



WATFORD AND WEST HERTS SCOTTISH SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Now that the Christmas and New Year festivities are over, we have Spring to look forward to. Our Annual Burns' Supper is just a few days away and I hope that many of you will be attending; I look forward to seeing you there. I feel sure that our speakers will give us all "food for thought" with their speeches.

Our Christmas Dance, just a few days before Christmas and with severe foggy weather to contend with, was nevertheless well attended, as was our New Year Party at its new time in the afternoon.

My sincere thanks to all involved with organising both events, especially John Crowder whose games kept us all entertained at the New Year.

Our new beginners class is now up and running, this time under the very capable guidance of Bar Martlew ably assisted by her husband Ken on the keyboard. I am sure this will prove to be very beneficial to our Society.

With best wishes. See you at Burns

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BURNS' SUPPER

7.30 for 8.00 p.m. to midnight

Booking forms were distributed earlier. Members £16.00, Non-members £18.00.

John Crowder still has tickets.

FRIDAY 26th JANUARY 2007

Parmiter's School. High Elms Lane, Garston

BEGINNERS' DANCE CLASS

This class has started again, with Bar Martlew as the teacher. Already this term the numbers are as many as the small hall can accommodate. We may have to start a waiting list so that when some of the new dancers are able to move to the regular class, we can open the beginners class to new members.

CALEDONIAN BALL SATURDAY 31st MARCH

Parmiter's School, High Elms Lane, Garston Karl Sandeman Band
Tickets £15.00, including supper, from John Crowder No bar; own drinks if you wish

Programme: The Bees of Maggieknockater, De'il amang the Tailors, The Silver Tassie, Machine without Horses, Nottingham Lace, Moray rant, The Cooper's Wife, Reel of the 51st, St Columba's Strathspey, Pines of Pitlochry, Polharrow Burn: Grand March into Culla Bay, Napier's Index, Trip to Bavaria, Neidpath Castle, The Diamond Jubilee, The Lochalsh Reel, Autumn in Appin, Quarrie's Jig, Indian River, Miss Johnstone of Ardrossan, The Irish Rover
Extras: Flower of the Quern, The Sailor, Shiftin' Bobbins

A crib will be available shortly for the dances on this programme, which will also be taught at our Thursday Class. We might organise an extra session before the Ball to run through the dances.

NEWS OF MEMBERS:

[some information is not shown in this document]

OTHER SOCIETIES' FUNCTIONS

Saturday 3rd February: **Highland Club** Spring Ball; St Columba's, Ian Muir (Prestwick)
£14.00/£15.00

Saturday 10 February: **Epping Forest** Informal Dance; Woodford Green Prep Sch.; Craigievar
£10.00

Saturday 17 February: **Lucy Clark** Charity Dance: Weston Turville Village Hall; Silver Cross Band; £7.00 (bring & share refreshments)

Saturday 24th February, **Wembley** 75th Anniversary Ball, Eastman Hall, Kodak, Craigellachie,
£15.00

Saturday 3 March: **Harpenden** Annual Ball; Harpenden Pub Hall; Craigellachie; £15.00

Saturday 10 March: **Milton Keynes** Annual Ball; Lovat Hall, Newport Pagnell; Danelaw Band
£13.00

Saturday 17 March: **Harrow** Spring Dance; Karl Sandeman; St Andrew's URC Hall, Eastcote;
£10.00

DANCE SCHOOLS and CLASSES

Ken Martlew is again giving a series of Scottish Country Dancing Classes for improvers at Potten End Village Hall, Berkhamsted on Monday evenings, alternately for Advanced and Intermediate Dancers.

The lessons will revise some of the steps and formations that make up dances, aiming for better social dancing. Anyone who is already into Scottish dancing will be welcome - no beginners, please.

Details from Ken or Bar Martlew on 01442 261525 or kenmartlew@aol.com.

Furlongs' Travel Scottish Dance Holidays - 2007 - Details - John Crowder or Judy Snook.

NEXT MAIN COMMITTEE MEETING Tues 20 February , Watford, 8.0 p.m.