

Hunter Valley Scots Club Inc.



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Hullo to Hunter Valley Scots Club Members and friends,

How is the year going for you? There seem to be so many problems around at the moment – a new strain of covid BA2; excess rain and the effect that has had on thousands of people (who would have thought we would complain about rain after we went through the drought period?); the war and suffering in Ukraine; and then there are those personal issues that arise for us as well . Is hearing some Scottish music the way to go for you at times of stress – relaxation and good memories?

As in our previous newsletter there is not too much news to report but we can look ahead to future events.

Soup and Damper lunch

Sunday 15 May 2022, Teralba Hall 12md, \$10pp



This lunch seems to have been a tradition for many years. A chance to catch up with friends over hot, nourishing soup and damper. Light entertainment provided.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Hunter Valley Scots Club Plans for 2022

Caledonian Night	20 August 2022
St Andrew's Day	27 November 2022
Burns Night	4 February 2023

Newcastle and Hunter Valley Folk Club

Saturday 19th March (**this weekend**) Roger Corbett(Bushwackers) Concert,

Gabby Blisset, violinist who as part of the Pumpkin Juice/String Loaded group gained a Scots Club scholarship some years back to support travel to workshops in Scotland is also involved.

Teralba Hall 7 for 7.30pm, tickets \$20-\$25 BYO supper.

There should still be tickets available at the door but to be sure it is worth purchasing through Trybooking.

<https://trybooking.com/BXUEQ>

Teralba Hall

As most of you are aware, Hunter Valley Scots Club leases Teralba Hall from Lake Macquarie City Council and uses it as a base for some activities. The Club then sublets the hall as a non profit community service, to groups wishing to hire the hall.

There are a wide range of groups during the week offering activities to the community – Bill's Ballroom dance classes, Zumba, Line Dancing, Senior Exercise and Yoga classes, Boolaroo Orchid Society, H.V. Fellowship of First Fleet, Newcastle Hunter Valley Folk Club including Lakeside Folk Circle, U3A Tea Dance, Newcastle Highland Dance, and other groups on a casual basis such as LMCC Landcare.

Recently, with a government grant, the facilities at the hall have been improved with air conditioning throughout the hall.

Other Scottish Activities we are aware of at this time

Central Coast Scots	1 May 2022 BBQ, Meet and greet at Gosford waterfront 31 July 2022, Ceilidh, Entertainment Grounds, Gosford
CelticFest in Queensland	25-27 March 2022
Brigadoon, Bundanoon Highland Gathering	2 April 2022 – they say it goes ahead, rain, hail or shine
Australian Celtic Festival, Glen Innes	28 April – 1 May 2022, Year of Brittany, Cornwall, Wales
Berry Celtic Festival	28 May 2022
Aberdeen Highland Games	1-2 July 2022
Maitland District Pipe Band 75 th Anniversary	19 March 2022 (rescheduled date) Brough House, Church St, Maitland, 2-4pm 30 July 2022 Tattoo, 31 July Open Day

Let us know if you are aware of any other events so we can pass the information on.

Ian Lamond – when I gave you the information that Ian Lamond had to go into residential care in Bowral, it was great to get feedback from people with their experiences of Ian – his love of Scottish events, people and social dancing and activities. I forwarded these comments onto the contact person and the last I heard from her he was doing well and settled in the situation. She particularly asked that I continue to send the HVSC newsletter to him.

Aunty Molly (Toni Stevens) – any of you who have been to her Scottish concerts (or any other of her concerts) know how enjoyable they are. For some time they have been held in Wyong but as the Club is being renovated the venues have become Davistown RSL and Wangi Workers Club. Her most recent concert, a St Patrick’s Day concert, was a sellout and most enjoyable. A little bird tells me that Aunty Molly had Helen Fulton up doing the heel and toe polka with her!

Her next Scottish event – Highlands and Haggis, Sunday 26th June, Wangi Workers Club, special guest John MacDonald. Bookings 4970 5105 or info@auntymollys.com.au No bookings through Wangi WC

Toni apparently also revealed that she has been invited to go to London to Westminster Abbey this week for a memorial service for Vera Lynn. Toni is the patron of an organisation set up some years ago for Australian performers.



Hope we are all able to catch up celebrating Scottish culture sometime in the near future

Ukraine

Hunter Multicultural Centre of which Hunter Valley Scots Club is a member and sends a representative, Helen Fulton, to meetings, has a number of Ukrainians involved with the centre.

We have heard that there are plans for a fundraising concert for the Ukraine Crisis Appeal at Christchurch Cathedral on 30th April 2pm. If I get more details I will let you know

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