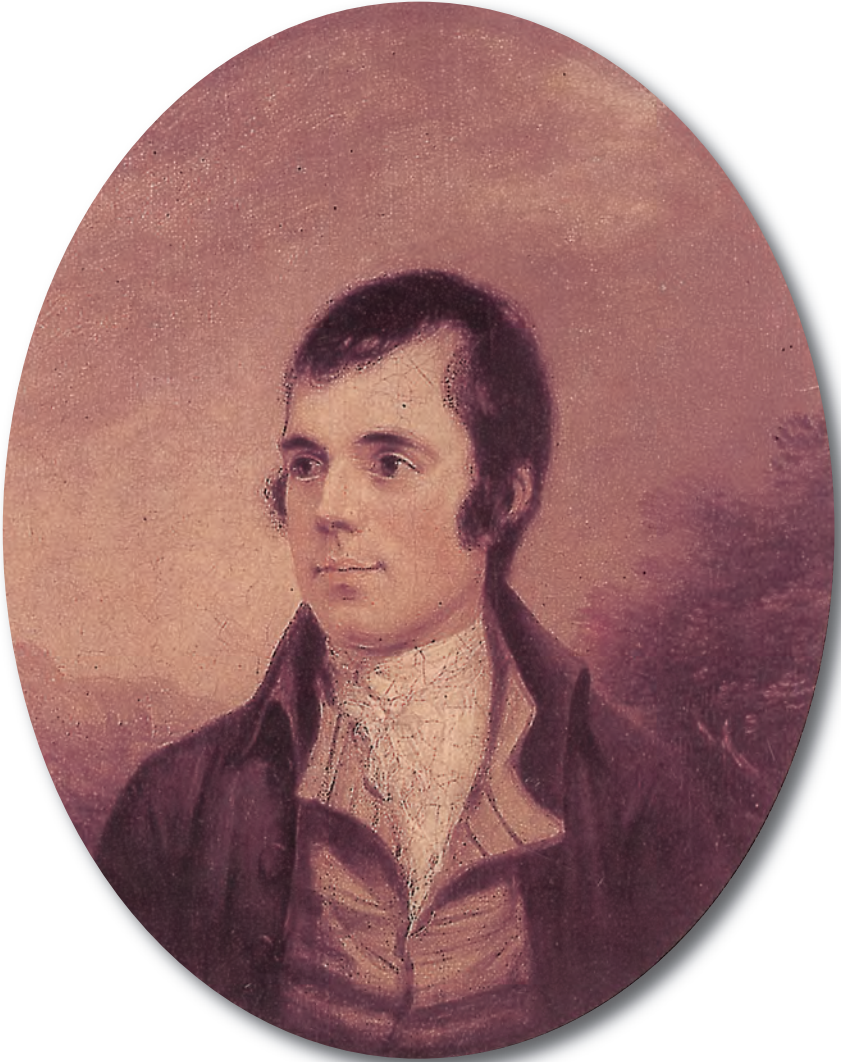


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❧ A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT ❧

Dear Members and Guests

A very warm welcome to the 153rd Bridgeton Burns Club Anniversary Dinner – one of the biggest and most famous Burns Clubs in the world.

Instituted in 1870, only 74 years after the death of the Bard, we have two main objectives;

- To celebrate the life and works of Robert Burns, by holding a dinner each year on the 25th January, when not on a Sunday.
- To promote the life and works of Robert Burns amongst the children of the schools of the East-end of Glasgow by holding an annual competition.

Tonight, I have the honour of chairing this prestigious dinner and would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your continued support.

I am pleased to say that just last month it was fantastic to see over 900 children take part in the annual Competition at St Mungo's Academy, encompassing song, recitation, choral verse, art and news desk. The quality and enthusiasm of the entrants never fails to amaze, and this year was no exception. Tonight, we will have the pleasure of hearing a select few of our winners after which Director Gordon Hay will make the appeal on behalf of the club. My heartfelt plea is that you listen carefully to Gordon and then make your donations on the forms provided. The Schools Competition could not continue in the same manner without your most generous donations. We are also delighted to welcome former Prizewinner and now Funds for the Arts Student, Amber Blake, who will premiere a tune she has specially written for the Club.

As part of the club's fundraising activities we are currently offering some very attractive sponsorship packages, ranging from Dinner sponsorship to 'my old school' transport costs. More information can be obtained by visiting our website: www.bridgetonburnsclub.org.uk.

The long standing strength and success of Bridgeton Burns Club is in no small way due to the quality and commitment of its Board of Directors and Past Presidents.

During the year the Board of Directors and Past Presidents have enjoyed many activities such as the golf competition at Glasgow GC, the Adjudicators Dinner and a number of very interesting and informative presentations on the life, works and world of Robert Burns.

We are currently looking for new recruits to join our board as Directors. I am sure you would thoroughly enjoy being a part of this great Club and knowing you are perpetuating the memory of the Bard through one of Glasgow's oldest institutions.

If this is something that you feel you would be interested in please feel free to speak to either myself or one of the board members or alternatively contact us via the club website. Likewise if you or your company would like to become a Patron of the Club, please contact one of the Board members.

It is with great sadness that I must report the passing of a wonderful ambassador and great stalwart of the club.

Past President (year 2009 / 2010) Jack Steele.

Jack was a great servant of the club, and I encourage you read his obituary in this brochure.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I am sure we are in for an evening of learning, humour and most of all enjoyment just as the Bard would have wanted. So sit back, relax and enjoy what I believe is the best Burns Dinner in the World.

Yours aye

Jonathan Buchan

President





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BURNS' QUIZ

1. Who was Robert and Gilbert's teacher in Alloway?
2. Which farm did William Burnes rent in 1766?
3. Where did Robert join a Dancing class?
4. What trade did Robert learn in Irvine in 1781?
5. What disease caused the death of William Burnes ?
6. Who was the mother of the poet's first daughter?
7. To whom did Burns send Tam o'Shanter in 1790?
8. Which Military Group did Burns join early in 1795?
9. What was the date of Burns death in 1796?
10. What was the name of his son born 25/07/1796?

Answers on page 35.

Edward T.Meek

Past President

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∞ THE IMMORTAL MEMORY ∞



Reverend Alec Shuttleworth

The Speaker.....Jamie Easton
Songs O' BurnsJonathan Buchan
Our Guests.....Iain W. Glennie
Reply on behalf of the GuestsStuart Brodie
Vote of Thanks.....The Chairman
Our ChairmanColin Botfield

“Auld Lang Syne”

Pianist: Matthew Hynes Artistes: Maggie Milton & Andrew Dickov

Piper: Pipe Major Spencer Veitch

∞ BIOGRAPHIES ∞

IAIN W. GLENNIE



A native of Inverurie Iain has been married to Joanne for 26 years and is the proud father to Catriona and James.

After leaving Inverurie Academy in 1984 he studied Mathematics and Physics at the University of Aberdeen.

Following teacher training he taught all over Scotland for 27 years finishing his time as Faculty Head of Science at Larkhall Academy. He is now a full time union official, still working in secondary education.

Currently Junior Vice-President of the Glasgow Haggis Club and a Past President and Minute Secretary of the Bridgeton Burns Club, Iain still manages to find a bit of time to do some public speaking. As long as the weather holds and there are no cancellations in 2024 he will deliver his 200th Immortal Memory.

STUART BRODIE



Stuart Brodie graduated from the University of Glasgow with an LLB(Hons), Dip.LP in 1997. After graduating, Stuart trained at Deloitte becoming a Chartered Tax Advisor before moving to Grant Thornton where he was a partner until 2019 specialising in providing VAT advice to businesses around the country and he has been involved in a number of high-profile cases. From 2020 until the end of 2023, Stuart was managing director of a niche insurance firm, but he has recently gone back to Tax Advising, establishing the Glasgow office of Claritas Tax earlier this month.

Stuart is well known as a reciter in Burns circles and has performed throughout the UK as well as New York. He is a past President of the Sandyford Burns Club.

Stuart is married to Kirsteen and they have two grown up daughters who have now thankfully moved out. Stuart and Kirsteen spend much of their time on the Isle of Arran playing golf.

REVEREND ALEC SHUTTLEWORTH



Alec Shuttleworth is a Dumfriesshire man who grew up singing, reciting and speaking at Burns Suppers. As Minister of Tarbolton Parish Church from 2004 to 2013, the highlight of his Burns career thus far, has been proposing the Immortal Memory at the famous Bachelor's Club in Tarbolton. After University in Edinburgh, Alex joined Radio Forth in 1981, but left his career as an award-winning broadcaster in 1996 to train for the Church of Scotland Ministry, and is currently the Minister of the villages of Kincardine and Saline in Fife. He sings with the Church of Scotland Heart and Soul Swing Band, enjoys photography and walking, is married with three adult children and twa dugs.



**There sat Auld Nick, in shape o' beast: A tousie tyke, black, grim and large,
To gie them music was his charge:**

"TAM O' SHANTER" by Robert Burns

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Loch Primary P5-7 - Choral Speaking

“Willie Wastle”



Sophie McCluskey Solo Own Interpretation - Trinity High

“Ye banks and braes”



Struan Young & Erin McDonald Duet - Smithycroft

“O lay thy loof in mine lass”



Holly Morris P6/7 Solo Singing - West Coats Primary

“My hearts in the highlands”



Kamisyachukwa Jibuluv P6/7 Verse - St.Denis Primary

“Parcel of Rogues”



Smithycroft Secondary Choir

“Ye Jacobites”



Jessica Telfer P2/3 Verse - West Coats Primary

“My Heart’s in the Highlands”



Pippa Henderson P1 Verse - Cairns Primary

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The following gentlemen have proposed the “Immortal Memory” at
The Bridgeton Burns Club Anniversary Dinner.



1972	Sheriff Irvine J. Smith	1998	Jack M.S. Pirie
1973	John D. Hamilton	1999	David. D. Sibbald
1974	Rt . Hon.Willie Ross	2000	Bill Samuel
1975	Chas. Jarvis	2001	Len. C. Murray
1976	Maurice Lindsay	2002	Sam. K. Gaw
1977	Ian Collie	2003	Magnus Magnusson KBE
1978	Prof. David Daiches	2004	David McLetchie MSP
1979	Sheriff Gow	2005	David D. Sibbald
1980	Rev. Dr. Murdo Macdonald	2006	Sir. Robert Smith
1981	Geo. Anderson	2007	Alex Salmond MP
1982	Rev. Dr. P.P. Brodie	2008	Tom Johnston
1983	Sheriff Francis Middleton	2009	Angus Middleton
1984	Angus MacVicar	2010	Alex Neil MSP
1985	Jimmy Reid	2011	Jack Glenny
1986	Rt . Hon. David Steel	2012	Alasdair Hutton OBE, TD
1987	R. A. Crampsey	2013	Ross Finnie
1988	Prof. R.B. Jack	2014	MartinWalker
1989	Jimmie McGregor	2015	Prof. David Purdie
1990	James Brodie	2016	Rod MacCowan
1991	Adam McNaughton	2017	Jim Shields
1992	Rt . Hon. Geo. Younger QC	2018	John Shirkie
1993	Tom Robertson	2019	Dr Joseph Morrow CBE, KStJ, QC
1994	John Mercer	2020	Prof. Gerard Carruthers
1995	Donald Findlay QC	2022	Alan D. Beck
1996	J.B.Webster	2023	Iain Doole
1997	Sheriff Irvine. J. Smith	2024	Rev. Alec Shuttleworth

THIS EVENING'S PERFORMERS

Pipe Major SPENCER VEITCH

It is with genuine pleasure that we welcome back Pipe Major Spencer Veitch as our Club Piper to pipe-in both our distinguished Top Table and Haggis this evening.

Spencer is no stranger to our Club having carried out these duties for over 30 years.

Thank you Spencer.

AMBER BLAKE – PREMIERE OF 'THE BRIDGETON BURNS CLUB' TUNE

Back in 2012, Amber Blake, then a pupil at Calderwood Primary, won the inaugural Solo Instrumental section of the Club's Schools Competition playing 'My Love is Like a Red, Red Rose,' on her fiddle. She was so good that she was awarded a Club Silver Medal, the Willie Telfer Trophy, and was invited to perform at the Anniversary Dinner in the Marriott the following January. She says that playing to an audience of over six hundred men in formal dress in the Marriott as a nine-year-old pupil had such a profound impact on her that she decided to pursue a career in Scottish traditional music.



Nine years later she was awarded a Club Fund for the Arts bursary to help with her Honours degree in Gaelic and Traditional Music at the Gaelic University in Skye (Sabhal mor Ostaig) where she is now in her third year. As a young woman who really knows where she is going, Amber already has her own Ceilidh band and has had her own programme on BBC Radio non Gaidheal, Radio Scotland's Gaelic channel. She is undoubtedly a star of the future.

As Amber's degree course includes composition, the Club has commissioned her to write a Scottish country dance tune called 'The Bridgeton Burns Club', which we hope will cement the Club's place in Scottish cultural history. Tonight's Dinner will be its world premiere. We can't wait to hear it.

Support the Club – Become a Patron

A number of years ago we established a Board of Patrons, with a limited number of companies who want to support the Bridgeton Burns Club and who see an advantage for themselves in so doing. The benefits to our Patrons include:-

- Inclusion in a list of Patrons on our letterhead
- Acknowledgement of their support at all major events
- A clear verbal indication of their support at the Anniversary Dinner and a free advert in the Anniversary Dinner brochure.
- 2 complimentary tickets for our Adjudicators' Dinner, at which we thank our adjudicators and Patrons and provide an up-date on the latest achievements
- Guaranteed seats at the Schools Concert at which prize-winners in the various categories perform, mainly in front of their families– this is always a full house
- The guarantee of 8 tickets (at cost) for the Anniversary Dinner

Ideally we would ask potential patrons to consider giving us 3 years' support to help the Club budget for likely income

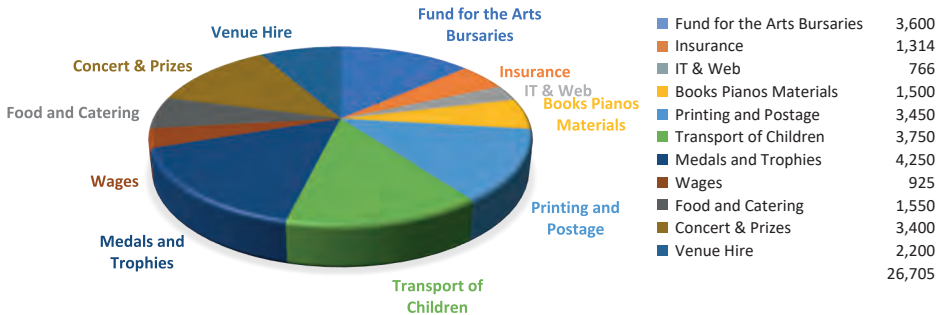
If you would like more information on becoming a Patron, please contact the Patrons' Convenor Gordon Hay ge-h25@hotmail.com

❧ PAST PRESIDENTS ❧

OF THE BRIDGETON BURNS CLUB

1870-73	John Wilson	1923-24	Dr. T.M. Fletcher	1975-76	Gordon K. Woore
1873-74	F. G. Dougal	1924-25	Sir John McDonald	1976-77	Stuart M. Wallace
1874-75	Dr. John McIntyre	1925-26	Robert Cowper	1977-78	R.S. Burnett
1875-76	Baillie Alex Waddell	1926-27	Adam C. Hay	1978-79	J.H. Sinclair
1876-77	Cllr. Alex. McLaren	1927-28	Dr. David McKail	1979-80	Walter O. Hibberd
1877-78	Dr. A. Neilson	1928-29	James Templeton	1980-81	Allan Findlay
1878-79	John Scott	1929-30	Joseph B. Stobo	1981-82	T. Bryan McKirgan
1879-80	Rev. William Leggatt	1930-31	Col. Geo P. Linton	1982-83	Ian A. Macpherson
1880-81	John Kirkland	1931-32	Geo. W. Laurie JP		MBE, CStJ, JP
1881-82	William MacIntyre	1932-33	John S. Steven	1983-84	Sir R.N.M. MacSween
1882-83	Dr. Campbell	1933-34	J.D. MacIntyre BL	1984-85	A. Stewart Walker
1883-84	John Burns	1934-35	C. Jago Gregg	1985-86	Robert McDonald
1884-85	Cllr. Hugh S. Thomson	1935-36	A. Hood Millen	1986-87	Ian Gourlay
1885-86	John Dale	1936-37	Baillie M. Armstrong JP	1987-88	Donald Lawson
1886-87	James Hendry	1937-38	Baillie T.R. Patterson JP	1988-89	Dr. Robert A. Taylor
1887-88	Dr. H.B. Wilson	1938-40	R.B. Thomson	1989-90	Jack G. Mallard
1888-89	James Tait	1940-43	Wm. C. Faulds JP	1990-91	Ian M. Robb
1889-90	Wm. Cochran JP	1934-44	W. Macandrew JP	1991-92	Dr. Robin Greenhill
1890-91	William Campbell	1944-46	Andrew Boyd JP	1992-93	Eric Adair
1891-92	James Baird	1946-47	D. Campbell Brown	1993-94	W.E. McH. Marshall
1892-93	William Brown	1947-48	Edward Gibbon	1994-95	George Moore
1893-94	William Rodger	1948-49	John Gray	1995-96	James P.S. McNeill
1894-95	Rector Menzies JP	1949-50	John Ramage	1996-97	James M.B. Slater
1895-96	John Bowie JP	1950-51	J. Douglas Train	1997-98	R.M. Leishman JP
1896-97	Robert Scott	1951-52	Dr. T. Fletcher Greenhill	1998-99	W. Telfer
1897-98	Andrew J. Bain	1952-53	Alex Sim	1999-00	Stewart Wright
1898-99	William Freeland	1953-54	Gordon Brown	2000-01	W. Thomson
1899-00	Dr. Alex Munro	1954-55	Adam Anderson	2001-02	Walker Hamilton
1900-01	A. Hoy JP, FEIS	1955-56	Wm. Morrison	2002-03	R. MacCowan
1901-02	James Young	1956-57	William Law	2003-04	J.A. McLennan
1902-03	Daniel Duncan	1957-58	Dr. J. Gillan Anderson	2004-05	C.B. Newlands MBE, JP
1903-04	D.L. Stevenson	1958-59	J.B. MacWilliam	2005-06	A. Wilkie
1904-05	Baillie Wm. Nicol JP	1959-60	J. Simpson Laidlaw	2006-07	E.T. Meek
1905-06	Dr. James Devon	1960-61	J. Stuart Deans	2007-08	J. McKinney
1906-07	Peter White JP	1961-62	Dr. John B. Wilson	2008-09	K.W. Wilson
1907-08	Dr. Robert Wilson	1962-63	Andrew Hunter	2009-10	John R. Steele TD
1908-09	George H. Laird	1963-64	James Lynn	2010-11	Ronnie Williamson
1909-10	Mal. A. Hendry JP	1964-65	William R. Walker	2011-12	Ian Lightbody
1910-11	Thomas Potter, Jnr	1965-66	Dr. H.R.F. Macdonald	2012-13	F.G. Thompson MBE
1911-12	David Baird	1966-67	James Young	2013-14	Paul Hughes
1912-13	Robert Miller JP	1967-68	John S.F. Hutchison	2014-15	Alasdair R.J. Ronald
1913-14	J.M. Campbell JP	1968-69	Andrew Laidlaw	2015-16	Andrew G Samuel
1914-18	Adam C. Hay	1969-70	James Struthers	2016-17	Andy McArthur TD
1918-19	David S. Brown	1970-71	Robert Donaldson	2017-18	Allan McGinness
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1922-23	Dr. W.A. Burns	1974-75	John K. Kilpatrick	2022-23	R. Graeme McDonald

How the Haggis is Cut Ye Up



The Annual Anniversary Dinner is self-funding and generally makes a very small profit. It is our main opportunity to appeal for the funds required to run the Schools Competition.

The costs of running the competition have increased and as the numbers attending the Dinner have not yet returned to pre Covid levels which has a direct effect on our Annual Appeal. Costs are rising and we, as a Club, want to do more for more schools and children.

Our objective is to promote the life and works of Robert Burns and without the financial donations for our Annual Appeal we would be unable to continue with this.

The Board has various initiatives underway - seeking patrons, donors and grants. If this is something which interests you then please get in touch.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Jonathan Buchan
President

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Any person wishing to become a member or director of the Bridgeton Burns Club please do not hesitate to contact us.



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DO YOU ENJOY “THE BRIDGETON”? WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPPORT OUR WORK? ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DIRECTOR?

One of the Clubs historical artefacts held in the Mitchell Library in Glasgow is the first Minute Book.

Started by our founding fathers, forming the Club after a meeting in the shop of John Scott, 13 Main Street, Bridgeton. Beautifully written on the first page are the names of all who were present including the first Club President, John Wilson (1870-73) with the words;

“To meet annually on the 25th January to celebrate the anniversary of the natal day of Scotland’s (sic) darling poet – Burns” And so developed the two main objectives of the Club;

- *To celebrate the life and works of Robert Burns, by holding a dinner each year on the 25th January, when not on a Sunday*
- *To promote the life and works of Robert Burns amongst the children of the schools of the East-end of Glasgow by holding an annual competition.*

The Club continues to promote those objectives and in turn maintains the cultural roots of this great City, more especially the memory of our National Bard, Robert Burns.

We are currently looking for new recruits to join our Board as a Director.

I am sure you would thoroughly enjoy being a part of this great Club and knowing you are perpetuating the memory of the Bard through one of Glasgow’s oldest institutions.

If you would like to find out more or would like to apply, I would be delighted to hear from you. I can be contacted on jonathanbuchan1975@hotmail.co.uk

We look forward to hearing from you.

Jonathan Buchan
President

ADJUDICATORS' DINNER

Each year the club organises a schools competition offering prizes for recitation and song. The competition is open to schools in the Glasgow area and is well attended with over 400 children taking part.

The challenge of selecting winners falls to the adjudicators, a select independent band of volunteers who support the club by giving up an evening to sit and assess the performance of the children. The quality of the entrants, and the dedication of their teachers in tutoring, does not make this an easy task. The club is extremely grateful for their support and in gratitude we invite adjudicators and their partners to a dinner at Whitecraigs Golf Club.

In 2023 Director Eric Thompson was Souter for the evening and the adjudicators were entertained by the daughter of Director Andrew Murray, a professional musician. The evening commenced with a welcome from Schools Convenor Jonathan Buchan and Grace came from the President, Graeme McDonald.

The dinner is a celebration of their support and in 2023 Director Andrew Murray proposed the toast to the Adjudicators and Caroline Dickov responded on their behalf.

Community singing was led by our Choirmaster Jonathan Buchan.

An excellent meal and an excellent location provide the perfect backdrop to an evening of thanks for the work of the club adjudicators.

The next Adjudicators Dinner will be held in March 2024 and the Club President, Past Presidents and Directors look forward to welcoming our guests and thanking them for their hard work.



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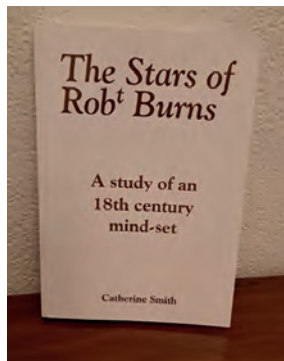
❧ “ THE STARS OF ROBT BURNS ” ❧

On Tuesday 14 November 2023, Past President Bobby Shaw met with Mr Andrew Mushet the Managing Director of William Anderson and Sons Ltd, Commercial and Colour Printers, Glasgow. Andrew is a regular attendee at the Bridgeton Burns Club Anniversary Dinner, and a tremendous supporter of various charitable organisations, he has kindly donated 400 copies of the recently published book entitled “ The Stars of Robt Burns” written by the academic author Dr Catherine Smith.

These books have been presented as a gift to all those in attendance at this year’s Anniversary Dinner, as a token of appreciation for supporting the club. Andrew Mushet has been in the printing industry for over 56 years, publishing a wide spectrum of books. Two books in particular “ A Winter of Robert Burns” by John Marshall, and “Robert Burns Cronies, Colleagues and Contemporaries” by John L. Hempstead were extremely popular with Burnsians and the general public alike. He has also been responsible for the publication of many Robert Burns articles in the Ashlar magazine, and the production of Robert Burns portraits and prints.

The gifted book is, a study of 18th century mind-set, and illustrates how Dr Catherine Smith dissects Robert Burns life from early farm life, reading obsession and education, to the literary genius that he was, highlighting a plethora of her ideas, suppositions, propositions and conjectures, all based on extremely thorough, exhaustive research that scholars and neutrals will enjoy.

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∞ FUND FOR THE ARTS ∞

The Fund for the Arts awards bursaries, currently £800 per year, to students who are studying the Arts at tertiary level, preference being given to those who have performed at the Club's Schools Competition. Our aim is to help students who will carry forward Scotland's cultural heritage, in particular that of Robert Burns.

In recent years we have been helping a group of five students. This has now tapered down to two, one of whom will have completed his studies this summer (2024). That will leave us with one student on our books, namely Amber Blake who will be performing at this dinner. She still has two years to run. Ideally, the Club would take-on one new bursary holder each year rather than multiples. That would give us a steady state of three students on our books at any given time, assuming that they are all on three-year courses, but life is rarely that simple. Looking forward, we hope to take on at least one new student from this year's crop of school-leavers.

One success this past year is that Kerry Lynch (flautist) along with her partner Jacopo Lazzaretti (classical guitarist), known as the JKL Duo, have launched their first CD. It is called 'The International Poet' and is a collection of Burns songs with international musical variations (now available on the internet). The Fund for the Arts bought Kerry her first flute.

Our second success is Amber Blake. She is studying for an Honours degree in Gaelic and Traditional Music at the Gaelic University in Skye (Sabhal mor Ostaig). She has already established her own ceilidh band and had her own programme on BBC Scotland's Radio nan Gaidheal (the Gaelic channel) in which she mentioned Bridgeton Burns Club (it's the same in Gaelic). Amber has been commissioned to write a Scottish Country Dance tune for us called 'The Bridgeton Burns Club', which we hope will cement the Club's name in Scottish cultural heritage. She will be giving the premiere of her composition at this Anniversary Dinner.

Past President Eric Thompson MBE

Chairman Fund for the Arts

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- Trips to Robert Burns Birth Place Museum in Alloway.
- Classroom workshops on art and design.
- Short plays, written and produced by a playwright and performed by both ASN and mainstream pupils to audiences for parents and friends.
- Purchase of books which can give pupils with ASN and accreditation for the work they do via the SQA Scottish studies award.

Please spread the word of the Trustees willingness to support schools who teach these special children.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Robert L Stevenson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert L Stevenson

Chairman

Jean Armour Burns Trust

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SONGS

Scots, Wha Hae

Scots, wha hae wi' Wallace bled,
Scots, wham Bruce has aften led,
Welcome to your gory bed
Or to Victorie!

Now's the day, and now's the hour
See the front o' battle lour,
See approach proud Edward's power—
Chains and slaverie

Wha will be a traitor knave?
Wha can fill a coward's grave?
Wha sae base as be a slave?
Let him turn and flee!

Wha for Scotland's king and law
Freedom's sword will strongly draw,
Freeman stand or freeman fa',
Let him follow me!

By Oppression's woes and pains,
By your sons in servile chains,
We will drain our dearest veins
But they shall be free!

Lay the proud usurpers low!
Tyrants fall in every foe!
Liberty's in every blow!—
Let us do, or die!

Ae Fond Kiss

Ae fond kiss, and then we sever!
Ae farewell, and then for ever!
Deep in heart-wrung tears I'll pledge thee,
Warring sighs and groans I'll wage thee.

Had we never lov'd sae kindly
Had we never lov'd sae blindly,
Never met — or never parted —
We had ne'er been broken-hearted.

I'll ne'er blame my partial fancy—
Naething could resist my Nancy!
But to see her was to love her,
Love but her, and love forever.

Fare-thee-well, thou first and fairest!
Fare-thee-weel, thou best and dearest
Thine be ilka joy and treasure,
Peace, Enjoyment, Love and Pleasure!

Lass O' Ballochmyle

Fair is the morn in flowery May,
And sweet is night in autumn mild,
When rovin thro' the garden gay,
Or wand'ring in the lonely wild,
But woman, Nature's darling child
There all her charms she does compile;
Even there her other works are foil'd
By the bonnie lass o, Ballochmyle.

O, had she been a country maid,
And I the happy country swain,
Tho' shelter'd in the lowest shed
That ever rose on Scotia's plain,
Thro' weary winter's wind and rain
With joy, with rapture, I would toil,
And nightly to my bosom strain
The bonnie lass o' Ballochmyle!

The Braes of Killiecrankie

Where hae ye been sae braw, lad?
Where hae ye been sae brankie-o?
Where hae ye been sae braw, lad?
Cam' ye by Killiecrankie-o?

An' ye had been where I hae been
Ye wadna been sae cantie-o
An' ye had seen where I hae seen
On the braes o' Killiecrankie-o

I fought at land, I fought at sea
At home I fought my auntie-o
But I met the Devil and Dundee
On the braes o' Killiecrankie-o

The bauld pitcur fell in a furr
And Clavers gat a clankie-o
Or I had fed an Athol gled
On the braes o' Killiecrankie-o

Ye Banks and Braes

Ye banks and braes o' bonnie Doon,
How can ye bloom sae fresh and fair?
How can ye chant, ye little birds,
And I sae weary, fu' o' care!

Thou'll break my heart, thou warbling bird,
That wantons thro' the flowering thorn:
Thou minds me o' departed joys,
Departed never to return.

Aft hae I rov'd by bonnie Doon,
To see the rose and woodbine twine:
And ilka bird sang o' its Luve,
And fondly sae did I o' mine.

Wi' lightsome heart I pu'd a rose,
Fu' sweet upon its thorny tree!
But may fause Luver staw my rose,
And ah! She left the thorn wi' me



Comin thro' the Rye

Gin a body meet a body, comin thro' the rye,
Gin a body kiss a body, need a body cry;
Ilka body has a body, ne'er a ane hae I;
But a' the lads they loe me, and what the waur am I.

Gin a body meet a body, comin frae the well,
Gin a body kiss a body, need a body tell;
Ilka body has a body, ne'er a ane hae I,
But a the lads they loe me, and what the waur am I.

Gin a body meet a body, comin frae the town,
Gin a body kiss a body, need a body gloom;
Ilka Jenny has her Jockey, ne'er a ane hae I,
But a' the lads they loe me, and what the waur am I.



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❧ SCHOOLS COMPETITION ❧

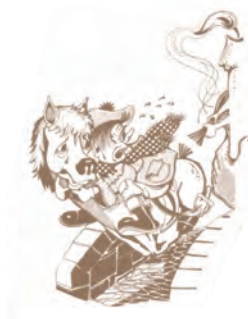
Since last year's Dinner we have held a very successful Concert and Prize-giving within Kings Park.

In May we started thinking of the pieces selected for the 2023 Competition at our Choosing Meeting, again, in Kings Park.

A very successful evening was held in St.Mungos Academy on the 1st of December where over 300 pupils performed live in front of our team of Adjudicators. My thanks go to the Adjudicators, The Schools Committee along with our Administrator Joan McEachen.

I, like you, look forward to hearing some of the Prizewinners at this evening's dinner.

Jonathan Buchan
Schools Convenor



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🌀 SCHOOLS COMPETITION RESULTS 🌀

RESULTS 2023

CHORAL SPEAKING P1-4

1. Loch Primary Loch Team *Maureen Brown Rosebowl*
2. Cairns Primary B Team
3. Calderwood Primary

CHORAL SPEAKING P5-7

1. Loch Primary Loch Team B *Overall Winner of the Winning Webster Trophy*
2. Cairns B Team
3. Cairns A Team

PRIMARY SOLO INSTRUMENTAL

1. Hannah Gaffney EGMS – *Willie Telfer Trophy*
2. Anna Blair EGMS
3. Grace Yang EGMS

PRIMARY 1 VERSE

1. Pippa Henderson Cairns Primary – *Joanne Gilmartin Plinth*
2. Rosie Broadfoot West Coats Primary
3. Ben Thomson West Coats Primary

PRIMARY 2/3 VERSE

1. Jessica Telfer West Coats Primary – *Barbara Ogston Bowl*
2. Orla Carberry West Coats Primary
3. Jack Gibson Calderwood Primary

PRIMARY 4/5 VERSE

1. Daisy Cartwright Loch Primary – *Andy Wilkie Memorial Quaich*
2. Rona Mansour St.Denis Primary
3. Lara Chalmers Cairns Primary

PRIMARY 6/7 VERSE

1. Kamisyochockwu Jibulu St.Denis Primary – *William Law Memorial Trophy*
2. Robyn Devlin Calderwood Primary
3. Jena McNab Calderwood Primary

SECONDARY 1 & 2 VERSE

1. Grace Finn St.Mungos Academy
2. Leo Teiteh St.Mungos Academy

SOLO SINGING PRIMARY 5 & UNDER

1. Zuriel Odali St.Denis Primary
2. Mio Fraser EGMS
3. Rowan Murray West Coats Primary

SOLO SINGING PRIMARY 6/7

1. Holly Morris West Coats Primary – *Dick Memorial Trophy*
2. Eliana Stevenson West Coats Primary
3. Ava Telfer West Coats Primary

BOYS UNBROKEN VOICE PRIMARY

1. Korian Biskup St.Denis Primary
2. Matthew Galloway EGMS
3. Charlie Thomson West Coats Primary

BOYS UNBROKEN VOICE SECONDARY

1. Fergus Young Smithycroft

BOYS BROKEN VOICE

1. Angus Young Smithycroft – *William Anderson Trophy*
2. Noah Dalglish EGMS
3. Struan Young Smithycroft

CHOIRS OVERALL OPEN SHIELD

1. Smithycroft Secondary – *Open Club Shield*
2. Cairns P5 and Under
3. Cairns P6-7 Choir

CHOIRS P5 AND UNDER

1. Cairns Primary – *John Street Trophy*

CHOIRS P7 AND UNDER

1. Cairns Primary – *Adam Hay Cup*
2. St.Charles Primary
3. West Coats Primary

SECONDARY CHOIR

1. Smithycroft – *Senior Club Shield*
2. EGMS
3. Trinity High

SOLO OWN INTERPRETATION SECONDARY

1. Sophie McCluskey Trinity High
2. Andrew Osisanya Trinity High
3. Ella Whitehead Trinity High
3. Lucy Lennon Trinity High

DUETS – SECONDARY

1. Struan Young and Erin McDonald Smithycroft
2. Andrew Osisanya & Hollie McGinty Trinity High
3. Ella Whitehead & Sophie McCluskey Trinity High

SOLO SINGING S1&2

1. Melissa Morgan Smithycroft – *Elizabeth S Main Trophy*
2. Eliza Orchiston EGMS
2. Ava Galloway EGMS

SOLO SINGING S3-6

1. Erin McDonald Smithycroft – *John Stewart Trophy*
2. Katie Gaffney EGMS
3. Phoebe Duff EGMS

SINGERS & PLAYERS

1. Cairns Primary – *Scottish Transport Trophy*
2. West Coats Primary

SECONDARY SOLO INSTRUMENTAL

1. Eliza Orchiston EGMS
2. Katie Gaffney EGMS

❧ SOCIAL ACTIVITIES ❧

AUTUMN GOLF OUTING TO GLASGOW GOLF CLUB, KILLERMONT

On Friday 1st September 2023 eleven members met at Killermont for breakfast rolls and coffee before heading out to compete for the Ian A Macpherson trophy. In glorious weather and with the course in excellent condition, the round was enjoyed by all.

After the golf, President Jonathan Buchan presented the prizes, with the trophy and green jacket going to Mark Soutter who had been participating in his first ever Bridgeton Burns Club golf outing. The prize for longest drive at the 6th hole was won by Past President Allan McGinness who also won the prize for nearest the pin at the 16th hole. The 2022 winner Alasdair Ronald won nearest-the-pin at the 11th hole. The Club outing is never taken too seriously as was demonstrated by Past President Iain T Gordon winning the award for hitting the most trees (three) in one hole.

After the prize-giving all the participants enjoyed a two course meal and the Golf Club enjoyed healthy bar takings!

Any members who would like to receive details of the next Club golf outing should notify the Secretary.



ART COMPETITION



Winner
ELODEA STEVENSON

Primary 1 & 2

- | | | |
|-----|------------------|--------------------|
| 1st | ELODEA STEVENSON | West Coats Primary |
| 2nd | LILY CRICHTON | Loch Primary |
| 3rd | KATIE MACRITCHIE | West Coats Primary |

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|-----|-----------------|
| 1st | MALAIKA USMAN |
| 2nd | BROOKE MACNEILL |
| 3rd | KATIE LOVE |

Winner
MALAIKA USMAN

Primary 3 - 5

- | |
|----------------|
| Cairns Primary |
| Loch Primary |
| Loch Primary |



Winner
LILY-GRACE WRIGHT

Primary 6 & 7

- | | | |
|-----|--|--------------------|
| 1st | LILY-GRACE WRIGHT | West Coats Primary |
| | (Overall Winner of the Bill Walker Trophy) | |
| 2nd | JUNIOR ROUGH | Loch Primary |
| 3rd | IVY PEACOCK | Calderwood Primary |



OTHER PRIZEWINNING ARTWORK



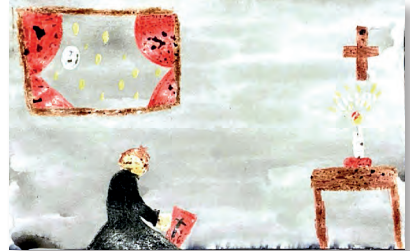
Loch Primary
Lily Crichton

West Coats Primary
Katie MacRitchie



Loch Primary
Brooke MacNeill

Loch Primary
Katie Love



Loch Primary
Junior Rough



Calderwood Primary
Ivy Peacock



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PRIMARY NEWS DESK

NEWS DESK - FRONT PAGE STORY

The News Desk competition takes the form of written entries being submitted by young pupils who have been allocated a specific subject, about which they have been tasked to write a News Article. The style of the competition affords the entrants an opportunity to express their own thoughts aligned to the theme of the subject. It is designed to encourage expression of thought and understanding.

1st	JESSICA BAYNE	Loch Primary - <i>Ian A Macpherson Salver</i>
2nd	CIARAN LITHGOW	Loch Primary
3rd	KELVIN ONWUKA	Loch Primary

BURNS' QUIZ ANSWERS

- | | | | |
|----|-----------------|-----|--------------------------|
| 1. | John Murdoch. | 6. | Elizabeth Paton. |
| 2. | Mount Oliphant. | 7. | Francis Grose. |
| 3. | Tarbolton. | 8. | The Dumfries Volunteers. |
| 4. | Flax Dressing. | 9. | The 21st July 1796. |
| 5. | Tuberculosis. | 10. | Maxwell Burns. |

❧ OBITUARIES ❧

JACK STEELE TD BSC MSC



Jack Steele was in the truest sense of the word a 'Gentle man'. A man of great knowledge, too, which held him in great stead of every organisation he was part of.

Jack was a Past President of the Bridgeton Burns Club in 2009/2010 and continued to attend meetings up to last year. A fount of all knowledge and someone you could rely on for support and who will be sadly missed by the Board.

Jack was involved in many other organisations- A former Lieutenant Colonel in the Territorial Army and then made an Honorary Colonel upon leaving active service, a former Deacon Convenor in the Trades House of Glasgow, A Past President of Glasgow Rotary and former Session Clerk at Glasgow Cathedral.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Anne, his wife, his brother Graham and all family and friends at this time. May he rest in peace.

Jonathan Buchan
President

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As ever the Club is supported by many of the Members and friends.

It is the generosity of those people who allow the Club to conduct its charitable work within all our schools in the East End of Glasgow. My grateful thanks for your continued support.

Thanks to you for attending tonight's Dinner. This is our main method of fundraising so I want to thank you in advance for any donation that you can make at our Appeal which will take place after the children have performed.

Our Board of Patrons provide much needed financial support and I would like to acknowledge and thank the following companies and organisations;

Anderson Maguire Funeral Directors,, Aspire Cleaning, CRGP Architects & Surveyors, Caledonian Plywood Company, , Henry Winning & Co., Isle of Arran Distillers, The Association of Chinese Entrepreneurs in Scotland and , The RACS Foundation

The support we have from The Glasgow Marriott Hotel is immeasurable, particularly from Marc Reid, Corporate Events Manger, whom we rely on so much for his expertise, knowledge and attention to detail not only for our Anniversary Dinner but throughout the year at our Board Meetings and other events. Head Chef Stuart Cumming has produced another outstanding menu for us tonight which I know you will thoroughly enjoy. A personal thanks to Marc and Stuart for all that you do to calm every fraught President on the run up to this huge event, your professionalism is second to none.

I am delighted to advise you that Isle of Arran Distillers, through Grant Cunningham, has very kindly supplied us with 25 bottles of the excellent Arran Distilleries Robert Burns Malt Whisky so we can all enjoy a dram following the Appeal. A big thank you to Arran Distillers from everyone here for your generosity and support.

Our advertisers are so important to us and I thank you for your generous contributions which enable us to produce our Dinner brochure.

My grateful thanks go to Craig McCormick, Director of McCormick Print and Promotion for producing yet another professional brochure for us this year. Additionally, Craig attends to all our printing requirements and his advice, effort and commitment is invaluable to the smooth running of the club. Again, my sincere and personal thanks to Craig and his team.

My thanks to Andrew Mushet of William Anderson & Sons for his generous gift of the Burns book to all attend this evening.

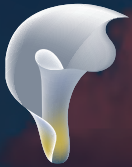
Pipe Major Spencer Veitch has been a mainstay at our Anniversary Dinner for many years, piping in the top table and the haggis. No Dinner would be complete without Spencer. We also have Fund for the Arts Student Amber Blake and her friends playing for us tonight. My thanks to Spencer and Amber for their continued support.

Likewise I would express my sincere appreciation and thanks to our pianist Matthew Hynes who has been a key contributor at the Bridgeton since 1997.

Finally, my heartfelt thanks to all of you who have made very generous donations to the Club but wish to remain anonymous.

Hoping you have a great evening,

Jonathan Buchan
President



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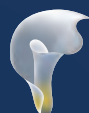
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