UNIVERSITY CLUB

1923 - 1926

A club for gentlemen who were University graduates was established by a group of graduates of the University of Tasmania, after a preliminary committee meeting held on 15 November 1923. The first general meeting of the University Club was held on 10 December 1923. The club adopted rules similar to those of the Tasmanian Club, leased rooms in Murray Street, and formed itself into a company under the Companies Act of 1920. Officers were Sir. N.E.Lewis, President, G.H.Cunningham, Vice-President, W. Parker Listner, Hon. Secretary, and the committee included Prof. Alan Burn, C.S.King, J.R.Harvey, Dr. J.H.B. Walch, H. Warlow Davies, L.R.Thomas, E. Cox, H.H.Cummins.

The Club rooms with billiard room, card room, reading room etc. were open from 5 July 1924 and a steward appointed to serve lunches, teas etc. Club notepaper was printed and cigarettes stamped with the club crest (the University seal design). Unfortunately even with over 100 members the Club was not financially viable and from January 1926 the Committee considered the possibility of amalgamating with other clubs, such as the Naval and Military. At the A.G.M. on 3 June 1926 the Chairman proposed that the facilities of the Club should cease and the Club assets realised to pay the debts, and at Extraordinary General Meetings of 15 July and 29 July 1926 it was resolved to close the Club and make arrangements to wind up the Company.

¹ Minutes of the University Club. 10 Dec. 1923 - 13 April 1927 (1 vol. 38 c.m. X 25 c.m. X 2 c.m.)

Register of honorary and visiting members Aug. 1924 - Fev. 1926 noting: date, name, degrees, residence, Hobart address, elected by. (1 vol.)