OUR AIMS ARE:

- To commemorate and promote interest in the community about our first and early settlers of Hobart both free and convict.
- To facilitate contact between descendants of the first and early settlers of Hobart.
- To collect, preserve and catalogue material in all formats relating to the first and early settlers.
- To encourage our members in their research, collection and the writing of their family's historical backgrounds.



Hobart Town in 1840, (George Augustus Robinson)

OUR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Meetings at the Moonah Community Centre at 7 Gormanston Rd, Moonah on the first Tuesday in each month except in January.
- Interesting guest speakers at monthly meetings.
- Quarterly newsletters.
- Sharing information on our ancestors.
- Celebrating historical Hobart events.
- A Floral Tribute each year is on 20th February at the Hunter Street Monument to commemorate the foundation of Hobart.
- Excursions to places of historical interest.
- Our library resources are made available to members.

Hobart Town (1804) First Settlers Association Inc.

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When:

First Tuesday of each month (except January)
commencing at 10.00am
(morning tea provided)

Where:

Moonah Community Centre
7 Gormanston Rd. Moonah

Annual Membership Payments of \$30.00 can be paid by cheque or by direct credit to our Association's Bank Account.

Prices, locations and dates are correct at time of printing



PATRON
The Right Honourable
The Earl of Buckinghamshire
Lord Miles Hobart

HOBART TOWN (1804) FIRST SETTLERS

ASSOCIATION INC.



Surveyor George P. Harris' Cottage, 1806



Lt.-Governor David Collins
The Founder of Hobart Town
in 1804

EXPLORE THE HISTORY OF HOBART

Hobart's historical past is a young heritage, just over 200 years compared to the history of other countries and cities in the world. We are in such a capable position to record it for the future.

Our Association encourages members to do their family research, record family stories, collect photos, letters, personal items and diaries to preserve them as your legacy for the future.

Hunter Island, Sullivan's Cove 1804 (George Prideaux Harris)

THE FIRST DAY

February 20, 1804

That Monday morning was squally and wet, but during the afternoon the weather cleared enough for a body of prisoners to be landed to clear the scrub for the campsite. Amongst the scrub were towering eucalyptus trees making things more difficult. Under the supervision of Lt. Edward Lord, the convicts pitched the tents on the selected site.

The free settlers were off-loaded into longboats and taken up river to Stainsforth Bay and were seemingly unceremoniously dumped.

At 4pm Lt.-Governor Collins, with his officers, stepped ashore for a short time to see how things were progressing. A plan of the new settlement was soon drawn up.

That night the marines and convicts slept in their designated areas at the new camp. They were the first Europeans to sleep on the site of the future capital of Tasmania.



Hobart Town 1819, (George Evans)

First Settler Members

are those who are able to trace their ancestry back to a person who arrived at Sullivan's Cove, as part of Lt.-Governor Collins' party in 1804, or was a member of Lt. Bowen's party at Risdon in 1803.

Associate Members

are wives or husbands or partners of First Settler or Early Settler Members.

Early Settler Members

are able to trace their ancestry back to a person who arrived in Hobart on or before the end of transportation in 1853.

Interested Person Members

are any persons or organisations who demonstrate an interest in the aims and objectives of this Association.

To Enquire on Becoming a
Member of our Association
Please refer to details on back page.

