



# The Bedford Scottish Dance Group

## NEWSLETTER

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### ***NEW YEAR CEILIDH***

The Ceilidh on January 3<sup>rd</sup> was, as ever, a most successful and enjoyable evening as many of you will already know. The numbers were just right – enough to fill the floor nicely but not too crowded. Entertainment was provided by the demo team doing three dances and Lynn treating us to a perfect performance of the Highland Fling. A really good spread of food appeared which was greatly appreciated and several people said afterwards how much they had enjoyed the evening.

Our thanks also to George and Peter for organising our dancing so enjoyably.

### ***RSCDS AGM Perth – Helen Rose***

In November, Keith and I travelled up to Scotland by train to attend the RSCDS AGM weekend in Perth. This was our first time there in 40 years of dancing. As well as the business part of the meeting we were offered a weekend of dancing and classes in the very large Bell's sports centre.

Friday evening saw us (and 500 other people) dancing a programme compiled by the Carnoustie, East Angus and Forfar branches to Matthew MacLennan and his band. Saturday evening started with a Civic Reception by Perth Council and was followed by dancing. This programme was compiled by the Edinburgh branch and Nicol McLaren and the Glenraig Band played. The sight of so many people all dancing together was amazing with a wonderful sense of movement. When Keith was counting dancers in his line there were 13 sets. It was good to dance with old friends and to meet and dance with many others who had previously been just names, dance devisers or email contacts.



Saturday and Sunday morning offered general dancing classes by Paul Plummer and William Williamson, with about 150 people in each class. It must have been quite daunting since most of the class were probably teachers.

The AGM took place on Saturday afternoon. Congratulations to Keith on his election to the RSCDS Membership Services Committee. He will be involved with the production of the next book of dances, Book 49.

Finally, on Sunday afternoon we had a walk in sunshine beside the swollen and fast flowing River Tay admiring the hills and colours.

# FEBRUARY SOCIAL

Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 7.30pm

OAKLEY VILAGE HALL

MC Liz Palmer

|  |   |                             |   |
|--|---|-----------------------------|---|
| Cramond Bridge                                     | R | Reel of the Royal Scots     | R |
| The Wild Geese                                     | J | Glavya                      | J |
| The Singing Sands                                  | S | The Swan and the Tay        | S |
| The Saltire Society Reel                           | R | West's Hornpipe             | R |
| Inchmickery  | J | Speirs Bruce, the Pole Star | J |
| Mrs. Milne of Kinneff                              | S | Butterscotch and Honey      | S |
| Reel of the Gordon Highlanders                     | R | TheMontgomerie's Rant       | R |
| Extras: Pulling Bracken R The Luckenbooth Brooch J |   |                             |   |

Entrance: £2

# March Supper Dance

Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 7.30pm

OAKLEY VILLAGE HALL

MCs Lynn McGoff & John Mullett

|   |   |                       |   |
|---|---|-----------------------|---|
| The Bees of Maggieknockater                   | J | The Morrison Measure  | R |
| The Highland Rambler                          | R | Linnea's Strathspey   | S |
| Return to Shieldaig                           | S | Father Connelly's Jig | J |
| The Marmalade Maker                           | S | The Garry Strathspey  | S |
| Miss Johnstone of Ardrossan                   | R | Scott Meikle          | R |
| Land of the Heather Hills                     | S | Bratach Bana          | R |
| James Gray                                    | J | Ian Powries Farewell  | J |
| Extras: Shiftin' Bobbins R The Rutland Reel R |   |                       |   |

Entrance: £3 plus a plate of food.



## Forthcoming events in the Bedford area.

| Day        | Date               | Host                          | Event                         | Band                    | Venue                             |
|------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Sat        | 07 Feb 2015        | Market Harborough SCDS        | Charity Dance                 |                         | Market Harborough LE16 7AF        |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>08 Feb 2015</b> | <b>Bedford SDG</b>            | <b>Social Dance</b>           | <b>Recorded</b>         | <b>Oakley VH, MK43 7RJ</b>        |
| Fri        | 13 Feb 2015        | SE Herts SCDC                 | Nice & Easy Dance             |                         | Ware SG12 0DE                     |
| Sat        | 14 Feb 2015        | Huntingdon DCS                | Charity Social                |                         | Brampton Memorial Centre          |
| Sat        | 21 Feb 2015        | Cambridge SS                  | Beginners' Dance              |                         | Cambridge CB23 7DY                |
| Sat        | 28 Feb 2015        | N Herts RC                    | Dance                         | Recorded                | Letchworth, SG6 1BH               |
| Sat        | 07 Mar 2015        | Stamford SCDC                 | Spring Dance                  | Ian Slater              | Stamford PE9 1HE                  |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>08 Mar 2015</b> | <b>Bedford SDG</b>            | <b>Supper Dance</b>           | <b>Recorded</b>         | <b>Oakley VH, MK43 7RJ</b>        |
| Fri        | 13 Mar 2015        | SE Herts SCDC                 | Spring Dance                  |                         | Ware SG12 0DE                     |
| Sat        | 14 Mar 2015        | Huntingdon DCS                | Social Evening                |                         | Brampton Memorial Centre          |
| Sat        | 14 Mar 2015        | Cambridge RSCDS               | Annual Dance                  | Green Ginger            | Impington VC, CB24 9LX            |
| Sat        | 14 Mar 2015        | Milton Keynes RSCDS           | Annual Ball                   | Susan MacFadyen         | Newport Pagnell MK16 0EJ          |
| Sun        | 22 Mar 2015        | The Sunday Class              | Annual Dance                  | Marian Anderson         | Waltham in the Wolds VH, LE14 4AG |
| Fri        | 10 Apr 2015        | SE Herts SCDC                 | Nice & Easy Dance             |                         | Ware SG12 0DE                     |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>12 Apr 2015</b> | <b>Bedford SDG</b>            | <b>Social Dance</b>           | <b>Recorded</b>         | <b>Oakley VH, MK43 7RJ</b>        |
| Sat        | 18 Apr 2015        | Huntingdon DCS                | Annual Ball                   |                         | Huntingdon, PE29 3AQ              |
| Sat        | 02 May 2015        | Cambridge SS                  | Annual Ball                   |                         |                                   |
| Sat        | 09 May 2015        | Corby SCDG                    | Annual Dance                  |                         | Corby NN17 1EE                    |
| Fri        | 15 May 2015        | Peterborough RSCDS            | Tea Dance                     |                         | Newborough, PE6 7RT               |
| <b>Sat</b> | <b>16 May 2015</b> | <b>Bedford SDG</b>            | <b>Summer Ball</b>            | <b>Scottish Measure</b> | <b>Bromham VH, MK43 8JP</b>       |
| Sat        | 06 Jun 2015        | Market Harborough SCDS        | Summer Dance                  | Danelaw                 | Market Harborough                 |
| <b>Fri</b> | <b>12 Jun 2015</b> | <b>SE Herts SCDC</b>          | <b>Summer Dance</b>           |                         | <b>Ware SG12 0DE</b>              |
| Fri        | 19 Jun 2015        | Peterborough RSCDS            | Social Dance                  | Ian Slater              | Peterborough PE1 1TT              |
| Sat        | 20 Jun 2015        | Peterborough RSCDS            | Day School & Dance            |                         | Peterborough PE1 1TT              |
| Sat        | 20 Jun 2015        | Cambridge SS                  | Summer Dance 2015             |                         |                                   |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>12 Jul 2015</b> | <b>Bedford SDG</b>            | <b>Social Dance &amp; AGM</b> | <b>Recorded</b>         | <b>Oakley VH, MK43 7RJ</b>        |
| <b>Sat</b> | <b>26 Sep 2015</b> | <b>Cambridge SS</b>           | <b>Autumn Dance 2015</b>      |                         |                                   |
| <b>Sat</b> | <b>26 Sep 2015</b> | <b>Market Harborough SCDS</b> |                               | Ian Slater              | Market Harborough LE16 7AF        |
| <b>Sat</b> | <b>10 Oct 2015</b> | <b>N Herts RC</b>             | <b>Annual Ball</b>            | Luke Brady              | Biggleswade, SG18 8JH             |
| <b>Sat</b> | <b>21 Nov 2015</b> | <b>SE Herts SCDC</b>          | <b>Ball</b>                   | Danelaw                 | Presdales School, Ware, SG12 9NX  |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>29 Nov 2015</b> | <b>The Sunday Class</b>       | <b>St Andrew's Dance</b>      | Ian Slater              | Waltham in the Wolds VH, LE14 4AG |
| <b>Sat</b> | <b>21 May 2016</b> | <b>Bedford SDG</b>            | <b>Summer Ball</b>            | <b>Danelaw</b>          | <b>Bromham VH, MK43 8JP</b>       |

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This is just a small selection of the many events taking place local, chosen to be of most interest to dancers near Bedford. A new event this year is the dance weekend in Peterborough in June with two dances and two classes.

For events further away, there are online lists hosted by Peterborough ([www.peterboroughrscds.org.uk/area-diary.htm](http://www.peterboroughrscds.org.uk/area-diary.htm)) and London ([www.rscdslondon.org.uk/category/seevents/sedancediary/](http://www.rscdslondon.org.uk/category/seevents/sedancediary/))

The Telheiras group in Lisbon have compiled a list of Scottish Country Dancing holidays throughout Europe, see [sites.google.com/site/telheirasscd/home/eventos-interessantes-de-danca-escocesa-organizados-por-outros](http://sites.google.com/site/telheirasscd/home/eventos-interessantes-de-danca-escocesa-organizados-por-outros)



**CRAMOND BRIDGE** 8x32 R

Valerie Farr, 1979, London Jubilee Book 3C/4C longwise set

**THE REEL OF THE ROYAL SCOTS** 8x32 R

Roy Goldring, 1983, RSCDS Leaflet 7 3C/4C longwise set.

**THE WILD GESE** 8x32 J

RSCDS Book 24 3C/4C longwise set.

**GLAYVA** 8x32 J

John Drewry, 1976, Canadian Book 2C/4C longwise set.

**THE SINGING SANDS** 3 couples 3x32 S

Barry Priddy, 1984, Silver Rose Book 3C/3C longwise set

**THE SWAN AND THE TAY** 3x32 S

Audrey Saunders, Scottish Country Dances for Perth 800 3C/3C longwise set

**THE SALTIRE SOCIETY REEL** 8x32 R

Roy Goldring, 1985, RSCDS Leaflet 9 3C/4C longwise set.

**WEST'S HORNPIPE** 4x32 R

Ladies Pocket Book, 1797, RSCDS 5/1965 4C/4C longwise set.

**INCHMICKERY** 5x32 J

Roy Goldring, 2000, 14 Social Dances 5C/5C longwise set

**SPEIRS BRUCE, THE POLE STAR** 8x32 J

Roy Goldring, 2002, Scotia Suite 3C/4C longwise set.

**MRS MILNE OF KINNEFF** Square 4x32 S

Alan Macpherson, RSCDS Leaflet 32 4C/4C square set.

**BUTTERSCOTCH AND HONEY** 4x32 S

Jean Attwood, Alexander Leaflets 4C/4C longwise set

**REEL OF THE GORDON HIGHLANDERS** 8x32 R

Aad L M Boode, 1994, Delft Book of SCD 3C/4C longwise set

**THE MONTGOMERIES' RANT** 8x32 R

Castle Menzies, 1749, RSCDS Book 10 3C/4C longwise set.

**PULLING BRACKEN** 8x32 R

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**LUCKENBOOTH BROOCH** 8x32 J

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**SHIFTIN' BOBBINS** **8x32 R**

Roy Clowes, Ormskirk Book 6 3C/4C longwise set

**THE RUTLAND REEL** **8x40 R**

Robert Senior, 2010, The Sunday Class 1, RSCDS Book 48 3C/4C longwise set.