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A word from the Editor

After a break for **EASTER** we started again with **Nicola** giving us exercises to do. Then we had a quiz and a coffee morning. There were the dance classes arranged by

Alex and Irene on Monday nights... and then the much heralded.....



PRESIDENTS NIGHT



The evening started with a video of **Iain** dashing back to Weymouth to pick up the speech he had forgotten to bring with him....only to find his granddaughter using it for colouring in. Then we had a brilliant magician to amaze us with his tricks and a really good singer doing some great old songs by Frank Sinatra and the like.

The Campbell family did a Scottish dance for us, and a girl with a violin played amazing Scottish tunes and we all had a dance and a supper of fish & chips, trifle and wine. *The trifle made by Barbara from Weymouth...delicious*



'**Presidents Night**' is when the Society thanks the President for all his work over his two years of office, by giving him (or her) a 'special evening'.

However, today's President, **Iain Campbell**, decided that he would **arrange his own** evening entirely. All we had to do was come and watch Great!

Thank you Iain for a very entertaining evening and for all the food and drink you very generously provided.



Below Ali McCowat a member from the South Dorset Caledonian Society playing her violin.... *Excellent*



The Campbell family decide who will put their head in the guillotine ! for Roger Lapin the Magician



'**The Flying Scotsman**' Scottish country dance performed by the Campbell family

Some great songs from Darron Garnett



Left Barbara from Weymouth assists the Magician with one of his tricks



Right Anna, Iain's daughter, and Maisie and Morag who helped serve the supper.

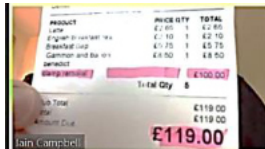




On the 1st April we held a **SKITTLES MATCH** in the Hall (photos by Iain)



It was also **Phil's Birthday today** and we gathered around to give him our best wishes ...and help eat his birthday cake.!



◀ Our last Zoom Quiz meeting before Easter.

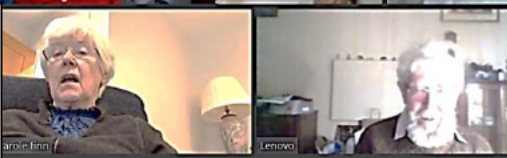
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As there were so many extra pictures of Presidents Night, I could not fit them all in the first page, so I have printed an **Extra Page** showing almost all who attended sitting at their allotted tables.

All Pictures taken by Paul

We carry on till the end of May so hope to see you all next week May 4th and after. See NB note below.

Nice to see everyone again



Top Left... Iain is showing us the bill he got for taking Val out for breakfast on her birthday !.....
.....and our faces! <

It was also **NICOLA's Birthday** when she took us through our exercises. *Photo below* of some of us there (taken by Maisie)



<< A much needed cup of tea after the work out !



Have you been watching **Downton Abbey** on TV ?...if so, you will have seen it was filmed at **Inveraray Castle** this month, both inside and outside.

'Uisge Beatha' The water of Life



The Famous Grouse from Perthshire is Scotland's best selling whisky.

In Gaelic it is pronounced '**OOSHGAE**' which became **WHISKY**

Highland Park
Glenmorangie
Old Pulteney
Talisker
Balvenie
Glenlivet
Glenfiddich
Cragganmore
Laphroaig
Ardbeg
Lagavulin
Macallan
Bladnoch
Glengoyne
Glenfarclas
and many more....

.....Talking of Presidents.....

Donald Trump, Past-President of the USA, was **arrested** this month on 34 counts of '**criminal activity**'. He is to **stand trial** in court. Yet he intends to stand for election again next year for the position of President.!!!!

A President for whom there is no precedent.



NB It is very important, that everyone who can, attends our AGM in May. We have many things to discuss and consider and decide. All will be listened to. This is about the Society of course. Are we to continue in the way it is run now or make changes? We need everyone's ideas.

This is on Thursday AM on 11th MAY

The Season will close with the **Rose Ceilidh on 25th May at 7.45pm**

The usual Monday Scottish country dance classes will continue a little bit longer. Ask Alex or Irene for finishing dates.

APRIL 27th 2023 Bournemouth Caledonian Society..... Presidents Night



The Tables for
Presidents
Night

Photos by Paul

The Magician was
Roger Lapin

The Singer was
Darron Garnett

