

# Hunter Valley Scots Club Inc.



# Newsletter

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## **Greetings Hunter Valley Scots Club Members,**

As we head towards the end of the year, there are a number of HVSC activities to note in your diary.



## ***St Andrew's Day Service 24 November 9am***

**Note change of date** This will be held at The Willows in Hillsborough Rd, Warners Bay and led by Rev Kenneth Brown (with his good Scottish accent). There will be Scottish dancers and music during the service.

We have been invited to join with the congregation members in a 2 course Christmas Luncheon and Concert. Cost \$15pp. Chicken, ham, salads and sweets. If staying for lunch please RSVP to Grahame Prictor 0402335410 by Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November



## ***Wednesday 11 December – Christmas Social night***

**7pm Teralba Hall.** Last year this was a great opportunity to hear of the groups who hire Teralba Hall. The invitation is going out again for any of these groups who are able, to join us at our Christmas social. Members, come and celebrate the festive season together.

## ***1 February 2020 – Burns Night. Club Macquarie.***

Tickets available at the Social Night and afterwards. The later date allows us to avoid the Australia Day weekend events. *Please note: To those generous people who may be considering the donation of something towards the Burns Night raffle, please ensure the item is given to a committee person before mid January*



## Other Celtic Activities in 2019

**Central Coast Scottish Spectacular 3<sup>rd</sup> November**, The Entertainment Grounds,  
Racecourse Rd West Gosford

### **Gathering of the Celts, Wallsend Diggers, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2019** 8pm

As you were advised previously HVSC booked a table for this event. There is one ticket at this table remaining for an interested person (\$20). Contact Robyn 0428618313

Tickets also available from the Wallsend Diggers.

Based on last year's concert this will be a most enjoyable event.

### **St Andrew's Day Services in other areas** Sunday 24 November

Kirkin' of the Tartan, St Stephen's Macquarie St, Sydney 10am

St David's Presbyterian Church, Victoria Ave Toukley NSW

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, State Circle, Forrest ACT 9.30am

Wesley Uniting Church, Cnr Fullerton Rd & Glenfell St, Kent Town WA 10.00am

**Central Coast – St Andrew's Day** Meet and Greet, 23<sup>rd</sup> November. BBQ at Gosford Waterfront

**If you attended Clans on the Coast or any other activity, and could give us a short report it would be great to share it through this newsletter with others who were not able to attend. Thank you**

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A McLennan in your family tree?

The **Clan MacLennan** has developed a worldwide genealogy resource that might help you if you are researching your own family.

Many McLennans came to the north coast of NSW settling in the Hunter, Manning, New England, and elsewhere.

Bruce McLennan, the Coordinator of the Clan's genealogy resource would be pleased to hear from you by email [famhist@clanmaclennan-worldwide.com](mailto:famhist@clanmaclennan-worldwide.com)

(as a point of interest, Bruce lives in Sydney but in early years lived in Newcastle where he was a member of a scout group that wore kilts as their uniform!)

### **Traditional Scottish Recipe – Dunesslin Pudding**

4 tablespoons of jam or stewed fruit, 2 eggs well beaten, ½ cup flour, 2 tablespoons sugar, 1 ounce (30gm) butter, half pint (275 ml) milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla

Butter the inside of a dish and place the fruit/jam on the bottom.

Mix flour and sugar in heavy saucepan over low heat, gradually adding milk. Cut butter into small pieces and add to mixture and stir until it boils and thickens. Cool slightly and add vanilla and eggs. Beat until smooth and pour over fruit. Brown in moderate oven for 20 minutes. Serve hot.



On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Aberdeen a dedication was held of a Cairn commemorating the many Scottish families who moved to the area in early settler times, and whose descendants continue to live in the area. The Cairn is in Taylor Park, Aberdeen

The Cairn was donated by the Upper Hunter Highland Games (President Charles Cooke) as part of their 20 year celebrations. Their Chieftain, Nicola O'Driscoll unveiled the Cairn during the dedication performed by Rev Barbara Morgan from Murrurundi.

## 2020 Planning

It is time to plan the Scots Club programme for 2020.

The Committee is seeking feedback from members as to what activities they would like Hunter Valley Scots Club to provide throughout the year. For example:

Do we continue the Social Night bimonthly?

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Do we concentrate of two main events – the Burns Night, and the Caledonian Night?

How do we promote Scottish culture in the area?

What new /different initiatives can we develop?

**Even just a few words, comments, suggestions will be greatly appreciated by the Committee as we endeavour to meet the members' concepts of their Club**