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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

December 2nd
Marion showed us how to make our own Christmas Cards and supplied all the necessary items to make them. Good fun. Jacqui won the prize for the best one.

CHRISTMAS AT THE SCOTTISH HALL 2021



HAPPY CHRISTMAS to you all

NB

Unfortunately because of the sharp rise in Omicron cases it has been decided with regret, to cancel the Hogmanay Party in the Hall this year.



Then we all helped to decorate the Hall for Christmas and New Year and it all looked very festive when finished.

Maisie and her granddaughter Kaitlyn



<< Coffee Morning December 4th >>



Angela Wins the Hamper

Coffee and a chat Pam and Douglas



The morning closed with us all singing carols round the Christmas tree with John at the piano...>>>

Thanks to Paul for the photos.

Seen in a Dumfries and Galloway paper

.... after STORM ARWEN ...this month

Trampoline for sale £25...
Buyer must collect





The Christmas Party Dec 9th



A fun evening, with a couple of dances and games, and entertainment from Iain, and ending with our traditional '12 Days of Christmas' round the piano.

Unfortunately John was taken ill and could not be with us to add his special touch to this. We wish him well and hope to see him back with us soon.



<<< Musical chairs ... Jenny wins and **above** a circle dance >>>

On Dec 14th Paul arranged the last WALK of 2021... and lunch at the Angel Inn after >>>

By popular demand, the walk was in Longham, based on the Angel Inn...including Dudsbury Hill, a meander along the banks of the Stour into part of Milham Meads Nature Reserve, and on to Longham Lakes.

Unfortunately part of the walk had been **closed** due to Avian flu in birds at the moment, so it was not the 5 mile walk expected.

Those of us not up to quite such a long walk met up with the walkers afterwards for lunch.



On 17th Dec a Lifeboat of the RNLI was named in memory of **Archie Hogg** One of our past members.

James Hogg, the Scottish poet, known as the 'Ettrick Shepherd' was an ancestor of Archie's.



We send our thanks to **Paul** for organising all the past year's walks. He seems to have boundless energy...for when he is not walking, he is **running** with various groups. (Whew!)

Keep up the good work.

The Lifeboat was named **RNLB "ETTRICK SHEPHERD" HOGG HARDIE**

Doreen invited four members of the Caledonian Society who knew Archie to go along with her to the naming ceremony at Poole RNLI, (Iain, Charlie, Irene and Joan)

It was all so interesting...with a Piper playing and a Brass band and a group of sea Shanty singers, and a Minister to conduct the open air service. **Doreen** named the Lifeboat in this ceremony and Champaign was poured over the bow. We all then had refreshments in the wonderful new RNLI tower restaurant.



Doreen & Archie Hogg at the Hall in 2014

Doreen naming the Lifeboat



Irene and Joan underneath the hull of the lifeboat... (which we touched for good luck)

JANUARY 2022

The **Monday** Dance Class will start again on January 3rd

Thursday meetings will start again on the 6th in the morning at 10.30

NB Glad to say that **John** is well again, back home and doing fine.



Refreshments at the RNLI

PS 'Yesterday in Parliament' 😊



... 'A GUID NEW YEAR TAE YIN AN' A'