

Northampton Town & County Scottish Association

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NT&CSA Newsletter December 2022

Dear Member, welcome to the final Newsletter of 2022 (yes already) and as usual we hope we find you in good health and good spirits as we approach the festive season and prepare to welcome in another new year.

The Executive Council members met once again at Chipsey Avenue on the afternoon of Monday 21st November, Margaret fully refreshed after her cruise around the Caribbean and Bill from four weeks at his other home in the South of Spain (alright for some I hear you say!) our main focus being our St Andrew's lunch and Burns Nìcht.

However we begin this edition with a report on our latest social event, the final "big do" of 2022 and a memorable one!

St Andrew Celebration Lunch 27th November Collingtree Park Golf Club. Thank you to all who came along and enjoyed a marvellous lunch, music and song in the company of fellow members, friends and families.

A special thanks to our musicians Alan McIlravie on the pipes and Graham Kinnersly on the keyboard. Graham's fast track learning of old Scots tunes, was a credit to his musicianship and a great contribution to a memorable afternoon.

It was Graham's expert opinion that a Scottish Association grand choir should be considered in the future, thank you Graham!!

Thanks also for donations to our very successful raffle, as always organised by Margaret Jones. (See website for photographs)

On remembrance day 13th November our Association was represented at the Town Centre Memorial Service by council member Val King who laid a wreath on behalf of the Scottish Association continuing a tradition which has extended over many years.

On the 29th November we enjoyed our final Ceilidh Dance session of 2022 with Elizabeth Walker providing the tuition and as always, great fun was had by all who attended. Thanks as always to Elizabeth.

*With 2022 over and done, our immediate focus of attention now, is our next planned social event and as always, the highlight of a new year, our **Grand Burns Nicht Dinner and Dance on January 21st** preparation underway, more details on a flyer, to follow!*

The date of our AGM and future events 2023 will be communicated in due course, following Burns'Nicht on 21 January

Finally, on the Scotts porridge oats package, the following message

"It's awfy dreich oot the day, best keep the baffies on, grab a bowl of porridge and keek out the windae, feeling gallus!"

Nae idea why they bothered wi a translation !! Bill

It's been an interesting and challenging year, hopefully next year will be equally interesting but much less challenging!!

that's all folks

until next year, we wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and a guid new year with many more to come.

on behalf of the Executive Council members, "fuirich sa' bhailte" /stay safe and don't forget to "keep in touch" should auld acquaintance be forgot !!

PS, many thanks to all who wrote in with words of appreciation for the St Andrew's Day poem.



The Executive Council
wish all our members
A Very Happy Christmas



Robert, Margaret, Mary, Val and Bill.....
"Merry Christmas, see you Next Year"