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## **Libraries Tasmania continues to remove barriers to reading**

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As part of Libraries Tasmania's new approach to removing barriers to reading, the cost for members to belong to its Book Groups service will be completely removed from 1 July 2019.

"Book Groups have been a part of our business for over 30 years now, with at least 100 groups registered," said Liz Jack, Libraries Tasmania's Executive Director.

"We hope to see that number grow now that more people are aware of the program, and our fees and charges have been completely removed.

"Book Groups are a great way to get people together to build relationships and a sense of community around the love of reading and discussion.

"All you have to do is register on our Libraries Tasmania website," she said.

Book Group membership is for groups of up to 12 people who regularly to meet to discuss books borrowed from the growing collection available from Libraries Tasmania.

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For more information about Libraries Tasmania Book Groups, Liz Jack, Executive Director of Libraries Tasmania is available for comment.

For more information about the benefits of Book Groups in general, Dr Robert Clarke Senior Lecturer and Acting Head of Discipline English, School of Humanities at UTAS is available for comment on 6324 3032/0477703603 [Robert.Clarke@utas.edu.au](mailto:Robert.Clarke@utas.edu.au)

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