

Northampton Town & County Scottish Association

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Dear member welcome to newsletter number two of 2022 and as always, on behalf of the executive committee, we hope you are in good spirit as we enter our spring and the season of new life and eventual sunshine.

With the pandemic now part of our life but under control, things are looking decidedly more optimistic, as we in the executive committee, look at opportunities new and old to revive our social calendar.

To that end, the committee met on 25 March, with our social activity plans very much the main focus of our agenda.

Before that though, we looked back at the success of our recent dance classes at Great Houghton hall and acknowledged the efforts of those members who have supported this light hearted get together.

The quiz night on 12 Feb was also a great success and again many thanks to all who came along and expanded their knowledge of all things general as well as Scottish affairs. Please see the website for photos and details.

Returning to future social events, the committee discussed and agreed the continuation of our dance sessions, further dates to be confirmed separately, as well as a repeat quiz “afternoon” event later in the year, also “to be confirmed”

Some members have suggested we expand our social programme to lunchtime events and where it’s possible to do so, this will certainly be considered.

Leading nicely then on to the resumption of our traditional strawberry tea, much missed due to covid. Margaret Jones offered her garden as a venue and with the assistance of our events support group; we hope to announce very soon, a date for this event. We are counting on your support.

Further consideration was given to

A tour of Lamport Hall and gardens which may be attractive to some of our members, we’d appreciate your thoughts?

A weekend trip to Edinburgh to take in the tattoo will also be looked at in terms of cost and logistics. This is a long term 2023 consideration.

Remember our annual bowling match at Abington Park? Perhaps it’s time also, to consider this previously well supported event.

Can you assist? Please let us know.

We may also look to re-introduce our summer barbecue together with ceilidh dancing and Scottish music to spice things up a wee bit!

Film evenings/afternoons, and/or talks by experienced speakers are other areas of interest and will attract our attention in the coming weeks.

As with all events which require planning and resource, feedback from our members is not only welcome but vital to providing us with the enthusiasm to move forward on any of these conceptual ideas and therefore we ask that you please drop a line on our email address with your comments, preferences or suggestions. Equally, a quick call to any member of the committee would always be appreciated.

Rules and constitution: the executive committee would like to thank Sandra and Alex berry for printing and then providing the association with the very latest handbook now available on request via email.

A further acknowledgement is on the way to both.

Association accounts: it is not our intention to hold an AGM this year, given that the previous, delayed, AGM was in November 2021 and there was no association activity between Nov '21 and end of year Feb '22.

Subsequently, the year-end accounts are currently being prepared for circulation to all members for approval, as we did during the “pandemic” period. Our next AGM therefore will be in April 2023 bringing us back in line with our constitution.

Membership subs 2022-2023 many thanks to those members who have already renewed their membership to the association, however a wee reminder to others that subscriptions are now overdue as of end of March.....Mary Roach

We conclude with a wee reminder to check out our website and to drop us a line (or a phone call) with views, suggestions or ideas!

That's all folks

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