

Book Launch of Reverend George Eastman: The Convicts' Good Parson by Terence Eastman and Pamela Tyson, July 26th 2019 Port Arthur, Tasmania, Australia

After two years of research and a vast number of international emails, faxes and courier packages, edits after edits, our book was ready to launch at Port Arthur on July 26th, 2019. The Port Arthur Authority was very generous in their support and making the facilities and staff available for the exciting day. Invitations had gone out and the guests filled the room to overflowing. The Right Honourable Elise Archer the Attorney General had kindly accepted to conduct the official Launch. Many friends, relatives and Tasmanians interested in their history, gathered for the occasion.

After the short speeches a long queue formed to buy their copies and have them signed. It kept Pam and I very busy.

Not long after the Book Launch the First Edition was sold out. The First Reprint has now been delivered so our book is still available.



Figure 1 The room was packed; standing room only. There was an exciting buzz in the air. Great support shown for the new book. Front row: Rev Dennis Quinn, Pamela, Ann, Terry and Attorney General Elise Archer

Figure 2 Elise Archer (centre) officially declares the Book Launched





Figure 3 A delighted Chrissy has her book signed

Figure 4 View of the Port Arthur Historic site



Figure 5 View overlooking George's Parsonage on the left. The Isle of The Dead where George rests is in the far distant left

Figure 6 George's wife Louisa collected seaweed specimens. The Seaweed Book has been donated to Port Arthur some years ago by my father Fred Eastman



Figure 7 The Port Arthur Church. The tale of the pig is a funny anecdote included in the book.

I hope you have enjoyed this brief account of the Launch of our book: *The Reverend George Eastman: The Convicts' Good Parson* Tasmania Convict Free Press 2019

Terry

Portugal October 23rd, 2019

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