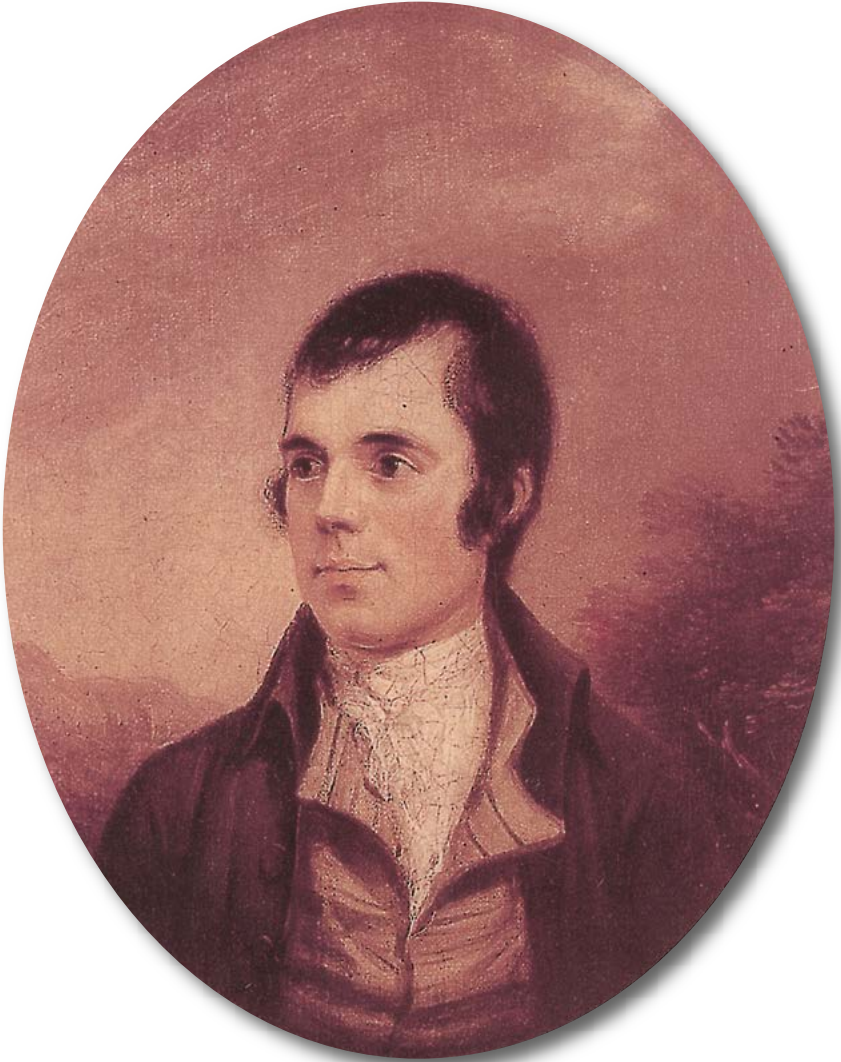


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❧ A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT ❧

Dear Members and Guests

A very warm welcome to the 152nd 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.

Due to the restrictions imposed by the Covid 19 Pandemic, we had been unable to hold a live Schools Competition since 2019.

However, 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 Past President Kenny Wilson will make the appeal on behalf of the club. My heartfelt plea is that you listen carefully to Kenny and then make your donations on the forms provided. The Schools Competition could not continue in the same manner without your most generous donations.

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 Cathkin Braes GC, the Adjudicators Dinner, various outings 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.

This year is a particularly historic year for the club. Not only has it been my great privilege and pleasure to be President of the Bridgeton Burns Club, but for the first time in the 153 years of the club's existence, the President and Honorary President are Father and Son. This is obviously a tremendous honour for the family.

It is with great sadness that I must report the passing of two wonderful ambassadors and great stalwarts of the club.

Past President (year 2004 / 2005) Charlie Newlands, and Director Ralph Taylor.

Both were great servants of the club, and I encourage you read their obituaries 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

Graeme McDonald
President





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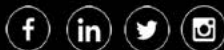




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BURNS' QUIZ

1. Who received a bullet in the post after the publication of "The Life of Robert Burns?"
2. Which of the poet's brothers worked on the farm with him?
3. Who was the beautiful lady who resided at Friar's Carse?
4. In which Ayrshire town was Robert Burns nearly killed by a nearby fire whilst training to be a flax dresser?
5. Which school in Kirkoswald did Burns attend?
6. When was the Kilmarnock Poems published?
7. "Some books are lies frae end to end..... Name the poem.
8. Go, Fame, an' canter like a filly.....Name the poem.
9. Who was the "Bonnie Lass O' Ballochmyle?"
10. Which Masonic Office did the poet hold in the Lodge Tarbolton (Kilwinning) St. James No. 135 ?

I have deliberately made the Quiz a bit easier than last year's Quiz. Burns Scholars should get full marks nae bother!

Answers on page 41.

Edward T.Meek
Past President

❧ THE DENNER ❧
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❧ THE IMMORTAL MEMORY ❧



Iain Doole

The Speaker.....Marc Sherland
Songs O' BurnsJonathan Buchan
Our Guests.....Craig McAlpine
Reply on behalf of the GuestsStewart Carle
Vote of Thanks.....The Chairman
Our ChairmanVice President Jonathan Buchan
“Auld Lang Syne”

Pianist: Matthew Hynes Artiste: Jonathan Buchan
Piper: Pipe Major Spencer Veitch; Pipe Band: Kilbarchan Pipe Band

❧ BIOGRAPHIES ❧

IAIN DOOLE



Iain lives in Kilwinning , although he is a native of Irvine. He attended Irvine Royal Academy where his interest was awakened in the works and life of the poet Robert Burns.

Iain is retired but worked as a Business Director with BT Global managing IT Network Contracts within the Financial and Banking Sector .

Iain is also a very active Burnsian and is a Director of Irvine Burns Club, having been President of that famous club in 2009 during the 250th Anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns.

He has also held the position of President of Kilwinning Burns Club 1998-1999 and was President of The Eglinton Burns Club in Irvine in 2011.

Iain has travelled widely across Scotland and abroad to help widen the horizons of our Ayrshire Poet, including proposing the Immortal Memory in the University of Toronto in Canada, and has spoken on Burns in Linköping in Sweden.

Iain considers the greatest honour of his Burns career was proposing the Immortal Memory at the lodge of Robert Burns - St James Kilwinning Tarbolton No 135 on the 25th January 2019.

Iain is delighted and honoured to be invited to speak at the Bridgeton Burns Club.

CRAIG W. McALPINE



I am a former Sales Manager, now working in financial services.

I have one 22 year old son, who is a qualified mechanic, whom I am very proud of. I stay in Falkirk, although I am a Glasgow boy.

I joined the board of the Bridgeton Burns Club more than 5 years ago. I am also a Past Master of Glasgow Kilwinning Lodge No.4.

In my spare time I enjoy walking, sometimes on hills, and I am an avid football fan, being a season ticket holder at Ibrox.

STEWART CARLE



Stewart Carle lives in Stirling under the watchful gaze of King Robert the Bruce and his wife Sharon who works from their home.

Following a thirty year career in the Police Service, Stewart has spent the last year in semi-retirement with various DIY and gardening projects and a new puppy to keep him out the 1314 pub. After a few visits to the minor injuries clinic, Stewart was advised by Mrs C to, “Leave the sharp tools in the shed, stop loafing about the house and get a job!” He is now back in gainful employment with the Association for Scottish Police Superintendents as their general secretary, based at Tulliallan.

Stewart is a past president of The Hamilton Burns Club and a member of Cumbrae Burns Club. To annoy his wife and amuse his dog, he plays the bagpipes and enjoys hiding in “The Drammin’ Cabin” in the back garden.

MARC R. SHERLAND



President of Haggis Club, President of Lanarkshire Association of Burns Clubs, President of Larkhall Burns Club, Past President of the Robert Burns World Federation, Senior Vice President of Glasgow & District Burns Association.

Great Shogun in the Order of the Scottish Samurai, awarded for services to world culture and Scotland.

Marc is secretary of a number of clubs and Clerk to the Incorporation of Weavers of Glasgow. Marc has developed a number of educational resources for both the Robert Burns World Federation and the Glasgow & District Burns Association.

Marc is also a writer and poet and is a creative writing tutor.

REV MARK JOHNSTONE



Mark Edward Johnstone was born in Glasgow in May 1968 and schooled in Glasgow, Cleddans Primary and Kingsridge Secondary schools in the peripheral housing scheme of Drumchapel. During this time Mark was awarded the McLure Trophy for good citizenship and a city-wide award for youth. He served two consecutive years as School Captain. Mark attended Glasgow University, achieving a Master of Arts in Social Sciences, graduating then gaining a Bachelor of Divinity Degree. As a candidate for the Ministry of the Church of Scotland Mark served as an assistant at Old Partick Parish Church, Dennistoun Central Parish Church and Wellington Parish Church. During the Summer he worked with Rev. Derek Haley at Gartnavel Royal Psychiatric Hospital.

Mark is married to Audrey. They have three adult children.

Mark was first ordained in 1993 to Denny Westpark Parish Church, Falkirk.

Mark was appointed Chaplain to Belsdyke, Stirling and Falkirk Psychiatric Hospital. This led to Chaplaincy at Strathcarron Hospice.

In 1999 Mark was called by Northminster United Church in Toronto Canada and in 2000 was invited to take up the Charge of St Mary's Kirkintilloch.

Further to this Mark served the Church nationally as a Trustee. He also served as the Convener of the Mission and Discipleship Council of the Church of Scotland. Mark has served as the Convener to the Presbytery Business Committee. He chaired the Board of Directors of the Lodging House Mission.

During this time he took responsibility for the 'Well' multicultural project on the South Side of Glasgow.

During his Ministry at St Mary's Kirkintilloch Mark took on many civic responsibilities and was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant of Dunbartonshire.

In 2019 Mark was invited to take up the charge of Glasgow Cathedral. He was Inducted during April 2019. This post has allowed Mark to serve the congregation, become increasingly active in Civic life and accept the additional chaplaincy responsibilities to many of the City of Glasgow's historic institutions.

DAVID B. VENNARD



President of the Glasgow and District Burns Association.

Speaker on: Robert Burns /Robert W Service/Dr Rae/ Glasgow Tobacco Lords. President of the Glasgow and District Burns Association, Past President of the Glasgow Haggis Club, Member of the Alloway Burns Club.

David has performed at: Wits Dinner/ Bachelors' Club/ Rangers F.C. Dinner/ Glasgow Hawks RFC Dinner/Irvine Trades House Dinner/ Dinners at PGL of Kilwinning & Glasgow/ Masonic & Probuss Clubs throughout West of Scotland /Burns & Hogg Keynote toast at the Canongate and many other groups.

MAY STORRIE CBE



Lord Dean of Guild, May Storrie CBE, was elected in May 2021. She is the first female to hold the position in the 400 year history of the Merchants House.

May is a Director in the family property companies and serves as a Trustee on several charity boards, including the Merchants House, Royal Scottish National Orchestra Foundation, Honorary Patron The Phoenix Choir and Patron Marie Curie. May is a member of The Incorporation of Coopers of Glasgow and a Liveryman, the Worshipful Company of Coopers. She served 9 years as a Director/ Trustee of Merchants House and 2 years as Vice Dean before being elected Lord Dean of Guild.

Her interests, outwith the family, are travelling and walking. May was awarded the CBE in 2014 for services to business and philanthropy.

BILLY BIRSE-STEWART



Billy recently retired as Managing Director of Wine Importers from the Wine Trade after spending 46 years in the Wine Trade servicing the Hospitality Industry at every level. Over the years he has held many senior positions including President of The Institute of Wines and Spirits Scotland, President of the Forty Nine Club (Scotland's Trade club) and latterly as Visitor of The Incorporation of Maltmen where he was instrumental in the review of rules leading to the opening of the Craft to ladies.

He has supported several Scottish Charities, either raising funds or by serving as a Trustee, these have included NSPCC Childline, The RSPB, The Scottish Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust and until recently as Chairman of the HMS Unicorn Preservation Society, the oldest ship still afloat.

He continues to support The Hospitality Industry Trust which identifies emerging talent and took part in staging the highest group Burns Supper on Kilimanjaro to raise funds, also playing a tune on his pipes in his kilt at the summit!

Billy is a member of several Trades House committees including Charities, Heritage and Chairs Governance Commonweal. Trades House very much runs in the family with several members involved. Wife Lorna is a member of the Barbers and currently Late Treasurer of The Grand Antiquity Society and Father-in-Law, Sir Robert Smith served as Convener in 1976 & 1977.

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❧ SCHOOLS' COMPETITION ❧

THIS EVENING'S PERFORMERS

Loch Primary P5-7 - Choral Speaking

“Address to the Toothache”



Collette McLaughlin Solo - Trinity High

“Auld Lang Syne”



Jena McNab P4/5 Verse - Calderwood

“Willie Wastle”



Ava Telfer P5 Solo Singing - West Coats

“My heart is sair”



Sophie Bogess P6/7 Verse - Cairns

“To A Louse”



Trinity High Secondary Choir

“Ae Fond Kiss / Caledonia” Medley



Struan Young & Erin McDonald Duet - Smithycroft

“O Wert thou in the cauld blast”



Niamh Lithgow P1 Verse - Loch Primary

“The Selkirk Grace”



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❧ ROLL OF HONOUR ❧



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



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

THIS EVENING'S PIPERS

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.

KILBARCHAN PIPE BAND

Kilbarchan Pipe Band, led by Pipe Major Brian Knight, was reformed in 2002 after a 30 year hiatus from the competition arena. The Band has grown in numbers and continuously strive to improve their musical abilities. They have won numerous awards, and in their last competition year of 2019, the band secured 14 awards and trophies, their best year so far! A key tenet of the Band's function is the teaching and promotion of Scottish traditional music and culture. They are a teaching and competing band, and compete in both Major championships and local highland games. They have played at Fetes, dinners, parades, and have played in several European countries. The Band are regularly requested to form a reception for the arrival of cruise ships, and they have been involved in functions in aid of caring organisations, most notably Erskine Hospital, and St Vincent's Hospice. The band are not sponsored, and the band's income is derived from subscription, fund raising, prize money and donations. Kilbarchan Pipe Band endeavour to excel in all contests without losing touch with their roots as a village band, and are currently working towards the resumption of the competition season this year.

Support the Club – Become a Patron

Four 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

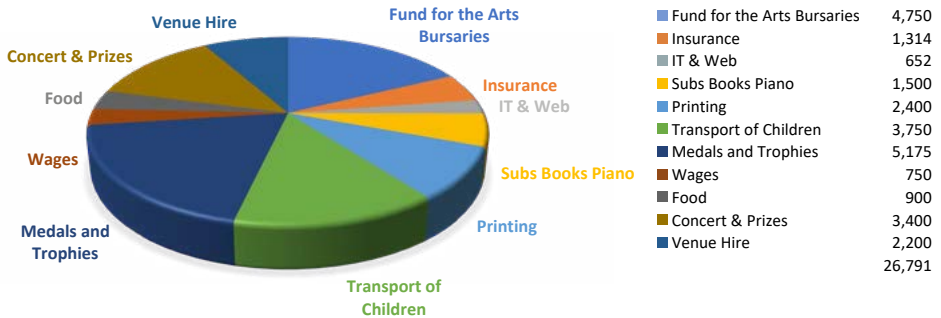
If you would like more information on becoming a Patron, please contact the Patrons' Convenor Gordon Hay ge-h25@hotmail.com

❧ PAST PRESIDENTS ❧

OF THE BRIDGETON BURNS CLUB

1886-87	James Hendry	1932-33	John S. Steven	1979-80	Walter O. Hibberd
1887-88	Dr. H.B. Wilson	1933-34	J.D. MacIntyre BL	1980-81	Allan Findlay
1888-89	James Tait	1934-35	C. Jago Gregg	1981-82	T. Bryan McKirgan
1889-90	Wm. Cochran JP	1935-36	A. Hood Millen	1982-83	Ian A. Macpherson
1890-91	William Campbell	1936-37	Baillie M. Armstrong JP		MBE, CSJ, JP
1891-92	James Biard	1937-38	Baillie T.R. Patterson JP	1983-84	Sir R.N.M. MacSween
1892-93	William Brown	1938-40	R.B. Thomson	1984-85	A. Stewart Walker
1893-94	William Rodger	1940-43	Wm. C. Faulds JP	1985-86	Robert McDonald
1894-95	Rector Menzies JP	1934-44	W. Macandrew JP	1986-87	Ian Gourlay
1895-96	John Bowie JP	1944-46	Andrew Boyd JP	1987-88	Donald Lawson
1896-97	Robert Scott	1946-47	D. Campbell Brown	1988-89	Dr. Robert A. Taylor
1897-98	Andrew J. Bain	1947-48	Edward Gibbon	1989-90	Jack G. Mallard
1898-99	William Freeland	1948-49	John Gray	1990-91	Ian M. Robb
1899-00	Dr. Alex Munro	1949-50	John Ramage	1991-92	Dr. Robin Greenhill
1900-01	A. Hoy JP, FEIS	1950-51	J. Douglas Train	1992-93	Eric Adair
1901-02	James Young	1951-52	Dr. T. Fletcher Greenhill	1993-94	W.E. McH. Marshall
1902-03	Daniel Duncan	1952-53	Alex Sim	1994-95	George Moore
1903-04	D.L. Stevenson	1953-54	Gordon Brown	1995-96	James P.S. McNeill
1904-05	Baillie Wm. Nicol JP	1954-55	Adam Anderson	1996-97	James M.B. Slater
1905-06	Dr. James Devon	1955-56	Wm. Morrison	1997-98	R.M. Leishman JP
1906-07	Peter White JP	1956-57	William Law	1998-99	W. Telfer
1907-08	Dr. Robert Wilson	1957-58	Dr. J. Gillan Anderson	1999-00	Stewart Wright
1908-09	George H. Laird	1958-59	J.B. MacWilliam	2000-01	W. Thomson
1909-10	Mal. A. Hendry JP	1959-60	J. Simpson Laidlaw	2001-02	Walker Hamilton
1910-11	Thomas Potter, Jnr	1960-61	J. Stuart Deans	2002-03	R. MacCowan
1911-12	David Baird	1961-62	Dr. John B. Wilson	2003-04	J.A. McLennan
1912-13	Robert Miller JP	1962-63	Andrew Hunter	2004-05	C.B. Newlands MBE, JP
1913-14	J.M. Campbell JP	1963-64	James Lynn	2005-06	A. Wilkie
1914-18	Adam C. Hay	1964-65	William R. Walker	2006-07	E.T. Meek
1918-19	David S. Brown	1965-66	Dr. H.R.F. Macdonald	2007-08	J. McKinney
1919-20	D.M. Kennedy JP	1966-67	James Young	2008-09	K.W. Wilson
1920-21	James W. Shaw JP	1967-68	John S.F. Hutchison	2009-10	John R. Steele TD
1921-22	George Brown	1968-69	Andrew Laidlaw	2010-11	Ronnie Williamson
1922-23	Dr. W.A. Burns	1969-70	James Struthers	2011-12	Ian Lightbody
1923-24	Dr. T.M. Fletcher	1970-71	Robert Donaldson	2012-13	F.G. Thompson MBE
1924-25	Sir John McDonald	1971-72	Walter O. Hibberd	2013-14	Paul Hughes
1925-26	Robert Cowper	1972-73	William Aitkenhead	2014-15	Alasdair R.J. Ronald
1926-27	Adam C. Hay	1973-74	William A. Anderson	2015-16	Andrew G Samuel
1927-28	Dr. David McKail	1974-75	John K. Kilpatrick	2016-17	Andy McArthur TD
1928-29	James Templeton	1975-76	Gordon K. Woore	2017-18	Allan McGinness
1929-30	Joseph B. Stobo	1976-77	Stuart M. Wallace	2018-19	Iain W. Glennie
1930-31	Col. Geo P. Linton	1977-78	R.S. Burnett	2019-21	Iain T. Gordon
1931-32	Geo. W. Laurie JP	1978-79	J.H. Sinclair	2021-22	Robert Shaw

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. Our current situation is, although the Club had no appeal revenue in 2021, we still managed to hold a small competition and continued the support of our bursars via the Fund for the Arts.

The costs of running the competition have increased by approximately £10,000.

The numbers attending the Dinner have not yet returned to pre Covid levels which has a direct effect on our ability to fund our main objective – to promote the life and works of Robert Burns amongst the children of the schools of the east-end of Glasgow.

If you agree with and support our objective we would be most grateful if, following the Appeal, you could make a healthy donation to allow us to continue with our work.

Graeme McDonald
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, please contact our Secretary, Marc Sherland at marcsherland@me.com

We look forward to hearing from you.

Graeme McDonald
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 2022 Director Eric Thompson chaired the evening and the adjudicators were entertained by recipients of the Club's fund for the arts.

The evening commenced with a summary of the competition by Director Jonathan Buchan and grace from President Robert Shaw.

The dinner is a celebration of their support and in 2022 Director Kenny Hannah proposed a toast to the Adjudicators and Stuart Brodie responded on behalf of the adjudicators.

In addition to the Burns competition the club runs a Fund for the Arts which provides bursaries to students of the arts. The Adjudicators dinner also provides an opportunity for these art students to perform in public. In 2022 the performers were:

Gregor Macmillan, singing songs from the stage, student at the Royal Scottish Conservatoire, Glasgow

Ellie Forrester, singing classical opera, student at the Royal Northern College of Music, Manchester

Kerry Lynch and Jacopo Lazzaretti, flute and guitar, professional musicians, 'The JKL Duo'

Community singing was led by our choral master 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 2023 and the Club President, Past President and Directors look forward to welcoming our guests and thanking them for their hard work.

❧ SIR A BOYD TUNNOCK CBE ❧

Sir A Boyd Tunnock CBE, Chairman/Managing Director of Thomas Tunnock Ltd has been an active and generous supporter of the Bridgeton Burn's Club for many years. To mark his 90th Birthday today, we would like to pay tribute to him and wish him a very happy birthday.

Boyd was born on 25th Jan 1933, the same birth date as Robert Burns, a fact that he is very proud of, in fact his eldest grandson Colin was born on 25th Jan. He attended Uddingston Grammar School and then Allan Glens in Glasgow. He also did a stint at the Commercial College, Glasgow and on his own admission "didn't make it". He did get further accounting experience later in life when he was church treasurer for 4 years !!!

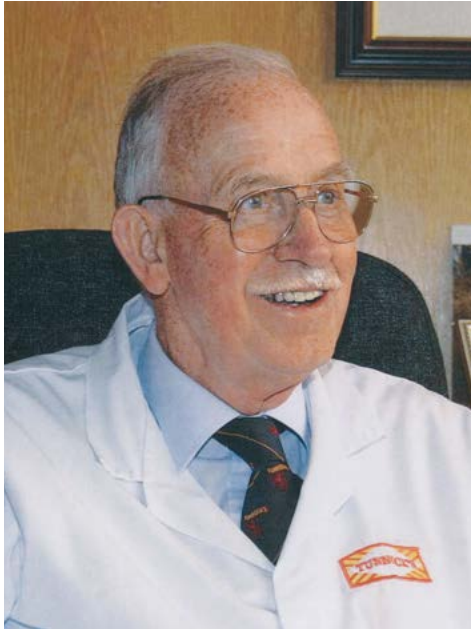


He joined the family business in 1949 and worked with his father and brother Tom developing both the shop and catering side of the business. At this time the company catered for afternoon/evening functions as well as selling bakery goods in the shop. The early 1950s saw the introduction of Caramel Wafers, Caramel Logs, Teacakes and Snowballs. However Boyd had a period away from the business between 1954 and 56 when he was called up to do national service.

Because of his bakery background he was an ideal candidate for the army catering corps and managed to become a Cooks Sergeant after 2 years. He still talks fondly of his time in the army.

Back in the business Boyd helped his father develop the emerging biscuit arm of the company. Boyd became involved in the biscuit production side while brother Tom concentrated on the bakery and purchasing of raw materials.

Boyd's production involvement saw him become very interested in the technical and engineering side of things and has overseen all the machinery installation over the years. The business has gone from strength to strength and now has an international reputation for quality and value for money. Tunnock's produces for all the UK's supermarkets as well as exporting to 35 countries all over the world.



In 1981 Boyd's father Archie died at age 86 and Boyd assumed the position of MD. Sadly his brother Tom died in 1991 of MS which left a huge void in Boyd's life.

Boyd is first and foremost a family man. He has 3 daughters – each of whom were meant to be called Alan !!! All 3 girls have held roles in the business but it's only his middle daughter Karen who has remained full time. He has 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren and is confident that the Tunnock dynasty will be around for a long time to come.

As a young 90-year-old he still has a huge appetite for business and is in the factory before 6am, 7 days a weeks. However, on a Sunday he attends church where he has been an elder for over 50 years. A man of the community he lives 350 paces

from the front of the factory who is on first name terms with most of his 700+ employees and is greatly admired in the village. When Boyd meets someone for the first time whether on business or pleasure he would rather give them a 4 pack of Caramel Wafers than a business card as he feels that is far more memorable, a great piece of marketing !!!

What makes Tunnock's a great product. One of the main reasons is that it hasn't reduced in size since it's inception in the 1950s. The Tunnock philosophy is if you have to reduce the size or quality stop making it. People know when they purchase a Tunnock's biscuit they're getting the same size and quality as they did with the last purchase. Also the company has kept the traditional packaging the same and the customers love the ritual of unwrapping the product, especially Teacakes. People have their own routine of eating a Teacake and at only 106 calories it's a very attractive treat.

Teacake, Caramel Wafers, Snowballs and Caramel Logs are very popular abroad. The export side of the business used to be around 10% and now it represents 20% of the turnover. Boyd has invested heavily in robotic machinery to satisfy the requirement of 35 countries all over the world. Tunnock's products can be found in Saudi Arabia, Australia, Canada, America, Japan and the Faroe Islands to name but a few. Boyd is always on hand to speak to any of our distributors who visit and he will always go to the main exhibition in Germany each year to talk to the customers. Boyd loves to get pictures of the product from around the world. In 2014 our Australian distributor sent a press clipping from a newspaper in Oz showing the dancing teacakes at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games. A few years ago we received a pic of a Caramel Wafer in Harry Potter World at Disney World Florida.

In 2008/2009 when the last financial crash happened many companies stopped spending money on advertising and drew in their horns on expenditure fearing the worst. Boyd decided to take the business forward by increasing our exposure in advertising. He knew that he could get more for his money and increase the exposure of the company hugely. Many people have asked what can be attributed to the huge increase in the company's turnover. As well as the confidence in the product a lot of the credit can be put down to his entrepreneurship.

Boyd as previously mentioned has steered the ship since 1981 and under his leadership there have been many changes in the business. He has overseen a number of extensions to the factory in order to help cope with the increasing demand for Tunnock's products. Most recently in 2018 the latest 20000sq ft extension for production was completed. This at the cost of £12 million will give valuable added production capacity. Boyd as MD has invested some £60 million in plant and machinery in the last 10 years all company funded. Although a lot of this investment has been in robotic machinery Boyd is very proud that he has not made anyone redundant in fact the number of employees has increased to well over 700. This is the character of the man. Although he is the Head of a hugely successful business he is a very humble man and maintains that he is just the "key holder of the dynasty".

3 generations of the family currently work in the business. First we have Boyd who recently celebrated 73 years working for Tunnocks, then we have his middle daughter Karen who is HR Director. Two of his son-in laws Fergus Loudon and Bill Gow both have key roles and the latest addition is one of his grandchildren Stuart Loudon who was an aeronautical engineer and works on the maintenance side.

What has inspired him to keep working at 90. Firstly he loves what he does, making products for people to enjoy. Secondly, he wants to carry on the legacy left by his father and grandfather before him and third he wants to nurture and inspire the younger generations to keep the business going.



Boyd has had many accolades in his life. Since he received the CBE in 2004 one of the proudest moments was in 2016 when he was made a Doctorate of Business Administration at Caledonian University. Also in 2016 he received the first ever Fellowship Award To Lanarkshire from the New College Lanarkshire. In 2011 The Glasgow Chamber of Commerce chose to recognise Boyd with a

Lifetime Achievement Award to celebrate the success of the business in the city region. The Lifetime Achievement award is preserved for those in our business community who have made an outstanding contribution over many years and previous winners include Lord MacFarlane, Sir Arnold Clark and Lord Haughey. 2019 was probably Boyd's proudest moment in his business life when he received a knighthood from Her majesty The Queen. He maintains she whispered to him that she liked his Teacakes !!!

Another part of Boyd Tunnock's life that a lot of people don't know about is his philanthropy. Boyd Tunnock believes that you are put on this earth to help others and has demonstrated that value to the full throughout his life by giving something back.

In 2016 he had a phonecall from St Abbs on the east coast of Scotland. The RNLI had decided for commercial reasons to close the St Abbs Lifeboat station and a group of trustees got together to raise enough funds to buy and run an independent lifeboat. Euan Gibson one of the trustees contacted Boyd and told him their plight. Boyd is a sailor himself and knows full well the importance of lifeboats and has been involved in fundraising for the RNLI on previous occasions. He initially pledged £10,000 to the cause. Following a call from the fundraisers he generously donated a further £250,000 and asked that the new boat be named after his grandfather and late brother, both called Thomas. At the launch of the new craft he was proud to have his family there in support as well as The First Minister Nicola Sturgeon. Boyd often visits St Abbs and when asked gives the crew and trustees the benefit of his wisdom. He recently matched funded the local churches fund raising event and gives the same amount of support now as he did 3 years ago.

Boyd supports a great number of fundraising events throughout the year. He does his best to support as many of them as he can as do his family. Two of the higher profile events are all the Kiltwalks in Scotland giving around 20000 biscuits for the tired walkers at the end of the event. Tunnock's staff are also encouraged to take part. We've also supported Pedal for Scotland since it started with around 12000 biscuits being pledged each year. The STV Children's Appeal is another favourite. We have supported the Appeal since it started. Not just financially the staff have been involved in the fundraising side of things as well.

Boyd who selflessly contributes so much, not only locally but to the wider community is a very proud Scot and is delighted with his long association of the Bridgeton Burns Club.



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❧ DIGITALISATION PROJECT ❧

In last year's programme we explained The Bridgeton Burns Club were embarking on an exciting project to establish the digitisation of the Club's archives held in the Mitchell Library. This was to be tripartite collaboration between the Bridgeton Burns Club, the Centre for Robert Burns Studies at Glasgow University and Glasgow Life.

The aim is to preserve for future generations the social and cultural history of Bridgeton Burns Club which will allow future access to a valuable record of society at the time. The project commenced early in the New Year 2022 with a pilot scheme to allow an assessment of the smooth access and working relationship between all parties.

A working relationship was established with Abergower Limited who offer a range of professional document scanning, document digitisation services and digital filing services. A remarkable coincidence was Abergower are based in Bridgeton so it was felt the archives were 'coming home' so to speak as they are only half a mile from 13 Main Street, Bridgeton where John Wilson invited three of his friends to a supper on 25th January 1870. From that supper The Bridgeton Burns Club was born.

From the pilot scheme a few observations were noted from a sample of the scans from 1909:

- William Wallace, who was a major editor/author of works related to Burns as well as editor of the Glasgow Herald, gave the immortal memory at the annual supper in 1909. It was held in the Windsor Hotel on St Vincent Street from 7 until the early hours of the morning.
- Bridgeton Burns Club was meeting at the time in Mechanics Hall, which was in Canning Street (now part of London Road).
- The annual trip took place 129 years ago on Sunday 3rd July, when the club took the train from St Enoch to Ayr, taking in Alloway and the Cottage, Monument and Brig o' Doon before heading to Kilmarnock for dinner.
- The Schools competition had three prizes, one for writing an essay on 'The Cottar's Saturday Night' and others for reciting and singing Burns. How this has changed from the size of the present School's competition.

The first 52 years of digitisation has been completed from 1870 to 1922 and the next stage will be to work with the Centre for Robert Burns Studies at Glasgow University who will be able to shed some light on the archives around local, national and international significance at the time which will ensure appropriate heritage legacy for future generations.

Another exciting development in the digitisation of the Club's archives is we have commenced a series of recorded conversations with some of the past presidents we have had at The Bridgeton Burns Club. This is to capture memories of when each was president some of which will not be recorded to paper.

The aim for the end of 2023 will be to have access to the digitised archives of The Bridgeton Burns Club via our web-site so others can benefit from the curatorial activity and research around it.

A sincere thanks goes to the Centre for Robert Burns Studies at Glasgow University and Glasgow Life. Also to the Membership and the Patrons of the Bridgeton Burns Club, who continually commit to supporting the club through the Schools Competition, Fund for the Arts and Initiatives such as this, which allows our great club to prosper every year.



∞ FUND FOR THE ARTS ∞

The Fund for the Arts provides grants to pupils pursuing artistic interests and annual bursaries to students pursuing careers in the Arts. It is entirely inclusive, the only stipulation being that the applicant lives in the Club's catchment area in the East End of Glasgow, preference being given to pupils who have shown commitment in the Schools Competition. The current bursaries are for £700 p.a.

The Fund was inaugurated by the late Hon President Walter Hibberd but has now merged with the Club's main account. It depends therefore on a minor share of donations gathered at the Anniversary Dinner. Since its creation, it has assisted twenty students through university, college and other art schools ranging from Guildford to Skye. Currently, the Fund is helping five students at the Royal Scottish Conservatoire, the Royal Northern School of Music (Manchester) and the MGA Academy of Performing Arts in Edinburgh.

The Fund for the Arts is currently providing bursaries to three students: Ellie Forrester (East Glasgow Music School) studying opera in the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester; Gregor McMillan (Smithycroft Secondary) studying Musical Theatre at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow; and Amber Blake (Calderwood Primary) taking an Honours degree in Gaelic and Traditional Music at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, the National Centre for Gaelic Language and Culture based in Sleat, Isle of Skye. As Amber's studies include composition, she has been commissioned to write a Scottish country dance tune called 'Bridgeton Burns Club', thus, we hope, cementing the Club's name into traditional Scottish culture. (We hope it will be possible to premier her composition at the 2024 Anniversary Dinner).

The trustees of the Fund are most grateful for the generous donations which enable us to support such young talent from the Club's catchment area in the east of the city.



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- Purchase of books which can give pupils with ASN and accreditation for the work they do via the SQA Scottish studies award.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert L Stevenson".

Robert L Stevenson

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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



"I'll go an' be a Sodger!"

Robert Burns

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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!



Rantin Robin

There was a lad was born in Kyle
But whatna day o' whatna style,
I doubt it's hardly worth the while
To be sae nice wi' Robin.

Chorus

*Robin was a rovin boy,
Rantin, rovin, rantin, rovin,
Robin was a rovin boy,
Rantin rovin, Robin!*

Our monarch's hindmost year but ane
Was five and twenty days begun.
'Twas then a blast o' Janwar win'
Blew hansel in on Robin.

The gossip keekit in his loof,
Quo' Scho' wha lives will see the proof,
This waly boy will be nae coof;
I think we'll ca' him Robin.

He'll hae misfortunes great an' sma'
But ay a heart aboon them a';
He'll be a credit till us a';
We'll a' be proud o' Robin.

'But sure as three times three mak nine,
I see by ilka score and line,
This chap will dearly like our kin'
So leeze me on thee, Robin.'



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 rapure, I would toil,
And nightly to my bosom strain
The bonnie lass o' Ballochmyle!



My Luve Is Like A Red, Red Rose

My luve is like a red, red rose,
That's newly sprung in June:
My luve is like a melodie,
That's sweetly played in tune.
As fair art thou, my bonnie lass,
So deep in luve am I,
And I will luve thee still, my dear,
Till a' the seas gang dry.

Till a' the seas gang dry, my dear,
And the rocks melt wi' the sun
And I will luve thee still, my dear
While the sands o' life shall run.
And fare-thee-weel, my only luve,
And fare-thee-weel, a while!
And I will come again, my luve.
Tho' it were ten thousand mile.



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!



Afton Water

Flow gently, sweet Afton, among thy green
braes,
Flow gently, I'll sing thee a song in thy praise;
My Mary's asleep by thy murmuring stream.
Flow gently, sweet Afton, disturb not her
dream!

Thou stock-dove whose echo resounds thro the
glen'
Ye wild whistling blackbirds in yon thorny den,
Thou green-crested lapwing, thy screaming
forbear,
I charge you, disturb not my slumbering fair.

Thy chrystral stream, Afton, how lovely it glides,
And winds by the cot where my Mary resides;
How wanton thy waters her snowy feet lave,
As, gathering sweet flowers, she stems thy clear
wave.

Flow gently, sweet Afton, among thy green
braes,
Flow gently, sweet river, the theme of my lays;
My Mary's asleep by thy murmuring stream.
Flow gently, sweet Afton, disturb not her dream.



A Man's A Man

Is there for honest poverty
That hings his head, an' a' that?
the coward slave, we pass him by –
We dare be poor for a' that!
For a' that, an' a' that,
Our toils obscure, an' a' that,
The rank is but the guinea's stamp,
The man's the gowd for a' that.

Ye see yon birkie ca'd ' a lord,'
Wha struts an' stares, an' a' that?
Tho' hundreds worship at his word,
He's but a coof for a' that.
For a' that, an' a' that,
His ribband, star, an' a' that,
The man o' independent mind,
he looks an' laughs at a' that.

Then let us pray that come it may
(As come it will for a' that)
That sense and Worth o'er a' the earth
Shall bear the gree an' that!
For a' that, an' a' that,
It's comin yet for a' that, That man tae man
the world o'er
Shall brithers be for a' that.



The Banks O' Doon

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 my fause Luver stole my rose,
And ah! he left the thorn wi' me.



My Love, She's But A Lassie Yet

My love, she's but a lassie yet,
My love, she's but a lassie yet,
We'll let her stand a year or twa,
She'll no be hauf sae saucy yet;

I rue the day I sought her, O
I rue the day I sought her, O
Wha gets her need na say he's woo'd,
But he may say he has bought her, O.

Come, draw a drap o' the best o't yet;
Come, draw a drap o' the best o't yet;
Gae seek for pleasure whar you will'
But here I never miss'd it yet,

We're a' dry wi' drinkin' o't;
We're a' dry wi' drinkin' o't;
The minister kiss't the fiddler's wife;
He could na preach for thinkin' o't.



Mary Morison

O Mary, at thy window be!
It is the wish'd, thy trysted hour.
Those smiles and glances let me see,
That made the miser's treasure poor.
How blythely wad I bide the stoure,

A weary slave frae sun to sun,
Could I the rich reward secure -
The lovely Mary Morison!

Yestreen, when to the trembling string,
the dance gaed thro' the lighted ha',
To thee my fancy took its wing,
I sat, but neither heard or saw:
Tho' this was fair, and that was braw,
And yon the toast of a' the town,
I sigh'd, and said among them a':-
'Ye are na Mary Morison!'

O Mary, canst thou wreck his peace,
Wha for thy sake wad gladly die?
Or canst thou break that heart of his,
Whase only faut is loving thee?
If love for love thou wilt na gie,
At least be pity to me shown:
A thought ungentle canna be
The thought o' Mary Morison.



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



❧ ANNUAL CHOOSING MEETING ❧

On a bright and sunny evening in May, Board members, teachers and adjudicators met at Kings Park Church to select the chosen pieces for the annual competition. It was a very productive evening and was lovely to see folks at a live event again.

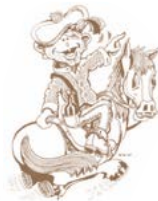
❧ SCHOOLS COMPETITION ❧

On Friday 2nd of December we held our first LIVE Competition since 2019. It was a wonderful evening where over 400 pupils were present to compete in the practical competitions. What a joy to hear the sound of happy children as the results appeared on the screen.

A very good entry of Art and Newsdesk Entries were received and passed to the adjudicators for their decisions.

We look forward to this years competition

Jonathan Buchan
Schools Convenor



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🌀 SCHOOLS COMPETITION RESULTS 🌀

RESULTS 2022

CHORAL SPEAKING P1-4

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

CHORAL SPEAKING P5-7

1. Loch Primary *Overall Winner of the Winning Webster Trophy*
2. Calderwood Primary
3. Cairns Primary

PRIMARY SOLO INSTRUMENTAL

1. Eilidh Dingwall *Calderwood Primary – Willie Telfer Trophy*

PRIMARY 1 VERSE

1. Niamh Lithgow *Loch Primary – Joanne Gilmartin Plinth*
2. Dougal Menzies *West Coats Primary*
3. Aurnyn McDougall *Calderwood Primary*

PRIMARY 2/3 VERSE

1. Jessica Telfer *West Coats Primary – Barbara Ogston Bowl*
2. Lara Chalmers *Cairns Primary*
3. Tillie Thomson *Avenue End Primary*

PRIMARY 4/5 VERSE

1. Jena McNab *Calderwood Primary – Andy Wilkie Memorial Quaich*
2. Orla Dyer *West Coats Primary*
3. Jack McFarlane *Loch Primary*

PRIMARY 6/7 VERSE

1. Sophie Bogess *Cairns Primary – William Law Memorial Trophy*
2. Dylan Sullivan *Cairns Primary*
3. Findlay Duggan *West Coats*

SECONDARY 1 & 2 VERSE

1. Amy Mackie *Smithycroft*
2. Leo Teiteh *St.Mungos Academy*
3. Grace Finn *St.Mungos Academy*

SECONDARY 3-6 VERSE

1. Cherish Adebayo *St.Mungos Academy – Past Presidents Trophy*

SOLO SINGING PRIMARY 5 & UNDER

1. Ava Telfer *West Coats – Dick Memorial Trophy*
2. Alexa McNaughton *Carntyne*
3. Holly Morris *West Coats*

SOLO SINGING PRIMARY 6/7

1. Toni Hood *Cairns*
2. Emilia Smith *West Coats*
3. Iona Bolton *West Coats*

BOYS UNBROKEN VOICE

1. Dylan Sullivan Cairns
2. Matthew Galloway EGMS
3. Eduard Fyfe EGMS

BOYS BROKEN VOICE

1. Struan Young Smithycroft – *William Anderson Trophy*
2. Angus Young Smithycroft

CHOIRS OVERALL OPEN SHIELD

1. Trinity High – *Open Club Shield*
2. West Coats Primary
3. Cairns Primary

CHOIRS P5 AND UNDER

1. West Coats Primary – *John Street Trophy*
2. Carntyne Primary

CHOIRS P7 AND UNDER

1. Cairns Primary – *Adam Hay Cup*

SECONDARY CHOIR

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

SOLO OWN INTERPRETATION SECONDARY

1. Collette McLaughlin Trinity High
2. Sophie McCluskey Trinity High
3. Ella Whitehead Trinity High

DUETS – SECONDARY

1. Struan Young and Erin McDonald Smithycroft – *William Law Trophy*

SOLO SINGING S1&2

1. Katie Gaffney EGMS – *Elizabeth S Main Trophy*

SOLO SINGING S3-6

1. Erin McDonald Smithycroft – *John Stewart Trophy*
2. Neve Mochrie EGMS
3. Phoebe Duff EGMS

SINGERS & PLAYERS

1. Cairns Primary – *Scottish Transport Trophy*

SILVER MEDALS 2022

1. Jessica Telfer P2-3 Verse West Coats
2. Collette McLaughlin Solo Secondary Trinity High
3. Jena McNab P4-5 Verse Calderwood
4. Ava Telfer P5 and Under Solo Singing West Coats
5. Struan Young & Erin McDonald Duets Secondary Smithycroft

❧ SOCIAL ACTIVITIES ❧

AUTUMN GOLF OUTING TO CATHKIN BRAES GOLF CLUB.



Ten golfers competed for the Ian Alistair Macpherson Golf Trophy on Wednesday 12th September 2022 at Cathkin braes. The weather was good with little wind. Ten players competed after coffee and a bacon roll to prepare them for the task ahead.

The Vice-President of the Club, Colin Botfield called off. He is known affectionately on the Board as “Last Minute com” and sometimes as “Death by One Thousand Puns”.

Past President Iain Gordon looked favourite as he teed off down the difficult 18th hole. Past President Alasdair Ronald playing out of Glasgow Golf Club rammed in a tram liner on the last green to beat Past President Iain T. Gordon of Ralston by a single point. Iain's putt from much closer horseshoed out much to his chagrin.

The quietly spoken man from Killermont had retained the “Green Jacket” presented by the Ian Alistair Macpherson much to the surprise of both his playing partners and himself. A superb meal was presented by the chef Neil which was enjoyed by one and all.





The President Graeme McDonald welcomed The Honorary President Bob McDonald (his Dad) and the Senior Honorary Vice-President Jack Mallard who joined the group for the meal. The party retired to the” Butler Cabin where the Green Jacket was presented to Past President Alasdair Ronald by our Honorary President Bob McDonald. As we were having our coffee, Cathkin’s Club Manager, Gordon Rennie, popped his head round the door ask if everything had been okay. This was a really kind gesture which was noted by all those present. Cathkin Braes did us proud in every way.



❧ BURNS' QUIZ ANSWERS ❧

1. Catherine Carswell.

2. Gilbert

3. Maria Riddell

4. Irvine

5. Hugh Rodger's School

6. Monday 31st July 1786.

7. Death and Doctor Hornbook.

*Some books are lies frae end to end,
And some great lies were never penn'd:
Ev'n ministers they hae been kenn'd,
In holy rapture,
A rousing whid at times to vend,
And nail't wi' Scripture.*

8. Tam Samson's Elegy.

*Go, Fame, an' canter like a filly
Thro' a' the streets an' neuks o' Killie;
Tell ev'ry social honest billie
To cease his grievin';
For, yet unskaithe'd by Death's gleg gullie,
Tam Samson's leevin'!*

9. Wilhelmina Alexander

10. Depute Master.



Cartoons by the late Honorary President
Stuart M Wallace
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ART COMPETITION



Winner
DEVYN DUNLOP

Primary 1 & 2

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| 1st | DEVYN DUNLOP | Loch Primary |
| 2nd | CHLOE OWENS | Quarrybrae Primary |
| 3rd | JESSICA TELFER | West Coats Primary |

Winner
EILIDH GRAY

Primary 3 - 5

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| | Cairns Primary |
| | Avenue End Primary |
| | Swinton Primary |

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| 1st | EILIDH GRAY |
| 2nd | LAUREN MCGHEE |
| 3rd | EVIE CAMPBELL |



Winner
ARCHIE GRAY

Primary 6 & 7

- | | | |
|-----|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1st | ARCHIE GRAY | West Coats Primary |
| 2nd | LACEY KELLY | Quarrybrae Primary |
| 3rd | DAWSON FINLAY WOODS | West Coats Primary |



ARTS COMPETITION



Winner
NIKOLAS BRAVO REAL
(Overall Winner of the Bill Walker Trophy)

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1st **NIKOLAS BRAVO REAL**
Cairns Primary

Highly Commended
ROBBIE AITKEN
Cairns Primary

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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	THE CAIRNS NEWS TEAM	
2nd	DAISY SCOTT	- Loch Primary
3rd	JULIA PALKA	- Quarrybrae Primary



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❧ OBITUARIES ❧

DIRECTOR RALPH W TAYLOR



Last November, the Club lost one of its greatest ever servants, Director Ralph Taylor, the best President the Bridgeton Burns Club never had. Ralph was quintessentially the modest man of achievement, beavering away in the background, never seeking praise or personal glorification; not for him the gold chains and top table seat. For eight years, he served as Schools Convenor, taking that competition, virtually single-handedly, to its highest level of success in the Club's history with twenty-three schools and 1400 pupils and teachers participating. This he did with his characteristic attention to detail and diplomacy, giving every member of the Board two or three schools to visit and encourage. Few, even on the Club Board, fully understood the volume of work Ralph carried out behind the scenes. He was also a first-class recruiting sergeant, having recruited two future Presidents-to-be; no one could refuse Ralph.

Ralph was also a keen golfer and a mover-and-shaker in the Glasgow Golf Club. There, he also beavered away behind the scenes organising amongst many events, the annual Burns Supper, at which he would fill the top table with guest speakers from Bridgeton Burns Club. He always had a plan!

The massive turnout of members at his funeral on 18th November testified more eloquently than words, the level of respect in which Ralph was held in both Clubs. He was in every respect a true gentleman.

CHARLIE NEWLANDS MBE



Charlie passed away at the age of 77 on Sunday, May 29th 2022; He was the President of the Bridgeton Burns Club in 2004 – 2005

A great Burnsian and Entertainer, Charlie and his wife June ran the clubs Spring outings for many years. They would carry out a trial run of our next outing, mapping the history of Burns along the way in order that we would have the pleasure of a running commentary from Charlie as to where we were and where we were going to, and always on the trail of Robert Burns.

Charlie was a dedicated servant and ambassador of the club and his warm affection and personality are greatly missed. Charlie is survived by his wife June, four sons, 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



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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;

Aspire Cleaning, CRGP Architects & Surveyors, Caledonian Plywood Company, The RACS Foundation, Henry Winning & Co., and Isle of Arran Distillers.

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.

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 the Kilbarchan Pipe band under the leadership of Pipe Major Brian Knight playing for us tonight. My thanks to Spencer and of course all members of the pipe band 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.

Have a great evening

Yours aye,

Graeme McDonald, President



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