

Royal Caledonian Society of South Australia (inc.) Newsletter

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FROM THE CHIEF

It was good to see so many happy faces at the St. Andrew's Dinner which you will all agree was a great success.

At this time I have 4 months as chief behind me and it is encouraging to see a resurgence of interest in the Society's activities.

Our Society is unique. I know of no other Scottish Society which provides young people with the opportunity to learn Highland and Scottish dancing. The Bairns class is held every Friday night of the year, except Summer and public holidays, where a dedicated teacher gives instruction to young people from the age of 4½ years upwards.

Opportunity is also available to young people to learn to play the drums and pipes and they are taught by experienced players.

I am convinced that these are two of the elements of our culture that should be encouraged and promoted.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all peace and happiness during the festive season and through 1984.

ENA RICHARDS

DATES TO REMEMBER

BURNS MARCH, 22nd JANUARY 1984 - Muster at Torrens Parade Ground at 10 a.m. then march back to the hall in King William Street where tea, coffee and sandwiches will be for sale at a reasonable cost.

PICNIC LUNCH AT HARDY'S WINERY, SUNDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, 1984.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATIONS' HIGHLAND BALL - To be held at the Oberdan Centre, Findon, on 3rd March 1984. Tickets at \$10 each are available from the Secretary.

ROBBIE IRVINE CABARET, FRIDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1984.

YOUNGEST MEMBER ACCEPTED

Our youngest member was accepted by your council at their last meeting. His name is ADAM GUY FRANCIS GIFFORD and his life member's subscription was paid by his grandma, Mrs. Anne Miller, of Fullarton.

This is surely an encouraging sign, and we hope it will bode well for our membership.

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JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS 1984

June Laws raised this topic at the meeting of the Scottish Association on November 6th, and so far the response has been encouraging.

A meeting is being arranged for February 12th at 10 a.m. at the hall in King William Street. Everybody interested in the celebrations is welcome.

A Folkcraft Festival is one of the attractions being planned by the Jubilee Board, and they are asking for information concerning traditional crafts still being practised. Can you help us?

HALF YEARLY MEETING

This will be held on 24th February (Friday) at 7.30 p.m. At this meeting there will be a Notice of Motion from Mr. J. Maitland regarding rule 16 of the constitution:-

"That Rule 16 be amended by "deleting the first paragraph" and in its place the following be inserted:

The affairs of the Society, together with the custody of its property, shall be vested in a council comprising a Chief, two Chieftains, a Treasurer and eight Directors in accordance with Rules 17, 18 and 19 and the Immediate Past Chief, all of whom shall be financial corporate members of the Society."

It is important that all members attend this meeting.

MUSIC BOARD ASSISTANCE IN THE MULTI-CULTURAL AREA

We have received a letter from The Australia Council of Sydney concerning this, and the council are requesting applications for grants from people engaged in "multi cultural or ethnic music at a high artistic level".

All communications should be addressed to The Secretary, Music Board, P.O. Box 302, North Sydney, N. S. W. 2060.

Whilst the closing date is 15th December, it may be that late applications will be considered.

FOR SALE

Tartan lengths of dress Gordon and dress Stewart - medium weight wool. Contact Mrs. Raelene Welsh on 266 0746.

1 Gent's kilt McIntyre tartan to fit 42" waist - height approx. 6'2". Phone 271 7354.

DID YOU KNOW?

A Miss Catherine Cameron of Lochiel was a flower girl at the marriage of Prince Charles to Lady Diana. We believe that her father was at Gordonstoun with Prince Charles, where they formed a close friendship.

SCOTTISH FAIR, 14th OCTOBER, 1984

We would like to request that a volunteer come forward to convene a committee to take responsibility for the above fair.

BAR COMMITTEE

Ian Fleetwood, bar manager, needs volunteers to help out on a roster for bar duty.

ST. ANDREW'S DINNER

A most successful St. Andrew's Dinner was held on 2nd December, at which guests enjoyed a witty speech by a former "Paisley Buddie" George Watts.

George gave a most amusing talk on the Scottish character, which was greatly enjoyed by the guests. Entertainment was provided by Mrs. Georgina Lampre, who sang Scottish songs and she was accompanied by Mrs. Miller.

Miss Leonie Garrick delighted the company by her dancing.

Among those present were Mr. & Mrs. John Williamson from Pittenweem, who were on holiday from Scotland.

PIPE BAND REPORT

As we approach the "festive season", the number of Band engagements has steadily increased - so much so that all members (and their families) are looking forward to a break over the Christmas holidays.

The Society has been represented at many venues including both John Martins' and Murray Bridge pageants, the Elizabeth and South Coast Scottish Clubs, several Cabaret/Social Nights, the Burra Copper Festival, the Stirling Centenary Celebrations and the Burnside Fair.

The band will also be performing at Elder Park and at the Gumeracha Christmas Festival prior to enjoying a well earned rest.

The band has also been very active on the competition field with results that reflect the total dedication of all members.

SAPBA Competitions held at Glenside Oval in October:

Grade II - 2nd (aggregate points); 2nd in Open Display; Best Drum Major - R. McKie; Best Drum Corp.

Grade III - A composite band comprising the younger members and some more experienced members participated in the quick-step course and accredited themselves extremely well. Some five or six of the members had little or no experience in the drill course, but showed what may be expected in the future.

* Elizabeth Scottish Club - Medley Competition - 23 October: Grade II - 1st overall.

* SAPBA - Semaphore Street March Competition - 6 November: Grade II - 2nd overall.

* Daylesford Highland Gathering (Victoria) - 3 December: Grade II - 1st (aggregate points).

Congratulations to all those bandsmen who have worked so hard to achieve (and deservedly received) success.

We certainly have an ambassadorial troupe to be proud of.

To all Society members - your band extends to you Seasons Greetings and wishes you a very happy and prosperous New Year.

BAIRNS NEWS

Halloween night saw some 50 bairns and young friends spend a happy and enjoyable evening. Traditional dances were performed with enthusiasm; students of Pipe Sgt. Greg Gordon's piping class rendered a selection of items on the chanter and pipes, concluding with a solo item from James Atwell. H done James.

The Pipes and Drums of the Society's band gave a display of marching, piping and drumming and to both groups we extend our thanks.

Chief Ena Richards presented the Chief's Trophy for 1983 to Sonia Harkness for progress and Miss Joyce Ogg presented for the first time a "John Ogg Bequest" trophy in memory of the late John Ogg, bairns class instructor for 50 years, to Michelle Cockerill as the runner up. Congratulations to Sonia and Michelle, keep up the good work.

A presentation was made to Lill Moffatt, Joyce Fleetwood, Beverly Hawthorn and Margaret Keane for their untiring efforts during the year.

Kath Richardson conducted some lively games, and the bairns then enjoyed a supper of traditional "goodies", concluding with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne".

To John Fleetwood for his piping during the year, Jack Moffatt for the 1000 and 1 things he does and to the parents who organise the suppers during the year, my grateful thanks.

Bairns class will resume on Friday, 17th February, at 7.30 p.m. under the control of Mrs. Beverly Hawthorn.

BAIRNS NEWS (continued)

Council has set dancing fees for the year 1984 as follows:

1st Child	-	\$18.00 p.a.
2nd Child	-	\$15.00 p.a.
3rd Child	-	\$12.00 p.a.
Family of 4 or more	-	\$50.00 p.a.

SLAINTE MATH for 1984.

LENNO X PAWSON
Director

NEW MEMBERS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

Corporate

Mr. G.A. Blackstock	Mr. D. Richards
Mr. J.E.G. Raggatt	Mrs. R.F. Nairn
Mrs. D. Russell	Mr. T.R. Hawthorne
Mr. S. Lean	Mrs. L.M.A. Moffatt
Miss E. Wallace	Mr. J.D. McInnes
Dr. G.C. Greig	Miss C.A. Pawson
Mrs. D.J. Otto	Mr. E.W. Hopewell
Mr. Grant Andrews	

Associate

Mr. M.J. Mulvihill

COMMONWEALTH DAY CELEBRATIONS

Members are invited to attend the Commonwealth Day celebrations in the presence of the Governor, Sir Donald Dunstan and Lady Dunstan, at a Late Afternoon Party (5.30-7.00 p.m.).

VENUE - The Grosvenor Hotel, North Terrace.

TICKETS - \$10 per head.

DATE - Monday, 12th March, 1984.

5AA RADIO FAVOURITE MUSIC

5AA Radio have written to ask if members would like their favourite music played between 9-11 p.m. each week night on their "Just for You" programme.

The contact person is Dianna Taylor, and the number is 42 6771.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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To the Secretary,
Royal Caledonian Society of S.A. Inc.,
379 King William Street,
ADELAIDE. S.A. 5000

I apply to be nominated as a member, and agree if elected to be bound and abide by the rules of the Society.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE NO:

SIGNATURE:

Membership Category applied for - Life Member (\$200 or \$100)
 Corporate Member (\$15 or \$5 pensioner)
 Associate Member (\$10 or \$5 pensioner/student)
 Country Corporate Member (\$10)

PROPOSED: SECONDED:

BUILDING APPEAL

Please find herewith \$....., being my donation to the Society Building Appeal.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

Please indicate if receipt is required

* * * donations will be acknowledged in the Newsletter and Clubrooms.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION

Please find herewith \$....., being my subscription for the year 1983/84.
Fees fall due on 1st July, 1983.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

Membership cards and receipts will be posted.