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18th December 2011

RAFFLE - TOM ROBERTS - RAFFLE - TOM ROBERTS - RAFFLE



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Message from Peter Roberts (Grandson)

"I wholeheartedly support the Tom Roberts raffle with its two thoroughly deserving beneficiaries. London Legacy as Tom served in the 1st world war and of course the Dorset County Museum in his home town of Dorchester which he visited and supported throughout his life.

The excellent prizes of the two copies of his paintings which were exhibited in 2006 to mark the 150th anniversary are fantastic and much sought after.

I will endeavour to get my nice Victoria Roberts to attend the dinner on 4th February in Dorchester"

Peter Roberts, Melbourne Victoria 18/12/11

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM :-

London Legacy – 0207 420 8765 - www.londonlegacy.org
Queensland House, 392 The Strand, London WC2R 0LT

Richard Pavitt 01935 824045 rpavitt@aol.com
The Clerk's House, Pound Lane, Martock, Somerset, TA12 6LU

The Britain Australia Society Office 0207 630 1075
Swire House, 59 Buckingham Gate, London, SW1E 6AJ

Dorset County Museum 01305 262735 enquiries@dorsetcountymuseum.org

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Cheques should be made payable to: London Legacy

TOM ROBERTS IN DORCHESTER

4th & 5th February 2012

The **Kings Arms Hotel**. **Still** has some rooms available on 4th February. You may book by giving your credit card number. It will not be charged until you check out on 5th February unless you cancel after 1st January 2012.

The Society Chairman John Allen with his wife Susie as well as our new deputy Chairman Peter Benson AO and his wife Lesley –Anne have already booked as has Professor Carl Bridge of the Menzies Centre for Australian Studies.

The Agent General for Victoria Ms Sally Capp has accepted our invitation to attend and has agreed to speak at the lunch in the Hotel on 5th February.

PLEASE DO LET ME KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THIS VERY INTERESTING SOCIAL EVENT
See ALL DETAILS ARE ON OUR WEB SITE

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NEW APPOINTMENTS

Branch Vice President -

I am delighted to tell you The Rt. Hon. The Lord Goodlad KCMG PC has agreed to this appointment. Click on this link:

<http://www.debretts.com/people/biographies/browse/g/18426/Alastair%20Robertson%20Goodlad+GOODLAD.aspx>

Society Deputy Chairman - Mr Peter Benson OAM was elected at the Annual General Meeting at Australia House on 23rd November. Peter is an adviser to leading broadcasting groups in UK, Europe and Australia. In 1988 he was sent to London to be General Manager, Operations, Sky Television, London. He is a Committee member for The Order of Australia Association for UK & Europe, based London. Next year he will take over as the first Australian Chairman of the Society.

FAREWELL

A reception was held on Friday 9th in the Downer Room of the High Commission to say goodbye to Kerry Sanderson AO, the Agent General for Western Australia.. Kerry has been a great supporter of the West Country Branch and we are sorry to see her return to Perth after 3 years. Her successor has yet to be appointed.

DIARY DATES 2012

Monday 23rd January - Australia Day Service, St Mary-le-Bow. The Address given by Rev. Paul Burden. Lunch at the Grocers Hall. Apply to National Director.

Saturday 4th Sunday 5th February - Dorset County Museum Tom Roberts evening and Memories of convicts sent on the 1st Fleet from Dorchester Old Crown Court.

Sunday 22nd April - ANZAC DAY lunch at Warminster Garrison & service at Sutton Veny.

Sunday 29th April - ANZAC Day Commemorative Service Southwold. Suffolk Branch

Friday 11th May - Celebration Dinner in Portsmouth of 225 years anniversary of 1st Fleet sailing. Speaker Dr Jonathan King.

Tuesday 15th May - (provisional) full day programme in Launceston - birthplace of Phillip Gidley King 3rd Governor of NSW.

Sunday 24th June - Annual Cricket. Australian High Commissioner's XI v Sutton Veny and Heytesbury CC.

Friday 12th October - Admiral Phillip Birthday Celebrations - Bathampton & Bath

Richard Pavitt - Branch Chairman

HAPPY CHRISTMAS & A SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9NhL3agUaw>