



Ethosian Edition

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From the East

WM Bro John Kicenko

With only 2 more meetings to go it seems as if the year has passed so quickly, it has been a wonderful experience to be the Master of Ethos .I would also like to extend my congratulations to W Bro Higgs who will be succeeding me in the Chair of Lodge Ethos.

This month, slightly breaking from the tradition of having the PM's night ahead of the Installation, I will be raising Bro Ken Rowland, who has certainly made an impression on all of us during his year working his way through the ranks, and I hope that you all will be on hand as Ken takes his next step.

As I mentioned at the last meeting, we are reviewing the charity payments that are made by the Lodge from your dues, this month you will see a notice of motion in the summons, please consider this with great care, as I believe the change will provide the most efficient and effective use of your money to those in need it will be applied.

- WM

From the West

W Bro Phil Higgs

Thanks to all the Brethren who have accepted the nominations for office next year, I am certainly going to be working on the excellent work over the past years, to ensure our members, particularly our new Brethren, continue to find enjoyment and have the opportunity to develop both personally as well as Masonically.

This month I hope you will assist the WM in his fraternal visit to Jerrabomberra Daylight Lodge's Installation. Our own Bro Brian Wells will be installed into the Chair and I know he is looking forward to having as many of his Ethos' Brethren on hand as is possible.

We also are roistered to 'Feed the Needy' on Sunday 13 September I hope you can assist the WM on this evening.

Finally Bro Craig Revell, and the 20Twenty Masons in association with Lodge Capitol have arranged to hold a Open Lodge Night, where interested men and their partners can come into the Queanbeyan Masonic Centre to find out more about the Craft, I hope some of the Brethren are able to attend that night to support Bro Revell. -SW

From the South

W Bro Tom Farthing

My thanks to W Bro Bill McVie for being JW whilst I was in warmer clime's. The current system of bringing a plate of sandwiches to our meetings is working out really well, sometimes too well !, and I thank all the Brethren for their contributions. - JW

The Good Ship Ethos' 2009-10 Crew Announced

Augusts' Regular Meeting saw the election of the Officers for the ensuing 12 months, With Captain Phil (pronounced 'Fhull') Higgs, selecting a crack team of Brethren to lead the Lodge into the New Masonic Year.

WM – W Bro Phil Higgs
SW - VWor Bro D. Kenyon PDGIW
DC - VW Bro Hugh Davies
Sec - W Bro Greg Scott-Pacey
SD - VW Bro Bruce Davey
IG - Bro Norman Ivory
DoM- W Bro Bill McVie
Stewards – W Bro Rudi Koch + a rotation of Past Masters
Caring Officers - VW Bro Arthur Riley (North) W Bro Gordon Tunks (South)
Auditors – To be Advised
Membership Officer – Bro Craig Revell
Education Officer – VW Bro Hugh Davies

IPM - W Bro John Kicencko
JW - Bro Craig Revell
Chaplin – W Bro Gordon Tunks
Tres – W Bro John Kicencko
JD – Bro Michael Green
OG - Bro Ken Rowland OAM*
Organist - RWBro H. Holt OAM

*Pending the successful completion of his 3rd degree this month.

Visit to Lodge Horizons – Bro Craig Revell

On Thursday August 27, I had the opportunity to visit Lodge Horizons # 1032. This Lodge was consecrated on 16th October 2003 as a Lodge with a Younger Membership base. Lodge Horizons was the first Lodge in NSW to receive accreditation as a Lodge of Excellence. One of the major differences between Horizons and Ethos is the fact that the members meet in Business Suits which, I have to admit as I walked across the city to the SMC, made me feel more like a Mormon than a Mason.

However, as soon as the Lodge was tyled you could tell that the passion and love of Freemasonry was alive and well. The attendance was just over 30 with Visitors and VW Bro Anthony Picone (IPM and a founding member of the Lodge) filling in for the absent WM. The Work of the evening, being a Triple 3rd Degree, was a flawless performance on each occasion. One other absent Brother had been listed to do the Working Tools but had unfortunately not realized this until the DC went to pick him up. Following an amusing moment when the WM and DGIW had a light hearted argument over who would substitute, the DGIW VW Bro Tony Piggott, not believing it was below his station, performed a perfect rendition of the charge. Two of the Brethren being raised were fortunate to have their Fathers in attendance from Queensland and Albury, of which one was invited to act as IPM.

The South was held in one of the Function Rooms on the ground floor of the SMC at \$30 per head for the two course meal and drinks. While expensive by our current festive board standards, the quality of the food was first class.

The atmosphere of the Meeting was as pleasant as any I have attended, and I recommend that if you have fears of Accreditation taking the fun out of the meetings and the Craft, you pay a visit to Lodge Horizons as I am sure your fears will be well and truly alleviated. I can also say that with the quality of our members and the work we perform I believe

that obtaining Accreditation as a Lodge of Excellence is well within the capabilities of Lodge Ethos.

Letter from the Ethos Award Winner – Jessica Swan

Monday, 2nd February 2009

Jessica Swan

Address Withheld

To the members of Lodge Ethos No. 926,

My name is Jessica Swan and I recently graduated from Wanniasa School. I am writing to sincerely thank you for presenting me with the *Masonic Award for Excellence* and for your generous donation of a \$200 book voucher. I am dedicated to my education and am very interested in writing. The book voucher has enabled me to purchase literature of various types, which I hope will improve my writing abilities.

I am currently enrolled at Erindale College where, among other things, I hope to complete a major in psychology and a double major in English. I am interested in studying psychology at university in the future. Your award has given me further motivation to work hard and reach my academic goals.

I thank you again for participating in the award and for taking an interest in the young people of our community. Your contribution has provided me with valuable learning opportunities and I hope that you will continue to support Wanniasa and other schools in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Jessica Swan



Swing Back to Swing Bash!

A Fun Filled & Frivolous Bash for All

Burns Club, Kett St, Kambah

Saturday 17 October 2009

At 7 for 7:30pm

\$50 each

Featuring: The Blamey Street Conexion

3 Course Gourmet Meal – Dress Neat Casual - Lucky Door Prizes – Competitions - Drinks at Bar Prices

Tickets are now available please contact Bro Craig Revell.

Ethos Calendar

| Date | Event | Birthday |
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| Wed- 9-Sep | Management Meeting 6 pm Rehearsal 7pm | |
| Sun- 13-Sep | Feeding the Needy Griffin Centre 4pm | |
| Wed- 16-Sep | Regular Meeting Set Up 6 pm Tyle 7 pm | Raising of Bro Ken Rowland |
| Sat- 19-Sep | Fraternal Visit Jerrabomberra Daylight Lodge Installation Bro Brian Wells to be Installed into the Chair Ethos brethren will be assisting as stewards Tyle 10 am Visitors 10:30 am GL 11 am | |
| Mon- 21-Sep | Lodge Open Night Lodge Capital regular meeting Ladies and Friends Ethosian's are encouraged to invite friends who may be interested in joining the Craft along. Please Contact Bro Craig Revell for more details and to book for the Dinner in the South. | |

Please note the Regular Meetings of Lodge Ethos will be held in the amenities room at the Holt Homes, Powell Street, Holt.

Please note the new contact details for Lodge Ethos
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