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Chair's Message

Greetings everyone! This is my first message to you since being elected as Branch Chair at our Annual General Meeting held on 17 September 2008. Reproduced in this issue for your information are reports of Branch activities and finances that were presented to the AGM.

The AGM also saw a number of changes made to the make-up of the committee, which gives me an opportunity to thank a number of committee members for the valuable contributions they have made to the running of the Branch. As Chair, Barbara Monahan worked very hard to promote the interests of the Branch. Barbara has opted to remain a committee member despite her difficult personal circumstances. Geoff Lau has been an excellent Treasurer and a valuable member in other ways; he will be missed when he leaves Canberra. Brian Gunning has been an outstanding committee member for a number of years, including a period in the Chair. Particularly noteworthy is his work on the design, launch and maintenance of the Branch website and in producing the Branch email newsletter, which has considerably improved our capacity to communicate with members and to reach a wider audience. Although no longer a committee member, Brian has agreed to continue these time-consuming duties for a while at least. Thanks also go to outgoing committee members Trish McDonald and Fiona Ainley for their work. Let me also thank those committee members who are staying on: Alan McCulloch, our hard-working Secretary; and Elizabeth Low who also remains public officer. June Browne continues as editor of Scotch Circle. Finally, welcome to new Committee members Mary Gellatly, Treasurer, and to Hisako Ewing and David Ayre.

The first task of the new committee has been to maintain the day-to-day management of Branch affairs. Secondly, we have been planning Branch activities for next year and liaising with other SCD groups to ensure the continuation of our usual coordinated approach to SCD events in "Canberra & District". A calendar of events for 2009 is included in this issue.

You may care to take note of our report of the Society's AGM held on 8 November 2008 in Perth, Scotland. In particular, new categories of membership will be available from 1 July 2009. Also, you may be interested to know how the Society is dealing with proposals from some quarters to remove the need for members of a Branch to also be members of the Society.

On behalf of the committee, I extend to you all Season's Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year.

Jack Arthur

Branch News

Branch Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2008

During the year, the membership of the Branch declined slightly. General classes on Wednesday evening usually attracted an attendance of between 10 and 20 dancers, although on a few occasions attendance was below 10. The gentle dancers' class on Friday afternoons has continued throughout the year. Levels of attendance are satisfactory for the ongoing operation of these classes, but since the beginning of 2008 there has been insufficient interest in a beginner's class on Wednesdays for this to continue.

A highlight of the year was the 2007 Winter School, which was reported on at the 2007 AGM since it was the work of the previous committee. In recognition of their outstanding contributions to Scottish country dancing in the district, and to the success of the Winter School, Elaine Arthur and Bruce Clark were both nominated to receive a Branch Award, and certificates recognising these awards were presented to both recipients.

Dance demonstrations were presented at the Canberra Multicultural Festival and the National Folk Festival. The Branch continued to maintain close connections with other SCD groups in Canberra and members participated in several social dancing events organised by or in conjunction with these groups. A highlight of the period of the current committee's tenure was the 50th Anniversary Ball jointly organised with the other local groups. The tradition of a hosted dinner followed by dancing was maintained with a highly successful event held on 3 May 2008.

Three members of the Branch attended the 2008 Australian Winter School held in Queensland. Avis Harrison taught at the Winter School and the Branch was fortunate to be able to arrange for her subsequently to visit Canberra and share her expertise. The regular classes of the Branch received outstanding support from the members who taught these classes – Elaine Arthur, David Ayre, Sandra Carroll and Ann Parkinson (Wednesday evening), Jessie Middlemiss (Gentle Dancers class), and Sandra Carroll (junior class). The committee wishes to thank all these teachers for their valued and enthusiastic contributions to the activity of the Branch.

Branch Treasurer's Report: 1 July 2007 – 30 June 2008

The Branch's finances continued to be roughly in balance during this financial year.

Normal income exceeded normal expenditure by \$1,640.97, but the exceptional \$2,876.96 expense to upgrade the Branch public address system led to an overall loss of \$1,235.99. This will be offset in the 2008/2009 accounts by the \$2,396.34 profit from the 2007 Winter School. The annual income included \$640.36 from bank interest.

The Branch conducted three classes during the financial year, but owing to declining attendance the beginner's class did not operate in 2008. Considering just the income and expenditure incurred during the year and neglecting, for example, that hall hire expenditure in one year extends into another year, and neglecting the apportionment of Branch overheads to each of its activities, each class more than covered its expenses. The beginner's class spent \$267.00 and received \$769.00, the general class spent \$1,216.00 and received \$2,370.35, and the gentle dancers spent \$1,016.00 and received \$1,935.00.

Branch overheads amounted to about \$2,600 which with 57 financial annual members in 2007-2008 was about \$45 per member. Scotch Circle subscriptions of \$240.00 almost exactly covered the printing costs of \$221.80.

The number of financial annual members has declined in 2008-2009 (39 at 15 September 2008) but given the good performance of classes and socials which involve many non-members and given the accumulated reserves the Branch remains financially strong.

SOCIETY NEWS

RSCDS AGM/CONFERENCE WEEKEND 2008 – SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS

AGM

The Canberra & District Branch was represented at the AGM by two delegates, Maureen and Richard Daniel who are members of the Glasgow Branch. The following has been drawn from information which appears on the RSCDS (The Society) website.

292 delegates and 106 members were present. Dr Alastair MacFadyen was in the chair for his first AGM as President. The Annual Activities Report and the Trustees' Annual Report & Accounts for the year to March 2008 were adopted.

Irene Bennett handed over the Chairmanship of the Society to Alex Gray and elections to various management posts took place.

Extending Membership Options

The meeting approved an extension of the range of membership options. This means that, with effect from 1 July 2009, the following membership categories will be available:

- (i) Youth (age 12 to 17), 50% of full adult rate
 - (ii) Young Adult (age 18 to 25), 80% of full adult rate
 - (iii) Adult Single (age 25+), as agreed by AGM
 - (iv) Adult Joint (2 people residing at same address, both 25+), 80% of two full adult rates
- (The adult single membership rate remains unchanged at £15 per annum.)

Removal of Need for Branch members to also be RSCDS Members

The meeting discussed proposals concerning the current, longstanding requirement that members of a Branch must also be members of the Society. The NZ Branch had submitted a Notice of Motion, seconded by the Boston Branch, to amend the Society Rule which states that members of a Branch "MUST also be members of the Society" to "MAY also be members of the Society". Branch rights to vote at a Society AGM would be based on the number of Branch members who are also members of the Society, and Branch Office Bearers would be required to also be members of the Society. The justification for the proposal is that there is a significant group of dancers who are interested in joining a Branch but who are not interested in joining the parent organisation. Therefore, removing the requirement for members of a Branch to be a member of the RSCDS would increase membership of Branches.

The Society's Management Board submitted a Notice to the effect that the NZ Branch proposal be referred to the Management Board to bring forward a paper by June 2009, fully reviewing the constitutional and financial implications of such a change. The Board argued that the change proposed by the NZ Branch requires more extensive study and discussion of the potential consequences, so that should members and delegates feel that it should be passed, they do so in the full knowledge of its impact on the Society.

After discussion of the issue, the Management Board amendment was carried. This means that in the coming months the Board will consult Branches and the membership at large, and use the information gathered to produce a full report which will be sent to Branch secretaries and posted on the Society website no later than 5 June, 2009.

Other Highlights of the Weekend

627 dancers enjoyed the ball on Friday, to the music of Nicol McLaren and the Glencaig Band and a program devised by the Paris Branch. On Saturday, 643 people danced a program put together by the Inverness & District Branch to the music of John Renton and his Band.

The Members' Forum, on the topic of "Communications", was facilitated by Katharine Hoskyn (NZ) and was well attended.

LOCAL EVENTS

Branch End of Year social evening Wednesday 26 November - dancing to recorded music, commencing at **7.30pm**. A miscellany of dances from the Wednesday evening and Friday afternoon Classes. All welcome and all dances will be recapped, or walked as necessary. Admission: \$5 (includes light supper, served at 10pm). Program: The Ayr Promenade (J4x32) 4C (4C set) R. Goldring, 24 Gr & Soc dances; Shiftin' Bobbins (R8x32) 3C (4C set) R. Clowes, Ormskirk 6; The Falkirk Lass (S8x32) 3C (4C set) E. Brunken, Merse Collection; Jennifer's Jig (J8x32) 3C (4C set) J. Drewry, Silver City Bk; Miss Johnstone of Ardrrossan (R5x32) 5C (5C set) R. Goldring, 14 Soc dances 2000; The Dream Catcher (S96) 4C (sq set) RSCDS Bk 45; Mairi's Wedding (R8x40) 3C (4C set) J. Cosh, Twenty-two SCD; The Piper and the Penguin (R88) 4C (sq set) R. Goldring, Scotia Suite; The Right Way Up (J8x32) 3C (4C set) R. Goldring, A Reel for Alice; The Montgomerie's Rant (R8x32) 3C (4C set) RSCDS Bk 10; Spare; Postie's Jig (J4x32) 4C (4C set) R. Clowes, Ormskirk 5;

Gentle Dancers 12th annual picnic on at 12noon at Nara Gardens Friday 5 December. All welcome. BYO everything. Wet weather venue St Andrews Church Hall. Enquiries to Jessie 6273 3482

Belconnen SCD and SCDC Joint Christmas Social, Saturday 6 December 2008 Macquarie Primary School, with music by Strathmannan, 7.30pm. Admission \$10, includes supper.
The Wild Geese (J8x32) 3C (4C set) RSCDS Bk 24, Society Piper (R8x32) 3C (4C set) R Goldring, 10 Social Dances, The Gentleman (S8x32) 3C (4C set) R S Huxley, RSCDS Bk 35, Tribute to the Borders (J8x32) 3C (4C set) R Goldring, RSCDS Leaflet 11, Netherby Hall (R8x32) 2C (4C set) J Drewry, Bon Accord Bk, Greenmantle (S3x32) 3C (3C set) J Wilkinson, Leaflet, The Nurseryman (J8x32) 3C (4C set) S Brown, RSCDS Bk 37, The Dream Catcher (S96) 4C (square set) E Orr, RSCDS Bk 45, The Inimitable Derek (R8x32) 3C (4C set) R Goldring, RSCDS 3/2006, Pelorus Jack (J8x32) 3C (4C set) B Skelton, RSCDS Bk 41, The Compliment (S8x32) 2C (4C set) R Goldring, 12 More Social Dances, Bratach Bana (R8x32) 3C (4C set) J Drewry, Bon Accord Bk, Jean Martin of Aberdeen (3x32) 3C (3C set) M Johnstone, RSCDS 3/2006, The Piper and the Penguin (R88) 4C (square set) R Goldring, Scotia Suite, Roaring Jelly (J8x32) 3C (4C set) H Foss, Glendarroch Sheet.

DISTRICT NEWS

BATEMAN'S BAY ANNUAL SUPPER DANCE

The Bateman's Bay SCD group annual supper dance will be held on Saturday 29 November, at the Community centre, Museum Place, commencing at 6.30pm with drinks and nibbles. Music will be provided by Strathmannan and Warren Hughes will be MC for the evening. Tickets cost \$22, supper included. For further information contact Moira Blades 02 44723696, email moirablades@bigpond.com, or Kay Livingstone 02 44726789. The program is as follows: Festival Interceltique (Rnd room); The Music Makers (R); Napier's Index (J); Cuillins of Skye (S); The Clatterin' Brig (R); The Glasgow Highlanders (S); Polharrow Burn (R); Ian Powrie's Farewell to Auchterarder (J); Ghillie Laces (S); Blooms of Bon Accord (R); Ladies' Fancy (J); The Dream Catcher (S); Trip to Bavaria (R); Open the Door to Three (J); Glasgow Lassies (S); Reel of the Royal Scots (R).
Extras, time permitting: Deil Amang the Tailors (R); The Clachan (J)

FROM THE NOWRA SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE GROUP INC

At the recently held AGM the following Committee was elected:

President:	Mrs Heather Bardsley	02 4441 5496
Secretary:	Mrs Judy Sleath	02 4441 8552
Vice President:	Ms Judy Devereaux	
Treasurer:	Ms Judy O'Farrell	
Asst Treasurer:	Mr Peter Marshall	
Members:	Mrs Elaine Skinner; Mrs Jill Meakin; Mrs Moira Yates	

Details concerning the group's 34th Annual Ball are:

Date:	16 May 2009
Venue:	School of Arts, Berry Street, Nowra
Musicians:	Bob McInnes and Rhonda Langford
Tickets:	\$35 each
Program:	To be advised

The Nowra Scottish Country Dance group meets each Tuesday evening in the Presbyterian Church Hall, Kinghorne Street, Nowra (at the bottom of the Woolworths car park) from 7.30 to 9.30. The Club is in recess after 9 December 2008 and will resume on the first Tuesday in February 2009.

NOWRA SCD GROUP (continued)

The Christmas Social evening will be held on Tuesday 9 December from 7.30pm. Visitors are most welcome. Admission is \$5 per person (supper included). If you wish to participate in the Santa Christmas gift, bring a gift valued at \$5, suitable for either a man or a lady. There will also be two Lucky Door prizes. For more information, contact Heather Bardsley 02 4441 5496. Program: EH3 7AF (8x32J, Bk 40); Catch the Wind (8x32R, Bk 45); Butterscotch and Honey (4x32S, Attwood); The Minister on the Loch (3x32S, 4/2008); Tribute to the Borders (8x32J, RSCDS Lflt); Polharrow Burn (5x32R, Foss); Napier's Index (8x40J, Bk 45); Monymusk (8x32S, Bk 11); Pelorus Jack (8x32J, Bk 41); The Garry Strathspey (4x32S, Cosh); Muirland Willie (8x32J, Bk 21); The Falkirk Millennium Wheel (1x96R, Falkirk); Sandy o'er the Lea ("Medley", MMM2); Shiftin' Bobbins (8x32R, Clowes); Mairi's Wedding (8x40R, Cosh). Time permitting: Christmas Dance (walked through); The Australian Ladies.

Monaro Caledonian Society

The Monaro Caledonian Society Christmas Social will be held on 12 December at St Andrew's Church Hall, Soho St, Cooma. All welcome.

OUT AND ABOUT - A TRIP TO NORTH CAROLINA

Recently, Jack and I had a marvellous fortnight of Scottish country dancing and other things Scottish in North Carolina (NC), USA.

The occasion was a reunion with a Scottish country dancing friend, Janet Walker, who we first met at a Teachers' Association of Canada (TAC) Summer School in Ontario, Canada, way back in 1994. In that year, Janet and Jack sat the preliminary phase of the examinations for their RSCDS teacher's certificate. At the same time, I sat my examination for the (full) teacher's certificate, having completed the preliminary phase in Canberra in 1990. Janet has lived most of her adult life in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (PA), where she is part of a very active group of Scottish country dancing enthusiasts. In addition to their well-attended weekly classes, they perform around 35 displays/demonstrations each year.

Prior to this year, we last saw Janet in July 1996, firstly as her guest in Pittsburgh and then at the TAC Summer school a few weeks later. Since then, we have kept in regular contact with her and partner Ward. We have been urging them to visit Australia while she has been asking us to go back to the US. In particular, Janet has often described her annual holiday at a high-altitude area in NC where, for the month of July, she escapes the extreme heat of a PA summer to enjoy a more temperate climate in NC. Other attractions there at that time of year include the annual Thistle School of Scottish Country Dancing and the annual Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. Janet's invitation prevailed over ours, and on 3 July 2008 we were met by Janet and Ward at an airport in Tennessee (TN), very close to the border with NC. From there it was a short drive to our NC destination.

And this is where the story really begins – in a comfortable condominium (holiday apartment) at Sugar Mountain (4,000 ft above sea level), near Grandfather Mountain (6,000 ft), all part of the Blue Ridge Mountains, which are situated along the section of the Appalachian Mountain chain that lies between the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in NC and TN to the south, and the Shenandoah National Park in Virginia to the north.

The Thistle School was held at the Lees-McRae College in the small town of Banner Elk, just a few miles from Sugar Mountain. It attracted around 100 dancers, 90% of whom came from one of the states of AL, AR, FL, GA, MD, MS, NC, NY, OH, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA, and from Washington DC. The remainder were Canadians and we were the only Australians. Most participants lived on campus, while the rest including ourselves opted to commute. The structure of the school was similar to that of a typical Australian Winter school: morning classes; optional afternoon activities; evening social dancing; a ceilidh; a formal dinner; and a final Ball, this one called the Grandfather Mountain Gala Dance. One significant point of difference seemed to be the informality of the morning classes. Speaking for the teachers class (the one that I was in), attendance seemed to be optional. At full strength there were 20 dancers but on most mornings fewer than 20 persons were present. Then, of those persons who did turn up, some were inclined to watch as much as dance. This might be thought somewhat frustrating for the teachers and other dancers but nobody seemed surprised or concerned, and classes ran smoothly. We also had a different teacher for each of the five morning classes and dancers received a wide variety of new material and a number of different approaches to teaching.

The evenings of social dancing were also great fun. Many of the dances were familiar to us but there were lots of new ones too. One particular dance, The Micmac Rotary (J Drewry, Brodie Bk), has become so popular among regular Thistlers that its rehearsal and performance at a social evening has become an annual fixture. This dance is a 1x96 bar reel for four couples in a square set and during the final eight bars all four couples promenade anticlockwise round the set. At Thistle, it is danced twice through, with dancers being arranged in groups of two sets. During the promenade of the last eight bars the first time through, the ladies in the first set progressively

change to a new partner in the second set, while those in the second set change to a new partner in the first set. Then the dance is repeated (without pause) with new partners. And finally, during the last eight bars of the second time through, the ladies return to their original partners, at the end of which all cheer loudly. This year there were enough volunteer dancers to form three groups of two sets and the performance went off very nicely.

All in all, this was a most enjoyable week among friendly Scottish country dancers.

We spent a great deal of the next few days, 10-13 July, at the 53rd Annual Grandfather Mountain Highland Games and Gathering of Scottish Clans. This is quite a big occasion, with an estimated 50,000 people passing through the gates during the four days. Some 100 or so Scottish clans were represented, all having their own clan tent and representatives in the various clan ceremonies. The strong Scottish culture in this part of the USA can be traced back to 18th and 19th century migrants of Scots origin. It seems that there were three distinct groups of these settlers, Lowland Scots, Highland Scots and Ulster Scots (Scotch Irish).

Events to watch and enjoy included: marching and concert displays by pipe bands; solo piping and drumming competitions; highland dancing competitions (including the Atlantic International Championships, sanctioned by the Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing, and of a high standard); Scottish country dancing; and Appalachian clogging. There were also Gaelic Mod, Scottish Harp and Scottish Fiddling performances and competitions. There were "Scottish" athletics, which included caber tossing and the like, as well as kilted running events of distances from 100 yards to one mile. In one of the kilted running events the leading competitor was forced to slow down to adjust his kilt to prevent it from falling down. Unfortunately, that cost him the race. Probably the most strenuous of the athletics events was the Grizzly Marathon Run, which was more a mountain climb than a flat race. The Torchlight Opening Ceremony which took place as darkness fell on the first night, was preceded by a period of spectacular thunder and lightning around the peak of the Mountain. But the rain held off - until the clans commenced circling the oval with their torches. Everyone was drenched but the torches somehow stayed alight. The remainder of the weekend was dry and sunny - until just before the start of the Closing Ceremony, when the heavens opened again and we received our second drenching of the Games. Despite the weather, we had a marvellous time at this Gathering, as we did a few weeks later at the World Pipe Band Championships in Glasgow, Scotland, where it did not actually rain on the day. But that's another story.

Elaine Arthur

OUT AND ABOUT - A TRIP TO WATERLOO

I can't believe that it is now over 3 months since I was in Canada. Time really flies. It was simply a pleasant trip for me. I was going to Canada to sit the Unit 3 Part 1 teacher's exam (the tail end of old part 1 exam), full of enthusiasm and energy. I hadn't felt like this for sometime. My destination was Waterloo, Ontario.

The plane to Toronto from LA was delayed for around 3 hours on top of a few hours of connecting time after arriving from Sydney. A long wait without any food! When the flight attendants started serving food (my seat on the plane to Toronto was right behind business class) I felt good and looking at the elderly couple seated alongside me getting enormous muffins out of a brown bag and buttering them, I thought what were they doing? Then click, Oh heck! I realized the meaning of what they said before boarding. They asked me whether I would like to go on business class. Assuming I would be charged, I declined! I realized I won't be fed on the plane then. When did I eat last? How long would it take to get to Toronto?

I was glad to see someone waiting for me at the entrance when I got to my accommodation at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, way past midnight. He had a lunch and a dinner packed in a plastic bag and told me that they would keep till morning if I put them in the fridge so I could sleep in and eat them for breakfast. I thanked him very politely and took them into my room and ate as much as I could. Of course I got up early enough for breakfast but I decided instead to go across the road to have a nice cup of coffee.

The accommodation was wonderful, clean, simple and adequate. Two rooms shared an adjoining bathroom. All candidates for Units 2, 3 and 5 were on the same floor with tutors. The teaching staff was accessible anytime within reason. It is tense with so many candidates. I understand that there were 15 candidates for unit 5 and 9 candidates for unit 3. John Middleton was our tutor for Unit 3 and there were two shadows helping him. Those three and the organisers were marvellous and very supportive. They all made us feel relaxed.

I have to add that we had lots and lots of pasta of some sorts throughout the week. We lived on pasta with other side dishes like meat, fish etc. Despite that I thoroughly enjoyed my experience in Canada and I would like to go back to finish my unit 5 over there at TAC.

Hisako Ewing

Calendar for 2009

Some dates are provisional and, due to this and issues of availability of halls etc, there may be a few alterations. This Calendar will be updated as and when necessary.

3 Feb	Belconnen SCD: first Tuesday class for 2009, Macquarie Primary School, Bennelong Cres, Macquarie. Details from Colin Allum 62580009 or email colallum@optusnet.com.au
4 Feb	Branch classes commence at St Andrew's Church Hall, Forrest. Beginner's class 6.30pm. Contact Elizabeth Low 6288 8177 (ah) or by email: cnorton@pcug.org.au General class 7.30pm. Contact Alan McCulloch 6288 5670 (ah) or by email alan.mcculloch@netspeed.com.au
5 Feb	SCDCC first classes 2009, at The Church of Christ, corner of Limestone Ave and Grimes St. Ainslie. Contact Jan Clark 6288 2487 or by email: jan.clark@iinet.net.au
9 Feb	Burns Group first class for 2009: at St Andrew's Church Hall, Forrest. Contact Clare Hughes 6248 9090 or by email: friendly@homeemail.com.au
20 Feb	Branch "Gentle Dancing for Gentle Dancers" first class for 2009, 2pm Fridays, at St Andrew's Church Hall, Forrest. Contact Jessie by email: tmi04138@bigpond.net.au
28 Feb	Branch beginning-of-year social. Details to be advised
13 March	Belconnen SCD advanced social class, 8pm, Macquarie Primary School, Bennelong Cr, Macquarie. Contact Elaine Arthur 6254 7879 or email: elaine.arthur@apex.net.au
28 March	Monaro Caledonian Society Tartan (Cooma) Ball
April	Bundanoon Highland Gathering
10-13 April	(Easter) National Folk Festival, Exhibition Park, Canberra http://www.folkfestival.asn.au
17 April	Belconnen advanced social class
8 May	Belconnen advanced social class
16 May	Nowra SCD Group 34th Annual Ball
20 June	Belconnen SCD 33rd Birthday Social
26 June	Belconnen SCD advanced social class
4 July	Branch "Tea Dance"
12-18 July	34th RSCDS Australian Winter School, Kiama, NSW (Sydney Branch) Winter School Secretary, Clare Haack, 0408 669 439 Website: www.rscds.org.au Email: winterschool2009@rscds.org.au
7 August	Belconnen advanced social class
29 August	Canberra Ball
11 Sept	Belconnen advanced social class
16 Sept	Branch AGM
Sept	Marengo SCD Social
9-11 Oct	Far South Coast SCD Group, Bermagui Weekend
23 Oct	Belconnen advanced social class. Final for year
7 Nov	Branch end-of-year social
21 Nov	Burns SCD Group St Andrew's Night Celebration
4 Dec	Branch "Gentle Dancing for Gentle Dancers" class Annual Picnic
5 Dec	Combined Belconnen SCD and SCDCC Christmas Social

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