



NEWS FROM THE HOUSE of SCOTLAND

“Sgeoil nan Taigh”: Scots-Gaelic for
“News From The House”

Balboa Park, San Diego, California 92101

July 2011

Highlights from the June Meeting:

June Birthdays and Anniversaries: June birthdays are as follows: Holly Stewart June 1, Steve Knight June 12, Kelsey Beaty (Dianne's granddaughter) June 15, Kristi Keith June 19, and Bob Maxton June 23.

Prayers and Remembrances: A moment's silence was observed for those members of the military who are serving in harm's way.

Pipe Band Report: Daryl Bowen gave the Pipe Band report. Dane Chambers, Jeff Hahn and Andrew Hahn won individual events at the Costa Mesa Highland Games. Andrew Hahn currently ranks 2nd in individual piping in the Western US Pipe Band Association and Dane Chambers ranks 3rd. The band will be competing at the San Diego Highland Games.

HPR Report: Jim Scrimgeour reports that it's now OK to charge up to \$10.00 for complete meals at any of our food selling events. The House of England is hosting a movie night as a fund raiser toward the new HPR kitchen. The event will take place in the Hall of Nations and the movie will be *The King's Speech*. Attendees will be able to purchase beer for \$5.00. The new HPR kitchen will have a maximum expenditure of \$65,000, with a contractor offering to match up to \$20,000 of that cost.

Old Business: Steve moderates.

Hosting: Melissa needs people to host on July 3, July 12, July 24 and July 31. A discussion was held on how to get people to volunteer for hosting duty.

Upcoming events:

The organ concert on July 11, 2011, will feature Scott Dettra, the organist from the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. Organizers of that

event requested that the House of Scotland join with them to host a reception for Mr. Dettra at our cottage before the concert. The organizers will bear the cost of the reception.

Ceilidh Band: David McSwain reports that the band played at the Food Fair. They are currently practicing twice a week.

Other Old Business: Graham McGruer presented the trophies for our Kilted Golf Tournament. Nancy Ross won for best golfer. Dani McGruer got the prize for the worst golfer; and Myla Keith took the honors as the youngest golfer.

New Business: Steve moderates.

Other New Business:

The members of the House of Scotland voted to contribute \$775 to the College of Piping as a full scholarship. Last year a young piper from Helix High School was able to attend due to our contribution.

Dani McGruer reports that our Summer Movie Festival will be the first Friday night of July, August and September in the Hall of Nations on the new big screen. A pot-luck will be held at 6:30 P.M. with the movie beginning at 7:00. Lists of potential movie selections were circulated.

Jim Scrimgeour reports having recently talked to Gary McMaster and that Gary has retired (again).

New Members: Heather Wilson, originally from Kilmarnock in Ayershire, and her daughter, Courtney, were attending their first meeting as prospective new members. Heather and Courtney have recently relocated to San Diego from Pennsylvania.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30
Respectfully submitted
Dianne Schultz, Secretary



Upcoming Events

July 4 Fourth of July parade (Coronado)

July 10 HOS Meeting, 11:30 am

July 16-17 Flagstaff Games

Aug. 5 Movie Night, 6:30 pm

Aug. 14 HOS Meeting, 11:30 am

Sep. 2 Movie Night, 6:30 pm

Dec. 10 HOS Christmas Party

Hosting

July 3 John & Kristi Keith

July 10 Bob & Sharon Maxton

July 17 Susan Self & James Logan

July 24 Heather & Courtney Wilson (someone is needed to host with them as this is their first time.)

July 31 OPEN

If you can host, please call Melissa at (619) 206-6478 or send an email to: minipeaves@gmail.com.



HOS Pipe Band Calendar

Monday July 4th: Coronado Parade.

September 3rd and 4th: Pleasanton Highland Games

Saturday September 10th: Poway Parade

Saturday October 22nd: Borrego Springs Parade (tentative)



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Hearth of the Kitchen



Chocolate-raspberry bread pudding

Ingredients:

- 8 cups cubed day-old French bread
- 1 cup fat-free milk
- 1 cup fat-free half & half
- ¾ cup plus 2 Tbsp. sugar, divided
- ¼ cup baking cocoa
- 2 oz. bittersweet chocolate, chopped
- ¾ cup egg substitute
- 2 tsp. vanilla extract
- ½ cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 pkg. (12 oz.) frozen unsweetened raspberries, thawed, divided
- 1 tsp. lemon juice

Method:

1. Place bread cubes in a bowl. In a saucepan, combine milk, half & half, ¾ cup sugar and cocoa. Bring to gentle boil. Remove from heat. Stir in bittersweet chocolate until melted.
2. Stir in a small amount of hot milk mixture into egg substitute; return all to pan. Stir in vanilla. Pour mixture over bread cubes. Let stand for 5 minutes. Place half of bread mixture in an 11" X 7" baking dish coated with cooking spray. Sprinkle with chocolate chips and raspberries. Top with remaining bread mixture.
3. Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 30-40 minutes or until a knife inserted near the center comes out clean. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving.
4. Place remaining raspberries in a food processor; add lemon juice and remaining sugar. Cover and process for 2 -3 minutes or until blended. Strain and discard seeds and pulp. Serve with pudding. Refrigerate leftovers.

Nutrition Facts: 1 serving with 1 Tbsp sauce = 297 calories, 7 g fat (3 g saturated fat), 1 mg cholesterol, 289 mg sodium, 54 g carbohydrate, 3 g fiber, 8 g protein

Recipe from *Taste of Home, Healthy Cooking*, Feb/Mar 2011

New Batman film could be shot in Highlands

Scenes for the new Batman film The Dark Knight Rises could be shot in the Highlands.

Newspaper reports have suggested the A9 near Inverness will be shut to allow a Hercules C130 aircraft to land on it.

Police said they had not been approached about closing the trunk road.

However, while not naming the film involved, Northern Constabulary said it had been asked to assist a crew with filming in Badenoch and Strathspey.

A police spokeswoman said: "We have been in contact with a private film company to assist with traffic management during private filming in the Badenoch and Strathspey area."

Scottish government agency, Transport Scotland, said it had been approached by the Batman movie's production company about using roads at locations across Scotland.

A spokeswoman said: "Scotland has some stunning landscapes which make a fantastic backdrop for films, and we are delighted that the nation continues to be such an attractive destination for film-makers to invest.

"In this case, the production team have made initial inquiries into the possibility of using part of the road network for a movie location.

"We have asked them to seek the support of the police before submitting further details."

The Dark Knight Rises is due for release in July 2012.

It is director Christopher Nolan's third Batman film, the previous features being Batman Begins in 2005 and 2008's The Dark Knight.

Christian Bale plays the role of Batman.

In the new film, Anne Hathaway will play Selina Kyle and her alter-ego Catwoman.

Tom Hardy, who appeared in Nolan's film Inception, will play villain Bane.

Article from: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-highlands-islands-13940566>

Riverside Museum opens its doors



From its proud heritage as one of the greatest shipbuilding centres in the world to its tradition of steam locomotive building, few cities have had such a significant impact on transport and technology as Glasgow.

The world-renowned contribution to transport of Scotland's largest city is being celebrated in a new landmark museum.

The £74 million Riverside Museum has been built on the banks of the River Clyde, the famous waterway where many of the world's greatest ships and locomotive engines began long journeys overseas.

The Tall Ship Glenlee, which has been berthed alongside the museum, has also been re-opened.

The new waterfront complex was designed by internationally acclaimed architect, Zaha Hadid, began in 2007.

The attraction, at the heart of the Glasgow Harbour regeneration development, is home to around 3,000 objects — more than double the number on show at the old museum.

Star exhibits include a 74 feet long Glasgow-built steam engine which has been brought back to Scotland from South Africa after 60 years.

Other attractions include three streets spanning the years 1890 to the 1980s; a 1950 Daimler car once owned by King George VI; a historic bicycle collection including the oldest bike in the world – and a car wall display.

Glasgow Councillor Gordon Matheson who carried out the formal opening ceremony said:

"The Riverside Museum is a breathtaking new home for our internationally-renowned transport collection.

"The exhibits inside this magnificent new building have been given a further lease of life thanks to some stunning new displays that not only show off the trains, cars, trams and bikes, but also tell the stories of the people who made them, bought them, used them and loved them."

The new museum is being funded by Glasgow City Council, the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Riverside Museum Appeal.

Focus on the Tall Ship Glenlee

Berthed alongside the new museum will be the tall ship SV Glenlee. The historic vessel was built in Port Glasgow and took to the sea in 1896, working as a bulk carrier.

She circumnavigated the globe four times and survived passing through the fearsome storms of Cape Horn 15 times before being bought by the Spanish navy in 1922 where it was used as a training vessel until 1969.

The ship was operated as a training school until 1981 when she was laid up in Seville Harbour until discovered by a British naval architect in 1990.

The Glenlee was purchased by the Clyde Maritime Trust and was restored over a six year period.

The tall ship, which has been at Glasgow's Yorkhill Quay for 12 years, is one of only five Clydebuilt sailing ships that remain afloat in the world.



River Clyde, Glasgow: Did you know?

- The Cunard shipping line was founded in Glasgow and the liners Queen Mary, Queen Elizabeth, QE2 and the Royal Yacht Britannia were all built on the River Clyde at Clydebank.
- The Waverley, the world's last ocean-going paddle steamer was built in 1947 by A & J Inglis on the River Clyde in Glasgow. It remains on the Clyde today, where countless passengers continue to enjoy a trip 'doon the watter'.
- By the 1900s Clydeside was producing around 25 per cent of the world's ships
- The first shipyard was established on the River Clyde in 1712 and since then over 25,000 ships have been built on the Clyde
- Billy Connolly, the comedian and actor, was born in Partick in Glasgow in 1942 and worked in a Clyde shipyard before taking to the stage.
- The Clyde tunnel took seven years to build. Work began in July 1957 and the first tunnel opened in July 1963. It is 21 feet below the river surface and approximately seven football pitches long.

Articles from:
<http://www.scotland.org/features/item/riverside-museum-opens-its-doors/>