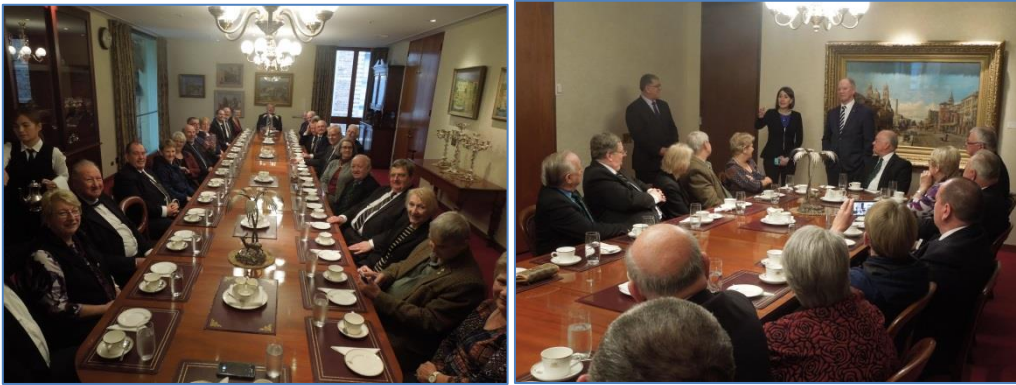


Supreme Council Meeting June 2017

Once again June saw the gathering in Sydney of members of the Supreme Council 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Rite for Australia, for its annual meeting and associated activities.

A cocktail party brought the SC members and their partners together on the Monday night and the formal meeting commenced in the Board Room of the Sydney Masonic Club early Tuesday morning. After a long and productive day of deliberation the SC members and their partners gathered for a private dinner in the Club's magnificently decorated Adam room.

On Wednesday after a short session, SC members were joined by other members of the Rite and attended the Prince Edward Stuart Council No 45 meeting in the SMC. Some 80 members in attendance saw the Installation of Ill. Bro Eric Okely, 30° as the new Grand Commander of the Council and a demonstration of the 19° performed by members of the Holden Chapter of Improvement.



Afternoon Tea in the President's Dining Room

Welcome by the NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian MP

After an excellent luncheon a group of local and interstate members and wives attended a guided tour of the NSW Parliament house, led by Andrew Fraser MP and we were then into the Presidents Dining Room for afternoon tea as guests of the President of the Legislative Council, the Hon John Ajaka MLC. To our great surprise the NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian MP took time out of her busy schedule to join our group and welcome everyone. As this was the day after the NSW budget was handed down it was a busy day for the Premier and Member of Parliament.



Supreme Council 2017-2018
(Col Mander missing from this photo)

The SGC Investing the PSGC with his new Chain

Thursday gave members of our Rite the opportunity to meet Members of Supreme Council and have question answered. NSW members took the previous nights defeat of our magnificent Blues by the Maroons in their stride but there was some tension in the room.



SGC with German & Mauritian SC Members



SGC Investing RC Region 3



SGC investing the LGC

Five members of the order were promoted to the thirty third degree that night and commenced a 5 year term of office as District Commanders in their Districts. Kevin Allen in NSW Hunter Valley, Nick Scott in NSW Sydney West, Don Huskinson in Qld Darling Downs and Western, Allan McIntyre Vic Sunraysia and Randall Borg Qld Central. We then saw M.:P.: Bro Ian Tilbury install M.:P.: Bro EM. Prof. Bill Thompson as the new Sovereign Grand Commander for the next three years. Bill will be the first Victorian to be Sovereign Grand Commander for our AASR Aust. Bill invested V.:P.: Bro Bill Morgan (Tasmania) as his Lieutenant Grand Commander and M.: Ill.: Bro Garry Mauger as the new Regional Commander for Victoria (Region 3). Other members of Supreme Council were invested in new roles.



SGC & Randall Borg SGC



SGC & Nick Scott



SGC, G Summerhayes & Kevin Allen



SGC & Allan McIntyre



SGC & Randall Borg

The ladies also enjoyed events during the week. Wednesday was the high tea luncheon, Thursday night dinner at City Tattersall and a shopping trip to Birkenhead Point on Friday.

The Friday night Gala Dinner in Sydney Masonic Clubs Historic Cellos Restaurant ended our week of activities on a festive note and featured two great entertainers, E&P Bro Daniel Rojas on piano accompanying a great vocalist Ms Narelle Yeo who noted both her Grandfathers were Freemasons. Magnificent entertainment and a great night was had by all.



Our Entertainers: Daniel Rojas & Narelle Yeo



AASR Aust Gala Dinner 2017