library in person, there is no need. We will also be quarantining material handled by researchers and other visitors for 72 hours, in line with UTAS Libraries' COVID-safe practice.

Any queries please contact [special.collections@utas.edu.au](mailto:special.collections@utas.edu.au)

**Juliet Beale**, Senior Librarian, Collections  
Library Services | Academic Division  
University of Tasmania

### David Collins (1756–1810)

David Collins arrived at Botany Bay on the *Sirius* with the First Fleet in 1788. Commissioned deputy judge advocate under Governor Arthur Philips, he was responsible for the colony's entire legal establishment and of the marine detachment. When the Royal Marines were replaced by the New South Wales Corp in 1791, Collins chose to remain in the colony to assist Lieutenant-Governor Francis Grose and Governor John Hunter.

On his return to London in 1797, he was inundated for information about friends and relations in the colony. He completed the first volume of ***An account of the English colony in New South Wales*** in 1798 (- see left). As an educated and observant resident of New South Wales for nearly ten years, he was able to give the most detailed account of the voyage and early settlement found in any of the early narratives. It includes important early views of Sydney and Parramatta, and striking scenes of Aboriginal ceremonies, illustrated from engravings by Edward Dayes, based on sketches by convict artist Thomas Watling.

However, the second volume published in 1802 is of the greatest importance for several reasons. It provides a detailed chronicle of events, voyages and expeditions of discovery. Particularly significant are the journals of Bass and Flinders as Bass' journal has never been recovered; and the accounts of inland expeditions recorded in the journals of John Price and Henry Hacking. It is also the earliest recorded sighting of a wombat (- see right) on mainland Australia and the first report of the discovery of the lyrebird, which is described and illustrated in colour (- see left, engraved by Samuel John Neele and based on a sketch by convict artist Thomas Watling).

In recognition of his exceptional knowledge of the colony, Collins was commis-



**Right:** Mountain Eagle of New South Wales.

sioned Lieutenant Governor of a new settlement in Bass Strait in 1803. The following year, he arrived at Risdon but soon chose Sullivan Cove as a better harbour and site for Hobart Town. His task was not easy: unskilled convicts, troublesome marines, poor quality tools, inadequate provisions, incompetent subordinates and no dispatches from Downing Street. Collins died suddenly in 1810 and St David's Cathedral in Hobart was named in his honour.



More information on David Collins: <https://adb.anu.edu.au/biography/collins-david-1912>

Biodiversity Heritage Library (2<sup>nd</sup> edition, published 1804) <https://www.biodiversitylibrary.org/bibliography/94762>

*An account of the English colony in New South Wales, from its first settlement in January 1788, to August 1801: with remarks on the dispositions, customs, manners, &c. of the native inhabitants of that country. To which are added, some particulars of New Zealand; compiled, by permission, from the mss. of Lieutenant-Governor King: and an account of a voyage performed by Captain Flinders and Mr. Bass; by which the existence of a strait separating Van Diemen's Land from the continent of New Holland was ascertained. Abstracted from the journal of Mr. Bass.*

By Lieutenant-Colonel Collins, of the Royal Marines, London: Printed for T. Cadell and W. Davies, 1798. Morris Miller-Royal Society Rare-Book (DU 160 .C71 1798 vol.2)

This book was donated to the Royal Society of Tasmania by **Thomas James Ewing** (1813–1882) school principal, Anglican minister, statistician and ornithologist. Ewing was born in Devonshire, studied at Cambridge and arrived in Van Diemen's Land in 1833. In 1840, he became chaplain of St John's at New Town and headmaster of the Queen's Orphan School (two separate schools for boys and girls founded by Governor Arthur for orphans and children of convicts). He was interested in science, particularly ornithology and had two species of birds are named after him.

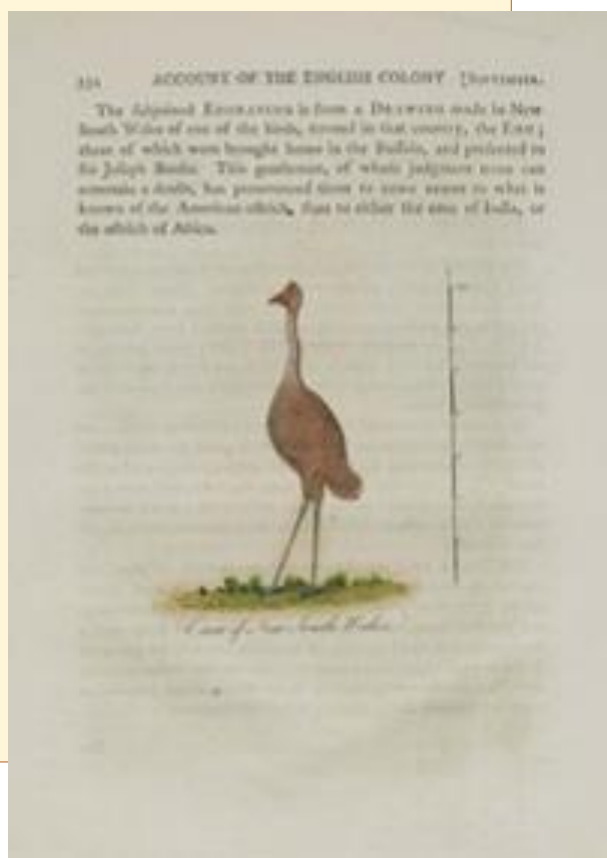
More information on the Rev. Ewing: <https://adb.anu.edu.au/biography/ewing-thomas-james-2031>

Thomas James Ewing, List of the birds of Tasmania. *Papers and proceedings of the Royal Society of Tasmania*, vol.3, no.1, pp.142-155 <https://eprints.utas.edu.au/19358/>

JH Maiden, Records of Tasmanian botanists. *Papers and proceedings of the Royal Society of Tasmania for the year 1909*, pp.9-29 [https://eprints.utas.edu.au/16466/1/1909-Maiden-Tasmanian\\_botanists.pdf](https://eprints.utas.edu.au/16466/1/1909-Maiden-Tasmanian_botanists.pdf)



**Left and right:** Additional photos from the *Account of the English Colony* showing illustrations of a platypus (left) and crane (right).



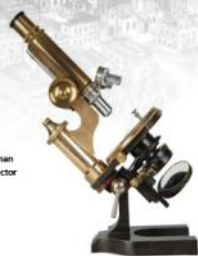


# IODINE DEFICIENCY SYMPOSIUM

## THE STATUS OF IODINE IN TASMANIA

Symposium will be opened by Her Excellency the Honourable Barbara Baker AC, Governor of Tasmania

9 April 2022  
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A landmark symposium will be presented in Launceston featuring Australia's leading researchers in the field of Iodine Deficiency. A full day Symposium with keynote speaker Professor Creswell Eastman will be followed by a dinner with guest speaker Dr Mark Veitch - Director of Public Health, Tasmania.

On Sunday there will be a Medical Walk in Launceston followed by a tour of the Launceston Whisky Distillery & BBQ Lunch.

For registration [CLICK HERE](#)

Please Note: Registrations close 1 April 2022

In the event that due to COVID restrictions the Symposium is cancelled a refund will be made as per instructions above.

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## The Status of Iodine in Tasmania a Medical History and Research Symposium 9 April, 2022

"The Status of Iodine in Tasmania" Symposium Event on 9 April 2022 is a landmark seminar showcasing a variety of presentations on iodine deficiency in Tasmania, its history, management and academic research in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Our keynote speaker and Plenary Talks by leading experts in their fields bring together a significant number of leading academic scientists, researchers and research scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results setting new horizons for the management of this profoundly geological disease. The symposium covers all aspects of iodine deficiency and its present status. It is a foremost integrative platform for researchers, educators and practitioners alike to witness and explore the latest innovations, trends, and concerns as well as practical challenges encountered and solutions adopted in the fields of its management.

We are pleased to present this symposium with 10 internationally recognised speakers on the subject of iodine covering its deficiency, role under climate change conditions (the Iodine Cycle – marine and terrestrial), prophylaxis, management and what the future holds for the control of iodine deficiency in Tasmania, Australia, United Kingdom and New Zealand. We are also pleased to announce that, due to COVID restrictions, the Symposium will be zoomed live internationally. A special Zoom registration is available for international interests. Our keynote speaker is Professor Creswell Eastman. Listen to his ABC interview: [The man who saved a million brains: Creswell Eastman's pioneering work with iodine deficiency disorder](#).

**Biography:** Professor Creswell (Cres) Eastman has led projects to abolish Iodine Deficiency Disorders (IDD) throughout the developing world. Children born to mothers deficient in iodine can suffer a range of defects including mental retardation, deafness, and speech and physical impairments.

Over the past decades, Cres and his teams have been effective in Malaysia, Laos, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, China and Tibet. His transformative work with populations in remote areas of China led him to be dubbed 'the man who saved a million brains'.

During his first visits to Tibet, Cres discovered that 13 per cent of the population were born with cretinism as the result of iodine deficiency. In the course of his field work in Asia, Cres almost lost his life to altitude sickness.

Cres' current focus is on the recurring problem of IDD in Australian and Thai populations. He is concerned that IDD may be affecting the ability of Australian children, and in particular Indigenous Australian children, to perform at school. Cres has started programs in central Australia to get iodine and folate given to all Indigenous pregnant women.

[You can register here through Eventbrite](#). The full day symposium is \$80.

**Registrations close on 1 April 2022**

The symposium will be opened by Her Excellency, the Honourable Barbara Baker AC, Governor of Tasmania.

Associated social events include a dinner with after-dinner speaker Dr Mark Veitch, Tasmanian Director of Public Health. On Sunday 10 April there will be a tour of Launceston Whisky Distillery and BBQ lunch.

**Please note: Continuing Professional Development Credits**

Medical, nursing, allied Health and other professionals attending the Iodine Symposium are eligible for CPD activity points which can be self-logged post event.



# Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery

Open Tuesday to Sunday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm until 24 December.

**Visiting TMAG:** It is no longer essential to book your visits to TMAG in advance, but when you arrive, you will need to register. The quickest and easiest way to do this is with the **Check In Tas** app: [click here to go to the Tasmanian Government website](#) to download the app.



The Museum Shop is open.

**TMAG from Home** initiative is available from the TMAG website to go on some exciting virtual tours, hear more from our curators and find out what happens behind the scenes.

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**Free tours** for small groups are available on Saturdays and Sundays, and run for approximately 40 minutes. Tour times are subject to change and availability and can be checked by phoning (03) 6165 7000. For guided tours for clubs, tourist groups or other organisations, please [click here](#).

**TMAG Art Tour – 11:00 am on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays** Join the TMAG Art Guides for a tour of our current art exhibitions.

**TMAG Highlights Tour – 1:30 pm on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays** Join the TMAG guides for a highlights tour of the treasures of the Central and Henry Hunter galleries and the historic Commissariat Complex and the Bond Store exhibitions.

## Jayne Wilson Bequest Bursary

Applications close on Friday 19 November for the 2021 Jayne Wilson Bequest Bursary, with researchers interested in studying TMAG's collections encouraged to apply. Find out more here: <http://ow.ly/ls3K50GCWrY>

## Talks at TMAG

The Talks at TMAG program is currently on hold.



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