



*The Order of Australia Association
Queensland Branch*

&

The Victoria League Brisbane for Commonwealth Friendship



2021 Gala "Black Tie" Queen's Birthday Dinner



*Monday 14 June
2021*

*The Grand Ballroom,
Tattersall's Club,
Brisbane*

Order of Proceedings



QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY GALA DINNER
14.06.21

Brief outline of Proceedings for this evening

Our Master of Ceremonies is DINA BROWNE AO

- Following "drinks and Hors d'oeuvres and when we are seated our MC will welcome us, note apologies, acknowledge VIPs, acknowledge Entertainers and acknowledge Traditional Custodians of the land here.
- We will then sing the first verse of "Advance Australia Fair".
- The Loyal Toast will be proposed by Noela O'Donnell AM
- We will then sing "God Save the Queen".
- We will be entertained by our trio, Elizabeth, Elizabeth and Emma with Harry on Guitar.
- Grace will be said by Royce Voss OAM.
- Then we enjoy the Main Course of our dinner.
- After meal, William Willcocks, Chairman Victoria League Brisbane will address us.
- Dr Gary Bacon AM Chairman of the Q'ld Branch of the Order of Australia Association will address us and then introduce our Guest Speaker.
- **Our Guest speaker Dr Denver Beanland AM will then present his address.**
- MC, Dina Browne AO will thank our Guest Speaker and make presentations.
- We will be entertained again by our trio, Elizabeth, Elizabeth and Emma with Harry on Guitar.
- Marjorie Voss OAM will thank Vocalists and Guitarist, our MC and the Tattersalls Club staff.
- MC will close formal proceedings.
- Dessert, tea and coffee will be served.
- Now is a good time to say hello to friends on other tables before departing. No hurry.



Drinks on Arrival



Faces in the Crowd

One third of the 120 guests in attendance





Our Entertainers for the night singing Colonial songs – “The Three Es plus Harry” from L-R Harry Jans; Emma Hambleton; Elizabeth Hambleton and Elizabeth Wheeler



Guest speaker, Dr Denver Beanland AM (left) being presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from Dina Browne AO, the evening's MC.

Abstract of speech given on 14 June 2021: “The Queen’s Land: Queensland”

By Dr Denver Beanland AM

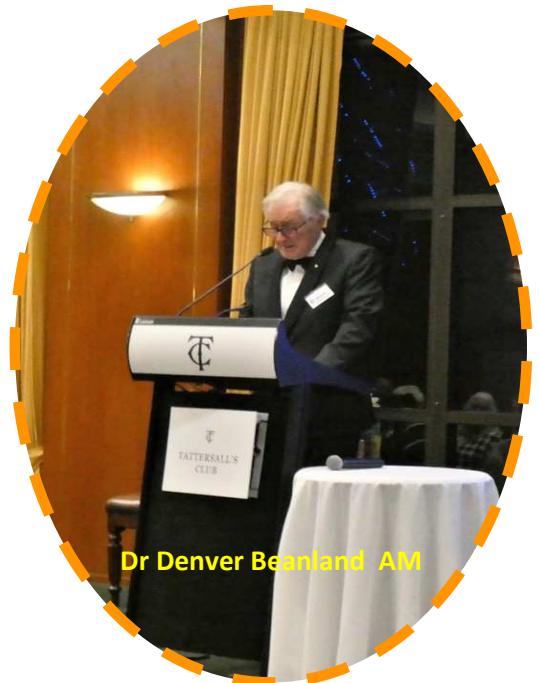
The paper is about the ‘Queen’s Land’ that is two words ‘Queen’s Land’ as it was first written by Queen Victoria. Secretary of State for the Colonies, Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton amended it to one word ‘Queensland’.

Over the 10 years from 1849 there would be a revolution in British colonial policy. It affected all aspects of Queensland’s future, particularly its constitution and functioning as a colony. Following demands by colonists, the British Imperial parliament gave representative responsible self-government to New South Wales and Victoria in 1855. However, Queensland had to wait until 6 June 1859 for the Letters Patent and Order in Council to be signed by Queen Victoria and then on 10 December 1859 separation from New South Wales occurred.

Queensland, unlike other Australian colonies, was given under its Constitution representative and responsible self-government from its establishment. Other Australian colonies began as Crown colonies governed by a Governor appointed by the British Crown, without responsible self-government. Although with responsible government the colonies were given power over most of their internal affairs, they did not have power over foreign affairs and defence, which were reserved for the British Imperial government.

Although Queensland wanted separation, New South Wales politicians were not yet beaten and in a devious act in 1854 established a government post at Port Curtis. They wanted the new colony to be North of the 26th parallel of south latitude, which is roughly North of present-day Gympie. To give the project further impetus they named the new town Gladstone, after William Gladstone, later British Prime Minister, which they planned to be the new colony’s capital.

Queensland’s population in December 1859 was estimated at roughly 23,000 compared to New South Wales 327,000 and Victoria 521,000.



Dr Denver Beanland AM



Dr Beanland AM addressing the gathering



Our Singing Group's evening repertoire



Eye fillet steak –medium rare, parmesan mash, buttered beans, field mushroom, red wine pan jus (GF)

Memorable Fare



Grilled Macadamia Crusted Barramundi, Lemon potato, beurre blanc, steamed red Cabbage, green beans (GF)



Peach frangipani tart, vanilla Mascarpone, toasted almond Flake.



Blueberry New York style cheesecake, fresh berries



Left – Bill Willcocks, Chairman Victoria League Brisbane addressing the gathering.

Right – Dr Gary Bacon AM Chairman, OAAQ addressing the gathering. ➡



These pictorial highlights have been compiled by Geoff Cowles OAM, Awards and Metro Events Coordinator.