

From Under the Eastern Star

Mount Pleasant Lodge Newsletter

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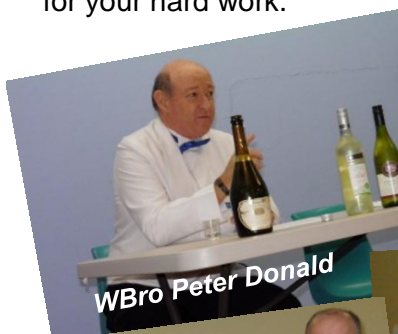
Welcome,

Hello everyone, I hope you are all well. It has been an interesting month with Mt Pleasant being represented in two different functions on the same day – twice during the month. But all-in-all it has been a good time and Mt Pleasant has been well represented within our fraternity.

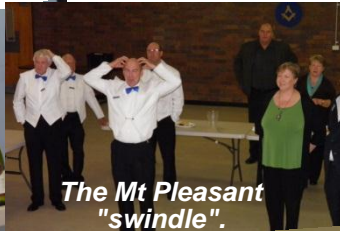
Our Open Night went off well with a few interested people present including Mr Leon Tangué, father of one of our recently new members, Bro Michael Tangué; and Kevin & Stephanie Berry, friends of our IPM, WBro Lindsay David. Also present from Duke of Leinster Lodge were WBro Stan Rawlings with a new initiate, Bro Neil Herdegen. RWBro Harold Littler presented an informative talk about freemasonry in the lodge room which was followed by a stand-up supper and a wine tasting in the supper room, organised and presented by WBros Trevor Green and Peter Donald. Thank you brethren for your hard work.



RWBro Harold Littler gives a short talk about Freemasonry to interested guests and brethren in the lodge room.



WBro Peter Donald



The Mt Pleasant "swindle".



Wor Master with Bro Chris Eades



Bros Stuart Watson and Cameron Donald



Kevin & Stephanie Berry with WBro Lindsay David



Leon Tangué with WBro Geoff Mauger & Bro Rod Lancashire



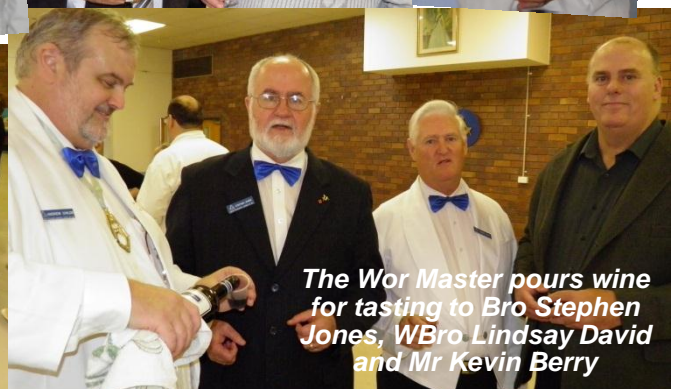
Brethren from Duke of Leinster Lodge



WBro Trevor Green



WBro Peter Donald talks about one of the wines selected for tasting.



The Wor Master pours wine for tasting to Bro Stephen Jones, WBro Lindsay David and Mr Kevin Berry

We had our 3rd Lodge Management Committee meeting at my residence on the 07 May and the minutes from the meeting will be sent with the minutes and notice pack for June.

We are fast approaching the end of my term as Master of Mt Pleasant and looking towards electing our next Worshipful Master at our June meeting. So our efforts from this point onward start to focus on supporting the, soon to be, Master (Elect) and making sure that we prepare him for his big day in August and that includes visiting with a view to getting lots of visitors to attend.

Out and About/Visitations

Again thank you to the brethren who have been out and about and have joined me on the visits this month. I attended the Sunnybank Jobs Daughter Bethel Installation on Saturday 11 June. The JD installations are much shorter than they used to be and the new Honoured Queen is so small she actually looked like Tinker Bell the fairy including the dress she wore afterwards. It was an excellent evening and I hope we will see some of the young ladies at our July meeting which is now set to be a Youth night. Well the 18 May began a 2 week period where we were stretched to a number of venues on the same day. First of the day was the Installation of RW Bro Norm Wesner at Woodford Lodge. A fine group joined us in the lovely village for Norm to take the Chair of King Solomon once again and it was a grand affair in a small but very welcoming Masonic Centre. Interesting snippet here when they hold their first meeting in June the east will be decorated by a Wesner trio, Dad in the chair as WM, eldest Son Peter to his right as AGSW and younger son Brad as IPM – that deserves a photo or two for the next Freemason magazine. A special thanks to those who went with me to Woodford and who stayed on to enjoy the festive while I did a reasonable impression of a F1 driver to get back to Stones Corner for my next visit that evening.

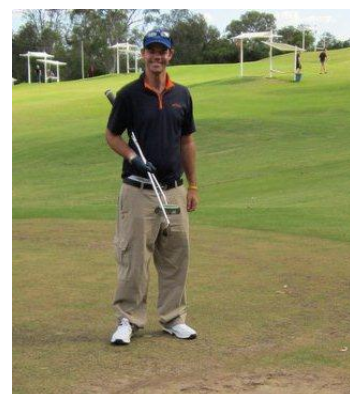


Before we realised that the Woodford Installation was on this day I had made arrangements with my old friend WBro Ian Milne from Sunnybank Lodge to have Bro Stephen Jones join them for his First Degree Tracing Board. This went well despite Sunnybank being down on numbers and we had an enjoyable night. Unfortunately the photo I thought we took on the night seems to have vanished. The second week of double visits happened on the 25 May when we were invited to attend the elevation of Bro Stephen Jones' wife Heather to the position of Grand Royal Matron Queensland in the Order of the Amaranth. Congratulations Heather, hope it is a wonderful term for you. Special thanks to the team who went to join Bro Stephen and Heather's son (our Bro Stuart Watson) for this special afternoon. And then we come to Theodore Unmack Lodge and the Installation of Bro James Apel. Well a stranger series of incidents I have never heard and but for the fact of being part of them may have found it hard to believe. Did you ever believe in pre-cognition? Bro Gareth forgot what time the install was and when he realised the time it was too late to attend. Bro Rodney Lancashire was too sick to attend. And WM Andrew got to the Installation, made it to the opening of the 3rd degree and promptly fell ill and had to ask permission to leave and go home. Hence the visit to Theodore Unmack this month (besides it being a 2nd degree).

What a month!

Social Activities

Our latest function was a game of Pitch 'n' Putt at the Oxley Pitch 'n' Putt Park at Clivedon Ave, Oxley. Well we only got 8 players for our golf day (7 members of our lodge and my friend Stephen) but we still had a fun time with two groups playing the 18 hole Par 3 course at Corinda. 2 players who hadn't played before (Gareth Pethig & Michael Tanguie) seemed to have a fun afternoon as Trevor Green and Peter Donald gave them some tutoring along the way.



Upcoming Events

Our next outing is our last Breakfast in the Park for my term and it will be at the Robelle Domain at Springfield (near the University Campus) on Sunday, 16 June at 8 am. We will send a map out to show you how to get

there. We are approaching our annual Charity Dinner again in August (Saturday 03 August) and while the cost may be a little high for some it is a Charity Dinner and the Management Committee agreed to proceed with the dinner this year but we will consider other dinner opportunities next year as well. Cost is expected to be \$110 pp for the evening (excluding drinks) and Bro Greg Egan has agreed to present a History of the United Services Club which should be interesting for those who like historical lectures. A flyer will be sent out soon.

Please let me know if you are going somewhere for a visit, if I can make it I will happily join you.

Remember, if you are unwell, then we hope you are recovering quickly and please call the Almoner to let him know how you are doing so we can all be alert to your circumstances.

Fraternal regards,

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Almoner's Report

Our sick list is slowly getting smaller but I hope those of you who are unwell do recover very soon. Special mention to those who have been suffering a dose of the Flu (blame Rod Lancashire) and to our long suffering Mike Mifsud who is home and under the tender care of his lovely lady. Mike is on the mend slowly and is telling me he is ready to do the 2nd degree this month – he hopes – be good to see you back Mike.

WBro Cedric Murray is still having some trouble with his back muscles.

Bro. Michael Mifsud has returned home, but is unable to get out much as he is still on a drip and a nurse calls daily to check his dressings.

WBro. Greg Gabb is getting over his recent heart attack and is having regular check-ups.

Bro Jeff Brown now has 20/20 vision with his new spectacles, but is experiencing trouble with his knees and legs.

WBro Peter Hassall has moved to Springfield and is developing arthritis in his hip.

Brethren, please refer to the website for the latest information on all upcoming events and visitations. This will be kept up-to-date with any changes, additions, etc. If you are unsure, please give me a call.

Events and Visitations List

(View on the website: <http://www.mpl361.org.au>)

Mon 10 June - 7.30pm	Camp Hill Lodge – 2nd Degree	Stones Corner Masonic Centre
Thur 13 June - 7.30pm	Theodore Unmack Lodge – 2nd Degree	Stones Corner Masonic Centre
Thur 20 June - 7.30pm	Mt Pleasant Lodge – practice meeting (2nd Degree)	Stones Corner Masonic Centre
Sat 22 June – (time tbc)	Kianawah Lodge - Installation	Wynnum Masonic Centre
Thur 27 June - 7.30pm	Mt Pleasant Lodge – 2nd Degree – Bro Peter Matic	Stones Corner Masonic Centre
Sat 29 June – 5:00pm	Tynwald Lodge - Installation	Sandgate Masonic Centre

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