



THE SALTIRE



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The St. Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary

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Society Tartan Ball 2022

The Society's Tartan ball—to replace our Burns Night - will be held on Saturday, 9 April 2022 at the Polish Canadian Cultural Centre with a full program of singing, dancing, and piping. Some elements of our Burns Night will be present with the Address to the Haggis to be given by Adam Dahmer and haggis on all the tables for all to enjoy. Dinner will be served with a Tossed Salad, Roast Turkey, Mixed Vegetables, Roast Potatoes, Green Beans Almandine and Peach Melba. In place of the usual Burns toasts, the focus of the dinner will be the Declaration of Arbroath 1320 with toasts to William Wallace, Robert the Bruce and the Declaration itself. The evening will conclude with a Scottish Country dance to the music of the Scott Duncan Trio. The Dance Program is: The Riverside, The Kingston Flyer, Sandy o'er the Lea, The Waratah Weaver, The Royal Deeside Railway, A Man's a Man for a' That, Star Trak, The Highland Rambler, Lady Catherine Bruce's Reel, Staircase to Styria, Ca' the Ewes tae the Knowes, Another Woodland Wander, Flowers of Edinburgh, MacDonald of the Isles, Giid Hearted Glasgow and reel of the 51st Division. Check the Society website, standrew-caledonian.ca, for full details and ticket purchase.



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Ceilidh Dancing Group

Monday evenings, at 7pm, the Society offers weekly two-hour Scottish cèilidh dance lessons at the Northmount Baptist Church in Calgary led by Adam Dahmer and Dhanya Baird.

Cèilidh dancing is a fun, simple, energetic style of social folkdance with roots in the Scottish Highlands that is today one of the world's most popular styles of Scottish dance. If you've ever been Scottish Country dancing, you can think of cèilidh dancing as its rowdier, more care-free cousin – enthusiasm is half the dance!

The classes will teach the dances most popular at cèilidh dance events in Scotland, so that, if you happen to attend a cèilidh dance while visiting *An t-Seann Dùthaich* (The Old Country), you'll be ready to join right in!

Although the steps are simple, cèilidh dances have quite varied patterns – couples' round dances, square dances, facing four-couple sets, and long lines – so

you'll feel stimulated without feeling daunted; and the dances include steps from other styles of folk and ballroom dancing – like waltzes, reels, and polkas – so that cèilidh-ing can be your gateway to a veritable world of dance!

Cèilidh dances are good physical and mental exercise for people of all ages, and for families as well as couples and individuals – so feel free to bring your friends and family members!

You'll have the chance to learn the names of the dances in English and Gaelic, and – if you're interested – to try your hand at dance-calling, so that you can eventually set up your own cèilidh-dance events!

Come one, come all, and have a ball: *Bidh sinn a' dèanamh fiughair ri ur faicinn!* (We look forward to seeing you!)





Calgary

Jyoti Gondek, Mayor

PROCLAMATION

One of the most important icons of Scotland and its culture is the Tartan, an emblem for clan kinship. *Tartan Day* celebrates Scottish heritage and the contributions made by Scots to Canada and countries around the world.

Whereas: Calgary has a distinguished connection with Scotland, and the Scots helped shape the city we have today;

Whereas: The Calgary Tartan was adopted by Calgary City Council on July 14, 2003 and celebrates the vibrant and influential role of Scottish immigrants and their descendants in our community;

Whereas: The St. Andrew-Caledonian Society is entrusted as a guardian to promote and manage this symbol of Calgary.

On behalf of City Council and the citizens of Calgary, I hereby proclaim April 6, 2022 as:

TARTAN DAY

JYOTI GONDEK
MAYOR



Board Member Opportunities

The Society's Board of Directors is looking for two members who would like to get involved with the operation of Society events and activities. The Board is the place for those who would like to make a difference in the Society. Board positions are elected for two year terms, and meetings are usually held the first Wednesday evening of the month. A Director would be expected to take on a project during their term to determine: 1. the funding required, 2. source of the funds, 3. the member participation and, 4. to bring the project to commencement and/or to completion. Interested members are asked to contact Andrew Joo at andrewjoo@msn.com via an email indicating their interest, or if they are proposing someone as a candidate, then please supply a contact telephone number and/or email address for follow-up with that individual. Thank you. *Andrew Joo*

Scots Gathering 2022

The Society will be holding 2022 Scots Gathering in Canmore on 7 to 9 October. The hotel has held its rates at the same level as 3 years ago and the event will start with the Three Sisters Ceilidh on Friday, 7 Oct at the Canmore Seniors Centre. Saturday classes are yet to be completed. But so far include: Scottish Country dancing, ceilidh dancing, bodhran playing, kilt making, whisky tasting, beer tasting, Gaelic singing, Gaelic psalm singing and history lectures. Saturday will feature the Wild Rose Ball with a three course buffet dinner followed by a full ball program of Scottish Country dancing. Check the Society's website for full details and registration information - www.calgaryscots.org.



Celebrating Scottish Culture in Calgary for over a century

Society Casino

The dates for the Society's Casino are Sunday, 17 April and Monday, 18 April 2022 (Easter Sunday and Monday) at the Cash Casino, 4040 Blackfoot Trail SE. This casino has free parking in the lot on the north side and escorts for casino workers upon request. We have filled a full complement of all 52 positions. The Society truly appreciates the members and friends who have stepped up to support this major fund raising activity. The Society is looking for spares to fill positions on short notice should a scheduled volunteer be unable come in for their shift This could be any time between 10:45am and 11:30pm for any position. Interested members should contact Robert Henderson at roberthenderson@yahoo.com or (403) 245-5514. 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 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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