

Royal Caledonian Society of South Australia (inc.) Newsletter

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A WORD FROM THE CHIEF

1984 has gone and with it our highs and lows, but it has been said that adversity builds character!

1985 looks good. Our fundraisers have been busy during the holiday period and many members and friends have enjoyed the functions held for fundraising purposes. They were well supported and successful. As you will see from this newsletter more fundraising projects have been planned and ready to go into action.

The social programme is laid out before you and as always it is designed to meet the various tastes of members, to bring enjoyment and foster fellowship.

Members of council are extremely enthusiastic about prospects for 1985 and that enthusiasm needs only to be matched by members to ensure that every project and social function is supported.

Our Society has served the Scottish community for 103 years and I am convinced that it will continue to do so, with the strength and stability of the older members and the enthusiastic vigour of the younger members.

I look forward to meeting as many members as possible at the $\frac{1}{2}$ yearly meeting on 22nd February. It will be a fine opportunity to meet up with new members also who will be very welcome.

A thought to ponder:- "you can't sit on a thistle".

D.N. RICHARDS
Chief

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SOCIAL EVENTS & FUNCTIONS FOR 1985

BAIRNS' CLASSES AND CLUB NIGHTS:- These commence on 15th February in the hall.

HALF YEARLY MEETING in the Clubrooms on Friday, 22nd February, at 7.30. Bring a plate.

PICNIC LUNCH at Hardy's Winery, Main Road, McLaren Vale, on Sunday 3rd March. Gates open by 10.30 a.m. Admission \$3 per car load. Option of B.Y.O. lunch basket or purchase chicken and salad at the picnic at a reasonable cost - must be ordered by 1 p.m. Free wine tasting and chance to purchase wines from the Winery. A real family outing.

ROBBIE IRVINE CABARET in the hall on Friday, 22nd March, 8-12 p.m. Tickets \$6 covers light supper. Come along and laugh the night away with this Scots wit. There will be piping and Scottish dances will be performed.

FAMILY TEA (3 courses) in hall on 31st March at 4 p.m. There will be games and entertainment and tea will be served at 6 p.m. Adults \$6; Children over 5 and under 12, \$3; below 5, free.

SCOTTISH CABARET in the hall on Friday, 19th April, 8-12 p.m. \$5 admission, basket supper.

COLONIAL NIGHT in the hall on Friday, 10th May, 8-12 p.m. Stan Fox and Galimaufery. Admission \$6 adults and \$2 children, with supper. An outstanding night's entertainment for all the family. Prize for best dressed colonial.

FASHION PARADE in the hall on Friday, 31st May, 7.30 p.m. Tickets \$2.50 each from Secretary or from Mrs. Eileen Gardiner on 337 5473. Supper provided, and drinks will be available.

BURNS NIGHT SUPPER AND DANCE in the hall, Friday, 28th June. Details later.

CULIDH in the hall on Friday, 19th July. Details later.

SCOTTISH HIGHLAND BALL - 23rd August. Last year's ball was a great success - your presence will make this one even better. Details later.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING in clubrooms on Friday, 30th August, at 7.30 p.m.

FAMILY TEA in hall on Sunday, 29th September. This is a real family event - come along with all the family. Further details later.

HALLOWE'EN FANCY DRESS SOCIAL for Bairns and adults in hall on 25th October from 8-11 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S DAY DINNER in hall on 3rd November. Further details later.

Other functions may be programmed throughout the year. Please help us by ordering and paying for tickets prior to functions.

FUNDRAISING

While many of the above are fundraisers those below are specifically aimed at this purpose.

BINGO AND DANCE in hall, 8th February, 1985, 7.30-11.30 p.m. Supper and refreshments available. Price \$2.50.

SOUTHERN SUBURBS TRASH & TREASURE - This will commence on Saturday, 2nd March, and will be a continuing activity. Members may help on the gate, by organising car parking, or being responsible for sale of trestles. As well as this, members who wish to set up their own stall, may do so, for a fee.

HIGHLAND TATTOO - Wayville Showgrounds, 5th & 6th October. Details later.

FUNDRAISING/SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Director Andrews, responsible for these activities, is eagerly awaiting responses to his letter of 10th December 1984. Would members please return the questionnaire as soon as possible?

Several exciting projects are incorporated in the correspondence from Grant, but as he suggests other ideas and/or helpers would be much appreciated.

It is possible that one or two major functions could raise several thousands of dollars if organised correctly - so put on your thinking caps and give us your response.

NOTES FROM THE BAIRNS

The Bairns' Dancing Class re-commences on Friday, 15th February, at 7.30 p.m.

It is for boys and girls aged 5 years and upwards.

Beginners are especially welcome to the class which is under dancing instructress Mrs. Bev. Hawthorn.

If mothers or fathers cannot conveniently bring their children, perhaps the grandparent(s) can manage to do so. Children enjoy being taken out by grandparents occasionally!

So parents, grandparents, aunts, this is an appeal to you to swell the numbers at the 1985 Bairns' Class and keep up that wonderful tradition of Scottish dancing.

BAIRNS' CLASS TROPHY WINNERS 1984

CHIEF'S TROPHY - K. NAIRN.

JOHN OGG BEQUEST TROPHY - F. CUTTING.

McLACHLAN & ASSOCIATES ENCOURAGEMENT TROPHY - N. BROWN.

WINNERS OF COMPETITIONS

1/1/85

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|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|--|
| K. NAIRN | 3 - 1sts | 4 - 2nds | | 2nd - Adv. Intermediate Under 16 yrs Premiership |
| H. COCKERILL | 10 - 1sts | 5 - 2nds | 1 - 3rd | 1st - Restricted Open Premiership 7 yrs and under 14 yrs. 3rd - Open Premiership 12 yrs and under 16 yrs. |
| J. WESTON | 1 - 1st | 2 - 2nds | 5 - 3rds | |
| M. COCKERILL | 9 - 1sts | 6 - 2nds | 4 - 3rds | 3rd - Open Premiership 16 yrs and over. 3rd - Restricted Open Premiership 16 yrs and over. |
| L. GARRICK | 2 - 1sts | 4 - 2nds | 1 - 3rd | 2nd - Open Premiership 16 yrs and over. |

NOTES FROM THE BAIRNS (continued)

WINNERS OF COMPETITIONS

3/11/84

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|--------------|----------|----------|----------|
| J. GROCH | 3 - 1sts | 2 - 3rds | |
| K. NAIRN | 3 - 1sts | 1 - 2nd | 1 - 3rd |
| S. HARKNESS | 1 - 1st | 1 - 3rd | |
| C. PAWSON | 2 - 2nds | 1 - 3rd | 3 - 1sts |
| H. COCKERILL | 1 - 2nd | | |

DAYLESFORD VICTORIA - 1/12/84

J. GROCH
A. RICHARDSON
K. NAIRN
C. PAWSON

SCOTTISH FAYRE NEWS

The first meeting of enthusiastic Stallholders and helpers was held in the Clubrooms on Thursday, 17th January. Mr. Ronald M. Catt was installed as Sec-Treasurer and Mrs. Elizabeth Easton as Convener.

The next meeting of the "Fayre Committee" will be held in the Clubrooms on March 8th at 7.30 p.m.

Many more helpers are needed, including teenagers not involved in the Dancing or other activities. Please come along and gain valuable work experience.

Plans are underway for a bigger, brighter, more fun-filled fundraiser - the 1985 Scottish Fayre - November 3rd at Rymill Park. However, there is a possibility the International Grand Prix will be held in Adelaide on that weekend. This being so, Rymill Park will be closed to the Public - an alternative venue will be announced.

All the usual Stalls, plus a few new ones will be there - please help all you can to have the Stalls well stocked. Clean out those cupboards and drawers - the shed too - we will take anything and everything you can spare.

Goods may be left at the hall at any time now, or contact Mrs. Easton, who will collect from you.

Suggestions for possible collectables:-

Biscuit tins and boxes; Chocolate tins and boxes - these could be covered; old baskets, foam inserts (florists' material); nicely shaped jam and honey jars; left over paint, any colour, and brushes; anything novel for Planters, including boots, teapots, etc.; left over scraps of haberdashery; old hats, belts, scarves, beads and brooches; cast iron boot lasts; cast iron kettles, saucepans, etc. - rusted or otherwise; old lanterns and lamps.

Telephone Mrs. Easton on 267 1493
Mr. Catt on 271 4721

INVESTMENT CORNER

Managed-investment Bonds by Scottish Amicable for Security and performance.

Growth rate since September 1981 has averaged 14.1% per annum Compound -- and this may be TAX FREE.

Enquiries for pension and retirement planning to Mr. Geoff Watson at Scottish Amicable Investments, phone 272 3499.

REMEMBER - this confidential service assists the Royal Caledonian Society.

BAND REPORT

July 1985 practice has commenced with a confident and keen outlook. All members show an enthusiastic attitude to the challenge of 1985.

Here are highlights of last year's competitions:-

- 1st Grade II Victorian Championships - Ringwood.
Best Drum Corp.
- 1st Grade II S.A. Championships - Glenside.
Best Drum Corp.
- 1st Grade II Daylesford Highland Gathering.
Best Drum Corp.
- 2nd Grade I Daylesford Highland Gathering.

22 Band Members were in the Street March, the biggest Caledonian Band to ever march through Daylesford. 25 members including learners travelled over in the bus.

There is some surplus band equipment to be disposed of. Anyone interested please contact Chris Walters - phone (work) 49 6008; A.H. 272 2808.

SCOTTISH RADIO BROADCASTS

The committee working on the above plans to go to air with a programme on Tuesday, 5th March, from 12.30 to 1 p.m. on FM radio 92.9.

Thereafter broadcasts will take place on the 3rd and 1st Tuesdays of each month and will contain cultural material and news of events of interest to Scots.

Members wishing to become financial subscribers may obtain forms for this from:-

Scottish Hour Radio Committee,
c/- 5 E.B.I. Broadcasting,
10 Byron Place,
ADELAIDE. S.A. 5000

Cost of sub. - \$5 yearly.

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The Scottish community's programme for the above has been finalised and submitted to the Jubilee 150 Board. We expect to have further news on this in the near future.

ART ENTHUSIASTS

Now is your chance to show us your artistic talents.

We need Posters for our Fete and we are holding a competition for the best Poster - there will be three groups:-

GIRLS - BOYS - ADULTS - a prize for each group.

Particulars for the Poster - R.C.S. of S.A. Fair

Place:- City Parkland (possible venue)

Time:- 9.30 a.m. Sunday, 3rd November, 1985

Stalls:- Cake, Work, Jam, Plants, BBQ, Lucky Dip, Sweets, Drinks, etc.
Pipe Band and Scottish Dancers.

Entries must be received at R. C. S. of S. A. , 379 King William Street, by Friday 23rd August 1985
Judges' decision FINAL.

NEW MEMBERS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

CORPORATE

Mr. B. F. MacDonald
Mr. B. H. J. Hoyle
Mrs. J. M. Saj
Mr. C. D. Miller
Master David McInnes (2 years of age)
Mr. G. W. Matthews
Mrs. V. R. Matthews
Mr. Peter Frazer
Mr. I. D. Salvesson
Mr. I. S. Bassett
Mrs. M. J. Bassett

ASSOCIATE

Mr. M. A. Shipway

LIFE MEMBER

Mr. I. P. Lewis MLA

DONATIONS TO BUILDING FUND

Mrs. C. F. Monck - \$120 (raffles)

OTHER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Russell, 12 Joyce Avenue, Klemzig, are away overseas and visiting Scotland.

An amount of \$200 has been paid to the Society by J. K. McLachlan & Co. to be invested to provide an annual income to provide a trophy to be purchased annually. The Trophy to be known as the "J. K. McLachlan & Co. Encouragement Award" for a Bairn under the age of 12 years as an encouragement to further their interest and enthusiasm in Scottish Dancing.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Another calendar year has just been completed and I am pleased to say we ended the year very close to budget despite the fact that one major fundraising effort did not come to fruition.

The main reason why we achieved budget was that our hard working members and council helped run numerous functions and man the bar. I would like to thank all those who have contributed their time and effort during the last twelve months.

As everyone knows a treasurer always wants more funds and I'm no exception. At present the Society does not have a regular hirer of the hall on a Saturday night and we also have vacant shop space available for lease. This situation greatly reduces our income and if you feel that you or friends etc. are interested in using any of the facilities please ring the Secretary during office hours.

The Council has numerous fundraising events in the planning, but for these to be successful we need members to indicate their willingness to help. Director Grant Andrews recently issued a request and I would like you to send back your reply. If any member can help work behind the bar on a Wednesday night or at a social function, please contact me on 298 2253 or 47 2333, as extra hands would be most appreciated.

I feel that we have cleared some of the major financial hurdles that have come before us and if we put ourselves behind our Council we will continue to progress and clear the hurdles that are still to come.

IAN FLEETWOOD
Treasurer

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS

A twilight garden party for the above will be held in Government House on 21st February, from 6-8 p. m. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided and Lady Dunstan will be in attendance.

Tickets at \$7.50 each available from Royal Caledonian Society.

P. S. V. P. 15th February.

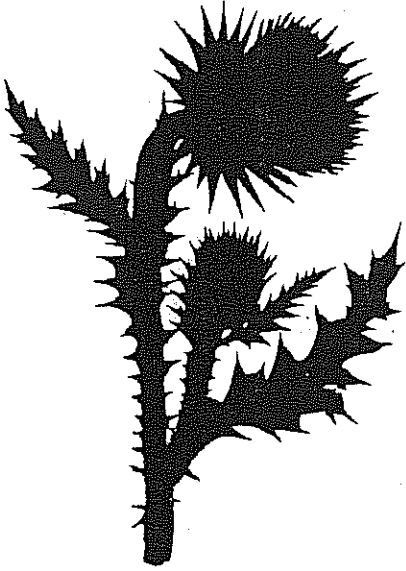
COMMONWEALTH DAY CELEBRATIONS - 11th MARCH

There will be a late afternoon party at the Hotel Oberoi, Brougham Place, North Adelaide, from 5.30-7.00 p. m.

This function will be attended by Sir Donald and Lady Dunstan.

Cost - \$10 per ticket, and these will be available from our Secretary until Wednesday 6th March.

SCENIC TREASURES OF THE BRITISH ISLES



Following the success of her first two tours in 83 and 84 featuring the Treasures of the U. K. and Europe, Christine Courtney has once again planned a completely new Itinerary for Spring, 1985. The tour maintains the emphasis on the historical, cultural, artistic and scenic highlights of the British Isles with time spent in the CHANNEL ISLANDS and Southern Ireland.

The tour prominently features Scotland, visiting the fishing villages of FIFE, Royal Deeside, Glencoe, Loch Ness and Loch Lomond. A day on the Isle of Skye will give a glimpse of the magnificence of the West Coast and Burn's lovers will have plenty of time in Alloway and Ayr. Visits to the great castles of GLAMIS, BALMORAL, INVERARAY and CULZEAN are on the itinerary as well as plenty of time to explore the great capital of Edinburgh.

The tour lasts 43 days and departs on Saturday 27th April concluding in London on Thursday 6th June. Clients wishing to stay on in England or wanting to attend the INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF THE CLANS for longer can do so. For more details and copies of the Itinerary phone Christine at Inter-Group Travel, 4 Peel Street, Adelaide, 5000 Tel. 51 3731

COST - \$5,350.00

GROUP TRAVEL TO LERWICK IN THE SHETLAND ISLES

Ossie Pitts at Travellers are organising group travel to Lerwick in the Shetland Isles ex Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Adelaide.

The departure dates are Tuesday 16th April (ex Sydney and Melbourne), Monday 22nd April (ex Sydney and Adelaide), and Wednesday 1st May (ex Sydney, Melbourne and Perth).

The cost - \$1,685 includes return travel between London and Lerwick, and covers an open dated return ticket from London to Australia.

This cost is based on at least 50 participants from Australia, and there is a deposit of \$100 per person.

People who are interested may contact Ossie Pitts at Travellers, 17-19 Bridge Street, Sydney, N. S. W. 2000, phone (02) 233 8788.