

Hunter Valley Scots Club Inc.



Newsletter

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Hullo to Hunter Valley Scots Club Members,

Well it has been a long, quiet period within the Scots Club community with little opportunity to catch up with friends, celebrate Scottish culture etc. Have you been able to get out and about a bit doing some of your usual activities – work, volunteering, visiting family, socialising etc?

As you are aware, for the Hunter Valley Scots Club there have been cancellations of upcoming events until further notice. This has included activities such as social nights, Soup and Damper lunch and the Caledonian Night. We are still hoping that we can have a St Andrew's Day and/or Christmas event. Under Fair Trading requirements for associations we must hold an AGM before the end of the year

Programme 2020 **Put these dates in your diary**

CLUB SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

29 November St Andrew's Day service ?

9 December Christmas Social Night ?

AGM - ??

You will be advised when dates are confirmed for these activities.

OTHER CELTIC ACTIVITIES 2020 – I am not aware of any in 2020 but please let me know if I am in error so I can let our Scots Club community know

Hunter Valley Scots Club Committee.

We are in **urgent need** of more committee members – the present Committee is becoming 'more mature' and need enthusiastic, energetic younger people to be involved. Someone might like to offer to be newsletter editor.

Committee Meetings -*anyone welcome* - 13 October, 7pm Teralba hall (yes we adhere to covid requirements for the meeting)

Do you keep up to date with Scottish activity in Australia? Two good sources are **The Scottish Banner** monthly paper, and Facebook **Scots in Australia** . Worth checking on these two, plus our own website & facebook of course.

Scottish Banner

A major item in the last Scottish Banner was to note the passing of Valerie Cairney. Valerie was the founder of the Scottish Banner, and was the publisher and editor for four decades. The present editor, Sean Cairney, is her son and joined his mother many years ago at The Banner. He writes with pride of his mother and very positively of the time they had working together to produce such a noteworthy paper. She retired four years ago and Sean picked up the reins of editor. I would be sure that even now Sean probably still has mental discussions with his mother about aspects of the paper.

Our condolences go to Sean at this time on the loss of his mother, and wish him all the best as he continues with this valuable work (particularly with the challenges of print media).

If you don't receive **The Scottish Banner** it is certainly worth adding to your list. It is the world's largest international Scottish culture newsletter "Uniting Scots Around the World for 44 Years". Published monthly either by print or digital.

September 2020 edition, 24 pages, includes regular articles such as: 'Lady MacGregor's Scotland' written by Fiona Armstrong British writer and broadcaster; Scot Pourri, letters to the Editor; Scotspeak, headline quotes last month in Scotland; This Month in Scottish History; Kings Castles and "Durdy" Wee Rascals By Jim Stoddart an Australian born in Glasgow. Other items include history such as The 275th Anniversary of the Battle of Prestonpans, or The Battle of Stirling Bridge, or more recent events such as Young Scotsman with Motor Neurone Disease Cycles North Coast; the trail from Milngavie to Fort William; creation of a nature reserve in Dumfries and Galloway. Then of course there is information on coming Scottish events, recipes and a crossword, plus much more.

Scottish Australian Heritage Council newsletter

This newsletter is seeking items for 'Scottish Australian History – Your Story'. The July/August 2020 newsletter contained stories on The Gleaners: a Lindsay family in Scotland, Fanny Macleay : a Life of Duty, Dr Elsie Jean Dalyell: A Pioneer for Women, Captain John Scott McArthur, McGregor Family, and a featured Clan, Clan Currie.

president@scottishaustralianheritagecouncil.com.au can be contacted re stories.



This lady is a great advertisement for Scottish/Australian culture. She immigrated to Australia 65 years ago with a young family (and gave birth to more Aussies here). She still retains her Scottish accent, in her 90's danced Strip the Willow at a HVSC Burns Night a few years ago, and recently celebrated her 100th birthday.

Many thanks to those members who have sent their membership for the year 2020-2021. Do you know that we have members who started with the Club at its inauguration in 1981? This means they have been members for almost 40 years. Must be worth a celebration next year!

Annual Fees

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Annual Fees for the Hunter Valley Scots Club Inc. are due by 1st July 2020
Please complete the form below and return with remittance to the Treasurer. If you choose to pay by direct deposit, it would be appreciated if you could still return this form to ensure that your details are correct on our records
Enclose a stamped addressed envelope for receipt.

The Treasurer, Hunter Valley Scots Club Inc. PO Box 34 KOTARA 2289

The information below will be used only for the Register of Members as required by the Incorporation Rules and for mailing of information to members.

PLEASE DETACH

Name _____

Address _____

_____ P/Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Enclosed is remittance of \$ _____ as Annual Subscription **(No cash by mail)** OR

Remittance of \$ _____ was made by Direct Deposit

Signed _____ Date _____

Ordinary members \$25.00 Concession \$20.00 Junior \$10.00

Family \$45.00 (2 adults and children under 15 years)

For Direct Deposit: Hunter Valley Scots Club Working Account ANZ BSB 012571
Account No. 2045 68722

Clearly indicate your name and deposit is for membership

Please note: An email address allows the Club considerable savings in photocopying and mailing costs

Failure to renew membership will result in the removal of your name from the Register of Members as required under the Constitution