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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Royal Caledonian Society of S.A. Inc. will be held at the Caledonian Hall, 379 King William Street, on Friday 9th August 1963 at 8.00 p.m.

The Chief, Sir A. Lyell McEwin, will preside.

BUSINESS

1. Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting
2. Annual Report
3. Financial Statements
4. Election of Officers

A copy of the Financial Statements, which are to be submitted at the Annual Meeting, appear elsewhere in this Quarterly notice.

As required by Rule 15 of the Constitution, the Chief, one Chieftain, four Directors and the Treasurer will retire from office.

Those to retire on this occasion are Sir A. Lyell McEwin, F. Hislop, D.S. Hogarth, D.R. McCallum, F.C. Martin and L. Niven. All are eligible for re-election. Mr. Justice Hogarth does not seek re-election.

Nominations have been received from the undermentioned to fill the following offices:-

Chief: Sir A. Lyell McEwin
Treasurer: R. K. Murdoch
Director: F. Hislop, A. Leslie, D.R. McCallum, J. McLeay, F.C. Martin, A.R. Nicholls, L. Niven

As the number of nominations for the office of Director exceeds the number of vacancies, a ballot will be necessary. Only Life Members, Honorary Life Members and Ordinary Members who are financial on the day of the election will be entitled to vote.

After the formal business of the meeting, there will be a Social Dance, interspersed with other forms of entertainment, including a display by the Pipe Band.

Ladies are requested to provide supper.

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SOCIAL DANCE

Those who attended the Quarterly Meeting in May last will long remember the social and dance which followed the formal business that evening. The lilting music, the lively dancing and the gay assemblage of members and their friends combined to give the gathering a warm friendly atmosphere, making the function one of the most enjoyable on record.

The question now is whether the social dance to be held on Friday, 9th August, after the annual meeting, will be equally successful. At the moment, everything points in that direction. The Pipe Band will play; the reel party will dance; the orchestra will beat a rhythmic tempo and the master of ceremonies will provide a programme of modern and old style dancing which should appeal to every age group.

Yet, no matter how carefully we lay our plans, success will evade us unless we have a good attendance.

Because we believe in the old adage "The more the merrier", we ask every member to set aside that evening and come along to what we hope will be another thoroughly enjoyable social gathering. A good attendance will ensure success.

You are cordially invited to bring your friends.

There will be no charge for admission.

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Now that the Caledonian year has drawn to a close, it is opportune for us to pay a tribute of appreciation to the social committee for the work it has done in the past twelve months.

As indicated in our previous bulletin, this band of willing workers renders the Society excellent service in many directions. It arranges social evenings, conducts outings, serves tea and biscuits as well as cool drinks and confectionary at the Bairns class and co-operates with Council in managing the Halloween, St. Andrew's Dinner, Debutante Ball, and Queen Competition. All in all, this committee brings a spark of vitality to the more informal social activities of the Society.

A word of praise is due to the lady members, Mrs. S. Stace, Mrs. E. Nicholls, Mrs. M. Treloar and Mrs. A. Kirkaldy. The firstnamed merits special mention because she had rendered yeoman service as secretary and displayed a strong flair for organisation. Other members deserving of congratulations are the chairman R. McLeod, deputy chairman J. Ogs, and committeemen S. Hinze, H. Moule, D. McCallum, A. Leslie and D. Lauder.

As is customary at the end of a social year, the committee will formally go out of office at the Annual meeting. A new committee will be formed to function in the coming year and for this purpose members of the Society - associate, ordinary and honorary - are invited to attend an inaugural meeting at the Caledonian Hall on Tuesday, 27th August at 8.00 p.m.

Here is an opportunity to serve the Society in its many and varied functions and if you can see your way clear to give us the benefit of your advice and practical assistance, we shall be grateful.

Remember the date - Tuesday 27th August at 8.00 p.m.

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CLANSMEN'S BALL

If you are thrilled by the skirl of the pipes, the roll of the drum and the stirring tunes of a pipe band on parade, you will be eager and willing to give practical assistance to our own Caledonian pipe and drum corps in its one big annual appeal for financial support.

This drive culminates in the Clansmen's Ball which is to be held in the Norwood Ballroom, an intimately comfortable rendezvous with modern facilities and amenities which make it ideal for social occasions. A programme of modern, old style and Scottish country dances has been arranged and a first class five-piece dance band has been engaged to play from 8.00 p.m. until midnight.

The pipe band will give a display of counter-marching while playing airs dear to the Scottish heart.

Admission is only fifteen shillings; and this, let it be stressed, includes supper!

Tickets are obtainable from the following sources:

1. The Secretary of the Society, N.T.R. Hardie, 379 King William Street, Telephone 51 5262, 11.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. Monday to Friday, and 8.00 p.m. to 10 p.m. every Saturday.
2. The Band Secretary, E. Gordon, 31 Jackson Terrace, Enfield North; Telephone 62 1639.

3. Band members.
4. Sales attendant, at the door on the evening of the ball.

We suggest you make up your party now and secure your tickets without delay. Bookings should be made with the Band Secretary before 12th August.

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HALLOW'EEN

This year's Halloween will be celebrated at the Norwood Ballroom, The Parade, Norwood, on Friday 25th October. Details will be published in the next issue of the Quarterly notice, about mid-October.

It is expected that the usual practice in regard to procedure and programme will be followed. Bairns will use the floor from 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m., after which hour it will be open to adults for dancing and celebrating in the traditional manner.

A tip-top dance band comprising five players under the baton of Andrew Howarth will play a score of Scottish tunes and the Royal Caledonian Pipe Band under the leadership of Drum Major Malcolm Hattie will give a display of precision marching.

Admission will be by ticket only. Tickets will be issued free of charge to all financial members, life members, honorary life members, their wives and children under 16 years of age. Associate lady members, also, are entitled to free tickets for themselves and their children under 16 years. Free tickets will be available to junior members. Other persons may obtain tickets at 10/- each by applying to the Secretary, between 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. daily, Monday to Friday.

After the early session, finishing at 9.00 p.m., bairns will be entertained at a Halloween party. Ice cream, cool drinks and confectionery will be provided by the Society. Parents are asked to bring along cakes, sandwiches and other delicacies. Last year's party was a great success. We aim to make this year's even better. Much will depend upon the support we receive from mothers and, of course, from the bairns themselves.

The foregoing paragraphs should be regarded as preliminary notice only. Further information will be announced later.

The main points we wish to make now are (1) Halloween will be held at the Norwood Ballroom (not to be confused with the Norwood Town Hall in the same building) on Friday 25th October at 7.30 p.m., (2) there will be a Halloween party for bairns, (3) party fare will be provided in part by the Society, and in the main by parents upon whose generosity and goodwill much of the enjoyment of this festive occasion will depend.

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ST. ANDREW'S DAY DINNER

Here is great news. We have booked the South Australian Hotel, North Terrace, for our next St. Andrew's Day Dinner.

The "South", renowned for the excellence of its service and bill of fare, needs no word of commendation from us apart from a statement that the management, in a spirit of co-operation, will give our St. Andrew's Dinner a distinctive Scottish flavour - the menu, the liqueur, the decor and the music.

Tickets, in the form of official receipts, will be available at two guineas each from the Secretary, after 1st August. Table reservations should be made before 15th November.

Programme details will be announced in the next Quarterly notice.

Early application for tickets is advisable.

ANNUAL REPORT

By the Secretary, N.T.R. Hardie

In accordance with By-law 9, (b), I submit a report on the proceedings of the Society for the past twelve months.

THE CHIEF

Our Worthy Chief - the Hon. Sir A. Lyell McEwin K.B.E., M.L.C. - has been the driving force behind the promotion of traditionally Scottish culture in this State during the past year. His efforts so impressed Scottish organisations in other States that they were pleased to approve of his proposal to hold the Australian Pipe Bands Championships in conjunction with the Highland Games in Adelaide on 4th April next year.

We cannot escape the fact that modern trends are making it difficult for societies such as ours to maintain numerical strength comparable with that of some years back, and it is something to be wondered at that our financial gain for the year just closed is a record. This is attributable to the very substantial contribution which the Queen Competition made to our funds. Sir Lyell and Lady McEwin figured prominently in sponsoring fund raising functions and in contributing to the success of our queen, Miss Mary Hosie, in the competition.

We are fortunate that, in response to a request from the Council, the Chief has agreed to continue in office for a further term.

COUNCIL

In August 1962 Council appointed Mr. R.S. McLeod as a Chieftain.

The Council met on 12 occasions, and attendances were as shown hereunder

Chief 8; Past Chief J. McG. Soutar 9; Chieftain F. Hislop 8;
Chieftain R.S. McLeod 8; Director L. Niven 8; S. Hinze 8; D.R.
McCallum 8; H. Groves 2; E. Gordon 8; J. Pattullo 9; F.C. Martin 12;
D.S. Hogarth 4; Treasurer R.K. Murdoch 9.

Under Rule 15 of the Constitution, the Chief, five Directors and the Treasurer retire from office at the Annual Meeting. To fill the offices thus made vacant, nominations have been received as follows:-

Chief: The Hon. Sir A. Lyell McEwin
Treasurer: R.K. Murdoch
Directors: F. Hislop, A. Leslie, F.C. Martin, D.R. McCallum, J.E. McLeay,
A.R. Nicholls and L. Niven

There being only one nomination for the office of Chief and one for Treasurer, Sir A. Lyell McEwin and Mr. R.K. Murdoch will be elected to the office of Chief and Treasurer respectively at the Annual General Meeting.

As nominations for the office of Director exceed the number of vacancies, it will be necessary to hold an election at the meeting on 9th August. Those eligible to vote are Life Members, Hon. Life Members and Full Members who are financial on the day of the election.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership strength declined from 484 at the beginning of the year to 447 at the close of the year.

FINANCE

Submitted herewith are audited Financial Statements:-

Income and Expenditure Account for 1962/63
Assets and Liabilities as at 30th June 1963
Boys Scholarship Account as at 30th June 1963
Building Improvement Account as at 30th June, 1963

During the year which closed on 30th June 1963 Income exceeded Expenditure to the extent of £584-16-6 as compared with £299-4-10 for the previous year. Income increased from £2180 in 1961/62 to £2609 in 1962/63 due mainly to substantial increases in :-

	<u>1962/63</u>	<u>1961/62</u>
Highland Games Queen Competition	£887	£396
Rent received	£1072	£922

With the following exceptions, Expenditure for 1962/63 varied only slightly from the previous year:-

Hall Expenses: £309 in 1962 against £97 in 1961/62. This is due to the fact that in 1962/63, £205 was spent on maintenance of the kitchen. No maintenance was carried out in 1961/62.

Halloween Ball: Debit balance £58 in 1962/63; credit balance £4 in 1961/62. Less people attended the Ball in the year under review and the Bairns Party, which was held in conjunction with the Ball, added to its cost. £48 was spent on the Bairns Party as a separate function in the previous year.

Lighting & Power: Charges were up £30 on the previous year due to greater use being made of the hall, as reflected in rent received.

Printing & Stationery: Costs were £39 lower.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT: This benefited by the addition of excess income and increased from £9146 to £9731.

BOYS SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT: This increased by £45-13-8 interest from Electricity Trust Debentures, and £9 Savings Bank interest. It now stands at £1210.

BUILDING IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT. The balance fell from £377 to £272 due to payments for:-

Kitchen Improvement £10
Provision of drain at back of hall £101

Interest amounting to £6-15-0 was taken into the Fund during this year.

An account for the installation of a stainless steel urinal (£169), passed for payment in July 63 will be taken into account under this heading, consequently reducing the balance to £103. Consideration is being given to improving the foyer of the hall and, if this is gone on with, it could absorb the balance of this fund, and more.

BUILDING. In the year under review the following work was carried out:-

Kitchen renovated and refurnished
Laneway at back of hall graded and surfaced and concrete storm-water drain provided. (Costs shared with Jacob Bros.)
New stainless steel urinal provided in Gents toilets.

BAIRNS CLASS. It is disappointing to report that, despite the efforts of Director L. Niven (Dancing Supervisor) and Mrs. Fraser-Wilson (pianist) to encourage parents to bring their Bairns to the class, its strength has further declined this year. To date 45 bairns are registered compared with 72 at the same time last year, 85 in 1961, 114 in 1960 and 149 in 1959.

It was suggested at the May Quarterly Meeting that, to provide an incentive to parents to attend and bring their Bairns, a social dance for adults as well as bairns follow the instructional period each Friday. There has been some improvement in attendances since this innovation and it is hoped that further improvement will be in evidence during the coming months.

ROYAL CALEDONIAN SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR 1962/63

1961/1962		1962/1963		1961/1962		1962/1963	
£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.
2.	10.	0	-	4.	18.	4.	4.
29.	16.	2	-	-	-	3.	18.
5.	12.	7	-	4.	11.	-	-
44.	18.	3	-	11.	8.	20.	5.
235.	0.	0	-	170.	7.	65.	12.
27.	10.	0	-	42.	7.	45.	2.
17.	17.	0	-	922.	14.	1072.	5.
97.	16.	7	-	625.	1.	477.	0.
-	-	-	-	1.	16.	34.	0.
53.	6.	6	-	396.	11.	887.	2.
64.	14.	7	-				
57.	16.	0	-				
167.	13.	4	-				
425.	7.	2	-				
520.	0.	0	-				
9.	8.	9	-				
73.	0.	9	-				
48.	8.	1	-				
299.	4.	10	-	584.	16.	6	-

EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE

£2609. 10. 3

ROYAL CALEDONIAN SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1963

1961/62 £. s. d.	<u>LIABILITIES</u>	1962/63 £. s. d.	<u>ASSETS</u>	1961/62 £. s. d.	1962/63 £. s. d.
9145. 16. 6	Capital Account as at 1st July, 62	7204. 18. 6	Land & Buildings at cost	1051. 17. 7	7204. 18. 6
Plus Excess Income over Expenditure for year 1961/62		309. 10. 1	Furniture & Fittings	Less Depn. reserve as at 30th June, 1962	666. 19. 0
9145. 16. 6		212. 11. 7	Pipe Band Uniforms at cost	Less Depn. reserve as at 30th June, 1962	362. 0. 0
1155. 9. 4	Boys Scholarship Fund	9. 0. 0	Electricity Trust Debentures	53 1/2% 1969	159. 18. 5
144. 13. 4	Girls Scholarship Provision A/c.	2234. 5. 7	Shop Fittings	Less Depn. reserve as at 30th June 1962	£60. 0. 0
377. 0. 10	Building Improvement Fund	272. 1. 9	Petty Cash	Savings Bank of S.A.	51. 0. 0
		£11357. 11. 1	General Funds	Building Improvement Fund	2023. 13. 9
			Boys Scholarship Fund	272. 1. 9	409. 8. 9
				2705. 4. 3	£11357. 11. 1

We have examined the Books, accounts and vouchers produced by the Royal Caledonian Society of S.A. Inc., and, in our opinion, the Income and Expenditure Account correctly summarises the operations for the financial year ended 30th June, 1963 and the Balance Sheet correctly exhibits the affairs of the Society.

DONALD LAUDER A.A.S.A., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.A.
F.C. HAWKINS F.A.S.A., A.C.I.S., A.C.A.A.

SUMMARY OF BOYS SCHOLARSHIP FUND AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1963

To Balance as at 1st July, 1963	1155. 9. 4	By Balance carried down 30-6-63	1210. 3. 0
Interest on Electricity Trust Debentures	45. 13. 8		
Proportion of Savings Bank Interest	9. 0. 0		
	<u>£1210. 3. 0</u>		<u>£1210. 3. 0</u>

SUMMARY OF BUILDING IMPROVEMENT FUND AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1963

To Balance as at 1st July 1962	377. 0. 10	By Kitchen Improvements	10. 0. 0
" Prop. Savings Bank Interest	6. 15. 0	New Drainage back of Hall	101. 14. 1
	<u>£383. 15. 10</u>	Balance carried down	272. 1. 9
			<u>£383. 15. 10</u>

BAND SECRETARY'S REPORT (By E. Gordon)

The Band attended 40 engagements in the past twelve months. Those in the country were at Orrroroo (twice), Peterborough, Murray Bridge and Lenswood. Included in the local engagements were several at charitable functions.

At the last Annual General Meeting of the South Australian Pipe Bands Association, we were classified as a Grade II Band for competitions and entered in the Adelaide Highland Games in that Grade. Although not successful, the band performed creditably in a number of important aspects of the competition.

We still have vacancies for both pipers and drummers and would welcome any new members to the band. Mr. Dan McGregor is still conducting the chanter class on Friday nights, and would be pleased to see anyone desirous of learning to play the pipes.

The financial position of the band is approximately the same as last year, with expenditure being about £13 in excess of income. Although the Clansmen's Ball was a success socially, it still showed a small loss. Further functions will have to be arranged to assist our finances as fees received from engagements are not sufficient to keep uniforms and equipment in good order.

I take this opportunity to thank all who assisted the band in any way, especially the Bairns who were always willing to co-operate by dancing at many of our engagements. I also wish to thank the band and officers for their co-operation and assistance during the past year.

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ROYAL CALEDONIAN SOCIETY PIPE BANDStatement of Expenditure & Income for 12 months ended 30th June, 1963

	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>					
	<u>£.</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>	<u>£.</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>
To General Expenses						
Stationery, Postage & Telephone	31.	18.	1			
Honorariums	15.	5.	0			
Registration & Nomination Fees	13.	7.	6			
Artists for Engagements	15.	0.	0			
Bus hire and fares	126.	4.	9			
Social Evening	5.	0.	0			
Presentation	2.	5.	0			
				214.	10.	4
" Uniform & Equipment				86.	8.	3
" Band Members Reimbursement				54.	8.	6
" Clansmens Ball 1962				174.	9.	7
" Clansmens Ball 1963. Hall hire in advance				25.	0.	0
" Members car expenses				40.	0.	0
				<u>£594.</u>	<u>16.</u>	<u>8</u>

	<u>INCOME</u>					
	<u>£.</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>	<u>£.</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>
By Engagements				315.	13.	0
" Sale of Badges				48.	12.	0
" Donations				10.	3.	0
" Clansmens Ball 1962				186.	7.	6
" Sundries				16.	4.	0
" Savings Bank Interest				4.	1.	1
" Balance being excess Expenditure over Income				13.	16.	1
				<u>£594.</u>	<u>16.</u>	<u>8</u>

BALANCE OF FUNDS ACCOUNTS AS AT 30th JUNE, 1963

1st July 1962. Balance at Savings Bank	<u>£155. 7. 0</u>
30th June, 1963. Balance at Savings Bank	141. 10. 11
Plus excess expenditure over income for year ended 30/6/63	13. 16. 1
	<u>£155. 7. 0</u>
Band Members Reimbursement Fund	38. 19. 9
Uniform & Equipment Fund	105. 1. 3
General Expenses A/c Overdrawn see Contra	- - -
	<u>£144. 1. 0</u>

BALANCE OF FUNDS ACCOUNTS AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1963

	£.	s.	d
General Expenses a/c Overdrawn	2.	10.	1
Savings Bank Balance	<u>141.</u>	<u>10.</u>	<u>11</u>
	<u>£144.</u>	<u>1.</u>	<u>0</u>

SIGNED: E. GORDON Band Secretary.

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S T O P P R E S S

Ambrosial Fare

On the eve of going to press, we have received news of a very special dinner to be held at the South Australian Hotel on Monday, 23rd September at 7.00 p.m.

A highlight of the banquet - for such it will be in fact - is the typically Scottish character of the menu - game soup, haggis, venison, pheasant and other delicacies imported from Scotland for the occasion.

The gathering will mark the close of British Trade Week in Adelaide, from 16th to 21st September, during which the public will have the opportunity of seeing the wide variety and great scope of British industry as represented by its exports to Australia and other countries. Trade promotional activities of a similar character will take place in other capital cities of the Commonwealth, all claiming to inform Australians of the high quality of the British product. Each can be regarded as a fore-runner of the big British Trade Exhibition to be staged in Sydney next year. The series is being organised by the Australian Association of British Manufacturers; and it is to this body that we are primarily indebted for the dinner to be provided at the South Australian Hotel. More particularly, however, we owe a debt of gratitude to W.A. Baxter & Son Ltd., of Fochabers, Morayshire, through whose generosity the special bill of fare will be made available.

This firm is a manufacturer of high quality Scottish foods. Its soup advertisement is well known to Scots and everyone who keeps in touch with the homeland through newspapers and periodicals: "Baxters Royal Game Soup - the premier soup of Scotland, prepared by Baxters from a recipe of an old Highland Chieftain; made from venison, grouse, partridge and pheasant."

Its headquarters are at Fochabers, a small town overlooking the turbulent River Spey, about 8 miles from its mouth in Spey Bay. In close proximity to sources of raw material - deer, grouse and pheasant in the Corrieyairacks, cattle, sheep, cereals, fruit and vegetables on the fertile Leigh, and cod, haddock, and herring in the Firth - Fochabers makes a convenient site for just such an establishment as Baxters. The modern processing plant vies with the partly demolished Gordon Castle nearby and the handsome Alexander Mylne School within the township, in its appeal to the tourist.

Although we are unable, at this early stage, to give details of the arrangements which will be made to make this extraordinary dinner one of the most successful Scottish gatherings outside Scotland, we can say that the occasion will be unique in the history of the State: that it will be held in the most pleasant surroundings Adelaide can offer; and that the proceeds will be donated to Adelaide Highland Games, whose organisers are faced with the financial problem of staging the Australian Pipe Bands Championship in Adelaide next year.

Details regarding seating accommodation and the subscription fee will be made known at an early date. Enquiries should be directed to the Secretary.

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The Chief, Sir A. Lyell McEwin, will preside.

BUSINESS

1. Minutes of the previous Quarterly Meeting.
2. Quarterly report.
3. Financial Statements.
4. Any other.

After the formal business, there will be a Social Dance interspersed with items by the Pipe Band and Reel Party. Further reference to this part of the programme appears in the next section.

Ladies are requested to bring a basket supper.

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QUARTERLY SOCIAL DANCE - A RE-UNION

Friday 22nd November

The lively social entertainment, with its fair measure of Scottish and Old Style dancing which followed the formal business of our previous quarterly meeting, did much to provide that warm friendly atmosphere which Caledonians look for and appreciate at our gatherings.

It has occurred to us that we should share this pleasure with others, in particular with two groups of people in whom we have a special interest.

The first includes those members who, for various reasons, have been unable to attend meetings in the past few years, and are now a little hesitant at coming along simply because they feel they have lost touch with current affairs. The other group comprises people who have resigned their membership, yet still retain a sentimental attachment to the Society and all it stands for, a natural diffidence being the only reason for their reluctance to visit us again.

To all these people, we extend a cordial invitation to attend our next Quarterly meeting on Friday 22nd November, and to join us in the social opportunities which will be provided.

We should be pleased if readers would bring this invitation to the notice of former members and persuade them to come along and renew acquaintance with others at this re-union.

Your help in this direction is essential.

Incidentally, we would like you to invite potential members as well as those referred to above.

OUR CALEDONIAN QUEEN

A Portrait in Appreciation

Our entrant in the Adelaide Highland Games Queen Competition for 1964 is Miss Helen Hinze, nineteen year old elder daughter of Mr. S. Hinze, a director of the Society, and Mrs. M. Hinze, of Blair Athol, whose forbears in each case were of Scottish descent and pioneer stock.

A petite brunette, with smiling eyes of hazel hue, Helen has poise, personality and a delightful sense of humour, qualities which, with a natural charm and vivacity, make her an admirable representative of the Society in its bid for honours at the Highland Games Ball in March next year.

Helen received her early education at Bluit Springs, in the Adelaide Hills, and her secondary schooling first at Enfield High, where she distinguished herself as a scholar and athlete, gaining certificates and winning the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Cups in successive years, and later at Muirden College, where she won laurels as a student, prefect and sportswoman.

She joined the Bairns class when she was six years old. She took part in Highland dancing demonstrations, and later became an assistant instructress, under the direction of the chief instructor, Mr. L. Niven. In due course she met with success in dancing competitions and examinations.

Helen is employed at the Head Office of Golden Fleece Petroleum Industries Ltd., where she is secretary to the Operations Manager.

Her favourite sport is tennis, with a liking also for squash and sports-car trials. Her hobby is collecting wedgwood; she prizes highly in her collection a valuable perfume spray of rare beauty and delicate craftsmanship.

Helen is a member of the Royal Commonwealth Society of S.A., and a performer in the annual Brides of the World Festival for charity. In it she plays the part of a Scottish Bride.

We are grateful to Helen for acquiescing in our request to nominate as an entrant, a decision which she conveyed to Council in a characteristically modest and diffident manner.

It is now our responsibility to plan ahead and give as much practical support as possible in the comparatively short time available. We could do no better than emulate Helen's parents, who are working indefatigably day and night to arrange functions and build up funds. Proceeds will benefit the Ashford House School for Cerebral Palsied children, and Adelaide Highland Games, as well as the Caledonian Society. Mr. and Mrs. Hinze are to be commended for their exemplary effort.

We all wish Helen a crowning success.

Her triumph will be our good fortune.

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HALLOWE'FN BARBECUE -- DANCE

Saturday 26th October.

The first large-scale function for the benefit of our Highland Queen Fund is a Barbecue-Dance to be held at the Governor Hindmarsh Hotel and Garden, Port Road, Hindmarsh on Saturday 26th October at 8.00 p.m.

All who enjoy modern and old style dancing, with opportunities for conviviality and good-fellowship, will be well satisfied with the fun and fare provided at this popular rendezvous, made available to us through the courtesy of the proprietor, Mr. Allan Humzy.

There will be grilled chops, sausages and steakettes; cool drink, sweets, and other refreshment at moderate cost.

Members of our Pipe Band and Bairns Class will perform during intermissions.

Admission will be by ticket, available at 5/- from the secretary and members of the Callie Queen Committee, either at the Caledonian Hall or at the Hotel.

Those who attend will enjoy themselves, even if they merely sit and look; their pleasure will be still greater if they join in the dancing and participate in the entertainment.

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HALLOWE'EN

Alteration of Time and Place

In the August issue of the Caledonian Quarterly, we announced that the 1963 Hallowe'en Ball and Bairns Party would be held at the Norwood Town Hall on Friday 25th October. Since then we have been informed by the Norwood Council that it disapproves of patrons taking supper to the ballroom.

Knowing that this ban would cause inconvenience to our members and put a damper on festivities, our Executive decided to transfer the celebration to the Unley Town Hall and advance the date to Friday, 1st November.

Special Guests

Sir Lyell and Lady McEwin will receive visiting Chiefs at 8.15 p.m. and the Guests of Honour, His Worship the Mayor of Unley, Mr. L. Iles J.P., and Mrs. Iles, at 8.30 p.m.

Prior to the arrival of the special guests, Sir Lyell and Lady McEwin will review a Grand March of bairns at 7.45 p.m.

Admission Procedure

Members and their children under 16 years will be admitted free of charge on production of current, 1963-64, membership cards or official receipts. Other persons will be required to buy tickets at 10/- each from the Secretary either at his office in King William Street, or at the entrance to the Unley Town Hall.

It should be noted that financial members will not require special tickets on this occasion. The only requirement is that each member show his membership card or official receipt to the doorkeeper. Children will not be admitted unless they are accompanied by their parents.

Box plans are available at the secretary's office and reservations can be made at 2/- each person. This facility is available to all patrons - members and non-members. Early application is advised as the area available for reservation is limited, being confined to the sides of the ballroom only. It does not include the sloping section at the northern end. Bookings will close on Thursday 31st October at 1.00 p.m.

The Bairns Dance and Party

The first part of the programme from 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. will be reserved for the bairns. They are requested to be ready, for dancing at 7.25 p.m. Our Chief Instructor, Mr. L. Niven, will be in charge, assisted by senior bairns.

At 9.00 p.m. the bairns will retire to the adjoining supper room where they will be entertained at a Hallowe'en party, organised by the Ladies Committee. Ice cream, cool drinks, cakes, sandwiches and sweets will be provided by the Society.

The Adult Session

After the Bairns session, finishing at 9.00 p.m., the ballroom will be open to adults for dancing and celebrating in the traditional manner. A five-piece orchestra will play a score of Scottish airs and our Pipe Band will give a display of counter-marching. A programme of popular Old Style, Scottish and Modern dances will be followed, with Mr. L. Niven as Director of Ceremonies.

The evening will come to a close at midnight.

Supper and Refreshments

The usual practice of bringing one's own supper and other refreshment will be observed. Members who wish to make arrangements for the provision of supper by a caterer should communicate with the secretary at an early date.

Decoration of Ballroom

This important aspect of Hallowe'en with its focus on witches, black cats, bats, pumpkin heads and spooks is, by tradition, the responsibility of wives, mothers, daughters and associates who can spare an hour or two at the Town Hall on Friday 1st November at 1.00 p.m.

Unfortunately the ballroom is booked until noon that day for a school assembly, otherwise we could start decorating it earlier. However, we feel confident that a good number of ladies will adjust their schedules to include an early afternoon session for decorating the stage and rooms.

We should be grateful if they would bring flowers, shrubbery, vases, bowls and decorations suitable for the occasion.

Remember, it is "upon this night the fairies light."

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CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Saturday 9th November

Cool drinks and hot tea, with cake and biscuits, will be on sale at the Callie Hall on the morning of John Martin's Christmas Pageant along King William Street, from South Terrace to North Terrace.

Proceeds will be in aid of the Queen Fund.

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MORNING TEA

Wednesday 13th November

We are deeply grateful to Mrs. H. Doreen McLeod for making available to us her home and garden at 17 Woodcroft Avenue, St. Georges, for a Morning Tea on Wednesday 13th November at 10.30 a.m.

The attractive environs will provide a sylvan setting for a refreshingly cheerful tea-party and an intimately pleasant conversazione.

Members wishing to attend this gathering -- and there will be many, should communicate direct with Mrs. McLeod so that adequate arrangements can be made to cater for their needs. The telephone number is 79 2378,

Members of popular Clan McLeod will co-operate with the hostess to make the function a truly delightful occasion.

Donations, at 5/- each, will benefit the Adelaide Highland Games, Ashford Spastic Home and our Caledonian Queen Fund.

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HILLS HIKE AND HECTIC HOOTENANNY

Friday 15th November

This is just what young people, and the not so young, have been waiting for. It will be held at the lovely home of Mrs. Evelyn Fraser-Wilson, Hillcrest Avenue, Crafers.

Don't miss it on any account. It will be one of the most exciting and entrancing nights of your life, especially if the hootenanny runs hay-wire, as likely it will.

The main idea for the early part of the evening is to assemble at Mrs. Fraser-Wilson's home, walk to Mount Lofty Summit and return for refreshments and dancing in the conservatory.

The assembly point is reached by road from Adelaide by making a sharp U-turn to the right at the intersection of Summit Road, Atkinson Road and Hillcrest Avenue, with the Main Princes Highway, about a mile "this side" of Crafers township. The home is a quarter-mile from the turn-off.

Pipers will lead the hike, for part of the way at least. Our Callie Queen, and her Lady-in-Waiting, Claudine Fraser-Wilson, will act as guides. At home a dance band will play, supper will be served, prizes presented and a hootenanny performed.

By the way! What is a hootenanny?

The answer will be given at Hillcrest Avenue, Crafers, on Friday 15th November sometime between 7.30 p.m., when visitors will assemble for the hike, and 11.00 p.m. when they will meet on the dance floor for Auld Lang Syne.

The evening will be well worth the 5/- which is being requested as a contribution to the Callie Queen Fund.

It may be of interest to young readers, but of concern to old, to know that there will be little or no moon on that night, only "the new moon ... wi' the auld moon in her arm."

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A PARTY FOR YOUNG ADULTS

When? Where?

A barbecue and special games evening will be held on Saturday 23rd November at 8.00 p.m.

The meeting place has not yet been fixed. It may be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McLeod, Forestville; failing that, it may be in the gardens of Mr. and Mrs. R. O'Neill, Blackwood Road, Belair. Both families are sympathetic to our cause and will do all they possibly can to help us in this matter.

What we would like you to do is to set aside the date and to communicate with the Secretary, at Caledonian Hall, between 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m., on or after Tuesday 5th November, by which time we will know definitely where the party is to be held.

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ST. ANDREW'S DAY DINNER

Friday 29th November

The news of our intention to hold our next St. Andrew's Dinner at the South Australian Hotel has been welcomed as a step in the right direction. The response has been most heartening, for bookings already exceed 60, with tentative reservations by a score or more, the majority of which are near to definite.

As accommodation is adequate, members need have no fear of missing out because of delay in making bookings. The dining hall is large and the management will provide all the seating accommodation we require. At the same time the dinner will be entirely private, allowing tables to be set up in a formal manner for party groups, and permitting the ceremonial of a St. Andrew's Day celebration to be observed without hindrance.

Nevertheless, members are advised to make their reservations with the secretary without further delay. The charge has been kept to a minimum consistent with the service and bill of fare to be provided. For two guineas, guests may partake of a five course meal, including Haggis wi' Neeps and Champit Tatties, and Roast Bubblic Jock an' a' the trimmings. In addition they will be entertained by singers and musicians of outstanding ability, and be given the opportunity of dancing an

Eightsome Reel in the Ballroom.

Table reservations should be made before 15th November.

The evening will begin with a pre-dinner assembly in the foyer at 6.45 p.m. when liqueur will be served as an apertif. The banquet room will open at 7.00 p.m. and the Chief, Sir Lyell McEwin, and the Guest Speaker, Sir George C. Ligertwood, will be piped in at 7.10 p.m. The Address to the Haggis will be delivered by versatile "Jock" Hislop, followed by the Pipers' Toast, in the presence of Pipe Major Donald Benger and Pipe Sergeant Robert Pattullo.

Mine Host at the "South", Mr. John Gibson, a Scot, knows exactly what is required for a St. Andrew's Dinner on modern lines, and is desirous of making the event a truly festive occasion. He has offered to decorate the dining room with clan crests, badges and motifs, provided guests deliver them before noon that day.

It is suggested that members invite their friends and make this St. Andrew's Night one of the most enjoyable on record.

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HOGMANAY

Tuesday 31 December

Doubtless many members would welcome an opportunity to celebrate hogmanay at some place other than at home this year.

For these people - and the number appears to be growing each year - the Society has made arrangements for a hogmanay to be held at the Governor Hindmarsh Hotel on New Year's Eve, Tuesday 31st December at 8.00 p.m.

A much travelled Scot, Mr. Sam Hamilton, who is well versed in popular forms of entertainment as well as in the folk-lore of hogmanay, has accepted an invitation to arrange the programme and act as compere.

Barbecued food and cool drinks will be on sale.

Tickets are obtainable from the secretary at 5/- each, the proceeds being in aid of the Queen Competition fund.

We shall be pleased to see members there even if they cannot remain until midnight. We mention this because we know that some have made plans to see the Old Year out and the New Year in at private homes. An hour's conviviality at the Governor Hindmarsh, however, would be a stimulating prelude for a midnight party at home.

Why not try it?

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CALEDONIAN CABARET

Friday 24 January 1964.

Here is something off the beaten track in so far as Caledonian events go. In attempting it, we are following a current trend for variety and novelty in entertainment. A cabaret has much to offer no matter where it is held. Pleasant surroundings, delectable food and lively entertainment are but a few of the features. When it is held at the Shandon Motor Hotel, however, it has much more to offer. Here, in the Garden-Lounge, one can enjoy a four course dinner, including fish and poultry, a five piece dance band, a floor show and a varied programme of dancing from early evening to near midnight. Without extra charge, guests can disport in a large crystal clear swimming pool, or view a picture show at the adjacent drive-in theatre under Shandon management.

We are pleased to announce that arrangements have been made to hold a Caledonian Cabaret at the Shandon Motor Hotel, Tapleys Hill Road, Seaton, on Friday 24 January 1964. Tickets will be on sale at the Secretary's Office and from members of the Council and Queen Committee, after 15 November, at only 30/- each, an all-inclusive charge for the dinner, dance, floor show and other entertainment.

The weather in January should be ideal for a cabaret of this type, and a strong demand for tickets is expected.

Remember the date, 24th January 1964, which incidentally is the eve of the "Immortal Bard" Robert Burns' birthday anniversary.

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CALEDONIAN QUEEN COMMITTEE

This enthusiastic band of workers has made a splendid start, evidence of which is shown in the long list of engagements announced in these pages.

The ladies sub-committee, with Lady McEwin as convener, comprises Mesdames T. Barstow, M. Davey, E. Fraser-Wilson, J. Gordon, J. Hameister, M. Hinze, F. Hislop, A. Hosie, A. Leslie, D. McCallum, J. McLeay, D. McLeod, M. McLeod, E. Martin, H. Moule, E. Nicholls, J. Ogg, M. Pattullo, W. McG. Paton, S. Stace, M. Treloar and Misses Christine Hinze, Helen Hinze and Mary Hosie.

Male members of the committee include Messrs. D. Benger, P. Dunham, H. Fairbanks, E. Gordon, S. Hinze, F. Hislop, G. Koerner, A. Leslie, D. McCallum, R. McLeod, G. Martin, H. Moule, K. Murdoch, A. Nicholls, J. Ogg, J. Pattullo, W. McG. Paton.

The ladies sub-committee meets at the Caledonian Hall every Tuesday evening to make hand-crafts, gifts and novelties for trading tables at various functions in support of our Queen. Mrs. M. Treloar acts as instructress, giving guidance to those who need it. More volunteers are required. Even an occasional visit would be a help.

Members of this Committee are deserving of praise for the service they are giving the Society, the Highland Games and the Ashford Palsied Children's School. They merit our whole-hearted support.

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THE MUIRDEN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is provided by Muirden College. It is open to either a son or daughter of a member of the Society, provided that "such member has been financially good on the books of the Society and a member thereof for two years previous to the date of nomination for such scholarship." (Page 18, Rules and By-Laws). It entitles the holder to a year's tuition at Muirden College.

Applicants must not be less than 12 years old nor more than 16 years at the date of nomination. A compensating allowance is made in marking the answers to meet the different age groups of the candidates.

Nominations, which must be made in writing on official forms, will close with the Secretary on Friday 29th November next at 2.00 p.m. Additional information regarding the award may be obtained from the secretary.

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BAND NOTES

The band is faced with an acute shortage of pipers and drummers. It hardly knows which way to turn for players when an important engagement, requiring a full complement of bandsmen, is to be kept. In most cases sound reasons exist for a drop in attendance at times. Sickness, business calls and domestic commitments take their toll and, when these are co-incident, the band finds its strength badly sapped. It may then have to borrow players from another band or, if the position is hopeless, cancel the engagement, causing inconvenience to sponsors and disappointment to all concerned. So crucial has the situation become of late that the officers fear even to accept a booking, feeling that the band may be unable to muster enough players to meet its obligation.

Were it not for the loyal support of its stalwarts and the co-operation of players in other units, our band would have had difficulty in making a presentable appearance on a number of occasions in recent months.

It is clear that we must build up a reserve of competent bandsmen. To that end, the Management Committee will advertise its needs, first in the Weekly Scotsman and later in other newspapers. The Society is prepared to sponsor players by guaranteeing employment and housing, provided the applicants measure up to requirements as players and tradesmen. The Society would be grateful if members could help the band to achieve its objective.

Other steps in this direction include an appeal to former players to rejoin our ranks, and a campaign to enrol boys in the learners' class. The latter meets every Friday evening at the Caledonian Hall, under the expert tutorial of Mr. Dan McGregor. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. Eric Gordon, will gladly supply information on this score.

We are greatly indebted to the present members of the band for the work they do in our interests, the time they sacrifice, the pleasure they give and the credit they bring to the Society. A word of appreciation now and then would encourage our pipers and drummers to "play on" despite the difficult times they are experiencing.

For your information, we list coming engagements: 26th October, Governor Hindmarsh Hotel Barbecue; Nov. 1st Hallowe'en; Nov. 2nd McLaren Flat Show; Nov. 9th Pageant; Nov. 22nd Quarterly Meeting; Nov. 23rd Home for Incurables; December 7th, Bordertown-Tatiara Memorial; 31st December, New Year's Eve Hogmanay at Hindmarsh; 7th March 1964, Adelaide Highland Games.

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CLAN RECORDS

In time for Christmas gift-giving comes an announcement of a new all-Scottish recording company called "Clan Records and Publications Ltd." of 159 Willowbrae Road, Edinburgh.

The company is publishing recorded histories of all the major Scottish clans and families, narrated by Alex Allan, a well-known BBC-T.V. commentator, and featuring the songs of the clans and of clan country, as sung by Marietta MacLeod, a native of the Isle of Lewis. Pipe tunes are recorded by Pipe Major John A. MacLellan, head of the Army School of Piping, Edinburgh Castle.

So far the company has recorded the histories in song and story of The MacDonalds, the MacLeods, the MacKenzies and the MacNeills. Others are in course of preparation. Each record costs 15/- English, post paid and is contained in its own jacket, with the badge of the clan pictured and a history of the clan outlined.

Enquiries should be directed to the Chairman of the Company. Mention of the Royal Caledonian Quarterly is suggested.

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BAIRNS CLASS

There has been a marked advance in attendance at classes in the past month due no doubt to the onset of fine weather and the approach of Hallowe'en. Among the more regular attenders have been the eager beginners on the one hand and the proficient seniors on the other. The intermediate group has a somewhat broken record. It has been pleasing to see the senior lasses co-operating with the chief instructor by taking learners for individual tuition.

Mr. L. Niven has been heartened by the response he has received from bairns in their preparation for Hallowe'en and is looking forward to seeing a good muster in kilt for the grand march there,

Mrs. E. Fraser-Wilson, who journeys a long distance to play the piano for the dancing, has contributed in large measure to the smooth running of the class this year.

To both Mrs. Fraser-Wilson and Mr. Niven we express sincere thanks.

HERE AND THERE

1. Our Worthy Chief, Sir Lyell, is devoting many long hours in planning for the Highland Games on the Adelaide Oval, and the Games Queen Ball at the Regency Ballroom, Wayville. Added to these are the strenuous days spent on public, parliamentary and State duties. His stamina is truly remarkable.
2. Lady McEwin is a frequent visitor to the Tuesday evening busy bees where her work in making hand-crafts and novelties is appreciated.
3. Mr. J. McLeay and Mr. A. Nicholls have begun a term of office as Directors of the Council.
4. Expressions of sympathy have been conveyed to Director, Mr. D. McCallum on the death of his mother a week ago, and father nine weeks earlier.
5. An enthusiastic member, Mr. W. McGregor Paton has introduced six new members in the past six months.
6. Gifts donated for the Queen campaign include a T.V. chair, an occasional table and a number of electrical appliances.
7. A new male cleaner has been engaged on a part time basis.
8. Alterations and renovations to the men's toilet have been completed.
9. Accounts passed for payment last month included £182-5-10 for City Council rates and £150 to the E. & W.S. for water and sewerage.
10. A contract has been let for tiling the entrance hall of the building.
11. A donation has been made to the Freedom from Hunger Appeal.
12. The Australian Pipe Band Championship will be held in conjunction with the Adelaide Highland Games, Adelaide Oval on Saturday, 7th March 1964, the first day of the Queen Mother's visit to Adelaide for the Festival of Arts,

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DIARY OF EVENTS

OCTOBER:

Saturday 26th October - Barbecue and Dance, Governor Hindmarsh Hotel.

NOVEMBER:

Friday, 1st November - Hallowe'en Ball, Unley Town Hall.

Saturday, 9th November- Christmas Pageant. Refreshments, Caledonian Hall.

Wednesday 13th November - Morning Tea, 17 Woodcroft Ave., St. Georges.

Friday, 15th November - Hills Hike, Hillcrest Avenue, Crafers.

Saturday, 23rd November - Barbecue and Games, probably Belair but possibly Forestville.

Friday, 29th November - St. Andrews Dinner, South Australian Hotel.

DECEMBER:

Tuesday, 31st December- Hogmanay, Governor Hindmarsh Hotel.

JANUARY:

Friday, 21st January - Cabaret, Shandon Motor Hotel, Seaton.

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