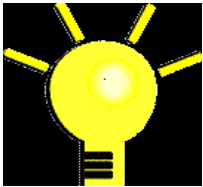


# Hunter Valley Scots Club inc



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Have an idea?  
Maybe a new  
event or place to  
go?  
Then please  
Tell us about it .

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A WEB PAGE  
FOR THE  
CLUB CAN  
BE FOUND  
AT  
[www.hvsc.org.au](http://www.hvsc.org.au)

A belated Happy New Year to all Scots Club Members,

Where has this year gone already? We hope the Christmas New Year period was a peaceful, restful, change of routine for you and you have come into 2019 with new energy and enthusiasm in all aspects of your life.

January is the opportunity for Members and friends to celebrate the life of Robert Burns at the traditional Burns Night, and all the hard work by some people becomes all worthwhile when the evening is well attended by 140 people, and most enjoyable. More about the event next page.

There are a couple of activities we want to remind you of, in February.

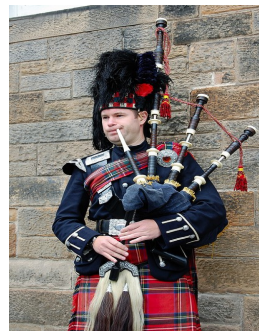
## Club Social Night

Wednesday 13th February  
7 for 7.30pm

Entertainment by Maitland Pipe Band

A relaxed and enjoyable evening followed by Supper and of course,  
the chance for a chat.

All welcome



City of Newcastle RSL Pipe Band

## SUMMER CEILIDH

Featuring Fiddle Tunes Band

Saturday 23rd February 7pm

Kahibah Bowling Club

Tickets \$30

Scottish and Irish music, dancing, raffles, haggis, coin toss etc

Light supper

Bookings—[www.trybooking.com/BADKQ](http://www.trybooking.com/BADKQ)



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Thanks to all involved in organising the evening, Club Macquarie staff, MC Grahame, Dance callers Angus and Ros, Shirley Keating for calling the dances

RSCDS entertained the attendees with 3 brackets of country dance



The Mineworkers Pipe Band as usual provided entertainment and music for some of the dances eg Strip the Willow. It was interesting that at one stage they introduced a guitar into the band playing a couple of tunes such as Over the Sea to Skye



Angus McGregor proposing the toast to the Immortal Memory.

I am sorry that there was no photo of the Toast to the Haggis by Robert Findley or of Kaye Fraser, Mayor LMCC, for the Town in Which We Bide.

See HVSC Facebook page for more photos



Enya, Clare, Kirralee, Eleni, Scarlett demonstrated their skills with Highland Dancing. Adam Harvey the Club Piper was the accompaniment for the dancers



Charles Cook gave a humorous Toast to the Lassies with Kerry Cook responding with the Toast to the Laddies in a similar style.

Charles also gave us a run down on the new tartan for the Upper Hunter (see over)

**St Andrew's Day Service 2018**

This commemorative service was held at The Willows at Warners Bay last November. The service was led by Kenneth Brown, with his good Scottish accent and tales of Scotland. The people of the church were very welcoming with morning tea afterwards.

Kenneth was unfortunately not able to attend the Burns Night but keen to have the St Andrew's Day service at Warners Bay again in 2019.



## Bringing the Threads Together

### The Upper Hunter Tartan

#### Considerations for a Tartan for the Upper Hunter.

The Upper Hunter Region, hereafter denominated “the Region”, should be considered for the striking of a District/Commemorative Tartan with the following considerations taken into consideration,

1. The tartan to be known as “The Upper Hunter tartan”.
2. The Region to take in the area from Singleton north to Murrurundi, west to Merriwa and Cassilis and south to Denman. This is based loosely upon the Upper Hunter, Muswellbrook and Singleton local government areas.

#### Basis of the Tartan.

**Under Check** The **Under Check** is the main component of the tartan pattern. This is formed by the larger areas of colour that underlie the **Over Check** of the smaller lines and bands.

In this case the Under Check for this tartan is based on Campbell of Breadalbane. The region has had a connection with the M. Campbell & Co. stores based in the Upper Hunter Valley in the towns of Scone, Aberdeen, Rouchel, Muswellbrook, Merriwa and Denman dating back to the late 1800's.

**Green** To represent the rich alluvial lands where lucerne abounds supporting the Dairy, Beef and Equine industries.

**Blue** The waters of the Hunter and Goulburn River Valleys, including Lake Glenbawn and Lake Liddell, providing the life blood for all those living in the region. It also represents the waters of the seas and oceans that have bought people with skills, machinery, livestock and supplies to weave new beginnings.

**Over Check** The **Over Check** breaks up the **Under Check** pattern. It is made up of a series of thinner stripes that modify the broader swathes of colour.

**White** For the milk and cream that flowed throughout the Valley to the Aberdeen Butter Factory, the Muswellbrook Milk Factory and the Singleton Cheese factory.

**Black** To represent the black coal seams that underlay the Hunter Valley.

**Purple** To represent the grapes from the vines of the viticultural industry. It also represents the lucerne flowers and the thistle head from the Aberdeen Thistle brand Butter.

**Yellow** For the golden cereal and canola crops as well as the golden wool clips produced in the Valley.

**Red** As a token of the blood shed by the Light Horseman of the Upper Hunter and of their horses in WW1.

# WHAT'S ON?

## 2019

**Committee Meetings**— first Tuesday of each month. We always welcome ideas, suggestions etc. **We are seeking two more committee members as two have left the district.** Please consider being coopted. You would be most welcome!

### SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

13 February	Club Social Night
10 April	Club Social Night
26 May	Soup and Damper lunch
12 June	Club Social Night
20 July	Caledonian night
14 August	Club Social Night
15 September	AGM and BBQ
9 October	Club Social Night
1 December	St Andrew's Day Service
11 December	Christmas Social Night

**Applications for Scholarships close 31/3/19**

### Other Celtic Activities 2019

Easter at Maclean Scottish Festival 19,20 April

Bundanoon Highland Gathering 6 April 2019

Australian Celtic Festival Glen Innes 2-5 May 2019

Berry Celtic Festival 25 May 2019

Bonnie Wingham 26 May-2 June 2019

Aberdeen Highland Gathering 6 July 2018

Scottish Week 14-18 June

Maitland Tattoo ?July

Clans on the Coast, Nelson Bay 21 September 2019

Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 17-19 October ANZ Stadium Sydney

Central Coast Spectacular?

**BURNS NIGHT 2020**—1 February 2020