



**WATFORD AND WEST HERTS SCOTTISH SOCIETY**

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**NEWSLETTER**

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Dear Members,

Firstly, my thanks to everyone who attended the St Andrew's Dinner/Dance - it was lovely to meet some members of the Society whom we don't see very often; and from the feedback I have received, everyone had a good night and enjoyed themselves.

Thanks too to Valerie Cambridge who organised last month's bowling evening. I was sorry I couldn't be there but I understand that it was great fun and we shall probably do it again. Congratulations to Rod McNamara, who had the highest score!.

Well, it's the time of year again when Santa comes calling. Hopefully by the time you get this Newsletter you will have written most of the cards and bought (if not wrapped) the presents. May I take this opportunity to wish each and every one every merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

Please remember our Christmas Dance on Thursday 21st December, when we welcome dancers from other Societies, and will dance some of those dances which Gillian has taught us during the term.

Don't forget the New Year Party - this year in the afternoon - on Saturday January 8th from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. At St James Church Hall - I look forward to seeing you there. Don't forget you can bring the children and the grandchildren. And the more the merrier!

Yours sincerely

Vera Joyce

**CHRISTMAS DANCE**

**THURSDAY 21st DECEMBER**

Bushey Community Centre      Dancing to Chris Oxtoby      8 to 11 p.m.      Entry £6.00

Please bring a small plate of food as a contribution. Sandwiches, savouries, cakes, etc. Please remember that there are no facilities for heating sausage rolls, etc.

We expect to have guests from other local societies and intend also to support their Christmas dances. We hope that many members of the dancing class will join us in supporting Harrow,

Wembley, Greenford, Amersham, etc.

**Programme:** Loch Maree Twostep, De'il amang the Tailors, Jennifer's Jig, Seann Truibhais Willichan, Napier's Index, The Machine without Horses, The Silver Tassie, Muirland Willie, Hooper's Jig, The Flower of the Quern, Reel of the 51st Division, The Linton Ploughman, Indian River Strathspey, Kingussie Flower, Mairi's Wedding. **Extras:** J.B.Milne, Postie's Jig, The Byron Strathspey.

### **NEW YEAR PARTY**

**SATURDAY 6th JANUARY 2007**

St James' Church Hall, High Street, Bushey  
Children free

2.30 for 3.00 to 5.30 p.m. Entry £3.00;

Please come along early to our party and bring your families and friends to celebrate the New Year, in an afternoon of games, dances and fun for young and old. Please bring some food as your contribution to the afternoon snack: tea, coffee and squash will be laid on. (I'm not sure if there'll be the usual warming glass of punch on arrival)

### **BURNS' SUPPER**

**FRIDAY 26th JANUARY 2007**

7.30 for 8.00 p.m. to midnight

Parmiter's School. High Elms Lane, Garston

Booking forms with details available from J Crowder 01923 225522

Tickets@WatfordScottish.org.uk

### **BEGINNERS' DANCE CLASS**

This class will begin again on 11th January, with Bar Martlew as the teacher and music provided by her husband Ken. It will be held in the small room behind the Bushey Centre Hall. We're not sure about numbers for the class - the size of the room may limit these and also the capacity of the main class to accommodate a number of beginners when they join in after the interval. Let's see how it goes. As from January, members of the class will be asked to pay the same charge as for the regular class, ie, £3.00 for members and £3.30 for non-members.

### **NEWS OF MEMBERS: [some information is not shown in this document]**

Congratulations to Lesley Fidell and Sandy Hunt, who both run highland dancing schools and whose pupils have passed a number of examinations and, competing in the East Herts Highland Dancing Competition, came home with a number of medals.

### **OTHER SOCIETIES' FUNCTIONS**

Thursday 28 December: **Charity Dance: Cancer Relief:** Weston Turville Village Hall; 2-6 p.m. Bring & Share: £5.00; tickets from Valerie Cambridge: Tel:01923-896832.

Friday 5th January, **Harrow Annual Ball**, Allum Hall, Elstree, Craigellachie, £15.00

Saturday 13 January: **Berkhamsted Highland Ball**, Ashlyn's School, Sandy Nixon

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

Friday 12 January 2007: **Aylesbury Fiddle Rally:** Tickets £6.00 from I & A Robertson, 41a London Road, Aylesbury HP22 5HL (Tel: 01296 630682).

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

**NEXT MAIN COMMITTEE MEETING** Tues 16 Jan, Watford, 8.0 p.m.