

NOTICE OF BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Tasmanian Branch of Amnesty International Australia will be held at Tasmanian Action Centre, First Floor, 130 Macquarie Street, Hobart TAS 7000 on **19 May 2018 at 10:00am**.

AGENDA

SATURDAY 19 May

09:30	Registration	11:40	Elections
10:00	Meeting opens		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election of members of the Branch Committee Election of National Annual General Meeting representatives and observers
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledgement of Country Branch President's Welcome 		
10:20	Procedural motions	12:00	Break
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adoption of Standing Orders and Approval of Minutes of the last Meeting Call for resolutions and election of Returning Officer Close of nominations for positions on the Branch Committee 	12:30	Announcement of results by Returning Officer
		12:40	Rethinking Governance
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Profile of Branch Committee
10.40	Reports	14:00	Workshop
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration of the Branch President's report Consideration of audited Annual Financial Report and Director's Report for 2018 Consideration of the previous financial year budget prepared for the National Board for 2017 Branch Treasurer's Report 	14:30	Meeting close

AWARDS

Nominations for the June Fassina awards will be accepted in writing until close of business on **17 May 2018**. The June Fassina Meritorious Service award is given to a long-serving Amnesty activist who has contributed greatly to human rights. Tasmania is very proud of Clare Wiseman, who won the national award last year.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the Branch Committee and for the 2018 representatives for the National Annual General Meeting (NAGM) on 27-28 October should be submitted in writing to the Tasmanian Branch Secretary at tasbranchsecretary@amnesty.org.au by close of business on **17 May 2018**.

Positions on the Branch Committee are: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and up to seven other members. All members of the Branch Committee and the NAGM delegates must be financial members of Amnesty International Australia. Voting members at the BAGM elect two voting delegates to NAGM and two (non-voting) observers.

NAGM voting delegates and two observers will be required to attend the National AGM on 27-28 October 2018. The two voting delegates will also need to attend a special resolutions meeting for voting delegates, Branch Presidents and board members on 28 -29 July in Sydney.

RESOLUTIONS

Any proposed resolutions from action groups, networks, teams or individual members should be put in writing and sent to Alex Kline at the Tasmanian Action Centre at First Floor, 130 Macquarie Street, Hobart TAS 7000 or email tasbranchsecretary@amnesty.org.au by close of business on **11 May 2018**. Contact the Action Centre if you have any queries.

VOTING RIGHTS

Subject to the Constitution each branch member entitled to a vote at a Branch General Meeting may vote in person or by proxy. A proxy must be a member of Amnesty International Australia and from the same branch as the person appointing the proxy. An instrument appointing a proxy need not be in any particular form provided it is in writing, legally valid, signed and deposited at the Tasmanian Action Centre at First Floor, 130 Macquarie Street, Hobart TAS 7000 by close of business on **17 May 2018**.

MEMBERSHIP

Only financial members have the opportunity to put forward resolutions and vote. You can join at www.amnesty.org.au/membership or check your membership status with Supporter Relations by calling 1300 300 920 between 9.00am-5.00pm Monday to Friday.

RSVP

For further details, or to advise that you will be attending, please contact the Tasmanian Branch Secretary at tasbranchsecretary@amnesty.org.au or call (03) 6221 1000. For catering purposes please let us know if you have any particular dietary requirements.

All members and supporters are most welcome and encouraged to attend.

George Holgate
TAS Branch President
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