

## MEMBERS OF TASMANIAN PARLIAMENT LENGTH OF SERVICE

### LONGEST TERMS

The following table presents the tenure details for those Members of either House of the Tasmanian Parliament who have achieved 25 years or more of continuous representation, though that term may have been served in more than one electorate or House. In some cases there may be a slight break in the Members' terms, usually because of the requirement to resign from one House to stand for another or because a seat had been abolished and a new one created, but such breaks are short and unavoidable.

MEMBER	TOTAL (YEARS)	DATE OF BIRTH	PERIOD/S OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE	HOUSE	SEAT
<b>EVANS</b> , Sir John W.	40.1	1 Dec 1855	Jan 1897—Apr 1909 Apr 1909—Feb 1937	HA HA	Kingborough Franklin
<b>PROPSTING</b> , William	39.1	4 Jun 1861	Feb 1899—Apr 1903 Apr 1903—Mar 1906 Dec 1905—Dec 1937*	HA HA LC	Hobart North Hobart Hobart
<b>LEE</b> , Sir Walter H.	37.7	27 Apr 1874	Apr 1909—Nov 1946	HA	Wilmot
<b>CAMPBELL</b> , Neil	37.7	21 Mar 1880	Jun 1922—Feb 1955 May 1955—Apr 1960	HA LC	Wilmot Tamar
<b>MOORE</b> , William	37.7	26 Aug 1823	Sep 1871—Aug 1877 Sep 1877—Dec 1885 Dec 1885—May 1909	HA LC LC	Wellington Mersey Russell
<b>CROWTHER</b> , Edward	33.5	3 Oct 1843	Nov 1878—Jul 1886 Jul 1886—Jan 1897 Jan 1897—Apr 1909 Apr 1909—Apr 1912	HA HA HA HA	Queenborough Kingborough Queenborough Denison
<b>POLLEY</b> , Michael R.	32	4 Nov 1949	Apr 1972—Dec 2004 <sup>#</sup>	HA	Wilmot/Lyons
<b>GRUBB</b> , Frederick W.	31.11	19 Oct 1844	Mar 1879—Nov 1880 Feb 1881—May 1911	LC LC	Tamar Meander
<b>DWYER</b> , John J.	30.8	9 Mar 1890	May 1931—Jan 1962	HA	Franklin
<b>DODERY</b> , William	30.2	30 Aug 1819	Mar 1877—Dec 1885 Dec 1885—May 1907	LC LC	Longford Westmorland
<b>NEILSON</b> , William A.	30.1	27 Aug 1925	Nov 1946—Dec 1977	HA	Franklin
<b>LILLICO</b> , Alexander	30	26 Dec 1872	May 1924—May 1954	LC	Mersey
<b>SHAW</b> , George A.	30	15 Aug 1932	May 1968—May 1998	LC	Macquarie
<b>DAVIES</b> , Sir John G.	29.7	17 Feb 1846	Aug 1884—Apr 1909 Apr 1909—Nov 1913	HA HA	Fingal Denison

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<b>GELLIBRAND</b> , Walter	29.5	17 Oct 1832	Dec 1871—May 1901	LC	Derwent
<b>REIBEY</b> , Thomas	28.11	24 Sep 1821	May 1874—Apr 1903	HA	Westbury
<b>BETHUNE</b> , Sir Angus	28.7	10 Sep 1908	Nov 1946—Jun 1975	HA	Wilmot
<b>BROWN</b> , Nicholas J.	28.5	9 Oct 1838	Jan 1875—Dec 1893 Mar 1894—Sep 1903**	HA HA	Cumberland Cumberland
<b>REECE</b> , Eric E.	28.5	6 Jul 1909	Nov 1946—Mar 1975	HA	Darwin/Braddon
<b>FAGAN</b> , Roy F.	27.8	28 Dec 1905	Nov 1946—Jul 1974	HA	Wilmot
<b>HODGMAN</b> , Peter C.	27.6	25 May 1946	May 1974—Jan 1986 Feb 1986—Oct 2001	LC HA	Huon Franklin
<b>HART</b> , William	26.9	2 Apr 1825	May 1877—Dec 1885 Dec 1885—Feb 1904	HA LC	Launceston Central Launceston
<b>SOUNDY</b> , John	26.6	14 Nov 1878	Jun 1925—Apr 1946 May 1946—May 1952	HA LC	Denison Hobart
<b>GANT</b> , Tetley	26.3	19 Jul 1854	May 1901—Aug 1927	LC	Buckingham
<b>GREGORY</b> , Oliver H.	26.3	28 Jan 1917	Feb 1959—May 1985	LC	Westmorland
<b>DARLING</b> , Joseph	24.8	21 Nov 1870	May 1921—Jan 1946	LC	Cambridge

\* Overlap in service in HA and LC.

# Still an MHA at this date (December 2004).

\*\* Result of first election declared void. Re-elected at second election.

## SHORTEST TERMS

The following table presents the tenure details of the two shortest terms in Parliament: the first, Pearce, though elected never took up his seat so was not formally a Member while the second, Brown, holds the record for the shortest term of any sitting Member.

MEMBER	TOTAL (YEARS)	DATE OF BIRTH	PERIOD/S OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE	HOUSE	SEAT
<b>PEARCE</b> , William W.	17 days	26 Oct 1855	10 Jun 1922—27 Jun 1922 (Died before taking his seat.)	HA	Franklin
<b>BROWN</b> , John H.	7 weeks	2 Jun 1886	1 Jul 1948—21 Aug 1948 (Elected by recount on death of Edward Brooker just prior to 1948 election.)	HA	Franklin