



The Rampant Line



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President's Message



Hello All,

What a great time we had at our Valentine's Day party. All the love was spread throughout the night.

The Chinese Auction was held on the weekend and what a great time it was! There were a few surprises for those attending. Not only did they go home with bounty but they will always have images in their heads that will last a lifetime. The models were awesome – Ed Bicknell, Cliff Brooks and Duncan Farrell. The ladies in the kitchen did a great job organizing the food as well as Dee Stultz with her organizing. These ladies and all the volunteers show us just how lucky we are to have them step forward to organize such a fun event.

This is the month that you had better hang on to your hat. Not only because of the March Wind but because March will have a whirlwind of activities.

At our General Meeting on March 10th we have the election of the new Board of Directors. I believe those who have stepped forward to take these positions will continue to serve the members with all the tenacity of our Boards of the past. We have accomplished a great deal during this past year and look to accomplish much more.

March 11th is the date of our Annual Picnic. If you care about your taste buds at all you'll join us for all the homemade treats and those delicious hamburgers and hotdogs cooked by our own Top Chef, Cliff Brooks.

Our St. Patrick's Day/Snowbird Farewell Party is on March 14th. It sure doesn't seem like our "season" is coming to an end and we will soon say goodbye to our Northern Friends.

A trip to the Dog Track for another fun filled day with your friends on March 21st. Good Fortune is wished to those who open their wallets to place bets. May their wallets be thicker when they go home.

Dunedin Highland Games Week starts on March 21 with the New World Celts Breakfast, March 22 will give us a chance to attend one of several 'Kirkins', March 23, the Provost, Mike Robbins, from Stirling hosts a reception at the Dunedin Fine Arts Center, March 24 is our own Mince & Tatties Dinner, March 25 is the New World Celts Whisky Tasting, March 26, the DHG Clan Reception will be held at the SAS hall, March 27 will bring us the Second Annual DHG Downtown March followed by a ceilidh held at Pioneer Park, March 28 will be the culmination as enjoy the Dunedin Highland Games. Whew, my fingers are exhausted from typing all this.

As this will be Denise's final Newsletter, please give her Special Thanks for all the hard work she has put into her position as Newsletter Editor. I can't thank her enough. There will be no one who can fill her shoes but I know having said that, I hope that once a new editor is elected, you will all help them as you have helped Denise by keeping them informed with any bits of information.

Thanks, Diane



The season might be winding down but there's still plenty of time to join in on the Tuesday morning line dancing with Dee. Come out and join the fun!
10:30 – 11:30 a.m. at the SAS Hall.
\$3.00 Donation.

March General Meeting & Elections

Tuesday, March 10th @ 7:00 p.m.



Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend.

Immediately following the meeting and elections the ladies will serve a light lunch.



Elections for the 2015-16 Board Members will take place at the March General Meeting. All positions are open and nominations can be taken on election night from those present. If you would like to put your name forward, please contact Peter Gibson (727) 724-3497 or better still, come out to the meeting!



Derby Lane Dog Racing – Saturday, March 21st

Tickets now on sale, \$22 per person
Don't delay, these tickets sell out fast!

Contact Ima Boyle (727) 733-7317



S.A.S. MEMBERSHIP



2015 Annual Memberships
January 1st ~ December 31st

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

Friday Nighters S.A.S. Dunedin 35th Anniversary



Duncan McKenzie will be our entertainment on the Tartan Night, March 6th as well as on the 20th when



we will celebrate the 35th Anniversary of our club. 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.



R.I.P. ~ The Laughing Policeman

It is with much sadness that I report our very own 'Laughing Policeman', Liz Novak has passed away. Her infectious laughter while singing that song will forever echo throughout the hall. Our sincere condolences go out to her family.

BBQ & Picnic!



This year's annual picnic will be held on the afternoon of **Wednesday, March 11th beginning at 11:00 a.m.** Weather permitting, it will be held at **Anderson Park, US 19 in Palm Harbor, Shelter #1.** Those attending are asked to please bring a dish to pass. BBQ Masters, Cliff & Jennifer will cook up the hot dogs & hamburgers provided by the club. In the event of rain, the picnic will move indoors to the S.A.S. Clubhouse on Loudon Ave.

Tuesday, March 24th
 Doors Open at 6:00 p.m.
 Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
 Members \$20 ~ Guests \$25
 Guest Provost of Stirling
 Mike Robbins
 Tickets ~ Stewart Nicholson



Basket of Cheer



Tickets are now on sale for the annual Basket of Cheer. They are available at the Friday Nighters as well as at S.A.S. booth at the Highland Games. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00. If anyone would like to donate 'goodies' for the basket, you can drop them off at the 'Friday Nighters' or with any board member. Patty Plount has volunteered to put the basket together. *Editor's Note: As last years' winner of the basket of cheer, I can say without a doubt it was loaded with a variety of delights that was well worth the price of a book of tickets!*



Thank You!

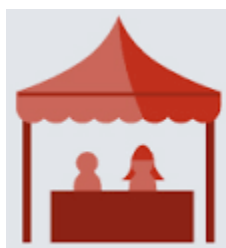
Enid Giesow would like to thank the members for all the cards she has been sent during her recent illness. Very much appreciated to be thought of by so many.



St Paddy's Day / Farewell Snowbirds

Saturday, March 14th
 Potluck ~ SAS will provide ham.
 \$5 per person ~ see Dee Stultz for Tickets
 Irish Dancers will perform
 Doors Open at 6:00 p.m.
 Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Highlander Park,
 Michigan Blvd.
 Saturday, March 28th
 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 Advance Tickets \$16
 At the Gate \$20
 Children 12 & Under Free
 Available at – Dunedin Chamber of Commerce,
 Lothian Kilt Rentals & the Celtic Shop of Dunedin.



The Dunedin S.A.S. will once again have a tent set up at the games and are looking for volunteers to take a one hour shift. If you are interested please contact Diane Burke.

"The Ear Muffs"

Winters can be extremely cold in northern Scotland, so the owner of the estate felt he was doing a good deed when he gave Archie, his farmworker ear muffs for Christmas.

On New Year's Eve he was sitting in the local pub when in came Archie not wearing the ear muffs, even though it was bitterly cold outside.

The owner asked Archie, "Did ye no like the ear muff I gave you?" not wishing to upset his employer, Archie replied, "Och, they are a wondrous thing." "Then why div ye no wear them then?"

Archie explained, "I was wearing them earlier this evening, but when somebody offered to buy me a drink . . . I did nae hear him!"

Editor's Corner




Well folks, this is my final edition as newsletter editor. It's been a wonderful few years and I've really had a blast putting it all together each month. I hope you've all enjoyed receiving it each month and that it was not only full of information but also a laugh or two. Through being the editor I've gotten to meet and get to know so many more of our members and made some wonderful friendships. At times thou, I must admit, it was difficult to write the 'good-byes' to those who have passed away over the years. I hope that you will all welcome the new editor and give them the encouragement and support you have given me over the years. The elections will be held on the 10th of March at which time the new Board of Directors, including the new Newsletter Editor will be announced. Now just because you won't be hearing from me each month doesn't mean I won't be around. Yes, I'll still be at my usual seat up in the corner on Friday nights with Mum and the rest of the gang so drop by and say hello!

Denise

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 Tartan Night Music By Duncan	7
8	9	10 General Meeting & Election 7pm	11 Annual Picnic Anderson Park 11:00	12	13 Friday Nighters	14 St Paddy's Snowbird Farewell Party Doors 6:00 Dinner 6:30
15	16	17  Happy St Patrick's Day	18	19	20 Friday Nighters 35th Anniversary Music By Duncan	21 Dog Races Derby Lanes
22	23	24 Board Meeting 3pm Mince & Tatties	25	26	27 NO Friday Nighters	28 Dunedin Highland Games 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Highlander Park
29	30	31	<p>May you always have walls for the winds, and a roof for the rain, laughter to cheer you, and those you love near you.</p>  			

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