



# The Royal Society of Tasmania – Northern Branch

## 2023 LAUNCESTON LECTURE SERIES

LECTURES COMMENCE AT **1.30\* PM** – AT **QVMAG @ INVERESK** (*MOST RECORDINGS ARE ADDED TO THE SOCIETY'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL*)

*\*START TIME VARIES AS SHOWN BELOW*

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<b>FEBRUARY 26</b>	Dr Eric Ratcliff	<b>'The peril of naming things'</b> – nosology, taxonomy and the identification of style.
<b>** ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1.15 pm, March 26 **</b>		
<b>MARCH 26</b>	Prof Jocelyn McPhie	<b>'Complex volcanic eruptions'</b> – The eruption of Piton de la Fournaise, Reunion Island in 2007 was an excellent example of Extreme complexity, involving activity at multiple vents, a major collapse event and changes in magma composition.
<b>APRIL 23</b>	Prof Nick Shackel	<b>'Liver Disease: The good, the bad and the ugly'</b> – Recent advances have seen some previously incurable conditions almost eradicated, however despite that we are seeing increasingly more Australians die from liver disease.
<b>MAY 28</b>	Dr Valeria Komyakova	<b>'Artificial structures as marine habitats: challenges and opportunities'</b> – Exploring issues associated with the proliferation of artificial infrastructure in the marine environment, current state of knowledge and what we can do to co-exist in better balance with nature.
<b>JUNE 25</b>	Dr David Harris	<b>'Hydrogen as a renewable energy carrier'</b> – Leveraging technologies and infrastructure to decarbonise global energy systems.
<b>** QVMAG STAFF LECTURE, July 23 **</b>		
<b>JULY 23</b>	Jon Addison	<b>'The Australasian League flag'</b> – Iconography and the development of the Australian flag.
<b>AUG 27</b>	Michael Attard	<b>'Waste management and resource recovery in Launceston'</b> – The state of waste management and resource recovery at the City of Launceston with a national and state perspective. Recent initiatives like FOGO, state landfill levy, container refund schemes and recycling opportunities that are driving increased landfill diversion and promoting innovations in the sector.
<b>** JOINT MEETING WITH THE GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA, September 10**</b>		
<b>SEPTEMBER 10</b>	Dr Michael Roach	<b>'Armchair geology'</b> – 3D photogrammetry enriching the experience of rocks and landscapes.



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SEPTEMBER 24	Dr Ian Kidd	<b>'The Tamar – 200+ years of mud and misunderstanding'</b> – The consequences of European intervention and manipulation of the upper Tamar River estuary; expectations for remediation and what is achievable.
OCTOBER 22	To be advised	To be advised
<b>** ELVIN FIST LECTURE, November 26 **</b>		
NOVEMBER 26	Tanya Ringuet	<b>'International Big Picture Learning Credential'</b> – Putting the person back in educational assessment.