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Society Burns Night 2024



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The Society's Burns Night will be held on Saturday, 27 January 2024 at the Polish Canadian Cultural Centre, 3015—15th Street NE. The evening will consist of pre-dinner entertainment, the Address to the Haggis, a three course dinner including haggis, the Immortal Memory, Toast to the Lassies and Reply, followed by an evening of Scottish Country dancing. Attendees will be entertained by the Society's choir and pipers as well as the Wendy Wilson Highland dancers and the Scott Duncan Group. Doors open at 5:30pm with dinner to start at 6:30pm. Tickets, and the dance program, are available on the Society's

website www.standrewcaledonian.ca. Dancers with basic Scottish Country skills are welcome to come to dance program walk through classes, conducted by Ann Vanderwal, on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm at the Northmount Baptist Church Fellowship Hall (451 Northmount Drive NW). The Society began this event in 1886, so come out to enjoy one of the City's oldest cultural functions.

Ann Vanderwal

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Society Mobile Burns Unit 2024

The Society is looking for drivers, bards, singers and pipers for the 2024 Mobile Burns teams that will be entertaining seniors and shut-ins on Thursday, 25 January 2024. We will have four show teams, one for each quadrant of the City, to perform for over 1000 seniors. The performances include an Address to the Haggis, Burns songs and poems, highland dancing, & piping. The performances are much appreciated by the seniors and staff at the various venues. It's both fun and rewarding. If you'd like to join one of the teams for 2024, please contact Robert Henderson at roberthenderson@yahoo.com or 403-245-5514.



Kilt Skate 2024

Kilt Skate Official Schedule:

12:00 pm Start of the Skate
 12:15 pm Choir signs O'Canada in Gaelic & English
 12:20 pm Brief remarks by Kilt Skate organizer welcoming the skaters
 12:30pm Choir sings a short selection of Scottish themed skating songs
 1:00 pm Bagpipers & drummers play
 1:30 pm Highland Dancers Perform
 End of Official program
 4:00 pm Kilt Skate Ends
 This event has become a traditional activity for the City of Calgary and enjoyed by members, and friends, from not only across the

City, but also the surrounding area, and beyond. *Margot Aftergood*



Tartan Day 2024

The Society is celebrating Tartan Day 2024 with a social get-together at Murdoch's Pub, 1935 — 37th Street SW, 6 April, starting at 4:00pm. Plans include: membership prizes, Scottish trivial pursuit, highland dancing, piping, singing, Scottish Country Dancing, the Mayor's Proclamation, and much more. Murdoch's will be putting on a

Tartan Day menu just for this occasion. Members should wear their tartan, tell their friends—all are welcome.



Highland Games 2023

The highland games season ended on a brisk mornings which improved as the day went on. Calgary Highland Games, 2 September, were well attended and many members dropped by to see the new tents, our new displays, renew membership or just to chat. Canmore Highland Games, 3 September, very well attended, much like previous years. The Society Pipers participated in the massed bands at both events. A big thank you to all the tent minders and all the others who assisted in setting up the new tents and greeting visitors. Over the period of the games,

about 30 new members joined the Society and many renewed their membership



Budget Meeting 2023

The Society's meeting to consider the budget for 2024 was held on balmy Friday afternoon, 22 September 2023, at Capitol Hill Community Hall. The budget was presented by the Treasurer and discussion followed. The Society has benefited significantly from casino funds allowing the Society to expand its Scottish cultural programs across Calgary and area. The assembled company approved the minutes from the last Budget Meeting, approved the 2024 budget and thanked the Treasurer. Following a report of Society activities and upcoming events, the company then



enjoyed a bar-b-que, ably managed by Scott McKenzie, with all the fixings. The Scottish Country dance started at 7:30pm under the outstanding direction of Ann Vanderwal who created the program and instructed the dances. The company danced to the wonderful music of Scott Duncan and Warren Tse. The evening concluded at 10:30pm. Thanks to all who brought salad and dessert items to share as well as to everyone who joined in to BBQ the burgers & hot dogs, tend bar and clean up.

Society Casino 2023

The Society's casino at Cowboys on 13 & 14 November was well staffed for a rather quiet two days. Forty five Society members and friends came out to help raise funds for the Society's activities and due to their efforts, the Society will continue to operate and our programs will carry on. Members from the choir, piping, Gaelic and Scottish Country dancing as well as members who regard the Society's programs as valuable, and also one non-member who just likes to work casinos, volunteered in this major fund raising effort. The Society wishes to thank: Jonathan Aftergood, Sharron Brooks, Charity Callahan, Bill Campbell, Marilyn Clare, Stuart Clark, Robert Earl, Glenda Glaspey, Gary Hanoski, Florence Horman, Tracey LaRocke, Ian Lewis, Susan Lewis, Christin Lundgren, Susan MacLeod-Chambers, Jeannie McCauley, Caelin McKenzie, Scott McKenzie, Linda McLeod, Rayna Moffatt, Bill Mulloy, Alastair Preston, Barrie Purvis, Pat Purvis, Elisabeth Reeve, Jane Rowlands, Wendy Runge, Heather Siegel, Cathy Turnbull, Judy Ubaldi, Bob Warwick, Jim Weisert, Bill Wilson, and Sylvia Woods. And a special thanks to those members who took a double shift: Adam Dahmer, Chris Fines, Robert Henderson, David Hongisto, Andrew Joo, Ken Persson, Bruce Robertson and Ross Smith. Your participation helps Calgary's Scottish community activities and is greatly appreciated.



Calgary Tartan Sales



The Society is offering the following items (*non-member prices in italics*):

Ladies Sash \$75 *\$80*

Mini Rosette Sash \$25 *\$30*

Calgary Tartan Wool Scarf \$22 *\$27 limited time*

Calgary Tartan Lambswool Wrap \$145 *\$155*

Calgary Tartan Long Tie \$18 *\$23*

Calgary Tartan Bow Tie - \$17 *\$21*

Calgary Tartan Cumberbund \$45 *\$50*

Calgary Tartan wool yardage (per yard)

Calgary Tartan 11 oz double wide. \$55 *\$70*

& Calgary Tartan Kilt weight double wide *Out of stock*

Watch the Society website Merchandise tab at

www.standrewcaledonian.ca We are also looking for an assistant sales director to help with new orders and shipping.

Baked Salmon with Tarragon

Baking salmon in kitchen foil seals in the juices and flavour of the fish and the tarragon. This can also be baked in puff pastry for formal occasions. The quantities below are sufficient for people.

Ingredients:

4 salmon fillets

1 small, finely chopped onion

2 slices of thin bacon, diced

3 ounces (90g or $\frac{3}{4}$ stick) butter

Quarter teaspoon dried tarragon

2 tablespoons lemon juice

Large sheet of buttered kitchen foil

Double cream or crème fraîche

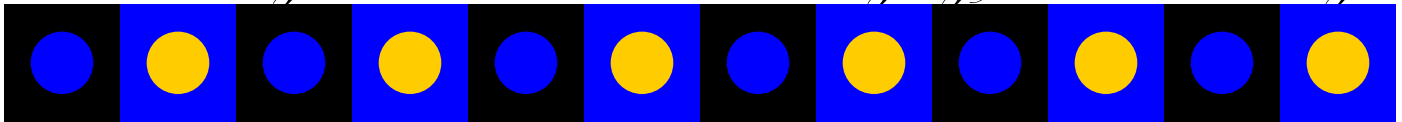
Method:

Pre-heat the oven to 400F (200C or Gas Mark 6). Fry the finely chopped onion in butter in a pan until soft and golden (but not burnt). Add the bacon and tarragon and cook for another two minutes; then stir in the lemon juice.

Place a large piece of buttered kitchen foil in an ovenproof dish, place the salmon fillets on this and cover with the onion and bacon mixture. Fold over the foil and seal to make a parcel. Bake for 15-20 minutes.

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Flodden Memorial

A new memorial to the Battle of Flodden can be found on the Tweed Green at Coldstream and is in the shape of a Scottish broadsword, pointing towards the battlefield over the border in Northumberland. The accompanying plaque records the acts of mercy by the nuns at nearby Coldstream Priory, who brought many of the bodies from the battlefield to be buried on consecrated ground. The memorial was unveiled by a descendant of the abbess of the priory in 1513. The battle arose when King James IV of Scotland (who had signed a "Treaty of Everlasting Peace" between Scotland and England about ten years earlier, and had married Margaret Tudor, eldest daughter of King Henry VII of England), invaded England in response to a plea for assistance by the King of France. King James, the cream of Scotland's nobility and 10,000 men were lost in the battle. English casualties are estimated to have been 1,500.

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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