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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

BURNS NIGHT

Just a little later than usual.

Iain and his daughter Beth



The evening began with our **Piper, Alan**, piping in the **President and his Lady** followed by the two standard bearers **Robin and Alex**. When all were ready on the top table he then Piped in the Haggis, carried by 'Poosie Nancy'.... Veronica.



The Society's Burns Night took place for the very first time in February this year. The postponed date was due to the Corona virus situation. A great time was enjoyed by all and next year's event is already in the Society's Diary.

We have had some new members join in the last few months which is really refreshing, and now we have more members than we have had for the last two years. As restrictions relax it will be good to see attendances at our meetings becoming larger. Best wishes, **Iain**



< **Martin** gave the 'Immortal Memory'

Iain gave the 'Toast to the Lassies' and **Val** replied. then.....

Charlie 'Addressed the Haggis' and 'cut it up wi' ready slight' then it was served to all ...in the traditional manner



Haggis...neeps and tatties



Jean sang a BURNS' song and **Joan** read a BURNS poem



On **5th Feb** it was **Scotland v England** at Murrayfield in **6 Nations RUGBY**. For the first time since the Pandemic the place was packed, the atmosphere terrific, and **SCOTLAND WON 20-17**



BUT then they played WALES, in Wales, and lost

Mainly Ceilidh dances so that all can join in



below Irene leads the dancing



Happy Valentines Day
on the **14th**This will fall on a Monday Dance evening this year.

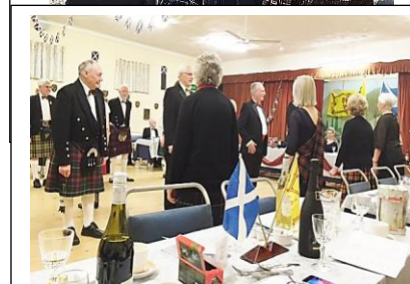
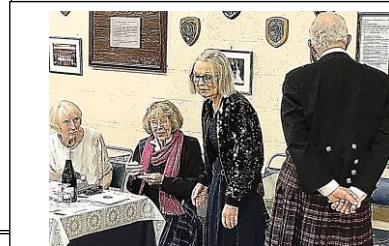


More photos of Burns Night...
taken by Joan and Iain
below



Burns Night had some laughs ... including one when our MC Charlie inadvertently called the President's wife ... **Val Cameron**.

The evening ended with us singing 'Auld Lang Syne' together.



On **17th Feb.** **NICOLA** came and got us exercising.



<< This was an excellent morning and is one of the things **Nicola** does professionally in her job with people in care homes. There were 14 of us altogether and we learned how to do various exercises to help with muscles, bones, posture and balance. It was most beneficial ...*especially to me, as I had become a couch potato during Lockdown and needed some incentive to get up and move.*

Editor

A most enjoyable **Heritage Meeting** was held at **Robin and Marion's** house. This is for any that love our Scottish history and heritage.



On **Thursday 24th Feb.** all restrictions re the **Coronavirus** were **lifted** in England. However I feel we still have to be careful and I shall continue to wear a mask in crowded places for a while. How about you? They are saying on the **News** that in the Spring those over the age of 70 will be offered **another** booster jab.

A man was **murdered** last month in **Shelbourne Road**. Three men have been arrested for it...their names are two of Johnson, and a MacDonald. Hope they don't think they have any connection to the Scottish Hall !

'IT WISNAE US'

On **Feb 18th** **STORM EUNICE**...one of the worst storms to hit this part of the country for many years, came with a **rare red alert** of damage. One gust of wind on the Isle of Wight was a **record 122 mph!**

On the **22.2.22** it is **Sam's Birthday**.

We all wish him a very
HAPPY 92nd BIRTHDAY.
With our Love.

Aubrey Lane from the Cornish Society is holding a **Memorial service for his wife LIZ** on **March 19th** at Lytchett Matravers. She was much loved by us all and is greatly missed at our Society. Liz died at the beginning of Lockdown, so we could not attend her funeral at the time.

A Zoom Quiz night in February



A Scotsman and his wife walked past a swanky new restaurant.

"Did you smell that food?" she asked. "It's smells absolutely incredible!"

Being a 'kind-hearted Scotsman', he thought, "What the hell..., I'll treat her!"

So, they walked past it again!