

parentage. Trained as a Priest, his sister a Nun, saw the error of his ways and married a Scots woman who was a Methodist. He eatada sausage, drinkada Vino and makada nine bambinos. Amongst these were two sons, Charlie and Maurice (Duke), who became Masters of this Lodge. Now Duke, he marry Signora Luke, they eatada sausage and drinkada Vino and makada four bambinos. One of these was Daisy, she marry Victor (a member of the other branch of the Delmenico family). They eatada sausage and drinkada Vino and makada five bambinos. Two boys Frank (initiated at Mackenzie) and Terry (initiated at MacKenzie and a current member), also three daughters one being Patsy. Now Patsy she marry Edwin, they eatada sausage, drinkada Vino and have four bambinos, their son Peter our current Master. He marry Renee, eatada sausage, drinkada Vino and have Three bambinos Robert, Samantha and Matthew. Now I ask you, what possible hope, have those that don't stem from this family and eatada sausage and drinkada Vino? BELLISIMA.

4 Now the reason for a Garibaldi Night. When Duke was in the Masters chair Seventy Five years ago, it was his turn to put on a ladies night. His good lady was too retiring a person to play hostess and so jacked up on him; So Duke, being nothing of a loath, then put it to the Lodge that they have a Haggis night (we had one of them a while ago, heaven help us), for reasons not revealed, this did not come off, so Duke promptly said then we will have an Italian Night, this was duly done and the supper in the south consisted of Bull Boar sausage, Bread Rolls and Vino (Claret), and I believe nothing but "Burp, Burp".

Later to this menu was added by Daisy Delmenico (Duke Daughter) Bull Boar Sausage Rolls and is still continued today in that fine Delmenico tradition made by her Grandson Peter Thompson.

The story of the Bull Boar is not complete without the telling of the old yarn which is attributed to the late Very Esteemed Harry Robinson, who used to relate it every year.

It concerns a very hen pecked Visiting Brother to a Garibaldi Night, who on his return home in the wee small hours was challenged by his wife when he knocked at the door to be let in "You have been drinking". "No dear I have not" said he, "well breathe through the keyhole so I can tell" - PAUSE- "I said breathe you filthy swine"!!

So from humble begins, the Bull Boar, The Vino and the founding families. We still enjoy and are proud of this history on our Seventy Fifth Night. But there is still only one condition and two warnings of the Bull Boar.

The condition is that when you go home and recount tomorrow morning to others, you will be able to give them a small sample to add authenticity to your story (by the persistent perfume).

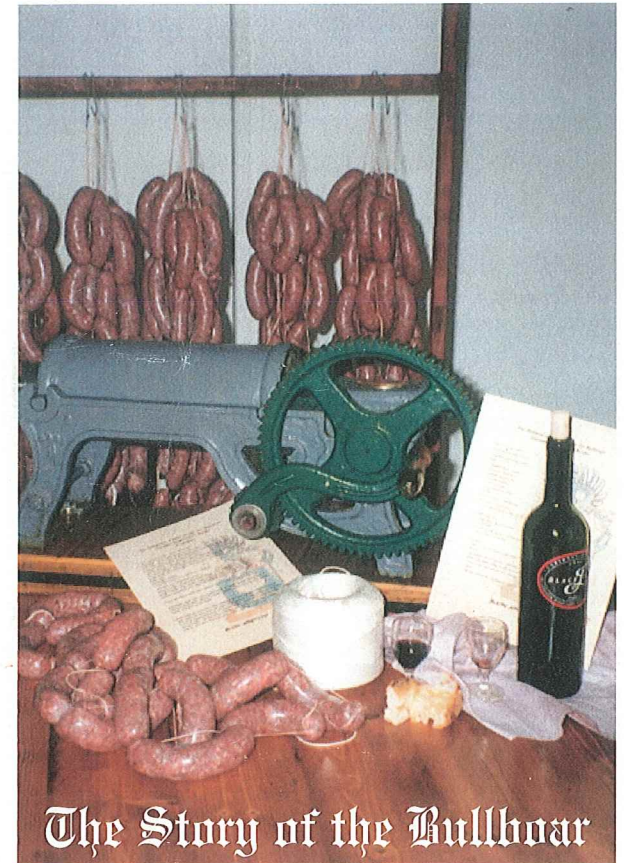
The warnings, watch out for the breathalyser boys, it would not be fair to them, they would be totally mystified!! The other to watch out for the bambinos.

'BON APPETIT'



Morris "Duke" Vivian Delmenico

Mackenzie Lodge No. 15 Garibaldi Night 75th Anniversary



The Story of the Bullboar

as told by
the Late Bro. Geoff Beeforth
Rewritten by Wor. Bro. Peter Thompson

Garibaldi Night
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It is a most extraordinary thing that a small Country Lodge born 145 years ago of the English Constitution, named after a noted Scots mason and Philanthropist in due course to transfer to the then newly formed Victorian Constitution already noted because of the claim to having the smallest Temple in the state; and now literally famous because of a Sausage ... which reeks to the high heaven, tastes like nothing on earth, and makes you 'Burp' and pass wind.

To cap it all off on many occasions Grand Lodge representatives have seen fit to come along and pay it homage!! Could this be because of its reputed aphrodisiac qualities ??

That all good things have small beginnings is a well known saying. Well, exactly Seventy Five years ago, in the Temple there were sixteen members present, no visitors. 'Perhaps others had heard a whisper as to what was going to happen and were too frightened to attend'??

The work done was to pass Bro. O'Meara. Of those present twenty five per cent were of Swiss Italian early settlers. 2 Delmenico's, Gervasoni & Sartori. Amongst the other names were Mein, Atkin, Ashburn and Birkin who was Organist. The Secretary was G. Jenkins. The average attendance at the Lodge at this time was about 26 members and up to half a dozen visitors.

Having regard to the fact that the Lodge membership at this time was about 36, and travel was a bit of a problem, this attendance was in fact very good. Some interesting facts about this time were that capitation fees were only 2/6.

There is also a reference, on the minutes, before the turn of the 20th century, to a Garibaldi Memorial Fund.

In order to provide the full background of the reasons for the introduction of the Garibaldi Night, Four headings need to be considered.

1. Garibaldi
2. The Sausage
3. The Early Families
4. The Reasons for the First Night

1 Garibaldi was born the son of a fisherman in 1807 and died in 1882. Self educated, a born leader who became a national hero. Was dedicated to liberating Italy from domination by Austria and a number of tyrannical Princes and Dukes (many of whom had difficulty with their parentage), and amongst whom the country was divided and severely downtrodden. He was a prisoner of State twice and under sentence of death. He made his escape to America, became a Mason of note, rising to the 33rd Degree, in the Scottish Rite. After 14 years he returned to Sicily, established a base and carried on with the work of liberation. His mission was completed, however Garibaldi died from natural causes before being able to see the fruits of his efforts.

I understand that Garibaldi did get to Australia, I have not, however researched this. During the troublous days there were quite naturally many political refugees. About 1854 Garibaldi arranged the escape of many, amongst whom were two families of Delmenico's, Gervasoni, Sartori, Saligari, and three years later Passalaqua's, later still Tognolini's. these all settled around Guildford and Yandoit, where some became self sufficient farmers whilst others interested themselves in mining, which commenced in Guildford in about 1851. most of these early homes they built themselves, one noteworthy is the original Gervasoni home at Yandoit. A huge double storey stone structure with an upper storey balcony in the true Italian style. A huge kitchen fireplace that could take an 8 foot log. It had an interesting "dunny" with the seats at three different heights and with appropriate sized holes. All built side by side, so that three members of the family could sit side by side according to size and age.

Locally grown amongst other things in those days were grapes and Yandoit became famous for its Italian VIno considered a most potent brew!

2 Now concerning the "Sausage". In the possession of those families was a recipe, a closely guarded secret. You can buy in this district a

so called Bull Boar Sausage. This, however is not within a "Bulls Roar" of the genuine article. It seems to have come about this way:- Signora Delmenico says "We makada sausage", Gervasoni says "I givada bull", Sartori says "I givada boar", Passalaqua says "I givada VIno", Tognolini says "I givada Garlic".

And so the sausage is made. The stink, whew?! No flies. No mossies. It is stuffed into sheeps guts and hung in festoons from the kitchen ceilings, to mature and dry. "MAGNIFICO".

3 Now about these families:- of these and their descendants, relations etc about 35 are or have been members of the MacKenzie Lodge. Of these 12 had become Masters including are current Master Peter Thompson (Great Grandson of Morris Vivian "Duke" Delmenico who was the Master and Founder of the First Garibaldi Night).

- 1917 C. Delmenico
- 1927 M.V. Delmenico
- 1929 A. Gervasoni
- 1933 C. Sartori
- 1956 N. Stewart
- 1957 S.L. Stewart
- 1961 W. Nicholls
- 1963 R. Passalaqua
- 1973 E.J. Thompson
- 1975 V. Pollard
- 1976 E. Tognolini
- 1990 P.J. Thompson
- 2002 P.J. Thompson

Other names to mention are:- Milnes, Doolan, Weston, Rhodes, Luke (who was initiated by Duke Delmenico late in his year as Master). Other relatives of these early settlers have been Members of MacKenzie. Such as Sheehan, Norris, Cook.

It is also a fact that many several of these members were initiated on a Garibaldi Night, either a happy choice or coincidence. Now I have to deal in particular with the Delmenico's, for the reason that one of them was the founder of this great night.

Joseph Delmenico arrived with the first lot of migrants at the age of 19 in the year 1854, of Swiss