



The Rampant Line



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President's Message

Hello All,

Happy New Year to all friends near and far. Distance has no meaning as long as we keep everyone close in our hearts. You are all in mine.

Our Christmas Party was a great success and we need to thank Jean Phillips, Kathy Lindsay, Ima Boyle, Betty Green, Dee Stultz and Ellen McCabe for making it so. I have to honestly say that I prefer the Potluck Dinners more than the catered dinners. You ladies who brought dishes to share really know how to cook. All of you who missed out should really try to come this year. We'll put up another table. Yum!



Our New Year's Eve Party was a lot of fun. Dancing to live music really does make a difference. There were some lively feet on the dance floor and when Midnight came there was some lively hugging and kissing going on too.

Our Annual Food Drive for St. Vincent De Paul's Soup Kitchen had help from the Daughters of Scotia this year. They each opted to bring a bag of food rather than exchange gifts. So, their donations along with the donations from our members were outstanding. My thanks go out to you.

Our Tartan Nights have shown just how proud we are to show our heritage. So many of you are wearing your tartan or any Scottish keepsake that lets others know of your pride. It's good to see all of you participating. Thank You Again.

Our Burns Supper is on January 24, 2015. Get your tickets early to make sure you won't be disappointed. Call Stuart Nicholson for tickets. (727) 584-4963 \$15/Members and \$18 for non-members. Catered by Marguerite's. The Burns Ceremony is one of the finest traditions and I hope you look forward to attending.

Ima Boyle has planned an outing to Tampa Bay Downs on February 14, 2015. Tickets are \$21.00. Call Ima at (727) 733-7317. The food is always good and you will be surrounded by Winners.

I hope to see some fresh faces at our upcoming General Meeting on January 13, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. We have lots to discuss and I need your input. Strength in Numbers.

Please remember to thank Denise and the other Board Members for their hard work.

Thanks Diane

Tartan Night



Don't forget that the first Friday of each month is Tartan Night. Great to see that so many are participating and wearing the tartan with pride.



Annual Burns Supper

Saturday, January 24th, 2014.
Dinner catered by Marguerite's.
\$15 for members and \$18 for guests.
To purchase tickets please contact Stewart Nicholson at (727) 584-4963



Exercise & Socialize! Who says you can't dance and chat at the same time? Come out and try it for yourself, you will be amazed!

Line Dancing with Dee Tuesday mornings from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. at the SAS Hall. \$3.00 Donation.

January General Meeting

Tuesday, January 13th @ 7:00 p.m.

All members are encouraged to attend.

Immediately following the meeting there will be a light lunch served.



Walkway Pavers

We've almost reached our goal. If you haven't already made your contribution now is the time. The cost is \$4.00 per stone. Ken Giesow is anxiously awaiting the day he can go and purchase the stones and install them at the front of our building. Let's show Ken

how much we appreciate his offer of time and muscle to get the job done! The front appearance is going to be so much cleaner and safer once he's finished!



Don't Miss Out – Get Your Tickets Before They Sell Out

Tampa Bay Downs Horse Racing – Saturday, February 14th
\$21.00 per person

Derby Lane Dog Racing – Saturday, March 21st

Tickets are now being sold for the Horse Racing with Dog Racing tickets available shortly.

Contact Ima Boyle (727) 733-7317

Friday Nighters

Live Music every other Friday Nighters are back in full swing. Duncan will be on keyboards January 16th and Norman on his faithful accordion on January 30th. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the fun begins at 7:00 p.m. Cost is still only \$3.00 for Members and \$5.00 Non-members. Grab your partner and take them for a burl around the dance floor!



Who's Like Us? Damn Few & They're A Deid!

Chemist Charles Macintosh from Glasgow, Scotland - founder of the MacIntosh raincoat

John Macadam of Ayr, Scotland, Engineer & Road Builder - 'Tarmac' Road Surfacing

John Boyd Dunlop of Dregthorn, Scotland – Inventor of the Tire

John Chalmers of Dundee, Scotland – Adhesive Stamps

Alexander Graham Bell, born in Edinburgh, Scotland - Telephone

Kirkpatrick Macmillan, Blacksmith of Dumfries, Scotland - Bicycle

John Logie Baird of Helensburgh, Scotland – Invented the T.V.

John Paul Jones of Kirkbean, Scotland. – Founded the U.S. Navy

King James VI – First man mentioned in the Bible, he authorized it's translation

Captain Patrick Ferguson of Pitfours, Scotland – invented the breech-loading rifle

Alexander Fleming of Darvel, Scotland – Penicillin

Sir James Young Simpson of Bathgate, Scotland – Discovered the Anaesthetic

William Paterson of Dumfries, Scotland – founded the Bank of England

(Taken from a poem by Tom Anderson Cairns)



S.A.S. MEMBERSHIP



Time Is Running Out!

2015 Annual Memberships are now in effect from January 1st to December 31st .

Memberships not renewed by the end of January will result in Non-member status

As a member you will enjoy a discounted rate for all socials/events, and also receive the monthly newsletters Show your commitment and support of YOUR club.

Life Memberships are always available and you'll never have to worry about renewal.

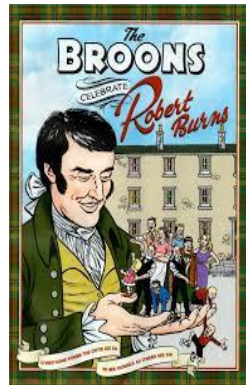
To purchase your Life or Annual membership please contact our Membership Secretary, Ron Phillips (727) 738-8161

Dunedin Operation Twinkle

In our first year entering Dunedin's "Operation Twinkle" lamp post decorating contest . . . we won 3rd place! Hope everyone had a chance to drop by and see our masterpiece. Thank you to those who helped to decorate the lamp post. Not an easy job but well worth the effort.

The Selkirk Grace Robbie Burns

Some hae meat and canna eat,
And some wad eat that want it;
But we hae meat, and we can
eat,
Sae let the Lord be thankit.



How Much Haggis is Too Much?

John Davis, 17, a schoolboy from Edinburgh, Scotland is thought to have set a new world record for speed-eating haggis after gobbling a pound of the delicacy in two minutes.



He beat 30 competitors from around the world to win the event at the inaugural Edinburgh International Haggis Championship in June 2011.



Top Ten Giveaways That You're Scottish

1. Scattered showers with outbreaks of sunshine and a cold northerly wind, is your idea of good weather.
2. The only sausage you like is square.
3. You were forced to do Scottish country dancing every year at high school.
4. You got Oor Wullie and The Broons books Every Christmas.
5. You have eaten the following: Mince and Tatties, Cullen Skink, Tunnock's Teacakes, Snowballs and Caramel Wafers, Porridge, Macaroon Bar, Baxter's Soup, Scotch Pie, Oatcakes.
6. You wait at the shop counter for 1p change.
7. You lose all respect for a groom who doesn't wear a kilt.
8. You don't do shopping, you 'go for the messages.'
9. You are used to four seasons in one day. (winter, winter, autumn, winter)
10. You know what haggis is made with, but you still enjoy it! .

Condolences

Our heartfelt condolences go out to Margaret Wisniewsk on the sudden loss of her beloved granddaughter.



Editor's Corner



Once again I've not left myself too much space but just enough to wish you all the best for a very Happy New Year! This past year brought it's fair share of challenges to the S.A.S but with a

hardworking and dedicated Board of Directors we have come through in glorious form. Here's looking to a better and brighter year ahead, not only for the S.A.S but for each and every one of you! There is always strength in numbers so I do urge you to support your club by attending the various functions and socials. The Scottish are a proud people and as immigrants and descents we too share that pride.

Denise

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JANUARY



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				New Years Day	Tartan Night Norm	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
					Friday Nighters	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		General Meeting 7pm			Friday Nighters Duncan	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
					NO Friday Nighters	Burns Supper
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
		Board Meeting 3 pm			Friday Nighters Norm	

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