

Burns Nicht Report January 16, 2016

The 25th Annual Burns Nicht dinner was held on Saturday, January 16, 2016 at the Danish Canadian Club with 131 attendees.



The evening started with a performance by Boland Dewsnap, accompanied by Lynne Roberts. entertaining the participants with a number of Scottish fiddle tunes. **John Walker**, our Master of Ceremonies introduced the Head Table followed by members of the **Burns Club Singers** who led the Company in the singing of O Canada and Star of Robbie Burns.

The grace was presented by Marty Gordon after

Jim Osborne recited 'Rantin Rovin Robin'



The Haggis party was led by Piper Ross Barker, with sword bearers Bill Shanks and Steven Campbell accompanying Peter Christensen, who carried the Haggis. The Address was wonderfully delivered by one-time Schiehallion member, **Trevor Ramage**.

Following a terrific meal, serenaded by pianist Chris Gregg,

Jim Little gave the Loyal Toast.



The Fellowship portion of the evening began with President Ed Brown introducing **Ken**

Montgomery of the Medicine Hat Burns Club, a Canadian RBANA Director, who delivered a heartfelt Immortal Memory. We were entertained by soloist Ross Smith accompanied by Chris Gregg. John and **Sylvia Lynn**

offered the Toast to the Lassies and Reply. Ron Pratt entertained us with a recitation of 'Tam O'Shanter' and Ross Barker presented us with a selection of pipe tunes. This year



The Company recited the poem John Barleycorn with a representative of each table providing one verse.

Our Emcee thanked all the participants and the evening concluded with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.



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Pianist throughout dinner and accompanist for singer Ross Smith, **Chris Gregg**,

Fiddler Bo Dewsnap and accompanist Lynne Roberts

