

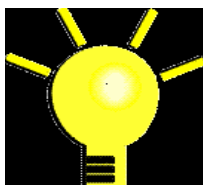
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## Burns Night 2016

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January we held our annual Burns Night at Club Macquarie. The night was a roaring success with MC and club president Gary Gray leading us all through the many traditions that make the birthday of Robbie Burns the most singular event of the Scottish year.

The ceremony was kicked off with piping from Adam Harvey. Toasts were given by David Graham, Florence Ross, Grahame Pricter, Elizabeth Lewin and Lynne Pricter with the essential 'Address to Haggis' recited by Angus McGregor.

The Mineworkers Pipe Band performed outstanding sets of Scottish tunes and band member Donna Fisher regaled us with a new set of electronic pipes, state of the art with a mellow sound. Clementine Budden, Mikhyla Budden, Scarlet Budden, Keiralea Martin, Cara Gray and Claire Gibbons graced us with some fantastic Highland Dancing.

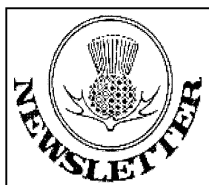
We all joined together for dances of the Gay Gordons, St Bernards Waltz, Pride of Scotia, Strip the Willow and many more, as well as, for the singing of 'Scots Wha Hae' and 'Auld Lang Syne.' A raffle was drawn and many attendees did not leave empty handed.

The entire night was presided over by the superb music of Chris Duncan and the Strutt Sisters.

Special thanks to the committee members and everyone else involved in putting on such a great night!

**By David Graham**

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**Hall Coordinator:**  
Graeme Auchterlonie

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## **Calendar of Events 2016**

**Please note these dates in your diary now**

**Manran 19th March tickets \$25 Tickets  
\$25 from Carole 0249293912  
at Adamstown Uniting Church**

**Bundanoon is Brigadoon 9th April**

**Member Social Evening 13th April at the Hall**

**Glen Innes Australian Celtic Festival  
26th April – 1st May**

**Berry Celtic festival 28th May**

**Bonnie Wingham Festival 27-28th May**

**Member's Social Night 8th June at the hall**

**Soup and Damper 26th June at the Hall**



***If transport to HVSC events is a problem for you, please  
don't hesitate to contact us and we will endeavour to  
arrange some assistance for you***

**For information on these and other Scottish events see the HVSC web  
page and follow the "What's On" link to "Other Scottish Events."**



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### OTHER SCOTTISH ACTIVITIES

*If you attend an activity it would be great to have some photos and a brief report to pass on to our members in our newsletter*

Watch out for more dates as the Committee works on new ideas and activities.

### Grahame's joke of the Month

Golfer: "That can't be my ball, it's too old."

Scottish Caddie: "It's been a long time since we teed off, sir."

### Christmas Social

Not just Christmas but a chance to congratulate a very happy couple on their wedding!



### Congratulations

Mr and Mrs Pricter



### February Social Evening

Another relaxing evening was held with some great entertainment . Add to that a smashing supper at the end and you have a great evening out. Why not come along ? Its a friendly informal gathering of friends with lots of smiles and a great deal of laughter.

**It's worth it for Grahame's jokes alone!**

### HVSC Club Name or Pin badge

**We are trying to find out if there is still anyone out there who doesn't have a Club lapel badge or a club name badge ?**

**If you would like a replacement or a new badge please Contact our Vice President Grahame for further details**



# Burns Night 2016

Oh what a Nicht !

Photos by Justin Langford [www.facebook.com/click2seephotos](http://www.facebook.com/click2seephotos)



**Robert Burns**

January 25, 1759 – July 21, 1796



Didn't go? Well we hope to see you next year then