

St. Andrew's Society of Connecticut

The Caledonian

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From the Desk of the President:

“Sumer is i-cumin’ in, lhude sing cucu!” These are the first words of the oldest song written in the English language, sung in the 10th century, or perhaps earlier. There are ruins (brochs) in Scotland far, far older than that. Stone circles exist in the far north of the Isles, which are even older than brochs, older than the Picts, perhaps built just after the ice had departed from the north. Callanish on Lewis is the one I have in mind....aligned to solar and lunar solstices. Truly amazing! Even more amazing is that those people are us. No appreciable changes have happened to humankind since those far-off days. Our DNA is the same. We/they ate, slept, made love, fought, LIVED! They probably even sang songs....songs we no longer remember, and can no longer sing. But they admired the same sunsets, they built their houses remarkably like cottars do in the Isles (Skara Brae), they celebrated their holidays, and feasted their heroes.....as do we. So, “here’s tae us, wha’s like us? Nane, an’ they’re a’ deid!”

Happy Summer!
Ellen Coutts Waff, FSA Scot
President, SASCT



FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

SASCT honorary member **Doris Ferguson Crowley Zehrun**, formerly of New Milford, died at the age of 101 on Nov. 24, 2010, at White Oak Manor in Tryon, N.C.

Jeanie England of Cheshire Dec. 11, 2010 long-time SASCT Festival trophy sponsor.

Elizabeth Margaret ROWBURREY formerly of CT, in Sun City Center, FL Feb. 6, 2011. Tea will follow a memorial service Saturday, June 18 2pm at the Congregational Church in Sherman. (6 Church Rd).





St. Andrew's Society of Connecticut 28th Annual Scottish Festival

Saturday, October 1, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Goshen Fairgrounds Route 63 Goshen, Connecticut

RAIN or SHINE

Scottish Entertainers, Clan tents, Pipe Bands, 42nd Regiment of Foote,
Competitions in Athletics, Highland Dance and Piping,
Shepherding Demonstration, Scottish Breed Dog Show,
Weavers, Bonnie Knees Contest, Children's Games,
Connecticut Society of Genealogists, Scottish Imports, and Scottish Food

Trophy Sponsors Needed

The 2011 Scottish Festival will have a Highland Dancing Competition once again!
Trophy sponsor information will be included in the "Help" letter sent to members in August.
Please consider being a trophy sponsor for the return of this competition.

The Festival happens because members work.

Volunteering for two or three hours will allow the festival to continue for its 28th year.
Our festival funds the Society scholarship and benevolence awards.
Pitch in a few hours to set-up, work a booth and/or take down the festival.
Opportunities will arrive in a summer mailing. You can make the annual Festival a success.



2011 Education Scholarship Awards for Workshops

Dancers: Alexandra Burke, Emily Crowther, Madelynn Cable, Kristyn McGhee
Drumming: Daniel Pisowloski Piper: Raquel MacFarlane Kilt Making: Andrea Cable, Ruth McGee

Benevolence Committee

Funds are shared between Scotland and Connecticut. Ideas gladly researched.

Send suggestions for the Benevolence Committee proposal to:
gerald_d_munro@sbcglobal.net or pmunro@sbcglobal.net or telephone 860-859-1803





SATURDAY, June 25, 2011
Annual Society Picnic
For Society families and friends
Saturday afternoon from 12 to 4 p.m.

At the home of Society Recording Secretary Mary Ehrler, FSA Scot
48 Deerfield Lane, Bethany, CT 06524

Bring your family and friends to enjoy the annual picnic.

St. Andrew's Society of Connecticut will supply:

- hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls, condiments, grill, paper goods (incl. plates)

Please bring:

- anything else your family may need including lawn chairs, beverages
- a salad or dessert to share

A short Society meeting will take place during the afternoon.

RSVP to Mary at 203-393-0326 or Ellen at ewaff@comcast.net

Directions: **Mary C. Ehrler 48 Deerfield Lane; Bethany, CT 203 393-0326**

From New Haven, Take Amity Rd. (Route 63) North for about 8 miles. Pass the St. State Police Troop I and the Old Bethany airport. Country Diner is on the right... Start to slow down. Directly across from the Bethany Vet. & a second dog place, take left onto Fairwood Rd. Green building is on the corner. ½ mile down this road is Deerfield Lane, Take a left. My house is the last on the right. A smoke colored house with blue shutters. My side is the door on the left as you face the house.

From Waterbury, (2 ways) Route 8 to Route 63 in Naugatuck. Go South toward New Haven. After you pass Route 42 it is about 1 mile to Fairwood Rd. Turn right and ½ mile to Deerfield Lane, on left. See above.

Or, Route 84 to Hamilton St. Exit (where the Mall is) that is Route 69. Go South to Route 42 and turn right to the end on Rt. 42 about 1 mile to Route 63. Turn Left and about one mile down is the right turn into Fairwood Rd.

From Fairfield, Route 8 North to the Bank St. exit in Seymour (it's a very short exit ramp). At the bottom of the ramp, turn left and then right onto Route 67. Go all the way to the end and turn left on Route 63. See above.



How do they do it?

Here is the link to a video showing how tartan is often made these days.

<http://science.discovery.com/videos/how-do-they-do-it-scottish-kilts.html>



DUES REMINDER

If you have not paid the dues from the winter notice please send them now.
Couple (family)with/without children \$20, Single \$15
Donations to Scholarship or Benevolence are gladly accepted.
Mail to: Peg Limbacher, FSA Scot 99 Garfield Ave. North Haven, CT 06473



The Caledonian Newsletter Delivery Choice

Some members have noted a preference for receiving the Society newsletter via email. The emailed version is sent in Adobe PDF and so the file is not large. The E- edition has the benefits of color and active World Wide Web links.

If you are interested in having the emailed version come to you, it will save the Society more than a dollar each issue and give you the added benefits above. The August call for volunteers and flyers to post for the annual festival is mailed to all members.

Email this preference along with your name to: pmunro@sbcglobal.net



Other Events of Interest



June 11	RI Scottish Games	www.riscot.org
July 2	Round Hill Scottish Games	www.roundhill.org
July 16	Glasgow Lands Scottish Festival	www.glasgowlands.org
August 6	Cape Cod Scottish Festival	www.CapeCodScottishFestival.org
August 20	Maine Games	www.mainehighlandgames.org
August 27	Long Island Scottish Games	www.liscots.org
August 27	Quechee VT Festival	www.quecheescottishfestival.com
Sept. 16-18	NH Games	www.nhscot.org
Sept. 24	Pipes in the Valley Hartford, CT	www.pipesinthevalley.com

October 1, 2011 28th SASCT Scottish Festival Goshen, CT www.sasct.org





Scottish Pride



22/03/2011 **New offshore wind base in Scotland**

First Minister Alex Salmond today announced plans by energy engineering giant Doosan Power Systems to locate its renewables research and development (R&D) base - and potentially offshore wind turbine manufacturing - in Scotland, creating hundreds of new jobs with investments worth up to £170 million over the next ten years.

Doosan and Scottish Enterprise have agreed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). Under this MoU, the company intends to locate its R&D Centre of Excellence for Renewables at its current site at Westway in Renfrew, near Glasgow, supported by Scottish Enterprise, creating up to 200 jobs. Subject to further discussions under the MoU a second phase would see the establishment of assembly and manufacturing facilities in Scotland - now the company's favoured location for wind turbine prototype-build and manufacturing.

Doosan expects its offshore wind plans in Scotland to create up to 1,700 new jobs - of which the company would directly recruit approximately 700, with a further 1,000 employed in the supply chain. ... Doosan is the third major international turbine manufacturer to decide to develop its next generation devices, for offshore wind, in Scotland. In December Japan's Mitsubishi Power Systems Europe Ltd announced plans to invest up to £100 million in a new Centre for Advanced Technology in Edinburgh to carry our research and development into offshore wind turbine technology, while in January Spain's Gamesa announced its intention to establish an Offshore Wind Technology Centre in Glasgow.

By 2020, the Low Carbon Economic Strategy shows there could be 130,000 jobs in Scotland's low carbon economy - a doubling of current jobs. Of this, the offshore wind industry could support up to 28,000 directly related jobs as well as a further 20,000 indirect jobs, generating up to £7.1 billion for the Scottish economy by 2020.

Renewable energy generation in Scotland amounted to more than a quarter (27.4 per cent) of domestic electricity demand by 2009 and the country is on course to exceed its interim renewables target of 31 per cent by 2011. An 80 per cent target has been set for 2020. Scotland has around 206 GW of practical offshore wind, wave and tidal resources - almost 40 per cent of the total UK resource. Harnessing just a third of this resource by 2050 would deliver installed offshore capacity of up to 68 GW - enough to power the country seven times over. <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2011/03/22100624>

19/05/2011 **New marine energy projects**

Three new wave energy projects have today been leased for development in Scottish waters. A 30 Megawatt (MW) project by Aquamarine Power north of Lewis is earmarked to enter the £10 million Saltire Prize, Scotland's energy challenge to the world...

The Saltire Prize Challenge is:

' £10 million will be awarded to the team that can demonstrate in Scottish waters, a commercially viable wave or tidal stream energy technology that achieves the greatest volume of electrical output over the set minimum hurdle of 100 Gigawatt hours over a continuous two year period using only the power of the sea.'

The Prize has already attracted 150 registrations of interest from over 30 countries.

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2011/05/19101837>



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27/04/2011 Population figures

The estimated population of Scotland was 5,222,100 in mid-2010. This was a rise of 28,100 on the previous year and the highest population since 1977.

Main findings:

- The estimated population of Scotland on June 30, 2010 was 5,222,100, a rise of 28,100 on the previous year and the highest population since 1977
- The population increased because 5,200 more people were born than died and because immigration exceeded emigration by 25,000. Other minor changes resulted in a loss of 2,100 people
- Over the 10 years between mid-2000 and mid-2010, Scotland's population increased by 3.1 per cent (+159,000) from 5.06 million to 5.22 million
- In the twelve months up to 30 June 2010, the number of births exceeded the number of deaths by 5,200, the largest natural increase since 1991-92
- Over the year there was a net migration gain of 25,000 people. This includes net gains of 3,300 people from the rest of the UK, 21,500 people from overseas (including asylum seekers) and 200 people from the armed forces
- Over the year 46,100 people (including asylum seekers) came to Scotland from overseas and 24,600 left Scotland to go overseas. The net gain of 21,500 represents about one in 250 of the total population. That net increase, and the number of people who came to Scotland from overseas, is the highest since these estimates began in 1991-92
- The net gain from the rest of the UK was less than that from overseas. Over the year, 45,000 people came to Scotland from England, Wales and Northern Ireland and 41,700 left Scotland to go in the opposite direction. The net gain of 3,300 is lower than the previous year's 4,100 gain because fewer people came to Scotland and more people left
- Among Council areas, between mid-2009 and mid-2010, City of Edinburgh had the largest percentage population increase at +1.8 per cent, followed by Aberdeen City (+1.6 per cent), Perth & Kinross (+1.3 per cent) and Stirling (+1.3 per cent). Argyll & Bute had the largest percentage population decrease at -0.9 per cent, followed by Inverclyde (-0.6 per cent) and West Dunbartonshire (-0.4 per cent)
- Among NHS Board areas, Lothian had the largest percentage population increase (+1.3 per cent), followed by Grampian (+1.0 per cent) and Shetland (+0.9 per cent). The only NHS Board areas to have experienced a decline in population were Dumfries & Galloway (-0.2 per cent) and Ayrshire & Arran (-0.1 per cent)
- In the year to mid-2010, all four city council areas gained people as a result of migration. Although they lost population to other parts of Scotland, they gained a larger number of people from overseas. Glasgow City and City of Edinburgh also gained over 1,200 people each through natural change
- The median age (the age at which half the population is older and half is younger) of the population in Scotland was 41. The median age was lower in city areas (35 in Glasgow City and 36 in City of Edinburgh) than in rural areas (46 in Argyll & Bute, Dumfries and Galloway and Eilean Siar)
- On average, there were 67 people per square kilometre in Scotland, ranging from nine persons per square kilometre in Eilean Siar and Highland Council areas to 3,378 persons per square kilometre in Glasgow City Council area. The average population density for the UK at mid-2009 was 255 people per square kilometre