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The St. Andrew-Caledonian Society of Calgary

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140th Annual General Meeting 2024

The Society's Annual General meeting will be held at the Capitol Hill Community Hall, 1531 - 21st Ave NW on Saturday 8 June 2024. The day starts at 4:00pm with a social time followed by field games at 4:30pm with potato races, foot races, and other games. The AGM starts at 5:00pm and will consist of the following items:

The meeting will present for membership approval:

1. the 2023 AGM minutes,
2. the Annual Report for 2023,
3. the audited financial statements of 2023,
4. ratification of the 2023 Board actions,
5. the Slate of Directors for the Board,
6. membership dues, and,
7. appointment of auditors

Cost: free to members but please bring a salad or dessert and let Ann know which you will be bringing. Also contact Ann regarding allergies.

Music: Scott Duncan, Dennis Orr and company

Dance program: Bannockburn BBQ dance diagrams

Contact: Annvanderwal@shaw.ca

*we are not able to supply gluten-free buns but will provide gluten-free burgers and vegetarian burgers for those who request them by emailing Ann

Robert Henderson



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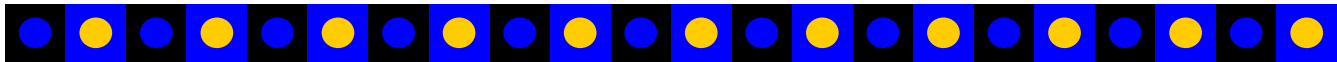
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SOCIETY GOLF OUTING

The Golf Committee is in the process of putting together the Society's golf outing for members and their friends, on an August weekend at an enjoyable rural course. Registration includes: green fees, golf cart (shared), prizes, Bar-b-que dinner and great company. This is a Society sponsored event. Andrew has sent out a survey requesting member input and watch the Society website for confirmation of the date, place and registration form or contact Andrew Joo at andrewjoo@msn.com





Highland Games Season 2024

The Society will be out at the highland games this year. The Calgary Highland Games have been canceled this year, but the Canmore Highland Games are on Sunday, 1 September at Canmore's Centennial Park. The Society is looking for members who are willing to volunteer for two hours to 'mind the tent' giving out Society information promoting the Society's programs during these events. Please contact Robert Henderson at roberthenderson@yahoo.com or 403-245-5514 if you are available to help.



Tartan Day 2024

Tartan Day 2024 was held Saturday, 6 April, at Murdoch's Pub. Forty-five members and friends of the Society came together to mark the 724th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Arbroath. The event started with the Society's Gaelic Choir presenting a number of songs which were well received by the company. The Glenrose Dancers presented highland dances and choreographed pieces in a celebration of tartan to a high standard. The Society President read the Mayor of Calgary's Tartan Day Proclamation and this was followed by a Scottish Trivial Pursuit quiz which really needed a microphone. This was soon rectified by Prairie Flower Dance band who set up to play for the Scottish Country dance. The Glenrose Dancers won the quiz and one year's membership in the Society. Ann Vanderwal put the dancers through a several dances that were enjoyed by all. Murdoch's pub put on a Scottish menu for the event and everyone had a good time.

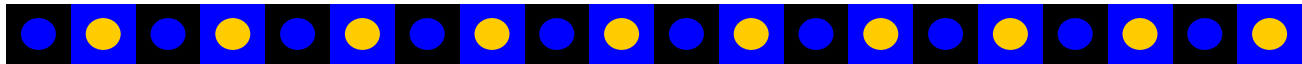
Kirkin' 2024

The Society celebrated tartan and Scottish culture on Sunday, 26 May 2024 at Knox United Church with about 120 members and new friends. The service began with a selection of Scottish songs by the Society's Gaelic Choir under the direction of Beth Ann Friesen which was followed by the Tartan Procession under the supervision of Robert Earl while the pipe section played 'Highland Cathedral' accompanied by the Knox organ. The focus of the Reflection was 'Mountains' using Jack Whyte's lyrics to 'Highland

Cathedral'. During the offertory, The Society's Gaelic Choir sang Leonard Cohen's 'Hallelujah' in English and Gaelic.



The service concluded with a rousing rendition of 'Flower of Scotland' by the Society's Gaelic Choir followed by the pipers. The social gathering followed the service to complete a wonderful day.



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 Calgarians, I hereby proclaim April 6, 2024 as:

TARTAN DAY

**JYOTI GONDEK
MAYOR**



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 \$60 *\$75*

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.

Society Calendar

Society events for the coming year:



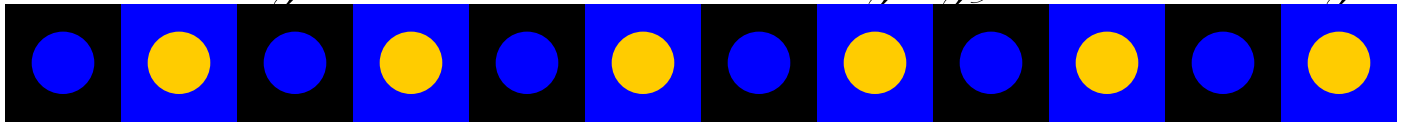
8 June **Annual General Meeting**, Capitol Hill Community Hall, 1521—21st Avenue NW,

August **Golf Tournament**, Date to be set at a rural Alberta course

21 September, **Budget Meeting and Dance**, Capitol Hill Community Hall, 1521—21st Avenue NW,

23 November **St. Andrew's Ball**, Polish Canadian Cultural Centre, 3015—15th Street NE, doors open at 5:30pm

Celebrating Scottish Culture in Calgary for over a century



Society Casino 2025

The Society's next casino will be in the third quarter (July-September) 2025 and we have applied for the Ace Airport Casino, 40 Aero Crescent NE. Their website is: www.acecasinos.ca and they are located off Deerfoot Trail & Airport Trail next to the Clique Hotel. More details will be made available once our date has been drawn, but we will be looking for general managers, alternate general managers, bankers, cashiers, chip runners, Count room supervisors and count room staff. 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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