



The Saltyre

July 2023

Message From the President

Hello,

It's been quite a while since I published a Saltyre. The main reason for that being that in addition to many hobbies and music gigs, I work fulltime. It would be great if I could find a society members to help contribute short articles, maybe a review of your trip to a Scottish locale, etc.. anything like that would be a great help.

Speaking of help, I need a gift basket chairman who can work with me to develop baskets for the Burns supper in February. At this time, two baskets are in the works. The Richeys and the Grays are working on one and the Mengs are working on another. I would like to have a total of 10 to 12 baskets for the Burns dinner. These baskets need to be top drawer as the raffle/drawing/auction raises a significant amount of money for our scholarship fund.



We have quite a few upcoming events and as always I am requesting help with existing events and ideas for new events. Upcoming events include the Halfway to Burns Day, Hot Chili Cool Cars car show and chili competition, fall ceilidh is currently up in the air, We will be installing new members at the Investiture this year, and we have dates for the Christmas party and Burns supper. These dates will be on the calendar.

We're going to need volunteers for the car show and chili cook off. I think Doug Walters is planning another lamb-based chili, which turned out great last year. I would very much like to talk with someone who has experience with golf events. I would very much like to start a new kilted/tartan 9-hole golf event. I would also like to talk to anyone who has ideas about putting on a Tartan Ball dinner or finger food and dancing event that would be open to the public.

Last but not least, the Society is now open to coed membership and the associate membership class has been folded into the regular member class. I know some disagree with this, but I believe it is necessary for the long-term survival of the Society and I don't expect a tsunami of female applicants. New applicants to the Society will still have to submit an application for membership, have a sponsor(s), and pass review by the Board.

I look forward to seeing you out and about and hope many will help with events.

All the best,

Bruce Locken



Current Scottish Games Calendar For California

Monterey Scottish Games, cancelled for 2023

Pleasanton Highland Games, September 2-3, 2023

Fresno Highland Games, September 16, 2023

Dixon Scottish Games, Tentative date is September 28, 2023
This will be a festival not a games





Flowers of the Forest

Herman Chambers	1930-2020	Felix D. Othon	1929-2007
Clyde Le Roy Scott	1938-2019	William Arnold Butler	1943-2006
Malcolm MacClenaghan.	1924-2019	George Santrizos	1914-2005
Alex Doig	1938-2019	Daniel Stephens	1911-2003
Gordon Scott	1946-2019	David F. McGeary	1940-2002
Alasdair Harding.	2018	Leroy Coulter Pierson	1913-1999
Walter (Skip) W. Hastings	1945-2018	Rev. J.P. Edwards III	1925-1997
Calvert Lawton Crawford	1933-2018	Watson Burns	1996
William Leroy Wilson	1929-2017	James McCracken	1920-1994
Gary D. Stevenson	1949-2017	Alexander W. McTavish	1906-1992
David Mercer	1935-2016	Rev. Howard Perry	1921-1989
Charles Preston Thomson	1940-2015	Wallace Gibson Holt	1919-1989
Donald Calavan-MacRae	1932-2013	James C. C. Wallace.	1926-1989
Edison Alva McFarland II –	1925-2012	Angus Murray	1984
Moton Bryant Holt	1929-2012	Robert Jeffreys	
James C "Jim" Richey	1931-2009	Alec Cowan	
George W. Burns	1925-2008	Tom Ross	
George Eric Martin	1921-2008	Bob MacDonald	
BG Harry McIvor Nicolson	1920-2008	Larry Cameron	
		Shakey Johnson	
		Frank M. Clark	
		Richard Russo	

The Society plants trees in Scotland on behalf of departed brothers of the Society. This is done as a remembrance and contributes to the replanting of the Great Caledonian Forest. Any time you wish you may donate via this link:

<https://treesforlife.org.uk/plant-trees/grove/5067/>



Charitable giving may help you minimize taxes while supporting the causes that are meaningful to you. Please consider making a donation to the Society when estate planning.



Trees for Life

What is Trees for Life and why do we support it ?

The Caledonian Forest was once a vast woodland that covered most of Scotland. Formed at the end of the last ice age, its remains can be seen in the ancient pinewood of Glen Falloch and Tyndrum in The Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park. A unique ecosystem, these woods are home to a variety of rare flora and fauna, some of which aren't found anywhere else in the British Isles.

It was a vast primeval wilderness of Scots pine, birch, rowan, aspen and juniper, that was nearly wiped out by the early industrial age, and now the Caledonian Forest is considered one of the most important habitats for biodiversity conservation in Scotland.

The Caledonian Forest takes its name from the Romans who called Scotland 'Caledonia' meaning wooded heights and covered much of the Highlands and what we know as the Cairngorms National Park today. The Scots pine we see now are directly descended from these first pines, that arrived in Scotland following the Late Glacial period around 7,000 BC and formed the westernmost outpost of the Boreal Forest in Europe.

It is estimated to have reached a maximum coverage of 1.5 million hectares around 5,000 BCE. Then as the climate became wetter and windier the forest reduced significantly by 2,000 BCE and from this time onwards human intervention reduced the forest to its current extent.

Today the Caledonian Forest exists in 35 remnants across the Highlands of Scotland, the only climatic region in the UK suitable to support it. These last remaining forests have had to adapt to the Scottish environment and as such are globally unique in their ecological characteristics and forms an unbroken 9,000-year chain of natural evolution.

The Trees for Life vision is of a revitalized wild forest in the Scottish Highlands, providing space for wildlife to flourish and communities to thrive. The Trees for Life mission is to rewild the Scottish Highlands by enabling the restoration of the globally unique Caledonian Forest which once covered much of Scotland. Integral to our success is the involvement of people.

The St Andrews Society of Sacramento supports this effort and honors our members who have moved on the "The Great Glen" by sponsoring trees in the name of each member after they have passed. You can visit the link below and sponsor any number of trees to help with the reforestation project. And if you happen to be visiting Scotland you can go to the locations where trees for life is planting seedlings.

<https://treesforlife.org.uk>



<u>Society Board</u>	<u>Calendar</u>	<u>Society Finances June</u>
<p><u>President</u> <u>Bruce Locken</u></p> <p><u>Vice President</u> <u>Travis Chatters</u></p> <p><u>Treasurer</u> <u>Thomas Melton</u></p> <p><u>Secretary</u> <u>Chuck Jamison</u></p> <p><u>Directors of the Board</u> <u>Chuck Meng</u> <u>Doug Walters</u> <u>Ed Moore</u> <u>James Morgan</u></p>	<p>*****</p> <p>½ Way to Burns Day.....July 15 Boston’s Restaurant, Citrus Hgts 5pm</p> <p>Hot Chili Cool Cars.....Sept. 16 Quarry Park, Rocklin</p> <p>SASS Potluck/bbq.....TBA</p> <p>Fall Ceilidh.....TBA</p> <p>Investiture.....Nov. 30 Arden Hilton, 2200 Harvard St., Sacramento</p> <p>Christmas Party.....Dec. 9 Chuck & Deb’ Meng’s House</p> <p>Burns Supper.....Feb. 3, 2024 North Ridge Country Club</p> <p>Spring Tea.....TBA</p> <p>Dining In/AGM.....TBA</p> <p>Board meeting locations are currently assigned each month. We meet for dinner at 6pm and the Board meeting starts at 7pm, RSVP required 5 days in advance. Open to all members.</p> <p>Third Monday of the month</p>	<p>Scholarship fund \$5,098</p> <p>Checking \$3,542</p> <p>Savings \$26,552</p> <p>Brokerage account \$10,000</p> <p>Our investment account base is \$10,000. Earnings are put back into the account. We are averaging about \$80.00 per month in earnings.</p>

<https://saintandrewssocietyofsacramento.wildapricot.org>

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