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The St. Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary

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## Budget Meeting 2018

Join us for our Annual Budget Meeting and Social on Saturday, September 15. The Budget Meeting will begin at 1:00pm at the Capitol Hill Community Centre (1531 21 Ave NW). Members will be presented the Proposed Society Budget for 2019. This meeting is free to all members. After the meeting, there will be a free BBQ and time to renew old acquaintances. Please bring a salad or dessert and let Ann know if you need a vegetarian or gluten-free option ([Annvanderwal@shaw.ca](mailto:Annvanderwal@shaw.ca), 403-968-7866). There will be lots of time to socialize after the meeting and we plan to wrap up by 4 pm.



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## Scots Gathering 2018

The fourth Scots Gathering is scheduled for Thanksgiving 2018, 5 to 7 October, in Canmore. Most classes are \$10 and will include: Highland dancing, penny whistle, Scottish Country dancing, Scottish embroidery, bohtran, Celtic Art, Gaelic Language, Scottish Cultural lectures and whisky tasting (\$15). New and returning instructors include: Ken Blackwood, Andy Dunn, Donna Gillespie, Heather Leitner, Mary Murray, Morin Orr, **Tania Stenbeck**, James Stott, and Lucinda Warnock. The Canmore Coast Hotel will be the centre of activities and will be offering preferred rates for the weekend (group code **CCM-GFC3413**). The Three Sisters Ceilidh will start the weekend on Friday evening at the Canmore Seniors Centre. Saturday's events will include the Lady MacDonald Luncheon with the Wild Rose Ball that evening as a Scottish Country dance event with the fabulous Alberta Scottish Dance Orchestra. The weekend will finish on Sunday at noon. The meal package is required to attend classes and has been reduced to \$80 with individual meals available at \$15 for the Three Sisters ceilidh, \$15 for the Lady MacDonald Lunch and \$65 for the Wild Rose Ball. Information will be posted on the Scots Gathering website [www.calgaryscots.org](http://www.calgaryscots.org) as it becomes available and interested persons will be able to register and pay online through PayPal. Come out and make a family weekend at the Scots Gathering.



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## St. Andrew's Ball

The Society's 135th St. Andrew's ball will be held on Saturday, 24 November 2018 at the Polish Canadian Cultural Centre, 3015—15th Street NE. Ball dance practice classes for dancers with basic Scottish Country skills will be held Tuesdays (Oct 30, Nov 6, 13 & 20) at 7:30 pm at the Northmount Baptist Church Fellowship Hall (451 Northmount Drive NW). These



classes will be conducted by Jim Adamson. Dinner will feature a three course table served meal with entertainment by the Calgary Fiddlers, our Gaelic Choir, the Wendy Wilson School of Highland Dance and the Society Pipe Band. The dance band for the evening will be Scott Band and Bill Ewan from Aberdeen, Scotland. Tickets are \$60 and can be purchased online at [www.standrewcaledonian.ca](http://www.standrewcaledonian.ca), at most country dance classes, or by calling 403-968-7866.

## 134th Annual General Meeting

The Society's Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday, 26 May 2018 at the Kilt and Caber Pub. There was a good turnout with 40 members in attendance. The slate of directors were elected including: Jason Lychak, Steve Mc Donnell, Joanne Robertson-More, Nonie Sundstrom and Ann Vanderwal. In addition, the members decided to raise the membership

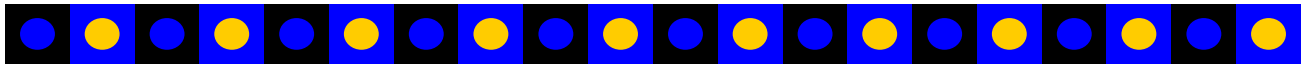


due to \$15 for Regular membership, and \$7.50 for Junior/Senior members. Following the meeting, the members were entertained by the Society's Gaelic Choir who ably presented a number of favourites, tasted the whisky selections from Andy Dunn of Gold Medal Marketing, and enjoyed an excellent Kilt and Caber buffet of sandwiches and dessert.

## Bannockburn Bar B Que

The Society's annual Bannockburn Bar-B-Que was held on Saturday, 30 June at the Banff Trail Community Centre. Sixty-five members turned out for an afternoon of fellowship, games, and good food. The Thistle Shop was also present and did a brisk business in aid of the Benevolent Fund. Activities commenced with athletic games ably conducted by Margaret Haynes and Ilo Torgerson. These included the three legged race, the sack race and the potato and spoon race. Prizes were awarded to all who participated. The pipers then performed a selection of tunes while the barbie was warm-

ing up. Dinner followed with the burgers, hot dogs and condiments supplied by the Society. Members brought great salads and delicious desserts that set the tables groaning. Once dinner was finished, the floor was cleared and a dance followed to the music of Dennis Orr and Glen Morin. The music and dances were well received with as many a six sets on the floor at any time. The Society tanks all those who helped out and particularly Ann Vanderwal, Society Social Director, for organizing such a great event.



# Society Golf Tournament

Sunday, 19 August was a smoky day, but that did not deter the hardy golfers who came out to Tooth of the Dog Golf Course at Dogpound. The day was excellent for golf and some impressive shots were made. The top team was composed of: Bruce Fedirchuk, Ann Longair, and Dana & Hilda van Camp. Centre of Fairway Drive went to Barb Cook; Closest to the Pin was Hilda van Camp; Longest Putt was Andrew Joo; Ladies Longest Drive was Hilda van camp; and Men's Longest Drive was Bruce Fedirchuk. The enjoyable day concluded with an excellent steak and baked potato dinner. Watch for the 2019 tournament.



## Kirkin' 2018

The Society's Kirkin' of the Tartan took place on Sunday, 24 June, at Knox United Church with several hundred members of the congregation and Calgary's Scottish community. At the start of the service the tartans were called, presented while the pipers played 'Highland Cathedral', and then blessed. The Society's choir led the singing of the hymns as well as choral interludes. The service was followed by a reception with refreshments, and good fellowship, in the church hall.

## GlobalFest 2018

The Society asked to participate in Globalfest this year and setup in the Scottish pavilion. Traffic was constant for five evenings with many visitors asking about the society's activities and events. Thanks goes out to our volunteers: Mona Baker, Robert Henderson, Andrew Joo, Gavin More, Barrie Purvis and Joanne Robertson-More, and the Society looks forward to next year's event.

## Calgary Tartan Sales

The Society has a number of items in the Calgary Tartan available to members and non-members, including: brushed wool scarves, brushed wool lady's wraps, heavy weight & light weight Calgary tartan material yardage, as well as Bow Ties, Long Ties, and Cumberbunds.. These items are now available on the Society website, Society events, and the highland games. Ask about the special members' discount and consider a Calgary tartan

gift for Christmas.





# Calgary Dress Tartan

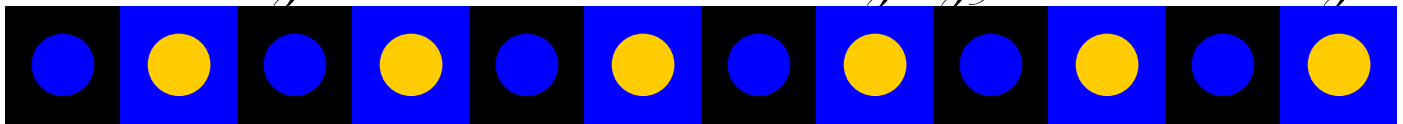
The Calgary Dress Tartan project was initiated in the fall of 2013 to celebrate the ScotDance Canada Championship Series 2018 in Calgary; and all Calgary highland dancers. The new Calgary Dress Tartan is a variation of the Calgary Tartan which is a recognized community symbol of the City of Calgary, managed and owned by the St Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary.

The colours and sett of the Calgary Dress Tartan are the same as the colours used in the Calgary Tartan. Effective, May 11, 2018, the Calgary Dress Tartan is a registered commemorative tartan with the Scottish Register of Tartans, Edinburgh, Scotland. The registered owner of the tartan is the Calgary Highland Dancing Association. The SDCCS 2018 Committee and the SDCCS 2018 Awards Committee thank Ian Johnson of Highland In Style and Gordon Kirkbright



of GK Textiles Ltd for their hours of assistance to bring this tartan to a reality. Thanks also to the City of Calgary for its letter of support to register the tartan, and the St Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary for their support with the Calgary Dress Tartan's development.

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## Casino 2019

The Society's Casino has been set for the fourth quarter of 2019 at Cowboys Casino, 421—12th Avenue SE. This casino has free parking in the parkade west of 3rd Street East on the P2 level and they have night time escorts to the parking area. The Society truly appreciates the members and friends who have stepped up to support this major fund raising activity. The Society is looking for Chip Runners, Cashiers, Bankers, Count Room Staff (2230-0330hrs), General Managers and Count Room Supervisors. Interested members should contact Robert Henderson at [roberthenderson@yahoo.com](mailto:roberthenderson@yahoo.com) or (403) 245-5514 and he will be calling as well. Your participation helps Calgary's Scottish community activities and is greatly appreciated.



## Member Benefits

Benefits of Society membership include:

- reduced rates for pipers at your function,
- 10% discount on purchases at the Highland Scottish Gift Shoppe,
- Free entry to the Foothills Highland Games,
- Free entry to the Calgary Highland Games,
- Free entry to the Canmore Highland Games.
- \$2.00 reduction in the regular adult admission to the Globe Theatre 617—8th Avenue SW.

Members should consider renewing for several years to avoid missing any activities or events.

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