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Obituary

JEAN C. MILLIGAN, LL.D.

Dr Jean Milligan had two passions — teaching and Scottish Country Dancing. Her long and distinguished association with both of these activities began with her training as a teacher of physical education at Dartford Training College during the First World War. On completion of her training she went to war as a V.A.D. spending some of her service in Malta. At the end of the war she was appointed lecturer in physical education at Jordanhill Training College in Glasgow where she spent the whole of her teaching career, later as Head of Department.

Dr Milligan had a life long interest in Scottish dancing and music. As early as 1913 she was a founder member of the Beltane Society which was formed in Glasgow for the promotion of these interests but which failed during the First World War. After that War, in 1923, Miss Milligan and Mrs Stewart of Fasnacloich became the co-founders of the Scottish Country Dance Society which, like the Beltane Society before it, was dedicated to a revival of interest in the traditional dancing of Scotland which at that period was practised only in a rough and incorrect fashion and seemed doomed to die altogether. Miss Milligan realised the need for a more efficient and authentic record of country dances, and also for a recognised organisation which would have the authority, derived from sound research, to publish definite forms of all the known dances.

Her efforts had various repercussions, all of them good. At a time when post war depression had settled on communities and social life was considerably restricted Miss Milligan gave the people a sociably enlivening as well as a cultural pursuit and one in which women, bereaved by the war of partners, could participate and enjoy themselves. In the Second World War too, she carried on the Society's activities and this normal peaceful activity did much to maintain morale at home and to afford a cheerful welcome to those home on leave.

With the revival and publishing of the old dances came the revival of interest in the old music and side by side this combination has proceeded. The Society has in fact published hundreds of traditional dances and tunes.

Dr Milligan has personally done more than anyone else to rescue Scottish Country Dancing from its near demise and to restore to it a high standard of performance. Demonstration teams going abroad have been very worthy representatives of Scotland and have created a tremendous interest in our country and its culture.

There are now 120 Branches and well over 300 Affiliated Groups of the Society whose membership is around 23,000 members, not only throughout the United Kingdom but all over the world — America, Australia, Austria, Canada, Kenya, South Africa, West Indies, New Guinea, Japan, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Switzerland, etc. and Miss Milligan has toured the world many times in the course of the last fifty years to foster this interest, the latest journey being in 1977 through Canada and the United States. This world wide representation is not confined to exiled Scots — far from it! The nationals of these various countries, under Miss Milligan's guidance and, in many cases, her personal teaching, have become devotees of our traditional dancing.

In 1951 King George VI gave permission for the Society to be known as the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society. In 1973 Dr Milligan was named the Scotswoman of the year.

Latterly Dr Milligan was troubled with severe arthritis in her knees and in 1975/76 (at 89) she decided to undergo surgery to replace her own knee joints with plastic ones so that she might continue to teach Scottish

Country Dancing. For her courage in undergoing these operations she was nominated in 1976 for the international award for Valour in Sport and was among the finalists.

In 1977 Aberdeen University recognised her contribution to the cultural life of Scotland by conferring on her the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Dr Milligan was Director of the Society's Summer School in St Andrews from its inception and she had all her preparations made and her cases packed for this year's Summer School when she collapsed. She died in Gartnavel Hospital, Glasgow, on 28th July.



Dr Milligan in July, 1978, when she was in London for the Branch Examinations is seen here with Molly Weir.

We in the R.S.C.D.S. who were privileged to work with Jean Milligan know so much better than the general public just what a magnificent contribution she has made to and for Scotland, how unstintingly she gave of herself for the aims and objects of the Society. Perhaps the following letter from an examination candidate in Canada after Dr Milligan's tour there in 1977 sums it all up—

"Dear Miss Milligan,

I have just arrived home from a class which you conducted at Brockton High School in Toronto. This was the first time I have ever been taught by you and since my present state of exhilaration will rule out any hope of sleep for quite a while, this letter is my small thank-you for one of the most pleasurable evenings my children and I have ever experienced.

Last night I was examined by you for my preliminary teachers' certificate and although you have been through the experience many times,

it was my first time. All the candidates were in a highly nervous state and this was evident in the mistakes we made in our dances, but your gaiety and down-to-earth common sense attitude towards our errors, together with the impression that you were thoroughly enjoying yourself, was infectious. It made us feel that perhaps, after all, we weren't quite the clumsy, two-left-footed oafs we felt we had been! Your kindness and helpfulness to me personally after my practical teaching is something that will stay with me for a long time.

Having just about committed your book 'WON'T YOU JOIN THE DANCE?' to memory in studying for the exam, it was an unusual experience to see personified, the gay, friendly spirit which had come through to me from the printed page of the book.

At the class where you taught us three dances, you apologised for not being able to dance the steps very well because of your legs. At one point you demonstrated the common Schottische and as you did the foot movements, you sang the descriptions of the step in time to the music. You have no need of feet because one had only to close one's eyes and listen to your voice to see exactly how to do the step. You danced with your voice.

At the end of the evening when anyone else would have been exhausted after such an evening's teaching, you allowed pictures to be taken and you gave out autographs as graciously as if you had newly arrived. This mother and her two children will talk about this evening all their lives.

If I, as a teacher, can give of myself to future classes as you gave of yourself to us this evening, perhaps I can repay some of the great enjoyment that Scottish Country Dancing has given me.

This is unashamedly a fan letter and I make no apologies for it, for if I don't tell you the effect you had on us, how will you know?

Thank you, Miss Milligan,

Sincerely,

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P.S. I can't wait to dance with my soul!"

ANNUAL REPORT

This report, covering the period from 1st July, 1977, to 30th June, 1978, was written in July with a very heavy heart in view of the loss of our beloved and much respected Co-Founder and Vice-President, Dr Jean Milligan. She had for so long been the keystone of the Society, the rock upon which it was built and to which we were so firmly and safely anchored, that it seemed unbelievable that she was no longer with us. However, the most fitting tribute we can pay to that great lady is to see that the Society continues to expand and to flourish in the years ahead and to maintain the traditions which were so close to her heart.

Membership. We have experienced a considerable increase this year with a total membership of 22,777 consisting of 16,285 Annual Members, 1,576 Long Term Members and 4,916 Life Members. In this last figure is included 314 Life Members with whom we have lost contact on their changing their address without notification to Headquarters or their Branch.

We have made strenuous efforts at Headquarters to check and bring up to date our Life Membership records. In this respect most sincere thanks are due to Branch Secretaries who co-operated in this work which, especially in the larger Branches, must have been tedious. However, the Life Membership records are now reasonably accurate.

Branches. We offer 25th Birthday greetings this year to Berwick-upon-Tweed, Carnoustie, Croydon and District, Duns and District, East Angus, Forfar, Gatehouse-of-Fleet and Whitehead Branches.

Approval was given for the formation of three new Branches this year—Berks, Hants and Surrey Border, Canberra, and Regina Branches. Kinlochleven Branch has meantime gone into suspension leaving the total number of Branches at 121 (80 Home, 41 Overseas) and we have one Teachers' Association in Canada. Puget Sound Branch mentioned in last year's Bulletin, adopted Seattle as its designation on its formation.

Most Branches are reasonably strong and it is hoped that where this is not so that Branches will make vigorous efforts to recruit new members.

Affiliated Groups. Twenty-six new groups were affiliated to the Society during the year under review and as at 30th June the total number of affiliated groups was 328. This again is an increase over the previous year.

Examinations. Examinations were held in 1977-78 at Summer School and in Belfast, Bournemouth, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Perth, York and North-umberside Branches, in Australia and New Zealand and in seven Training Colleges in Scotland. In the Preliminary Tests 173 passed and 22 failed and in the Teacher's Certificate Examinations 61 passed and 12 failed. Now that we have passed the 30th June, the new syllabuses introduced in January, 1978, are the only acceptable ones.

The Examinations Committee have initiated an enquiry into the teaching of Scottish Country Dancing in Primary Schools and have under consideration the conditions of entry to the Preliminary Test and Teacher's Certificate Examinations.

Summer School. For the staff and 'habitués' there was a distinctly bereft feeling in this first ever Summer School without Dr Milligan. For everyone there was great sorrow when the news of her death was announced on 28th July, and a short, simple but moving Service was held in University Hall that evening, led by Mr Duncan Macleod and Mr Iain Robertson.

Although the University authorities kindly allowed us a few extra residential places this year, the number of non-residents was less than last year bringing the total number down. Again, most of our non-residents found accommodation at the David Russell Hall.

Places allotted for the 1978 Summer School (by countries of residence).

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| Australia | 8 | Japan | 6 |
| Austria | 1 | Mauritius | 2 |
| Bahamas | 1 | New Zealand | 8 |
| Belgium | 4 | Norway | 1 |
| Canada | 37 | South Africa | 6 |
| Denmark | 6 | Switzerland | 3 |
| France | 26 | Sweden | 17 |
| Germany | 27 | U.K. | 521 |
| Holland | 15 | U.S.A. | 62 |
| Italy | 3 | Spain | 4 |

Total 758

We had the first holders of the Jean Milligan Scholarships with us this year — Mr Nigel Cooper of Royal Tunbridge Wells Branch, taking the Teacher's Certificate, and Miss Ivy Bruning of Gothenburg, taking the Preliminary Test.

We welcomed back to Summer School Mr Keith Stewart with his bride, Betty, who, as the sister of Bob Millar (Canada) might already have been considered part of our family. We were also very happy to learn from Mrs Lillian Grant David of her engagement to Brigadier Lord Russell of Liverpool, and during the second course Mrs Joy White and Mr H. O'Hara announced their engagement.

We are greatly indebted, as always at Summer School, to Miss Walker, the Warden, and to Miss Anna Ross, for their kindness and unstinting efforts to help us keep the Summer School running smoothly.

Publications. The Publications and Research Committee met on six occasions completing the preparation of the 1978 dances and producing, with the co-operation of Bobby Crowe and his Band, the record containing the four 1978 dances and six others. It was also decided this year to have the music on cassettes as well as on records.

The Committee also selected the ten traditional dances for Book 29 and made a start on the selection of the music.

With the co-operation of Mr Duncan Macleod, the EP Publishing Company produced a booklet on Scottish Country Dancing in the "Know the Game" series for complete beginners.

The recorded music library now contains 57 records and 2 cassettes with an additional consignment of records expected shortly.

"Mr Menuhin's Welcome to Blair Castle" was purchased during the year and it was decided to loan this film to Branches free of charge, the condition of borrowing being to pay for registered postage. Between January and June, 1978, it was borrowed by eleven Branches starting with New Zealand and ending with Vancouver and next destined for Australia. It is hoped to be able to hire it out to Affiliated Groups next year depending on availability.

Accessories have increased by the addition of car stickers, tea-towels (depicting University Hall and St Andrews Cathedral) and members' diaries.

A portrait of Dr Milligan in her academic robes was purchased during the year and now graces the Committee Room at Headquarters. Coloured reproductions of this portrait were produced and were on sale this year. (see list of publications and accessories on page 66).

Headquarters. The volume of work continues to grow but luckily we have no changes of staff to report. Due to continually increasing stocks as new publications, etc., are added, the stockroom in the basement was

transferred recently to larger rooms which, in addition to housing present stocks more comfortably, will permit expansion.

The Staff wish to record their sincere thanks as usual to Branch and Affiliated Group Secretaries for their co-operation throughout the year, many of whom now seem like old friends.

Annual General Meeting. The 1978 Annual General Meeting will take place in Glasgow on 3rd-4th November, 1978, when Glasgow Branch will act as hosts.

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The Secretary would be pleased to receive any suggestions from Members regarding the contents of the Diary, produced this year for the first time. The format is a standard one, any deviations from this and any additional pages would, of course, send up the price and the Publications Committee were careful this year to keep the cost down to £1. Nevertheless, suggestions for improvements would be welcomed.

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From Affiliation to Branch Formation

During the nineteen-fifties, various people living in Stockholm, both Britishers and Swedes, made attempts to create an interest in Scottish dancing. It was not, however, until a fully certificated teacher from Greenock, Dr. Helen Dunsmore, started a small class that country dancing was placed on a firm footing. Even though she only stayed a short time in Stockholm, the club formed — the Stockholm Scottish Country Dance Club which became affiliated in 1958 — has always managed to maintain a good standard of dancing thanks to her excellent instruction given at the beginning.

Our repertoire consisted mainly of dances well known in country dance circles at that time, e.g., Flowers of Edinburgh, Dalkeith Strathspey, Hamilton House, Glasgow Highlanders, Duke of Perth, etc. The club ran a weekly class and arranged, over the years, many dances, Burns' Suppers and other festivities. Most of the people joining the class had either been in Scotland on holidays, and wanted to maintain the connection, or were attracted by the Scottish form of dancing. Membership remained about



Mr Duncan Macleod and Miss Jennifer Wilson, surrounded by the Branch Committee, being presented with gifts at the Stockholm Branch's Anniversary Ball.

30 — mainly Swedes — but always included, luckily enough, a few Scots who were either working or studying temporarily in Stockholm. Some of the members acquired kilts and white dresses and this, of course, helped to provide a genuine atmosphere at our many demonstrations and gatherings. The Foursome Reel was undoubtedly our most common demonstration dance and the club has provided a demonstration team for every St Andrew's Ball arranged by the Swedish-British Society in Stockholm.

Unfortunately we were always dependent on recorded music apart from the few occasions when the services of a piper, Scottish or Swedish, could be obtained.

About five years ago there occurred a sudden increase in interest among Swedes in different types of music and dancing, both folk and national, partly due to the general trend throughout Europe and partly due to the improved tuition in these subjects given in the Swedish schools. As a result of this, our membership increased rapidly and, when two members, Don Gillam and Elsa Stockman, received their teachers' certificates, it seemed that time was ripe to apply for Branch formation. To celebrate the affiliation of the original Stockholm Scottish Country Dance Club and also to give the newly formed Stockholm Branch an extra push forward, it was decided to celebrate the club's 20th Anniversary on April 1st, 1978. We were delighted when Mr Duncan Macleod, Chairman of the Society, accepted our invitation to be our guest of honour. He was accompanied by his wife, Sheena, and daughter, Sheila, and an excellent pianist, Miss Jennifer Wilson. Our festivities began with two superb courses given by Mr Macleod and reached a joyous finale consisting of a tremendously successful Ball held at the Opera Restaurant's banquet hall. After the dinner, which was specially composed to give a Scottish atmosphere, our members and their guests were treated to a complete programme of Scottish country dancing played with wonderful feeling and rhythm by Jennifer Wilson. It was an experience which we will never forget.

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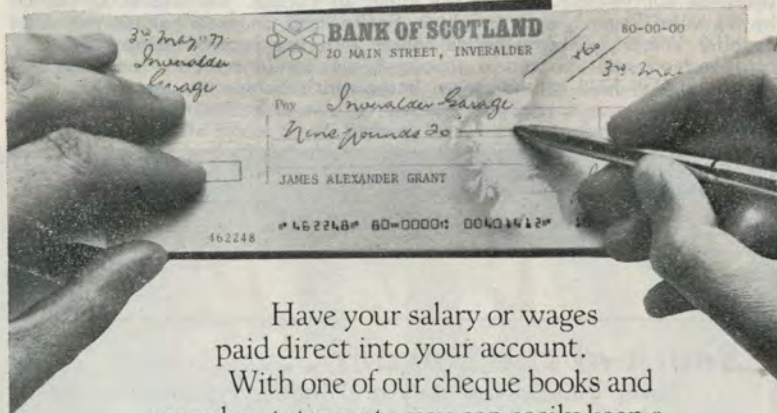
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
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Aberdeen. Membership: 174 Annual, 131 Life, 4 Long Term. Classes per week: 5 Adult, 1 Teenager, 7 Children. Demonstration team available.

Classes on the whole were well attended and enjoyed by participants. However, the Teenagers' class was discontinued, due to lack of support, after the New Year. A hundred attended the Annual Dinner Dance in the Treetops Hotel when a presentation was made by the Branch President, Sir Ewan Forbes, to Miss A. O. Cumming in recognition of her services to the Branch as Secretary for 25 years. Forty members attended the Luncheon in the Northern Hotel to honour Dr. Jean Milligan when she travelled to Aberdeen to receive the Honorary Degree of LL.D. conferred on her by Aberdeen University. The Branch Chairman, Mr George Pratt, presented her with a suitably inscribed Hand Cut Crystal Goblet to mark the occasion.



Aberdeen Branch presents Dr. Milligan with a Crystal Goblet

Two of the Branch Teachers who were also Committee members, Mrs I. Mudie and Mrs V. Sim, moved from Aberdeen and resigned from the Branch. Both had worked hard for the Branch and will be missed. Teams from the Demonstration Class performed at a wide variety of events during the winter. Six teams were entered at the Aberdeen Festival and took the trophy for each section entered. The Bucksburn Children's class were also successful. A full programme of Social Dances was organised and were well attended during the year.

Annon. Membership: 26 Annual, 6 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The Branch has had a quiet year with a reduced but enthusiastic attendance at the class. The Secretary unfortunately has been "hors de combat" during the session.

(Editor's note: We hope that Mrs Young will be fully recovered by the start of the new session; we appreciate the prompt rendition of returns, etc., in the circumstances).

Ayr. Membership: 149 Annual, 14 Long Term, 83 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 6 Children. Demonstration team available.

An upsurge of enthusiasm has been apparent in both adult and children's classes with approximately 200 children attending. The year has been a highly sociable and enjoyable one. A team went to Bergen where they had the privilege of participating in some of the events in connection with the Bergen Festival.

Ayrshire North West. Membership: 216 Annual, 1 Long Term, 15 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 7 Children's. Demonstration team available.

The Branch has had yet another very successful year with increased membership and an increase in numbers attending the children's classes. In addition to the usual New Year Ball, Spring Ball and Children's Ball, the Branch held a Jubilee Dance, the proceeds of which were sent to the Queen's Silver Jubilee Fund.

Banffshire. Membership: 66 Annual, 2 Long Term, 12 Life. Classes per week: 5.

Branch membership has shown a decided increase and a new class has been started at Portsoy with Miss A. McArthur as teacher. Classes have all been well attended and the Branch held a very successful Dance in Buckie in November.

Bath. Membership: 122 Annual, 14 Life. Classes per week: 5 including 1 Junior.

Membership shows an increase this year. Classes for the year were organised through the Adult Education Department, for Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced stages. Dancing displays were given by the juniors. Dances held during the season and the Annual Ball in February were all successful and well attended.

Bedfordshire. Membership: 48 Annual, 1 Long Term, 12 Life. Classes per week: 4. Demonstration team available.

With other movement and dance groups the Branch participated in a Day of Movement and Dance at Bedford College of Physical Education in September, 1978.

Belfast. Membership: 180 Annual, 4 Long Term, 20 Life. Classes per week: 4.

The highlight of the year was the visit of Dr. J. Milligan in March to examine the Preliminary Certificate candidates. Members look forward to her next visit. The Branch also welcomed Mr Duncan Macleod, the Society's Chairman, as teacher at the weekend school in October and thoroughly enjoyed his tuition. Membership this year has crept over the 200 mark and it is hoped to further increase it during the coming season. A number of members took part in the Glasgow Branch non-competitive festival in May last year and repeated the visit again in 1978.

Berks, Hants, Surrey Border. Membership: 91 Annual, 16 Long Term, 1 Life.

Forty people attended a meeting at the end of September, 1977, and agreed to form a Branch of the R.S.C.D.S. in the Berkshire, Hampshire and

Surrey Border area. Since then a Day School attended by 65 people has been organised, and an evening of trying out new dances was attended by 90 people. Two issues of a quarterly newsletter have been produced and the lists of forthcoming dances and of local club secretaries have been found useful by many dancers in the area. Social dancing has been organised every week during the summer.

The Branch has attracted over 100 new members to the R.S.C.D.S. A most encouraging first year ended with the A.G.M. and dancing afterwards.

Berwick. Membership: 30 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Children.

In its Silver Jubilee Year the Branch were encouraged to find a slight increase in membership. A Jubilee Ball was held in February, attended by the Society Chairman and his wife, Mr and Mrs Duncan Macleod.

The Season closed with a Dinner, followed by Social Dancing, which was voted a great success.

Birmingham. Membership: 245 Annual, 31 Long Term, 89 Life. Classes per week: 14 Adult (run in conjunction with the L.E.A.), 1 Children. Demonstration teams available.

On 2nd June, 1977, a Silver Jubilee Dinner was held. During June open air dancing was organised in Cannon Hill Park and the Branch assisted in organising the Highland Gathering there on 7th July. The successful Autumn Ball in October was followed by the second Workshop for fully certificated teachers of the R.S.C.D.S. and taken this year by Duncan Macleod; teachers were welcomed from many parts of England. The Branch Day School with Margaret Church, Alasdair MacFadyen and Roy Whiteley teaching, was very well attended with over 200 participants. The 20th Spring Festival was held in May and attracted ladies, mixed and children's teams from all over the Midlands.

The demonstration teams have been fully occupied, again visiting Auxerre, France, and in August, 1977, they hosted a visiting team of dancers from Belgium.

The Branch is proud to possess a Chairman's Badge of Office, made in silver and incorporating a St Andrew's Cross in white, overlaying two figures of eight in silver, with a titanium blue background. The whole is surrounded by a hexagon of silver, engraved with the Society's name, part of the Coat of Arms of Birmingham, and the City's motto 'Forward'.

Bournemouth. Membership: 123 Annual, 13 Life. Classes per week: 2.

The beginner's class showed an increase in numbers while the examination class produced seven successful candidates at the Full Certificate Examination in May.

Dances held throughout the year were very successful but the Annual Ball is becoming more difficult to arrange because of rocketing costs of catering.

Bramhall. Membership: 70 Annual, 3 Life. Classes per week: 3 — Advanced, General and Children.

A successful and enjoyable season saw an increase in both children's and advanced classes and the transfer of young dancers of a very high standard from the children's to the adult classes. The Branch is grateful for the support given by the hard core of members over the years as it is this that has made continuing success possible.

Bristol. Membership: 85 Annual, 2 Long Term, 27 Life. Classes per week: 3. Demonstration team available.

As well as giving quite a number of demonstrations in and around Bristol two members of the team were included in a group (organised by

Alex. Grey) going to Germany and Sweden last August. Social events have been well attended, especially the "Welcome to Newcomers" dance in January which is aimed specifically at dancers who are not quite so experienced, and the "Charity Dance" in March. After the latter the Branch was able to donate the sum of £74 to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The Branch held a "Weekend Course" in November at which Marie Jamieson was the teacher; the weekend was enjoyed by all those attending. On 11th/12th November, 1978, Dr. Ian Hall of Manchester will be the tutor.

Carlisle and Border. Membership: 47 Annual, 6 Long Term, 11 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Children, and 1 Technique class fortnightly. Demonstration team available.

Despite the scattered area from which members are drawn weekly classes and the monthly dances have been well attended. Once again the Highland Ball was a huge success with demand exceeding accommodation. The Weekend School at Gretna Green was another success and the Branch are looking forward to their next Weekend School in November to be held in the Crown and Mitre Hotel, Carlisle. A new venture — a Day School — was held on 4th February when Dr. Alasdair MacFadyen was the teacher, and it is proposed to hold another next year. The Technique class started last season has proved to be very popular indeed; the children are very enthusiastic and hold their own annual dance which is very popular with members of all ages.

The Branch were again invited to take part in the Carlisle Great Fair Celebrations in August.

Carnoustie. Membership: 16 Annual, 4 Long Term, 2 Life. Classes per week: 1 Children. 1 Adult class monthly.

This is the Branch Silver Jubilee year and it is hoped to increase membership. The junior class is very keen. In addition to classes a social evening is held once a month and plans are being laid for a dance in early October.

Castle Douglas. Membership: 46 Annual, 3 Long Term, 12 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The weekly Thursday classes have been well attended with a record number in the first class in September, 1977. The Annual Dance held on a Saturday proved that to be a popular night attracting dancers from the Stewarty, Dumfries and the Border Areas.

A Scottish Concert was organised by Mr W. Little and was a great success with fiddlers, dancers and singers among the varied programme; the proceeds were donated to charities. The Junior Link continued to flourish with 40 members.

A combined Ball was held in April and organised by the three Stewarty Branches. Dancing to the Lyne Valley Band ensured a really wonderful evening for the 176 dancers present.

Cheltenham. Membership: 70 Annual, 3 Long Term, 20 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration team available.

Apart from a decrease in membership, a successful year was enjoyed by members. A Ball in January and a Weekend School taught by Duncan Macleod were well attended. A number of demonstrations were given, the most notable forming part of the town's Jubilee celebrations. A Weekend School is planned for February with Bill Little teaching.

Clackmannanshire. Membership: 117 Annual, 4 Long Term, 13 Life. Classes per week: 2.

Croydon and District. Membership: 118 Annual, 13 Long Term, 51 Life. Classes per week: 5.

Membership has again increased. Four dances were held and the Branch organised open air dancing in Park Hill Recreation ground in June and July. A successful weekend school was held in November and proved so popular that arrangements are in hand for a similar event in Eastbourne in November this year. The Branch is celebrating its Silver Jubilee with a Ball on 9th December in Wallington Public Hall.

Dumfries. Membership: 70 Annual, 1 Long Term, 5 Life. Classes per week: 3. Demonstration teams available.

Adult classes have been very well attended and the Branch has a very large Junior Link class of around 100. Socially the year has been a marvellous success with the Christmas Dance and the Highland Ball in February.

Both adult and junior teams entered the Festival and gained worthy mention. The Demonstration Teams have also been kept busy.

Dunbartonshire West. Membership: 139 Annual, 2 Long Term, 19 Life. Classes per week: 1 with another fortnightly. Demonstration teams available.

The Annual Ball in November was a sell-out and the Charity Dance in February raised the very satisfactory sum of £365 for Leukemia Research. The Junior Dance was its usual noisy, enthusiastic and enjoyable success.

Weekly demonstrations in one of the local hotels during the summer months for parties of Dutch and English visitors again proved very popular. A group from the Demonstration Class took part in a TV programme filmed at Rosdhu House, Loch Lomond, on Robert Burns' Highland Tour. It is hoped to see the film around September/October.

Three members attained their Preliminary Test Certificates after attending classes in Glasgow. A new venture for the Branch is to be a Weekend School to be held late spring/early summer 1979.

Dundee. Membership: 105 Annual, 17 Long Term, 147 Life. Classes per week: 6. Demonstration team available.

The dancing year commenced with a most successful and enjoyable summer class held in Broughty Ferry. In May, during the Queen's Jubilee visit to Dundee, demonstrations were given by Branch teams in the City Square and Miss Alice Mann, the Branch Chairman, was presented to Her Majesty. A most successful adult class held in Forthill Sports Club attracted many new members; four children's classes were run in local Primary Schools. A Jubilee Ball was held in November with the Jimmy Lindsay Band providing excellent music.

The demonstration team performed at numerous functions including Highland Night run by Pitlochry Tourist Association and Sunday evening concerts organised by Saga Tourist Association. The Branch Annual Festival of Dancing attracted teams from far and wide and provided dancers and the general public with much entertainment and concluded with a Festival Ball.

Dunfermline. Membership: 40 Annual, 3 Long Term, 19 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Children.

In addition to classes a St Andrew's Night Dance and a closing dance were held. Of the two children's teams which entered the Edinburgh Festival, the under 14s were second equal and the 10-12s were fourth. The Golden Jubilee of the Branch was celebrated by a dance in June. It is noteworthy that the Dowager Countess of Elgin has been President of the Branch continuously since 1929.

Duns and District. Membership: 121 Annual, 15 Long Term, 32 Life. Classes per week: 4 Adult, 1 Children.

An outstanding Residential May Weekend began the year which finished with the 25th Anniversary Ball in March. The Branch were honoured to have Dr. Milligan, Mr Duncan Macleod and Mrs Gudger as guests. During the evening, Miss Margaret A. Rae was presented with an engraved Caithness Glass bowl by the Branch Chairman, Mr J. Mitchell, in recognition of her service to the Branch.

A most successful children's class has been started with an overwhelming number of interested children attending.



Duns and District Branch Anniversary Ball

Seated: Dr. Milligan, Mrs Gudger, Mrs Lough.

Standing: Mrs Swan, Mr Mitchell, Miss Rae, Mr Macleod, Mrs Mitchell.

East Angus. Membership: 87 Annual, 2 Long Term, 13 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The Annual Dance held in the Community Centre, Arbroath, was unfortunately poorly attended. In order to reduce the deficit a Quiz on Scottish Towns and Villages was drawn up by Mrs Hampton of Kirriemuir. Miss Valentine of Montrose is to be congratulated on the only totally correct solution.

East Lothian. Membership: 160 Annual, 6 Long Term, 14 Life.

The Branch have found that their New Year Dance is so popular that for January, 1979, they have booked the Brunton Hall, Musselburgh. An "Instruction Dance" was held this year when John Drewry came for the evening and taught four of his dances in the first half of the evening,

with the second half taking the form of the usual dance. This was such a success, with the largest attendance of the season, that another "Instruction Dance" is planned.

Edinburgh. Membership: 464 Annual, 65 Long Term, 278 Life. Classes per week: 7 Adult, 4 Children. Demonstration teams available.

Membership has increased quite considerably this year with more people taking advantage of becoming Long Term Members before the increased subscription rates came into effect.

All classes have again been well attended, and the experimental Highland class was a popular addition. The Branch Weekend School in April continued its tradition of growing in numbers and popularity with a hundred residents this year, most ably taught by Duncan Macleod and Bill Hamilton.

The evening dances were exceptionally well enjoyed thanks in no small measure to the excellence of the Bands in attendance. Three informal dances were also held and the Annual Ball, when the ample floor space at Ingleston was greatly appreciated.

The demonstration teams have been kept busy at a variety of functions and "An Edinburgh Fancy", the annual miscellany of Scottish music, verse, song and dance, grows in popularity.

Elgin. Membership: 52 Annual, 1 Long Term, 11 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Despite encountering great difficulties in finding new accommodation, the class managed to start the session only one week later than scheduled. Perhaps because of the change of venue, numbers have now doubled and weekly attendance has been much more regular.

The three dances held in October, January and March were extremely well supported, not only by Branch members, but by dancers travelling anything up to 70 miles to attend. Encouraged by such interest, the Branch is planning to hold a Weekend School in March, 1979, when they look forward to welcoming both old and new friends to Elgin. Mr Neil Grant is to be the guest teacher.

Exeter. Membership: 102 Annual, 2 Long Term, 20 Life. Classes per week: 3 (beginners, intermediate, advanced). Demonstration team available.

Despite accommodation problems classes have been well attended and successful. Membership has remained static, which may be partly due to the restricted space available for classes. While the beginners' class has now achieved more spacious premises efforts are still continuing to find larger accommodation for the intermediate class.

Social events started with a dance at Reed Hall, continued with monthly socials, and included the Ball with around two hundred dancing to the music of Robert Baird and the Border Reivers. The season finished with the now regular Supper Dance at the Angler's Rest at Fingle Bridge.

Forfar. Membership: 27 Annual, 4 Long Term, 18 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 2 Children.

The 1977 Session opened with a Summer Outing to Enverdale Hotel, Coupar Angus, where everyone spent a most enjoyable evening. The Annual Dance postponed from February to April because of weather conditions was nevertheless successful, with dancers attending from all over Angus. In March the Branch showed the film "Mr Menuhin's Welcome to Blair Castle", and invited members of the Angus Strathspey and Reel Society as some of them took part in the film.

The children's class entered four teams in the Arbroath and District Musical Festival and achieved 2 Firsts, 1 Second and 1 Third awards.

Forres. Membership: 56 Annual, 12 Long Term, 10 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 2 Children.

Membership has been maintained. The Annual Dance on 30th September, 1978, was a great success and a substantial donation to the Queen's Silver Jubilee Fund was made from the profits. Members of the Junior Classes have entertained the public at several functions and at a coffee evening run by the Branch in aid of the local Coronation Jubilee Fund.

Gatehouse-of-Fleet. Membership: 31 Annual, 9 Life. Classes per week: 1.

In November the Branch celebrated Mr Little's 25 years as its instructor. The occasion was marked by the presentation of a silver Kilt Pin to Mr Little and a demonstration dance by members of the Branch, which was devised by Mrs McCulloch and entitled "Willie's Little Jig". The dance has since been set to the music of the late Mrs Rae. A successful dance was held at Christmas and the Branch joined with Kirkcudbright and Castle Douglas Branches for a Spring Ball.



Gatehouse-of-Fleet Branch celebrating Mr Little's 25 years as instructor

Glasgow. Membership: 409 Annual, 53 Long Term, 223 Life. Classes per week: 5 in winter, 3 in summer. Demonstration teams available.

The year has been tinged with sadness by the deaths of Miss McEwan, Mr Stone, Mr T. Geggie (past Chairman of the Branch) and Miss Kenyon, Branch Vice-President and Founder member of the Society.

The usual busy year contained dances, Weekend Schools, a Social Afternoon, primarily intended for those members who no longer attend Branch dances, and a second Non-Competitive Festival with some nine teams from as far afield as Belfast and Manchester joining in an afternoon of dancing, followed by a very enjoyable dance in the evening. The Branch were specially pleased to welcome Dr. Milligan and Miss Ross as guests on that occasion.

The Demonstration Group entertained members from Glasgow and elsewhere in a production entitled "A Glasgow Flourish". All who were fortunate to obtain tickets were very pleased with the entertainment, which included musicians and singers

As hosts this year, the Branch are currently working very hard to make the Annual General Meeting a success.

Hamilton and Clydesdale. Membership: 198 Annual, 4 Long Term, 35 Life. Classes per week: 2.

Herefordshire. Membership: 45 Annual, 14 Life. Classes per week: 5.

Two beginners' classes (Abergavenny and Hereford) have been very successful and the Branch hope to repeat the exercise next season. The children's class in Abergavenny was well attended. Two more successful events were the Annual Ball on 6th May and the Annual Day School in June, 1978.

Inverness and District. Membership: 114 Annual, 19 Long Term, 14 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 6 Children. Demonstration team available.

The year started sadly with the death of the Branch Chairman, George Ross, who was also teacher of the General Class and acted as M.C. at all the dances. All classes have been well supported with over 70 members in the General Class. Social events included a Wine and Cheese Party, a Dinner-Dance shortly before Christmas, two smaller dances and a really wonderful Ball in the Eden Court Theatre with nearly 200 dancers. The stage for this event was extended over the orchestra pit and the first six rows of the stalls giving 4,500 square feet of dancing space. It was the first time that the Theatre had been used for dancing and the Director was quite ecstatic about the spectacle from the auditorium.

A team of children represented the Highland Region at the Pageant of Scottish Youth in Edinburgh in the presence of H.M. the Queen. The children's teams were very successful at the Inverness Music Festival and among other engagements the Demonstration Team danced during the Inverness Clan Gathering Week.

Kilmarnock. Membership: 53 Annual, 1 Long Term, 25 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The greater number of gentlemen attending the class were very welcome. While the usual two Balls were a success, the November dance was not so well attended owing to bad weather. However, the April dance, with George Fleming's Band supplying the music, was well attended and successful.

Kirkcaldy. Membership: 72 Annual, 1 Long Term, 38 Life. Classes per week: 1 General, 1 Junior.

An enjoyable and satisfactory session has seen an increase in membership and despite bad winter weather attendance at both the children's and the adult class was good, averaging 40 and 50 respectively before Christmas.

The Social Evening before Christmas was its usual success as was the Annual Dinner and Dance, held in the Station Hotel, with Bobby Crowe and his Band supplying the music. Over a hundred attended including members from St Andrews and Dunfermline Branches, the affiliated group of Pathhead Church, the Y.W.C.A. and the St Brycedale Church class.

Kirkcudbright. Membership: 45 Annual, 7 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 2 Junior.

A very successful season included the well patronised Stewartry Ball, Annual Dance and Christmas Party. Demonstrations were given in the Harbour Square and Town Hall. Last season's favourable response to Social Dancing has led to its continuance this year. The potential for Junior Classes has currently required an introduction of a 7-9 years group.

Lanark. Membership: 30 Annual, 43 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Children.

In spite of the class teacher's illness part of the session, the season was on the whole successful with a happy Annual Ball in February attended

by dancers from surrounding districts. The Branch was represented at the Society's A.G.M. in Stirling and members also attended the Weekend School at Cramond.

Leamington Spa. Membership: 59 Annual, 3 Long Term, 15 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Classes were well attended throughout the season. A Dinner held in the autumn was attended by sixty members and guests and a Spring Dance was completely sold out. Demonstrations have been given for a variety of functions — a Church Fete, a Village Festival, a meeting of Womens' Institutes, etc.

Leeds. Membership: 189 Annual, 22 Long Term, 63 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 1 Children, 1 Certificate. Demonstration teams available.

The Branch continues in strength, with social dances and classes popular and well attended as are the Day and Weekend Courses. At the Weekend Course in Scarborough in April the teachers were Dr. Alasdair MacFadyen and Miss Dorothy Paterson, and it is proposed to hold a similar course in April 1979 as well as a Day Course in September this year, when the Society Chairman will be the instructor. A successful Children's Festival was held in April — this does much to encourage the younger dancers. A group from the Branch visited Vasteras, Sweden, last year and the Branch are this year hosts to dancers from Scheessel, near Hamburg.

Leicester. Membership: 19 Annual, 5 Long Term, 2 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration team available.

Formed in September, 1977, it is early days yet for the Branch. The one class contains sections for beginners, Highland and a General Session. The demonstration team participated in the Competitive Festival at Derby and another team enjoyed themselves at the Birmingham Non-Competitive Festival.

Liverpool. Membership: 75 Annual, 9 Long Term, 10 Life. Classes per week: 1 Beginner's, 1 General. Demonstration team available.

Classes have been very well attended during the year as have social events including the Christmas Dance, informal dances each term, and most recently the Annual Dance in May, 1978, for which Rob Gordon and his Band provided the music.

The demonstration team has been busy dancing at Festivals, social evenings and "Teach-ins" with audience participation. The Branch has recently purchased a new record player with amplification equipment and a microphone which greatly assist in some of these events. Part of the finance for this equipment came from the sale of waste paper collected by Branch members.

Lochaber. Membership: 26 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Lockerbie. Membership: 18 Annual. Classes per week: 1.

London. Membership: 376 Annual, 127 Long Term, 533 Life. Classes per week: 8. Demonstration team available.

Dances have been very successful including a major dance with Jim MacLeod's Band. Three Weekend Schools have been held including one weekend which took the form of a house party at Hogmanay. A Day School followed by a dance during May was also successful. The annual open air dancing arrangements at Holland Park were well attended. The Demonstration Class has been very active at a variety of functions. Visitors from overseas have been a feature during the year and the Branch is very pleased to welcome all visitors staying in London. It is also pleasant to report that the Branch were able to re-introduce a class for the Preliminary Test examination.

Lorn. Membership: 59 Annual, 6 Long Term, 48 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 2 Children.

The usual functions took place during the year — Charity Dance for British Limbless Ex-Servicemen's Association, the Annual Dance in December and a very successful Weekend School in March, when around a hundred dancers attended each class, and the Ball saw 210 dancers take the floor. Summer classes were held as usual and attracted visitors and local dancers alike.

Manchester. Membership: 164 Annual, 25 Long Term, 119 Life. Classes per week: 4. Demonstration teams available.

In a series of well attended classes, the amalgamated Tuesday class has come up with the unusual problem of requiring more women! The social programme has gone well with ceilidhs producing hitherto unknown talents, dances well attended and particularly the Annual Ball with music provided by John MacGregor's Band.

The demonstrations teams have been in demand and the Scots Night Concert at the Free Trade Hall was the best ever in spite of being held on Friday 13th; as usual the Branch were joined by the Manchester Scottish Singers and the City of Manchester Pipe Band, and the Dancers were delighted to welcome back the Rattray Band. The Annual Day School, attended by 178 dancers, were taught by Jackie Johnstone, Alasdair MacFadyen, Mary Stoker and Johan Matheson.

Moffat. Membership: 29 Annual. Classes per week: 1.

A very happy and interesting dancing year included a party at Christmas and at Easter in the Moffat House Hotel. Again this year the session has extended into the summer with monthly social dancing.

Monklands. Membership: 171 Annual, 21 Long Term, 2 Life. Classes per week: 3 Children.

Formerly known as Airdrie, Coatbridge and District, the Branch has adopted its new name to conform with local government nomenclature. The year has seen a substantial increase in members and included a successful Supper Dance and a Dinner Dance, the music on both occasions being provided by Jack Delaney and his Band. Members appreciated the opportunity to view the film "Mr Menuhin's Visit to Blair Castle". The Children's Classes had a successful season with demonstration teams participating in many functions.

Newcastle and District. Membership: 284 Annual, 141 Long Term, 175 Life. Classes per week: 5. Demonstration team available.

Membership has shown a considerable increase this year. Classes were generally well attended though one had to be closed owing to lack of support. All dances were fully supported; unfortunately larger halls are unattainable. The Highland Ball was again a great success and for the first time the "Annual Weekend" was held at Gilsland Spa where the Branch hope to go again next year.

Branch LP Records are still selling well and owing to demand 'The Newcastle Collection of Country Dance Tunes' has been reprinted and is now available from the Secretary. The Branch regretfully accepted the resignation of two members of the Branch Committee — Mr T. A. Ireland (after 16 years) and Mrs Norris (after over 6 years).

North West Craven. Membership: 72 Annual, 6 Life. Classes per week: 2.

A successful Scottish Ball (with the Lyne Valley Dance Band) and three Scottish Country Dances were organised during the season. Membership has remained steady.

Norwich. Membership: 69 Annual, 10 Long Term, 18 Life. Classes per week: 2.

One Preliminary Test and one Teacher's Certificate were gained by members at the 1977 Summer School. An increase in membership is reported. In January a joint social evening with the English Country Dance and Song Society was organised as an experiment and proved so successful that it is hoped to make it an annual event. Over the Spring Bank Holiday weekend the Branch entertained a party of Country Dancers from Rouen and danced with them in the Norwich/Rouen Twin-78 event.

In April Mrs Mary Stoker and Mr Bill Little taught at the Branch Day School attended by some 89 dancers from all over East Anglia.

Nottingham. Membership: 124 Annual, 1 Long Term, 26 Life. Classes per week: 4.

In addition to the weekly classes Miss Margaret Donaldson and Mr Bill Ireland each conducted a Saturday half-day course. The Annual Dance was held at the Lakeside Pavilion in the University Park with the Danelaw Band supplying the music. This will be repeated in 1979 on 18th May. During the year demonstration teams have been supplied on several occasions. The Branch was pleased to welcome Dr Milligan when she conducted teacher examinations.

Oxfordshire. No report received at time of going to print.

Perth and Perthshire. Membership: 120 Annual, 12 Long Term, 99 Life. Classes per week: 4 Children. Adult class held for new publications.

A Preliminary Test Class run by the Technical College at the Branch's invitation was attended by members from Dundee and St Andrews Branches as well as Perth, with ten candidates passing the examination. A class for the Teachers' Certificate is to be held in the coming winter. The demonstration team carried out its usual round of charity functions and gained the two senior Trophies in Perth Musical Festival. The new Jubilee Shield presented by the Branch was won by a team from a new School trained by one of the Perth Branch teachers.

The Branch sadly report the deaths of one or two members during the year — among them their oldest member at 97, and a Past Chairman and President of the Branch.

Portrush. Membership: 27 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Attendances have been small during the year and the Branch had to adopt a new venue, Canalridge School, in December. Demonstrations were given at an Old People's Home and a Women's Group and a Social Evening was held in honour of former Office-Bearers when presentations were given to mark their long terms of office.

Peterhead. Membership: 40 Annual, 2 Long Term, 39 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Renfrewshire West. Membership: 154 Annual, 21 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 2 Children.

Social Dances were held once a month in Gantock Hotel, Gourrock, throughout the winter and after classes finished. The Annual Dance in November, 1977, was held in The Moorings, Largs.

Richmond (Yorkshire). Membership: 49 Annual, 19 Long Term, 15 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration team available.

The Branch has enjoyed a good year with excellent attendances at the monthly socials. A recent one held in Reeth, Swaledale, attracted several visitors. There will be a combined social with the York and North Humber-

side Branch in June. Sadly, the Branch report the loss of two staunch Branch members — Mrs Nancy O'Hara and Mr Henry Degen — they will be greatly missed.

A new venture is the Summer Class for prospective teachers, taught by Mrs Fiona Turnbull, which has been well supported and successful.

Rochdale. Membership: 49 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 2.

During the year the Branch held their usual Christmas Party, and in March the Annual Ball, with dancing to Iain MacPhail, was again a great success.

Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles. Membership: 169 Annual, 15 Long Term, 19 Life. Classes per week: 10 Adult, 1 Junior.

Classes throughout the year were well attended as was the Weekend School and the Summer Classes. The two hundred children attending the Children's Ball very obviously enjoyed themselves. Branch membership has been maintained, with a slight increase.

Royal Tunbridge Wells. Membership: 57 Annual, 20 Long Term, 3 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration team available.

Membership has increased over the year. A Silver Jubilee Dance in October and Christmas and New Year parties were well attended. 150 dancers attended the Day School in March, one of the classes being taken by the Society Chairman, Mr Duncan Macleod. 250 dancers were at the Second Annual Ball in the Assembly Hall with John Macgregor and his Band from Edinburgh. A Ladies' Team entered for the first time at the Worthing Festival last November obtained two seconds. The Branch was invited to dance at many events during the summer and to organise dancing on the lawns of Tunbridge Castle during June and July.

St Andrews. Membership: 64 Annual, 13 Long Term, 31 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration teams available.

The Branch report another very good session for both adult and children's classes. Social dances and Annual Ball have been a great success and St Andrews thanks all Branches for their support.

Sheffield. Membership: 66 Annual, 10 Long Term, 12 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration team available.

The Branch suffered a great loss early this year with the death of Mrs Nancy Mease, the current Chairman and an original member of the Branch. Mrs Betty Bagguley, a founder member of the Branch, retired after 22 years of teaching.

Classes, social activities and the Annual Dance have all been well attended and the demonstration team is very active in the area.

Southport. Membership: 89 Annual, 10 Long Term, 57 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 1 Children; Fortnightly — 1 Advanced. Demonstration teams available.

The children's class has remained steady and encouraging the teenagers to join with adults in the elementary class has proved successful. Mrs M. C. Gudger and Dr. I. M. Hall provided excellent tuition for the Day Course in February, with Mrs Rimmer and Mrs Hall providing the music. The 20th Annual Festival of Scottish Dancing held at the Floral Hall in November was well supported with a sell-out for the Evening Ball. The demonstration team have been increasingly busy throughout the year and the Branch has had a very full and varied social programme which included a Children's Christmas Party.

Among forthcoming events is the 21st Annual Festival of Scottish Dancing and Ball on Saturday, 11th November, 1978.

South Wales. Membership: 89 Annual, 10 Long Term, 24 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 1 Children.

The Branch continued to hold functions throughout the year, including a Day Course — at which Bill Hamilton instructed — a Ball, Instruction Evening and Picnic Dance. In March, many of the members took part in a mass demonstration of Scottish Country Dancing when the National Sports Council for Wales ran a two-day Festival of Movement and Dance. 56 dancers, drawn from various dancing groups in the South Wales area, took part each day and provided what was generally accepted as being a very spectacular item.

Stirlingshire. Membership: 87 Annual, 4 Long Term, 25 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 3 Children.

The close of the Branch Jubilee Year (1977) saw the Society A.G.M. in Stirling and the organisation of the Balls. Originally the Branch had planned only one Ball and one Dance but so great was the demand that, to avoid disappointing a large number of dancers, these functions were duplicated, and over 500 dancers participated.

The adult beginners' class was well attended and the numbers at the children's classes were so big that three classes were organised instead of two.

Stirlingshire East. Membership: 219 Annual, 8 Long Term, 22 Life. Classes per week: 6 Adult, 5 Children. 1 Summer Term. Demonstration teams available.

Membership has been well maintained. The Branch were happy to welcome back Dr. Alasdair MacFadyen, who delighted a large class in Callandar Park College of Education in November with excellent teaching of a varied programme of dances. A dance in Woodlands School and the Festival Ball in March were both successful. The Branch Young Folk (10-12 years) won the Trophy for their section and an Honours Certificate at the Edinburgh Festival, while the younger team took third place in their class. The demonstration team gave many performances during the session.

It was with great regret that the Branch recorded the passing of Mrs Nancy Samuel, pianist to the Branch for a number of years. (See also under 'Obituaries').

Stonehaven. Membership: 29 Annual, 2 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration team available.

Membership has been maintained and though the class was relatively small it was regularly attended. A demonstration team was formed and gave displays at various functions in the town. The Annual Ball in May was well attended and a great success.

Stranraer. Membership: 51 Annual. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration team available.

Despite a drop in the membership this session attendance has been good at class evenings and social activities, which consisted of Christmas and end of season parties. The demonstration team performed at concerts in nearby villages as well as in Stranraer.

Teesside. Membership: 189 Annual, 5 Long Term, 92 Life. Classes per week: 2.

This has been a gratifyingly successful season and the Branch are convinced that the monthly socials, with the programme based on the dances taught at the classes, is the answer to maintaining numbers and interest. The main function of the season was the Non-Competitive Festival. This attracted over 800 dancers and over 1000 spectators. The non-competitive



Stonehaven Branch Demonstration Team 1978

spirit certainly contributes to the enjoyment and to the increase in numbers. The Annual Barbecue attracted dancers from a wide area. Any dancers finding themselves in the Branch vicinity will be made most welcome at any of the functions.

West Lothian. Membership: 38 Annual, 12 Long Term, 71 Life.

The Annual Dance in October was well attended and very enjoyable. A successful Day School was held in Bathgate in February with Dr. Alasdair MacFadyen as the guest teacher. The Branch sustained a great loss in the death of Mrs Catherine Sherlock, who was one of the younger Life Members and who was very actively involved with all aspects of dancing.

Whitehead. Membership: 21 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The season, though uneventful, was successful, the highlight being the usual Supper Dance. Numbers have risen slightly this year which is encouraging.

Winchester. Membership: 18 Annual, 6 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration team available.

Meetings this season have been held at a new venue and on a different evening. Although we have been pleased to welcome new faces to the weekly classes, sadly, some others no longer attend. So membership numbers have remained the same. The season ended with the very popular, traditional Garden Dance Party.

Wolverhampton. Membership: 38 Annual, 1 Long Term, 3 Life. Classes per week: 2.

Good support has been given to functions and the Thursday classes are well attended and run on fairly social lines. In addition to Balls and Socials,

members attended Day Schools and four attended the Fully Certificated Day School last November.

Demonstrations were given to various local organisations and the Monday Group organised a very successful Burns Evening with a film, dancing and traditional Buffet Supper. During the summer the Branch ran a stall at Bradmore Spring Fayre to raise funds. The revived Annual Outing was to the Scott-Barrett's new home, and in July the Branch were invited to the Murray's to dance in their garden.

Worthing. Membership: 83 Annual, 5 Long Term, 11 Life. Classes per week: 1, plus 1 per month.

Weekly classes have maintained their numbers and attracted new members while the monthly class continues successfully. In November, during the Lewes Arts Festival Week, a team of dancers to represent Sussex were requested to give a demonstration at Glyndebourne. Under the expertise of Mrs May Yarker, a team was chosen, two of its members being from Worthing Branch. The audience, mainly from the Continent, were very enthusiastic in their appreciation. The Branch held its first Day School in June and it is hoped to make this a yearly feature.

York and North Humberside. Membership: 104 Annual, 64 Long Term, 9 Life. Classes per week: 1 Teacher's, 1 Children.

At the end of its second year the Branch reports a slight increase in total membership, but with many more members becoming Long Term. Another series of examination classes were held during which two special classes were held — one on voice projection and one dancing class with video tape — which was very good for everyone giving them a chance "to see ourselves as others see us".

An afternoon course at Bridlington was followed by a dance to John Macgregor's Band. Four dances were held to the Border Reivers Band and one to the Danelaw Band, while the first Branch Ceilidh revealed a lot of unsuspected talent. Another 'first' was the Charity Dance in June.

Branch teams have again taken part in the Stockport and Leeds Festivals.

From the Vancouver Branch News Letter, January, 1978 (Also we note repeated in The Tartan Times (Boston Branch) . . . The poet has been too modest to give us his name).

WHAT IS A HAGGIS?

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Then fix a clothes peg on their nose . . . and eat the blooming things!

Quote from a Summer School correspondent:

" . . . Could I please be accommodated on the Dining Room floor . . . "
Is this what's called hard luck?

From "The Spurtle" (Melbourne and District Branch Magazine), October, 1977.

"A pas de basque setting with two beats! Why not, I only have two feet."



The Berkeley Scottish Players under the direction of Barbara Bouwsma are rapidly making a name for themselves. These young Scottish dancers and musicians of San Francisco Branch already have one long playing record to their credit and may well have produced another by the time the Bulletin is printed.



Mrs EVELYN MURRAY LENTHALL,
F.S.A.Scot.

Mrs Murray Lenthall, the indefatigable librarian of the Teachers' Association, Canada, and a member of Boston Branch, has been elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. We are delighted to know that Mrs Murray Lenthall's work has been so recognised and congratulate her most sincerely.



Miss MARGARET CHURCH

Miss Church, seen above modelling the "Strathclyde" tartan, was not available to teach at Summer School this year as she was on tour in Canada as a solo singer with the Glasgow Caledonian Strathspey and Reel Society — the Summer School Ceilidh's loss being Canada's gain! The tour included Port Hawkesbury, Halifax, Vancouver, Ottawa, Toronto, Windsor and Hamilton.

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Branch Reports — Overseas

Adelaide. Membership: 32 Annual, 10 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Difficulties in finding a hall has imposed a Monday night class which is not very suitable for some members and membership has not increased. In April the Branch had the pleasure of being hosts to a group of 31 dancers from Canada and the U.S.A. under the leadership of Bob Blackie. The visitors were billeted in the homes of local dancers and after a sight-seeing tour in the afternoon; a dance was held at night followed by supper. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves in spite of the heat.

Atlanta. Membership: 60 Annual, 2 Life. Classes per week: 2.

The second year as a Branch has been most successful. An advanced class has been started and four candidates are beginning the programme for the Preliminary Test. The Branch had its own tent and platform at the local Highland Games in October and many of the visitors that weekend are now regular class attenders. Dance parties in December and March were well attended and the Branch's first workshop was held on 17th June (teacher — Evelyn Murray-Lenthall), followed by a dance in the evening. Visitors this year have come from Berkeley, California, Montgomery, Alabama and Harlow, England. The enthusiasm of Scottish Country Dancers should never be underestimated, the Secretary received a call from a new member in Greenock, Scotland! Not to mention others in Dobbs Ferry, N.Y. and other more "local" places.

Burlington (Ontario). Membership: 51 Annual. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 5 Children.

Bearing in mind the objects of the R.S.C.D.S., the Branch has tried to provide a well-balanced programme of classes and events throughout the season. It has been encouraging to see an increase in both adult and junior memberships over the previous years. Response to regular and special classes has been good and members have found them enjoyable as well as instructive.

Teams from the children's classes, entered in the Hamilton and Toronto Children's Festivals, brought back one trophy and three bronze medals, one of the latter being a combined Ancaster/Burlington effort in the 13-15 year class.

Adult and children's teams entertained Senior Citizens and have danced for charitable organisations when requested. Highlights of the year were the Annual Dance in October, with Stan Hamilton and the Flying Scotsmen, the Annual Wine and Cheese Party in January, Guest Teacher Night with Jean Anderson from Toronto in March and the End of Season Social with Don Bartlett's Trio on 2nd May.

Boston. Membership: 189 Annual. Classes per week: 5. Demonstration teams available.

The 1977-78 season was an active one. The newer classes have continued to develop and there are now enough well established groups so that each monthly party during the season was hosted by a different one.

Our 25th weekend of dancing at Pinewoods Camp was held in July of 1978. For the past 5 years we have also held a week-long session at the camp after the weekend and this year the attendance was the highest ever.

Two Balls were held this year again—our Annual Highland Ball in May where we danced to the music of "The Scottish Accent" band from Toronto, Canada, and another special Ball to raise funds for Pinewoods Camp. In addition, the Branch again participated in several international festivals and had many other demonstrations around the greater Boston metropolitan area.

Calgary. Membership: 126 Annual, 4 Life. Classes per week: 6.

In November, 1977, the Branch held its first General Meeting. Branch activities have been limited to one monthly type dance held in March, 1978, which was enjoyed by all. Classes have been most successful and currently a Teachers' Training Class is in progress.

It is hoped that the Branch will participate in the Heritage and Canada Day celebrations to be held in Calgary and "Dancing in the Parks". The Banff Springs Workshop in October, 1977, was a great success as usual and is always an event to look forward to. This workshop is planned for Calgary in October, 1978. A Spring Ball in May, 1978, in Calgary was a great success.

In the coming season the Branch look forward to increased membership and to extending Branch activities.

Canberra. Membership: 12 Annual, 48 Long Term.

Just formed on 26th February, Canberra is the newest Branch of the Society. Nothing daunted by its youth, the Branch plans to hold an Advanced Class to improve the standard of dancing with emphasis on technique and to undertake teacher-training courses. Even more ambitiously, the Branch will be organising the Fourth Annual Australian Winter School next year.

Cape Town. Membership: 43 Annual, 8 Life. Classes per week: 2. Demonstration team available.

Many new members, especially from the Cape Town University, have been welcomed this year. The demonstration team had an exceptionally busy year starting off with the Community Chest Carnival—the Community Chest aids several very worthwhile charities. In March followed the Cape Town Festival which lasted a whole month. This was especially enjoyable, giving members an opportunity of meeting country dancers of at least 10 other nationalities. The proceeds of the final evening were given to the Cancer Association of South Africa.

Additionally, there were the usual three big dances — the Annual Birthday Ball in June, Halloween Dance, and a Hogmanay Dance. Also organised was a weekend away to a seaside resort — Hermanus — two hours drive by car from Cape Town, where members enjoyed swimming, hiking and a dance party. 1977 also saw the birth of the Branch monthly newsletter — "The Royal Mail".

Delaware Valley. Membership: 110 Annual, 1 Long Term, 21 Life. Classes per week: 6. Demonstration teams available.

Demonstration teams performed not only locally in Delaware and Pennsylvania, but in central Pennsylvania and New Jersey as well. Revenue from these performances enabled the Branch to hire Don Bartlett and the Scotians for the Spring Ball.

Students from the teacher-training class were put through a simulated certificate examination in February and all were recommended as applicants for the real examination. The Branch, therefore, anticipates welcoming additions to the teachers of the Branch — currently six with full certificates and seven with the preliminary test.

The Branch feels fortunate in having appointed as its first representative to the Executive Council, Robert Hunn, one of the Branch founders. He and his wife have now taken up residence in Scotland.

Gothenburg. Membership: 38 Annual. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Teenager's.

The Branch are sad to report that one of their first members and sponsors, Mrs Gladys Gräns, died on 31st March.

The Branch have supplied several demonstrations during the year including participation in the Gothenburg Tattoo, and a Burns Night was organised. Members have participated in the Summer School in St Andrews, at courses in Stockholm and Copenhagen and at the Anniversary Ball of Stockholm Branch. One member attained the Teacher's Certificate.

The Hague and District. Membership: 92 Annual, 8 Life. Classes per week: 2. Demonstration team available.

During the year the Branch for the first time started with a second dancing class especially for beginners, with the result that membership rose sharply. It was twenty years ago that a group of dancers started what has now become the Hague District Branch and to celebrate this a long weekend has been arranged at the Hook of Holland from 8-10 December (with many other things in addition to dancing).

Always adventurous, the Branch will be starting a piping class in September, 1978, for members only.

Hamilton (Ontario). Membership: 205 Annual, 1 Long Term, 7 Life. Classes per week: 8 (covering all levels). Demonstration teams available.

The Branch Weekend, 14-16 October, was again sold out ahead of time. Bob Blackie and June Shore were teachers with John Drewry from Scotland. The Hamilton Children's Festival in March was the largest yet with 55 teams and 477 dancers competing. Hamilton team carried off the Margaret Connell Memorial Plaque (13-15) and the Strathcona team the Annie Sutherland Trophy (16-18). The demonstration teams performed in and beyond Hamilton.

The Annual Ball on 1st April provided excellent entertainment, special guests being the Mayor and his wife. The Adult Gala Day in May and dancing at Dundurn Castle in July were two more items in a busy and gay Branch schedule.

Hawaii. Membership: 40 Annual, 2 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration team available.

The second S.C.D. Weekend Institute was held in March with guest teacher Mr C. Stewart Smith from Texas and Branch senior instructor, Mrs Mary S. Brandon. The Branch were fortunate in obtaining joint sponsorship of the event with the Hawaii State Dance Council, Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Further, the Mayor proclaimed 25th March as Scottish Country Dance Day in the city and county of Honolulu, in honour of the event. It is hoped to continue the Institute as the main annual event of the Hawaii Branch.

Visiting dancers passing through Hawaii are encouraged to join with the Branch which welcomes such opportunities for fellowship with others.

Hunter Valley. Membership: 102 Annual, 16 Long Term, 25 Life. Classes per week: 12.

Members have enjoyed another happy and busy dancing year with classes, socials and demonstrations well supported. The highlight of the year was the Second Australian Winter School in August with dancers attending from all over Australia and New Zealand. From proceeds of the First Winter School the Branch has purchased additional sound equipment and has stocked a shop to sell books, shoes, etc., for the convenience of members.

Over the last twelve months a welcome addition to the scene is the talented group of musicians "Harp and Claymore", who provided live music for socials, displays and sometimes classes.

Johannesburg. Membership: 100 Annual, 1 Long Term, 10 Life. Classes per week: 4.

January (the beginning of the Branch dancing year) saw things off to a particularly good start with an energetic committee taking a more active part in planning and organisation. The four teachers handle classes for beginners, an elementary class and a general intermediate group, and have introduced new four-week "workshops" for the advanced dancers.

Two excellent Weekend Schools were held at a hotel in the Drakensberg mountains. Four dancers attended the 1977 Summer School notably the Chairman and his wife who included St Andrews in their honeymoon tour. This year five Branch members attended Summer School.

Kitchener-Waterloo. Membership: 98 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 4.

The dancing season got off to a great start with around 100 people attending the "Open House" in September. The following week Miss Margaret Anderson from Prestwick, Scotland, taught a class for over 70 enthusiastic dancers. Branch membership increased due mainly to a Beginners' Class of 40. A Children's Class was again a successful venture as were the Intermediate and Advanced Classes.

The social activities of the Branch began with the 2nd Annual Lynx Lake Weekend. This was followed in November by the Annual Ball—a very delightful Christmas Party in December and the Spring Dance in May. A special "Centre in the Square" Dance was held in March when \$560 was raised as the Branch contribution to the proposed Arts Centre to be built in Kitchener. Mini-Socials were held monthly plus two major social dances in October and February. Five demonstrations were given.

Los Angeles. Membership: 255 Annual, 4 Long Term, 21 Life. Classes per week: 9. Demonstration Team available.

During the summer months, members enjoyed informal Saturday evening dancing in nearby Santa Monica. Fall was ushered in with our Mini-Institute, followed shortly thereafter by the first formal dance of the season—the St Andrew's Ball. A well-attended Burns Supper highlighted January and April found members once again in Santa Maria for the Spring Institute with a fine staff of teachers—Bob Blackie, Mary Brandon, Lynda Long, Stewart Smith and Bobby Watson.

A mass demonstration by the classes and the Team was presented in June at the Highland Games in Long Beach where thousands were in attendance. The monthly Saturday night dances, hosted by the different classes, were interspersed among these other events. The Branch's quarterly—the Ghillie Callum—kept the members up to date about activities. The Demonstration Team, active throughout the year, ended the season with a performance at the Queen's Birthday Ball which was sponsored by the Council of British Societies.

London (Ontario). Membership: 126 Annual, 5 Life. Classes per week: 5 Adult, 1 Children.

In June the Branch held their Annual Bandshell Show in Victoria Park. The dancing season commenced with a Wiener Roast, followed by five monthly dances. The Annual Workshop held in March was very successful as was the Annual Ball in April. The Demonstration Team performed at various functions throughout the city and surrounding area.

Melbourne and District. Membership: 481 Annual, 23 Long Term, 51 Life. Classes per week: 26.

In July 1977 a Grand Social was organised with the object of raising funds for musical equipment. Both the Social and the fund-raising were a success. Several members attended the Summer School at St Andrews, two of whom also gained the Teachers' Certificate. As in the previous year, the Branch formed a Preliminary Test Class coached by Miss Coull. Three of

the candidates passed the examination held during the Third Australian Winter School. The Demonstration Teams were kept busy and in co-operation with the Mornington Peninsula Branch teaching and social weekends were held at Mt. Evelyn, Somers and Marysville. At the Grand Social on 11th March both branches were hosts to a party of about 70 Canadians and Americans who were on tour of the South Pacific. (Temperature in the shade that day was 38° Centigrade!). From 14th to 21st May the Third Australian Winter School was held in Geelong with most of the States and New Zealand represented. That it was a thorough-going success goes without saying as at the end everybody promised to meet again next year in Canberra for the Fourth Australian Winter School.

Montreal. Membership: 210 Annual, 1 Long Term, 23 Life. Classes per week: 14.

To start off the 1977-78 season, the June Weekend was again held at Auberge la Caleche in Ste. Agathe and was, as usual, sold out. Instructors were Eric Dillon of Cleveland, Geoff Sellin of Maylan and Margaret Macwaters of Ottawa. A successful and enjoyable Garden Party was held in July and later that month the Hawkesbury Group provided a delicious buffet supper followed by a good dance programme and a demonstration of Highland Dancing by Jim MacLellan of Ottawa Branch and Gerry Gilbert Gray of the Toronto Scottish Regiment. Demonstrations were provided during the Montreal Highland Games.

The Fall Season started with a visit from John Drewry of Aberdeen, who taught several of his own dances, and in November the guest teacher for a one day Workshop was Jean Yeats of Brampton.

The Branch continued to have a very active social programme with a Social in Charlotte, Vt., held by the Burlington Group, Socials hosted by the St. Laurent, Valois and Pierrefonds Groups, the Burns Night Social and Ball, held again at the Sheraton Mount Royal Hotel. Another popular outing was held in April when a bus trip to The Bonnie Glen, near Alexandria, Ontario, for dinner and dancing was arranged. This is likely to become an annual event.

An admirable task taken on by the Teachers' Committee was the compilation of an index of recorded Scottish Country Dance music.

Mornington Peninsula. Membership: 90 Annual, 6 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The 1978 season opened with a well-attended barbecue at the home of Jean and Jack Gray. At the first social a presentation was made to Kevin Connolly in appreciation of his many years of service to the Branch as co-founder, President and Teacher.

The Branch was saddened early in 1978 by the passing of Mr David Horne, who was the first Branch Treasurer. A team of dancers participated in a Memorial Concert organised in aid of Cancer Research.

Classes have been very well attended and a warm welcome is extended to members of the Southern Peninsula Group who have now joined the Branch.

Activities arranged jointly with Melbourne and District Branch included weekends at Somers, Mt. Evelyn and Marysville, and also the Third Australian Winter School. It was generally agreed that the tuition given by Gary Morris (New Zealand), Chris Coull (Melbourne), Jean Conway (Canberra), Ros McKie and Margaret Gray (Hunter Valley) was excellent. Congratulations to the two candidates who gained their Full Certificates and the three who passed their Preliminary Tests at the School.

Nairobi. Membership: 67 Annual, 12 Long Term, 3 Life. Classes per week: 1 General Class.

The Nairobi Branch has seen many changes over the past year, but for all these changes it has continued with strength and vigour. Members

change, often very rapidly, due to ending of contracts, etc., but the numbers still seem to be static and this is encouraging. For the beginners a class is usually held prior to the evening's social dancing. The Annual Outing this year was held at the Highlands Hotel, Molo, where most people enjoyed themselves. The Annual Ball will be held this year at the New Stanley Hotel, Nairobi. This year the Demonstration Team participated in the Kenya Music Festival gaining a First Place in the "Traditional Accompanied Dance (Western)" Section.

New Haven. Membership: 138 Annual, 9 Life. Classes per week: 8. Demonstration Team available.

The first full year of activities for the New Haven Branch began with the wonderful visit of Miss Jean Milligan in May to carry out examinations, when four members passed their Preliminary Test. Other events were the Paul Sarvis Workshops in December and February and the 4th Annual Highland Ball in March.

Classes are held for all levels and in New Haven, Hartford, Middletown, Newton and Norwalk, and groups have given demonstrations of Scottish Dancing locally. The past year's programme has undoubtedly laid a solid foundation for successful activity and expansion in the future.

New York. Membership: 135 Annual, 4 Life. Classes per week 3. Demonstration Teams available.

The newly certificated teachers were given many opportunities to gain teaching experience and two of them organised a new class, bringing more members into the Branch. Special technique classes were held which improved the level of dancing a great deal. Great excitement occurred when a well-known columnist from New York Times visited the classes and wrote a most interesting article about the R.S.C.D.S., the Branch, and the dancers.

The Jeannie Carmichael Ball, sponsored by all the New York Groups was an elegant affair, enlivened by the music of Stan Hamilton and his musicians. The Burns Night Dance and the Spring Party were other highlights. The Annual Weekend at Holiday Hills was most successful with an attendance of 125, an excellent staff of teachers from Canada and Don Bartlett and his Band. (Note: The Jeannie Carmichael Ball will take place this year on 28th October).

New Zealand. Membership: 775 Annual, 22 Long Term, 120 Life.

The working of the New Zealand Branch is somewhat different to other Branches throughout the world. It covers the whole of New Zealand, and for its size and population, Scottish Country Dancing is in a very healthy state "down under".

The Branch is divided into eleven Regions throughout both Islands and in each Region there are Clubs belonging to the Region in their area. The work of the Region is to run Classes, Day Schools, Weekend Schools, while the annual Summer School is organised by the New Zealand Branch. The Summer School is usually held in a different city each year, the 1977-78 Summer School being held at Hamilton Teachers' College and the 1978-79 Summer School is to be held at Lincoln College, a short distance from Christchurch.

Northern Virginia. Membership: 123 Annual, 6 Life. Classes per week: 3 plus 1 fortnightly. Demonstration Team available.

Following a custom begun two years ago, the Branch again donated a trophy for the Junior Scottish Fiddling Championships at the Virginia Scottish Games. The Branch initiated a policy of awarding scholarships worth \$200 to members who go to the St Andrews Summer School as candidates for either the Preliminary Test or the Teacher's Certificate.

A busy social schedule included the customary June picnic, an autumn outing to Oatlands, a Virginia historic country house, and dances in November, January, March and May.

Ottawa. Membership: 195 Annual, 12 Life. Classes per week: 8 Adult, 4 Children.

The Branch hosted a successful Children's Festival with dancers, parents and friends from Kingston, Montreal and Ottawa enjoying a day of children's teams dancing. During the summer Scottish Country Dancing in the local park was popular and on 1st July the Branch participated with demonstration teams in a celebration of the Great Canadian Birthday Party on Parliament Hill.

A technique workshop was held once again and a visit from John Drewry was well received. The usual weekly classes and monthly socials were held culminating in a successful Annual Ball.

Regina. Membership: 29 Annual, 7 Long Term.

The Regina Branch was formed on 19th February, 1978. The Branch is endeavouring to establish itself as a co-ordinating body for Scottish Country Dancing in the area and has sponsored one social function since its formation.

St Catharines. Membership: 64 Annual. Classes per week: 3. Demonstration Teams available.

The beginners, intermediate and advanced classes all included step practice in addition to dance formations. The Hallowe'en Dance was held to recorded music and the Christmas and Valentine Dances were accompanied by a dance band as well as the May Ball, attended by some 225 people. The traditional "tennis court" and "beach ball" dances were also attended by dancers from other branches. The main demonstration for the year was the Tattoo at which the Branch had 5 sets participating.

San Diego. Membership: 68 Annual, 6 Life. Classes per week: 3 and 1 fortnightly. Demonstration Team available.

Dance classes have been held weekly with two levels of instruction being offered, plus an additional family class for all ages. The second Annual Mini-Institute was held in February with over 150 dancers in attendance. Teachers were Simon Scott from Canada, James Lomath from Los Angeles, with several San Diego teachers to enable a third level of instruction to be offered.

Some of the year's highlights included a summer party at the home of the Branch Dance Director, Robin Pichel, with swimming, barbecue dinner, dancing and ceilidh; informal dancing at the San Diego Highland Games with the Branch sponsoring a pre-games evening of Scottish Country Dancing which it is now hoped to have annually. The festive season was marked with a Christmas Dinner and Dance Party and a Hogmany Party.

Several members attended the 1977 St Andrews Summer School, with Jeffrey Johnson returning with his Preliminary Test Pass, and 24 members attended the Institute in Santa Maria in April sponsored by the Los Angeles Branch. The "Reel Thing", the newsletter, has been distributed regularly throughout the year. To round off the year's activities there was a most enjoyable May Ball with Jack Rennie's Thistle Band. Members have been most supportive with all activities marked by a spirit of friendliness and kinship which it is hoped to maintain.

San Francisco. Membership: 188 Annual, 32 Life. Classes per week: 16. Demonstration Team available.

The San Francisco Branch enjoyed a major growth in membership this year, and to celebrate a Ball was held on 10th June, 1978, with music

supplied by Stan Hamilton and his Flying Scotsmen on their first appearance in California. The Branch's "Berkeley Scottish Players" have recorded another album entitled "Heather and Yon" which should be released this year.

Excellent attendance continues at the Monthly Parties and another weekend workshop at Asilomar will be held on 2nd-8th October. Classes are offered in numerous locations in the Bay area and sustained by the enthusiasm and support of all the members.

Seattle. No report received at time of going to press. (Formed only on 16th January, 1978, this Branch is just in process of getting themselves organised).

South East Queensland. Membership: 84 Annual, 3 Long Term, 4 Life. Classes per week: 12. Demonstration Team available.

Formed on 18th June, 1977, it is clear as the first year as a Branch draws to a close, that many benefits will be derived from the unity as a Branch in South East Queensland. Teacher training has been a priority this year and two classes are currently under way. Beginners have also been catered for with a series of six week long classes conducted in four different locations. In addition two classes have begun in new locations, one on the north side of Brisbane and the other at Griffith University. A Teachers' Panel has been formed and meets to exchange ideas and to discuss problems related to the dance.

During the year the Branch Committee has organised a one-day Saturday School, a barbecue and dance at Christmas, the Annual Ball in April and the annual Weekend School in July, 1978 — which completed the year's activity. In addition three of the clubs — Moorooka, Ipswich and the Gold Coast have conducted regular social dances.

Stockholm. Membership: 88 Annual, 2 Long Term, 3 Life. Classes per week: 3. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch is still expanding and now has three classes per week. The original Stockholm Scottish Country Dance Club, from which the Branch was formed in 1976, was granted affiliation to the Society in 1958. To celebrate this an Anniversary Ball was arranged on 1st April, 1978, when Mr Duncan MacLeod, Chairman of the Society, was the guest of honour. Miss Jennifer Wilson, who played for the dancing at the Ball, also played at the two superb courses given by Mr Macleod. This tremendously successful Ball was attended by 100 members and their guests who all enjoyed the Scottish menu and in particular, the complete programme of Scottish Country Dancing — something which has never before been attempted in Sweden.

Sydney. Membership: 99 Annual, 24 Life. Classes per week: 2. Demonstration Team available.

Outside normal classes the main function is the October Week-end School which as usual was filled long before the actual date. A very good week-end was had by all attending, together with the many commuters who were able to come part time. This year there were two one-day schools for teachers in the Sydney Area—the first at the end of April taught by Mr Les Cumming and the second at the end of July. A very successful demonstration was included in the programme at Government House where a Garden Party was held to raise funds for the National Heart Foundation. Numerous other demonstrations have been given during the year.

Toronto. Membership: 1081 Annual, 30 Life. Classes per week: 6. Demonstration Teams available.

June was a particularly busy month with an exciting Gala Day in which 19 teams took part and joined in a dance at night. Dancing, open to the

public, was held in one of Toronto's parks every Tuesday evening throughout June. On two occasions over 300 people attended with 19 sets dancing. The Branch also took part in Silver Jubilee celebrations at Harbourfront, in conjunction with brass and pipe bands of the 48th Highlanders.

A large number of members assisted at the annual "Caravan" display, known as "The Perth Pavilion"; not only did the Pavilion win the awards for the best food and entertainment, but the award for the best Pavilion overall in a field of 50 entries.

A workshop weekend in September was well-attended with Miss Margaret Anderson among the teachers. In October, the Branch welcomed Mr John Drewry for another special class. Monthly dances were held from October to April, with the Family Night (from little ones to grandparents) being held in December. In February the Tartan Ball was attended by over 600 dancers and an exciting Children's Festival was held in April with 44 teams participating.

Twin Cities. Membership: 35 Annual, 4 Life. Classes per week 2. Demonstration Team available.

The social programme included the Third Annual Ball in November, a visit to Madison, Wisconsin for an evening of Scottish Dancing in February and a trip to Winnipeg for their Branch Ball in April.

An unusual activity during the summer is the building of a "Croft" at the Minnesota Renaissance Festival with Thatch Gathering and Dancing in July and a Thatching Party at the Croft in August, 1978. Also included were 6 weekends of Scottish Dance Demonstration and Educational Classes at the Renaissance Festival. Regular classes are continuing throughout the Summer.

Vancouver. Membership: 448 Annual, 17 Life. Classes per week: 5. Demonstration Team available.

The Vancouver Workshop Week-end was held this year in conjunction with the Annual Ball. Classes were taught by Sandy Bain (Lethbridge) Mary Brandon (Hawaii) Bob Millar (Toronto) Bobby Watson (Aberdeen) and five local teachers. It was a highly successful event with excellent accommodation for classes, guests and parties in the Vancouver Hotel.

The Branch teacher co-ordinator for children's classes did a tremendous job of fund raising over the past year to enable a children's workshop week-end to be held. This was enthusiastically attended by 88 children and the Saturday evening party was well supported by the parents and Adult classes.

Social events included monthly dances hosted by each class in turn, a 'Betwix & Between' at Christmas and a Burns Supper. The Branch is still enjoying live music from the Schiehallion Band. The Demonstration Team had a busy season and from 19th June the open air dancing began in Stanley Park bringing with it the opportunity to welcome visitors from far and wide.

Victoria. Membership: 153 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 4. Demonstration Teams available.

The young and talented Berkeley Players provided a first in live entertainment for the Victoria Branch at a Spring Week-end in March. This, the largest workshop and Ball ever undertaken by Victoria Branch drew dancers from California, Oregon, Washington, Montana and points north on Vancouver Island. Guest instructors, Sandy Bain, Elinor Vandergrift and Stewart Smith, kept everyone "hopping". The Ball was televised in two 40 minute programmes.

British Columbia celebrates the Bi-Centennial of Captain James Cook during 1978. Cook and his men were the first Europeans to land on Vancouver Island in the Nootka Sound area, in March 1778. Victoria the Garden City and capital of British Columbia, will be host to thousands of

visitors this year for the Bi-Centennial and the Victoria Branch sincerely hopes any Scottish Country Dancers travelling in the area will accept the invitation to contact the Branch through Gerry Dunn 598-6547 or Pat Jackson 598-8370. Cead Mile Failte!

Special functions throughout the year were—Fall Workshop and Ball, November, St Patrick's Workshop and Ball, March, and the Annual Ball in April.

Washington. Membership: 251 Annual, 15 Life. Classes per week: 8. Demonstration Teams available.

The Branch continues to grow in membership and activities. In addition to monthly dance parties, there was dancing at November and April Balls to the exhilarating live music of Stan Hamilton and the Flying Scotsmen of Toronto. Another successful Iona weekend was held in May.

Demonstration Teams performed about fifty times during the year at many varied events and charitable occasions. Despite the severe winter, and during summer's heat, class attendance held up well, social dancing is held twice weekly in Washington.

Western Australia. Membership: 31 Annual, 13 Long Term, 9 Life. Classes per week: 4. Demonstration Teams available.

Classes at all levels continue to expand, particularly the Beginners, and membership is expanding steadily. Monthly socials are proving very popular. One memorable social was a river trip down the Swan for an evening barbecue. There were sets of dancers on every available space on the decks, with the music drifting over the water on the evening breeze.

It is hoped to have a festival of dancing at the Highland Games in October and it will be the first time more than four sets have been seen by the public on the same programme. The Branch plans to be part of the 150th Anniversary of the State of Western Australia next year.

Winnipeg. Membership: 174 Annual, 8 Life. Classes per week: 5.

Of the 174 annual members at the end of the 1977-78 season, 60 were new, including 51 in the Basic Class which was particularly successful. Three graded, two social classes and a technique and repertoire class were again held this year. Activities included five socials, a New Year's Dance and the Annual Ball in April.

Twenty-two demonstrations were performed throughout the season before a varied number of organisations and, for the first time, the Branch participated in the entertainment at Market Square where large crowds seemed very interested. The Winnipeg Branch again sponsored the British Pavilion, "Mug Pub", in the Winnipeg Festival of Nations Folklorama. This festival celebrates the diverse ethnic backgrounds of Winnipeg citizens with more than 30 different countries represented.

Three Mini-weekends were held and a teacher's workshop. The Branch Weekend Workshop held at Gimli in May was greatly enjoyed. More than twenty members enjoyed the hospitality of the Twin City Branch when they travelled about 400 miles south to Minneapolis for the Annual Ball in October, 1977.

TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION CANADA. Membership 346.

The membership, consisting of teachers who are current members of the R.S.C.D.S. reside in continental North America, the UK, Hawaii, Jamaica and, for the first time, Japan and Australia.

The fifth annual TAC Summer School held at Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, in August 1977 was an unqualified success, with classes from basic technique to teacher training.

The quarterly bulletin, TACTALK, continues to be issued and includes an increasing variety of articles, reviews, notices, etc. and is well received by members and outside subscribers alike.

One of the most satisfying things has been the stimulus given to the Association by the financial support provided by branches and other donors to the Scholarship and Education Fund enabling projects to be undertaken which would not otherwise have been possible. A film library which includes teaching films and a new copy of "Scotland Dances" has been well patronized. Additionally, the TAC is sponsoring the production of a record of full-length dances by Don Bartlett and the Scotians which should be available shortly. Of equal interest has been the production of teaching notes for the dances in Books 24-28 as well as those in '101', '99 More' and 'Introducing S.C.D.'* which have not otherwise been published and a new project just started is a review of the notes for the dances in Books 1-23.

*Editor's note: '101', '99 More' and 'Introducing S.C.D.' have now been replaced by Miss Milligan's 'Miscellany of Scottish Country Dances', Vols. I and II.

A CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY . . .

There comes a time in every class,
No matter what they're graded,
When for a spell confusion reigns
And confidence is faded;
A mass of tangled, formless folk
Where once they moved as one,
And in the midst the cause of it
Is staring at someone.

Just listen and you'll hear it
Around the whole earth's span,
The question echoes through the halls,
"WERE YOU THE LADY OR THE MAN?"
Senga Freeland.

TELEPHONE CALL FROM THE BRANCH SECRETARY

OR: WHAT DID I DO BEFORE SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING?

We will need you for a meeting
On the twenty-ninth of May
We intend to have a picnic,
And must organise the day.
Now while you're on the 'phone
Will you make a note of this—
There's a Social Dance in Friday
That you wouldn't want to miss.
There's the music to be seen to
For the Demonstration Dance,
And the children's class you wanted
Is on Monday at the manse.
Have you sold out all your tickets
For the coming Annual Ball?
We have got to have the numbers
For the caterers at the Hall.
Would you like to do the programme

For the Social after next?
We are hoping you will do it
As it's your turn on the list.
Would you bring a plate for supper
To the club next Thursday night?
Remember we have visitors
And we want to do things right.
Oh, and what about the Ceilidh?
May I put you down to sing?
Take a quick look through your music
You will know the sort of thing.
Well, if that was all you wanted
I will have to go now, dear.
Please don't hesitate to call me
If there's anything not clear!
Senga Freeland.

Mr and Mrs Irving Lapiner celebrated their Golden Wedding at Summer School and have asked us to include the following message in the Bulletin.

Irving and Sadie Lapiner thank all their friends who helped them celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary and who sent cards and flowers and contributed to the Scholarship Fund.



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There has been some discussion recently on whether our Branch members always do their best to ensure that all dancers at our balls and parties have a good time. The people who are most likely to be left out are beginners and out-of-towners, whose faces are not so well known. I have been a stranger at various dances in Britain, Europe, and the United States, and have thus experienced how different groups cope with the situation. In most small groups I was well entertained because my presence was easily noticed, but in the larger groups I sometimes felt that I and other less-known dancers disappeared right into the crowd. Different groups have found different ways of solving this problem, but two solutions come to my mind.

First, it is helpful if the dancers know each other well. This is not easy if a Branch has a diverse membership and covers a large geographical area, but when members know each other a new face is easily recognised and swiftly dealt with.

Secondly, as Scottish Country Dancing is a traditional ballroom dance form, we might look to the traditional ballroom etiquette for inspiration. Some dancers, mindful of this tradition, take it upon themselves to entertain and introduce a new face. At one large dance I attended the newcomers were presented to a new partner for each dance.

Whether a group is large or small, each member has a certain responsibility towards the happiness and well-being of everyone there. Look for new faces and help them be introduced to friends and partners. If we have a guest from far away, introduce him or her to the group at large. Once or twice in an evening, look around at who is sitting out a particular dance and get him or her up for the next dance. Gentlemen, also look for two women dancing together and ask one of them for the next dance. Make an effort to dance with and talk with someone whose face is familiar, but whom you don't know. Try to get to know people in different age groups than your own. Officers, teachers, and other people of "influence" have slightly more responsibility to help in these ways than others because they set an example.

Too many rules? We have so many wonderful people in our Branch that the "rules" should be easy and painless to apply. And they will make all the difference in the world to a guest from far away, and to our own members as well. Remember Iain Robertson's song, "An International Family" (printed in the 1975 R.S.C.D.S. Bulletin)? If we want to be truly international, we will start here at home with creating the "happy social spirit" that is Scottish Country Dancing.

BARBARA RAE TURNER BOUWSMA.

FOUR SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCES 1978

Owing to an error in our music printer's, information regarding the deviser of the strathspey "Staffin Harvest" was omitted. This dance was devised by Mr H. P. C. Mitchell (Canada) in 1976. The printers concerned offer their apologies.

We also apologise for an error in Fife Ness, Figure 2. 1st couple should be shown with lady on right of man and not as in diagram.

The Jean Milligan Scholarships

The Society offers annually two scholarships to members between the ages of 20 and 25 who wish to attend Summer School with a view to taking the Preliminary Test or Teachers' Certificate. The Scholarships will cover Summer School residential fees but not travelling expenses. The Summer School Committee will be responsible for selecting recipients from applications received.

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Tartan America

In the United States, the Irish save up and then squander all of their enthusiasm for things Irish on a grand broth of a blow-out on St Patrick's Day. The Scots, being canny, spend their enthusiasm bit by bit, like the Christmas sovereigns of old, fifty-two weeks a year, with special treats at St Andrew's Day and in the celebration of the birthday of Robert Burns. And there is always enough left over for various extra Highland flings. It is a joy to be a Scot in America.

There are literally hundreds of Scottish organisations in the fifty States of a country where there is a rainbow variety of merging and blending ethnic cultures. All of these organisations schedule events throughout the year that unfailingly attract the attention of both Scottish-Americans and Caledoniaphiles in ever growing numbers. It is a source of amazement how far atavism or keen interest will impel people to drive or fly to attend a Scottish-flavoured event. Coast to coast, New England to the Deep South, distance is no deterrent.

A St Andrews or Caledonian or Clan society is to be found in nearly every major American city and if on the odd chance there is not one, it will be a matter of only a very short time before one is formed. These societies do not sit back like greybeards and let the grass grow under their feet. Not a bit of it! They leap about and play games, arrange outings and gatherings, dig into Scottish history and culture, and award scholarships and give prizes. This is all in addition to the traditional yearly Tartan or Highland Balls and Burns' Suppers.

The greatest outpouring of bounding Scottish enthusiasm occurs at Scottish Games, those vivid Caledonian carnivals, which, since the continent has a wide range of climate, are scheduled throughout the year. Spectators and pipe bands and Highland dancers may travel a thousand miles to attend an event only to meet again a few weeks later at another in a far distant State. The two most famous Games, with record attendance of well over 20,000, are held in Santa Monica, California, and at Grandfather Mountain in North Carolina, with other Games in Texas and Georgia and Hawaii and Virginia, from sea to sea and border to border, racing along in hot pursuit.

A serious note is introduced with seminars in Scottish studies, lectures and concerts by visiting Scots, the symbolic recreation of historic Scottish regiments, and classes bent upon clarifying the intricacies of Gaelic. The parts played in American history by 18th and 19th century Scottish immigrants are observed by the laying of wreaths at such places as the scene of the Battle of the Alamo in Texas or at the grave of a founding father in the old Scots-settled city of Alexandria on the banks of the Potomac. The approach to all of this dedication is one of utmost dignity, a seriousness of purpose amounting to reverence.

Scottish Country Dancing is a prime catalyst in the upsurge of interest in Scottish culture in the United States. Each year more and more people, as though from a well that will never run dry, join Branches and Affiliated Groups of the Society, for it is in Scottish Country Dance Classes that both Scots of the blood and Caledoniaphiles of any nationality may wholeheartedly indulge a consuming interest in Scottish activity in a viable and satisfying form on a weekly basis.

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Book Review

WITH SWORD AND HARP

W. M. Currie of Balilone, F.S.A. (Scot.)

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This little book is not for everyone. However, it is of great value to the serious student of Scottish history, the Highland clans, and Gaelic literature. One must say "Gaelic", rather than "Scottish", literature for the two, though co-existent, are rarely included together in the same anthology, most editors beginning their verse collections with the work of Thomas of Erceldoune or John Barbour.

"With Sword and Harp" is the colourful saga of the great bardic family of MacMhuirrich, once the Irish Ui Dalaidh or O'Daly, and ultimately anglicised to Currie. Descended from the ancient Kings of Ireland, this intellectual dynasty began with the revered 12th Century Cuchonnacht O'Daly "Na Scoil", Ard-Ollamh, Doctor of Poetry. Cuchonnacht's great-grandson, Muiredach O'Daly, who arrived from Ireland in 1213 at the court of Donald of Islay, ancestor of the MacDonald Lords of the Isles, found favour with that powerful Chief and remained to become Chief Bard. From that time until the forfeiture of the Lordship of the Isles in 1493, the history of the MacMhuirrichs closely parallels that of the MacDonalds who reigned secure and supreme in their kingdom in the Western Isles.

In time of peace, the hereditary Sennachie or Chief Bard of the clan was poet, genealogist, herald and historian, the guardian of the *esprit de corps* of the clan, second in rank to the Chief's immediate family. In war, the Bard was aide-de-camp to the Chief, rousing the clansmen to battle, inspiring them with war songs composed for the occasion, and wielding a strong sword with the best. Before the battle of Harlaw in 1411, Lachlan Mor MacMhuirrich incited Clan Donald to heroic deeds with his famed war song which began:

"O children of Conn, remember,
Hardihood in Time of Battle —"

War was definitely the other side of the bardic coin, for the MacMhuirrichs fought beside their Chief in every battle in which the MacDonalds were involved, from Harlaw and Gruinard Bay, to Inverlochy, Killiecrankie and Culloden. The first Scottish MacMhuirrich, Muiredach O'Daly himself, accompanied Donald of Islay on the fifth Crusade in 1217, and Iain MacMhuirrich died fighting alongside the Clanranald MacDonalds on Drumossie Moor on 16th April, 1746.

The Golden Age of Celtic culture for the MacDonalds and the MacMhuirrichs had long been dead when Iain fell at Culloden. It had been struck a mortal blow with the loss of the Lordship of the Isles and when Cathal MacMhuirrich wrote on the deaths of four MacDonald nobles in 1636, it was as though he were keening the funeral elegy for the whole clan:

"The heroes of the Race of Conn are dead
how bitter to our hearts is the grief for them!
We shall not live long after them,
perilous we think it to be bereaved of the brotherhood."

Granted, William Currie of Balilone, the present Chief, has written this book in order to preserve the history of the Curries of Balilone, and hence the family of MacMhuirrich, but there is much in it that transcends the interest of Curries and MacDonalds. It is a story in which the strands of pride and heroism and literary tradition are as closely interwoven as a Celtic design. (E.C.S.)

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Obituaries

MISS M. W. KENYON

In September, 1977, the Society suffered a sad loss in the death of Miss Rita Kenyon whose name will be known to hundreds of members throughout the world.

Miss Kenyon was a founder member who attended Dr. Milligan's first class in Glasgow. She was one of the first teachers for the Society and will be remembered, especially by our older members, for her keen interest in all its activities. She trained many children's teams with outstanding success in Festival work and later became an adjudicator, well known wherever Scottish Country Dancing was included in programmes.

Miss Kenyon taught regularly at our earlier Summer Schools; as a Certificate teacher and as an examiner her patient and painstaking instruction and her kindly criticism and advice will be recalled with gratitude by the many people who owe their success in teaching to her tuition.

For over twenty years she was the Secretary of the Glasgow Branch and was honoured two years ago by being appointed one of their two Honorary Vice-Presidents. Because of increasing ill health she was unable during the last three years to take any active part in the work of the Society, but her keen interest in all our doings was maintained to the end.

Our sympathy goes out to her two sisters who tended her during her prolonged illness.

M.L.R.

MISS DOROTHY MURRAY

Miss Dorothy Murray, one of the founder members of the Carlisle and Border Branch, has died at the age of 84. She took a great interest in all the Branch activities and was President for a number of years. Until the last two years she attended the Highland Ball and most of the monthly dances.

Miss Murray will be sadly missed by all the Branch members and will be remembered for her enthusiasm for Scottish Country Dancing.

M.P.

MRS NANCY SAMUEL

All who knew Nancy Samuel would be shocked to learn of her sudden death in March of this year. For the past fifteen years Nancy was one of that wonderful band of Scottish Country Dance pianists who delight us all each year at Summer School, St Andrews.

For many of those years she played for her cousin, Mrs Gudger — a combination *par excellence!* Many students of past certificate classes will remember her, not only with appreciation for the immense amount of help she gave them, but also with very great affection. For, always smiling, Nancy radiated a warmth which touched everyone. She turned aside no request and her response was unfailingly generous.

" . . . for her bounty

There was no winter in't; an autumn 'twas
That grew the more by reaping."

It's over twenty years now since Nancy first became my pianist and we have been close friends ever since. How fortunate I have been! How keenly I feel her loss now!

But Nancy will long be remembered not only in the Larbert/Falkirk area where her music inspired so many dancers, but also by her many friends in places all over the world. I doubt if Nancy would ask for more.

Our sympathy goes to her husband and family in their great loss.

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Minutes of Annual General Meeting

5th NOVEMBER, 1977

MINUTES of the Forty-eighth Annual General Meeting held on Saturday, 5th November, 1977, at 2.30 p.m. in the Albert Hall, Stirling.

Present—Dr. J. C. Milligan (President), Mr D. Macleod (Chairman), Mr J. Taylor (Vice-Chairman) and an approximate attendance of 368 of whom 115 were delegates.

In the Chair — Dr. J. C. Milligan.

Apologies—Apologies had been received from the Earl of Mansfield, the Duke of Atholl, Sir Herbert Brechin, Lord Hugh M. Douglas-Hamilton, Col. Colin C. Mitchell, Dr. L. R. Currie, Mr H. Barnes (Bedfordshire), Mrs M. Ball (Southport), Miss M. Clavering (Moffat), Mrs F. C. Inglis (Hereford), Miss Gardiner-Jones (Wolverhampton), Miss I. Mundie (Nottingham), Miss M. L. Ross, Mrs J. O. Thomson (Clackmannanshire).

Chairman's Remarks—Dr. Milligan read a message from Her Majesty the Queen who sent her best wishes for the success of the Meeting. Dr. Milligan said that the Queen had been our Patron since a young girl and on becoming Queen had elected to remain Patron of the Society. To mark the Queen's Silver Jubilee and as a token of appreciation of her patronage, delegates sang the National Anthem before continuing with the business of the General Meeting.

Speaking for everyone, Dr. Milligan voiced regret at the death during the year of Miss Rita Kenyon who had been a founder member of the Society and had served for many years as Glasgow Branch Secretary.

The Chairman then asked what was Scottish Country Dancing that it had awakened the interest and the enthusiasm of the whole world. We had several new centres since the last meeting and were now stretching eastwards. She had recently received a letter from Malaysia where a group were being organised and had had a report from the Caribbean of a calypso band enthusiastically playing the 'Hebridean Milking Song' over and over again.

Dr. Milligan said members should think a little more of what they owed to the Society rather than what the Society owed them. The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society provided members with good exercise, pleasant company, courtesy, and with friendship extending from one country to another. Those attending the Summer School at St Andrews were privileged to enter the aura of the soul of Scotland — something not easily found elsewhere. In return, members must become the shop window of the Society — the demonstrators of the tradition of Scottish Country Dancing.

Commenting on the award of the degree of LL.D. granted to her by Aberdeen University, Dr. Milligan said it was given to her for the work done by all members of the Society to keep alive the music, the life and all that was good in the country — the traditions of Scotland. She impressed on the meeting that this was something tremendously worth doing and that they must not be afraid to talk about the Society and to let people know that Scottish Country Dancing required the best one could give if it is to be kept alive. At the same time she stressed that it must be fun.

She was glad to know that there were many children's classes and more local authorities interested in children being taught.

Dr. Milligan said that she hoped, when her days came to an end, that the Lord would allow her to look down from Heaven to see Scottish Country Dancing continuing to bloom and blossom throughout the world.

Dr. Milligan then vacated the Chair which was taken by Mr Duncan Macleod who welcomed delegates to the meeting and in particular those from overseas.

In the Chair — Mr D. Macleod.

Minutes—Dr. Ian Hall (Manchester Branch), seconded by Miss Alice Mann (Dundee Branch), proposed the adoption of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting on 30th October, 1976. The Minutes were unanimously approved.

Appointment of President—Dr. Milligan proposed that the Earl of Mansfield be appointed President. Miss B. A. Nairn (Perth and Perthshire Branch) seconded the motion which was unanimously carried.

It was noted that Dr. Milligan, who had been caretaker President over the past year, would now revert to her permanent appointment of Vice-President in accordance with the Society's Constitution and Rules.

Appointment of Honorary Vice-Presidents—

- Miss M. M. Ross (Forres Branch), seconded by Mrs S. Staples (Royal Tunbridge Wells Branch), moved confirmation of the appointments as Honorary Vice-Presidents of the Society of The Duke of Atholl, Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk, Lieut.-Colonel Colin C. Mitchell, and Sir Herbert Brechin. Confirmation of the appointments was approved unanimously.
- Mr J. Keddie (East Lothian Branch), seconded by Mrs J. M. McKinven (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles Branch), moved that Lord Hugh M. Douglas-Hamilton be appointed an Honorary Vice-President of the Society. This appointment was unanimously approved.
- Dr. Milligan proposed that, in addition to those named on the Agenda, Sir Donald Cameron of Lochiel be appointed an Honorary Vice-President of the Society. Mr J. Taylor (Vice-Chairman) seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

Election of Office-Bearers and Six Members of Executive Council for 1977-78—

- Chairman:** Mr D. Macleod (sole nominee) was duly elected with the unanimous agreement of the delegates.
- Vice-Chairman:** Mr J. Taylor (sole nominee) was duly elected with the unanimous agreement of the delegates. Mr Macleod and Mr Taylor thanked delegates for their trust in them as office-bearers and for their support.
- Election of Six Members to the Executive Council:** The result of the voting for the Six Elected Members was as follows—

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| Dr. A. MacFadyen | 103 votes | } Elected |
| Miss M. Anderson | 98 " | |
| Miss D. Leurs | 89 " | |
| Mr A. Aitkenhead | 86 " | |
| Dr. I. M. Hall | 84 " | |
| Mr W. J. Ireland | 77 " | |
| Miss J. Reid | 63 votes | } Not Elected |
| Miss A. B. Mann | 47 " | |

Adoption of Annual Report—The Secretary presented the Annual Report which had been in the hands of delegates for some weeks. Mr J. C. Douglas (Newcastle-upon-Tyne and District Branch), seconded by Miss N. J. Arnott (Kirkcaldy Branch), moved the adoption of the Annual Report. The report was adopted unanimously.

Adoption of the Annual Accounts and Balance Sheet—Presenting the Annual Accounts of the Society, Mr Taylor said that the Society was in an extremely difficult inflationary period. For the first time in the experience of the Treasurer, which went back some twenty-five years, the Society had a cash flow problem and certain changes in the way the reserves were held would have to be made so that the Society could meet from its own resources the heavy outlay in maintaining stocks of books, records, etc. The main problem was the inflated cost of replacing stock items. Branches could help by paying their accounts and membership subscriptions on the due dates and the other way would come up later on the Agenda — an increase in membership subscription.

Mr Taylor then took delegates through the Accounts. He pointed out that with reduced rates of interest our investment income was likely to decline this year. He drew attention to the sales which had practically doubled this year mainly due to the efforts of the Headquarter Staff; unfortunately the surplus did not reflect the turnover because of the heavy cost of replacements which he had mentioned previously. Administrative costs of running the Society continued to increase.

The year ended with a surplus of £2,376 out of which £400 was allocated towards the cost of new publications and records, and £550 for sending examiners/teachers overseas, leaving £1,519 to be added to the capital account.

He felt it was perhaps optimistic in the estimates for next year to forecast neither a loss nor a profit as the increased membership subscription (if the resolution dealing with this was passed) would not be effective for a further year.

In moving the adoption of the Accounts he paid tribute to the members of the Finance Committee, to the Treasurer, Miss Vaughan, and to the Headquarter Staff and to the Auditor, Miss Matheson.

Mr A. I. K. Baird (North-West Ayrshire) seconded the motion and the Annual Accounts and Balance Sheet were adopted unanimously.

Confirmation of Appointment of Auditor—Confirmation of the Appointment of the Auditor, Miss M. A. Matheson, C.A., was proposed by Mr Alan Greenyer (Worthing Branch), seconded by Mr Robert Mackay (Edinburgh Branch), and approved unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS—

(a) Amendment to Constitution and Rules:

On behalf of the Executive Council Mrs M. G. Parker (Ayr Branch), seconded by Miss F. I. Galway (Belfast Branch), moved that the Constitution and Rules of the Society be amended as follows:

"VI Executive Council — (1) Membership.

Delete sub-para (b) and **insert**:

'The Executive Council shall consist of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman elected annually by the Society in General Meeting, and one representative from each Branch of the Society. The Immediate Past-Chairman shall be a member ex-officio of the Executive Council for one year after demitting office.'

Delete sub-para (d) and re-number (e) and (f) as (d) and (e) respectively.

Sub-para (e) (re-numbered as (d)) — After 'Chairman' in line 6 **delete** ', ' and **insert** 'and'. After 'Vice-Chairman' **delete** 'and six members'.

Sub-para (f) (re-numbered as (e)) — In line 1 after 'Chairman' **delete** ', ' and **insert** 'and'. After 'Vice-Chairman' **delete** 'and six members'."

—In the event of this resolution being carried it will be effective from the Annual General Meeting in 1978.

Mr A. I. K. Baird (Ayrshire North-West Branch) moved the direct negative.

As the result of voting—67 for the resolution and 42 against—did not constitute the two-thirds majority necessary to alter the Constitution, the resolution was defeated.

(b) Membership Subscriptions:

On behalf of the Executive Council Mrs W. Wadsworth (Gatehouse-of-Fleet Branch), seconded by Miss D. A. Paterson (Glasgow Branch), moved:

"that with effect from 1st July, 1978, the Annual Subscription be raised from 60p to £1.00, the subscription being divided in the proportion of 60 per cent. to be retained by the Branch and 40 per cent. to be forwarded to Headquarters.

"Where a Branch starts its financial year prior to, or later than 1st July, the increased subscription will be operative from the start of the Branch financial year in 1978."

Group Captain D. S. Huxley (Leamington Spa Branch), seconded by Mrs A. Murphy (Carlisle and Border Branch), proposed that the resolution be amended as follows:

Delete from "the subscription" to end of first sub-paragraph.

Substitute "the subscription being divided in the proportion of 50 per cent. to be retained by the Branch and 50 per cent. to be forwarded to Headquarters (i.e. retaining the present proportions)."

After some discussion the amendment was put to the vote the result being:

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| For the amendment | 76 |
| Against the amendment | 31 |

The resolution as amended was then put to the meeting and was carried with almost unanimous agreement.

Annual General Meeting 1978—The Chairman confirmed that the Executive Council had accepted the invitation from Glasgow Branch to hold the Annual General Meeting in Glasgow on 4th November, 1978.

Vote of Thanks—Mr D. A. Gray (Bournemouth Branch) proposing the vote of thanks said this occasion had been made possible only by the work of Stirling Branch and in particular by Mr Prentice, the Branch Chairman, Miss Bowie (Secretary), Mrs Rachel Prentice (Treasurer), Mr James Taylor and the Branch Committee. He thanked the MCs and stewards at the dances and the stewards and tellers at the Annual General Meeting itself whose services had enabled everything to run smoothly.

Mr Gray expressed the Society's gratitude to Stirling District Council and the Central Regional Council for their help with accommodation though he was sorry the two dances had to be separated by distance.

On behalf of the Society he acknowledged the hard work done throughout the year by Mr Macleod, Dr. Milligan, Mr Taylor, the Secretary, the Treasurer and by all the members of the Executive Council and he thanked delegates for their presence at the Annual General Meeting. While he regretted that Dr. Milligan was demitting office, Mr Gray said he was very glad indeed to have the Earl of Mansfield as President of the Society.

Close of Meeting—Before closing the meeting, the Chairman said that some Branches had approached him regarding the Queen's Silver Jubilee Fund. He knew that certain Branches had sent donations individually to the Fund but no donation had been made from the Headquarters of the

Society as we could not use Society funds for that purpose. (Money raised by any means such as functions, etc., could be donated to any selected fund provided the purpose had been clearly specified in the first instance). Dr. Milligan had felt that as a Society we should do something. Mr Macleod suggested that Branches might care to send a donation to Headquarters — say, £1 per Branch collected from their members especially for this purpose — and the accumulated contributions could be sent to the Queen's Silver Jubilee Fund in the name of the Society.

The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m.

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WEEK, WEEKEND and DAY SCHOOLS

(Full details from organising Branches)

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| BRISTOL | | 11-12 November |
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| THE HAGUE & DISTRICT | | 8-10 December |
| CHELTENHAM | 1979 | 3-4 February |
| CARLISLE & BORDER | | 10 February |
| SOUTHPORT | | February |
| LORN (Argyll) | | 9-10 March |
| LIVERPOOL | | 10 March |
| ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS | | 24 March |
| ELGIN | | 30-31 March |
| LEEDS | | April |
| NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE | | 6-8 April |
| EDINBURGH | | 21-22 April |
| DUNBARTONSHIRE WEST | | 27-28 April |
| PERTH & PERTHSHIRE | | 6-7 May |
| HEREFORDSHIRE | | 9 June |
| WORTHING | | June |
| MANCHESTER | | 29 September |
| SOUTH WALES | | 29 September |

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WEEKEND

EDINBURGH — 2nd-3rd November, 1979

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THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

BALANCE SHEET
as at 30th JUNE, 1978
 and
RELATIVE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED THAT DATE

| | | |
|-------|-------------------------|------------|
| 2 200 | 20120000 CREDIT BALANCE | 2 000 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 12 80 |
| | 20120000 ... | 108 41 |
| | 20120000 ... | 38 20 |
| | 20120000 ... | 50 81 |
| 1 100 | RECORD FUND | 5 240 00 |
| 1 100 | 20120000 FUND | 15 410 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 2 300 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 5 000 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 22 130 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 12 50 |
| | 20120000 ... | 18 20 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 5 000 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 3 380 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 5 000 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 48 28 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 5 868 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 68 15 00 |
| | 20120000 ... | 134 112 10 |

| | | |
|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| 1 100 00 | 20120000 ... | 1 100 00 |
| 2 00 00 | 20120000 ... | 2 00 00 |
| 1 20 00 | 20120000 ... | 1 20 00 |
| 2 31 12 | 20120000 ... | 2 31 12 |
| 8 200 00 | 20120000 ... | 8 200 00 |
| 1 248 32 | 20120000 ... | 1 248 32 |
| 10 073 35 | 20120000 ... | 10 073 35 |
| 3 702 45 | 20120000 ... | 3 702 45 |
| 1 348 00 | 20120000 ... | 1 348 00 |
| 10 621 00 | 20120000 ... | 10 621 00 |
| 3 482 50 | 20120000 ... | 3 482 50 |
| 302 28 | 20120000 ... | 302 28 |
| 4 128 85 | 20120000 ... | 4 128 85 |
| 4 330 01 | 20120000 ... | 4 330 01 |
| 2 158 95 | 20120000 ... | 2 158 95 |
| 1 826 05 | 20120000 ... | 1 826 05 |
| 2 203 00 | 20120000 ... | 2 203 00 |

BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE 1978

BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1978

| | Liabilities | | | Assets |
|---------|---|-------------|---------|---|
| 1977 | CAPITAL ACCOUNT | | 1977 | HEADQUARTERS |
| | Balance as at 1st July, 1977 | £24,115.79 | | At Cost |
| | Add: Surplus Revenue for the year | 841.21 | | Cost of Alterations |
| £24,116 | | £ 24,957.00 | | £ 5,502.00 |
| | LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND | | | 636.92 |
| | Balance as at 1st July, 1977 | £ 3,663.00 | £ 2,019 | Less: Depreciation to date |
| | Less: Transferred to Revenue | 485.38 | | 4,220.92 |
| 3,663 | | 3,177.62 | | £ 1,918.00 |
| | LONG TERM MEMBERSHIP FUND | | | OFFICE FURNITURE and EQUIPMENT |
| | Balance as at 1st July, 1977 | £ 2,006.75 | | As valued at 30th June, 1954, and additions at cost |
| | Received during the year ... | 3,387.00 | | £ 4,156.62 |
| | | £ 5,393.75 | | Purchased during year ... |
| | Less: Transferred to Revenue | 375.80 | 2,002 | 305.58 |
| 2,007 | | 5,017.95 | | £ 4,462.20 |
| | FEES PAID IN ADVANCE | | | Less: Depreciation to date |
| | Summer School (1978) ... | £45,941.62 | 9,480 | 2,493.20 |
| | Subscriptions and Affiliation Fees | 757.60 | | 1,969.00 |
| 38,439 | | 46,699.22 | | STOCKS (as certified by Treasurer) |
| | RESERVES | | | Music, Books and Records |
| | For Publications, Films and Records | £5,176.00 | | £10,661.00 |
| | Examiners'/Teachers' Overseas Travelling Expenses | 2,000.00 | | Other Sales Stock |
| | General | 5,300.00 | | £ 1,344.00 |
| 11,976 | | 12,476.00 | | 12,005.00 |
| 1,971 | STAFF FUND | 2,549.05 | 30,259 | INVESTMENTS (at cost) |
| | RECORD LIBRARY FUND | | | Investment Trusts |
| 81 | Balance as at 1st July, 1977 | £ 80.91 | | (M.V. £3,015) |
| | Donations received in year ... | 22.50 | | £ 3,605.47 |
| | | 103.41 | | Government Securities |
| | Spent in year | 38.51 | | (M.V. £10,392) |
| | | 64.90 | | 10,021.32 |
| 5,566 | SUNDRY CREDITORS & CREDIT BALANCES | 5,073.28 | 1,971 | Industrial Loan Stock |
| | | | 81 | (M.V. £5,419) |
| | | | 2,237 | 7,643.35 |
| | | | | Corporation Stocks |
| | | | | 8,500.00 |
| | | | | Edinburgh Savings Bank ... |
| | | | | 521.15 |
| | | | | 30,291.29 |
| | | | | STAFF FUND |
| | | | | Investment: Corporation |
| | | | | Stock |
| | | | | £ 750.00 |
| | | | | Bank of Scotland: Deposit |
| | | | | Account |
| | | | | 95.02 |
| | | | | Bank of Scotland: Current |
| | | | | Account |
| | | | | 1,704.03 |
| | | | | 2,549.05 |
| | | | | RECORD LIBRARY FUND Cash at Bank ... |
| | | | | 64.90 |
| | | | | SUNDRY DEBTORS and PREPAYMENTS ... |
| | | | | 2,553.09 |
| | | | | CASH AT BANK and IN HAND |
| | | | | National Savings Bank — |
| | | | | Investment A/c £45,384.27 |
| | | | | Bank of Scotland— |
| | | | | Deposit A/c... 557.35 |
| | | | | £45,941.62 |
| | | | | Bank of Scotland— |
| | | | | Current A/c: |
| | | | | St Andrews ... £ 1.44 |
| | | | | Bank of Scotland— |
| | | | | Current A/c: |
| | | | | Edinburgh ... 2,321.63 |
| | | | | In Hands of |
| | | | | Secretary ... 400.00 |
| | | | | 2,723.07 |
| | | | | 48,664.69 |
| | | | | £100,015.02 |
| | | | | £87,819 |
| | | | | £100,015.02 |

JAMES TAYLOR, Convener,
Finance Committee.

D. M. VAUGHAN, Treasurer.

MARJORIE A. MATHESON, Chartered Accountant.

REVENUE ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1978

| | | | | |
|---------|---|------------|---------|--------------------------------|
| 1977 | ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES | | 1977 | SUBSCRIPTIONS |
| £ 7,586 | Staff Salaries | £ 9,244.67 | | Received from Branches ... |
| 2,734 | Travelling and Meeting Expenses | 2,648.02 | | £ 4,788.65 |
| 1,521 | Printing and Stationery | 1,265.48 | | Paid Direct to Headquarters |
| 2,019 | Telephone and Postage | 1,602.48 | | £ 485.38 |
| 86 | Audit Fee | 110.00 | | Long Term |
| 1,607 | Office Accommodation | 1,582.75 | £ 5,759 | Members |
| 173 | Insurance | 294.40 | 587 | 375.80 |
| 83 | Miscellaneous Expenses | 255.37 | 345 | 861.18 |
| 283 | Repairs and Renewals | 786.67 | | £ 6,657.23 |
| | | £17,789.84 | | AFFILIATION FEES |
| £16,092 | | | | 603.50 |
| 2,509 | Less: Allocated to Summer School | 3,352.41 | | DONATIONS |
| | | | | 313.84 |
| £13,583 | | £14,437.43 | | FEES FROM STUDENTS: |
| | | | | Summer School |
| | | | | (1977) |
| | | | | £39,865.81 |
| | | | | Less: Expenses |
| | | | | 37,519.38 |
| | | | | £ 2,346.43 |
| | | | | Examinations |
| | | | | £ 335.00 |
| | | | | Less: Expenses |
| | | | | 187.86 |

JAMES TAYLOR, Convener,
Finance Committee.
D. M. VAUGHAN, Treasurer.

| | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Investment A/c | £45,384.27 | | |
| Bank of Scotland— | | | |
| Deposit A/c... | 557.35 | | |
| | | | £45,941.62 |
| Bank of Scotland— | | | |
| Current A/c: | | | |
| St Andrews ... | £ 1.44 | | |
| Bank of Scotland— | | | |
| Current A/c: | | | |
| Edinburgh ... | 2,321.63 | | |
| In Hands of | | | |
| Secretary ... | 400.00 | | |
| | | | 2,723.07 |
| | | 39,770 | 48,664.69 |
| <u>£87,819</u> | <u>£100,015.02</u> | <u>£87,819</u> | <u>£100,015.02</u> |

3 HOWE STREET, EDINBURGH EH3. 15th September, 1978.

I have audited the books and accounts of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society for the year ended 30th June, 1978, and have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of my knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of my audit. The foregoing Balance Sheet and Revenue Account which are in accordance with the books of account give in my opinion and to the best of my information and according to the explanations given to me a true and fair view of the state of the Society's affairs as at 30th June, 1978.

MARJORIE A. MATHESON, Chartered Accountant.

REVENUE ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1978

| 1977 | | 1977 | | 1977 | |
|----------------|---|-------------------|--|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| £ 7,586 | ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES | | | | SUBSCRIPTIONS |
| 2,734 | Staff Salaries | £ 9,244.67 | | | Received from Branches ... |
| 1,521 | Travelling and Meeting Ex- | | | | Paid Direct to Headquarters |
| 2,019 | penses | 2,648.02 | | | Life Members |
| 86 | Printing and Stationery ... | 1,265.48 | | | Long Term |
| 1,607 | Telephone and Postage ... | 1,602.48 | | | Members ... |
| 173 | Audit Fee | 110.00 | | | |
| 83 | Office Accommodation ... | 1,582.75 | | £ 5,759 | |
| 283 | Insurance | 294.40 | | 587 | AFFILIATION FEES |
| | Miscellaneous Expenses ... | 255.37 | | 345 | DONATIONS |
| | Repairs and Renewals ... | 786.67 | | | FEES FROM STUDENTS: |
| | | | | | Summer School |
| £16,092 | | £17,789.84 | | | (1977) ... |
| 2,509 | Less: Allocated to Summer | | | | Less: Expenses |
| | School | 3,352.41 | | | |
| | | | | | Examinations |
| £13,583 | | £14,437.43 | | | Less: Expenses |
| 2,164 | BULLETIN | 3,591.11 | | | |
| 220 | EXTENSION WORK OVERSEAS ... | 75.00 | | 5,076 | |
| 1,104 | SUBSCRIPTION COPIES | 1,726.00 | | 2,971 | INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS |
| | AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF: | | | | ROYALTIES: |
| | Furniture and Equipment ... | £ 338.58 | | | Books and Music |
| | Headquarters | 76.00 | | 617 | SURPLUS ON SALE OF PUBLICATIONS ... |
| 391 | Alterations to Headquarters | 25.00 | | 3,212 | SURPLUS ON SALES |
| | | 439.58 | | 571 | RENT RECEIVABLE |
| | | | | 700 | |
| | | 20,269.12 | | | |
| 2,376 | BALANCE, being surplus revenue for the year | 1,841.21 | | | |
| <u>£19,838</u> | | <u>£22,110.33</u> | | <u>£19,838</u> | <u>£22,110.33</u> |

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1978

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---|------------|--|---------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| £ 400 | ALLOCATION for Publications and Records | £ — | | £ 2,376 | BALANCE, brought down | £ 1,841.21 |
| 500 | ALLOCATION for Overseas Travelling Ex- | | | 44 | GAIN on sale of Investment | — |
| | penses | 500.00 | | | | |
| | ALLOCATION for Staff Fund | 500.00 | | | | |
| 1,520 | BALANCE, carried to Balance Sheet ... | 841.21 | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| £ 2,420 | | £ 1,841.21 | | £ 2,420 | | £ 1,841.21 |

PUBLICATIONS ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1978

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---|------------|--|---------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| £ 7,284 | STOCK in hand 1st July, 1977 | £ 7,979.00 | | £ 9,112 | SALES of Books, Records and Tapes ... | £10,831.97 |
| 6,398 | PURCHASES | 6,997.43 | | 7,979 | STOCK in Hand at 30th June, 1978 ... | 10,661.00 |
| 198 | DISTRIBUTION and CARRIAGE CHARGES | 480.15 | | | | |
| 3,211 | SURPLUS transferred to Revenue Account... | 6,036.39 | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| £17,091 | | £21,492.97 | | £17,091 | | £21,492.97 |

SALES ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1978

| | | | | | | |
|---------|--|------------|--|---------|---|------------|
| £ 3,142 | STOCK in hand 1st July, 1977 | £ 1,501.00 | | £ 2,211 | SALES of Ties, Scarves and Notelets ... | £ 3,352.25 |
| 570 | PURCHASES | 2,441.40 | | 1,501 | STOCK in Hand at 30th June, 1978 ... | 1,344.00 |
| | SURPLUS transferred to Revenue Account ... | 753.85 | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| £ 3,712 | | £ 4,696.25 | | £ 3,712 | | £ 4,696.25 |

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

INVESTMENTS as at 30th JUNE, 1978

| 1. Corporation Loans | | Investment Made | Rate of Interest | Repayable | Cost |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|
| City of Edinburgh | 2568 (renewed) | 4.8.72 | 9½% | 11.11.81 | £2,000 |
| do. | 3615 " | 27.1.75 | 11¾% | 15. 5.80 | 2,000 |
| do. | 4761 " | 24.5.76 | 11 % | 30. 9.79 | 2,500 |
| Thurrock Borough Council | 21450 | 30.6.78 | 11½% | 4. 7.82 | 2,000 |
| | | | | | <u>£8,500</u> |
| 2. Government Securities | | Purchased | | | |
| £3,500 | 8¼% Treasury Stock 1987/90 | (M.V. £2,765) | June 1973 | £2,996 | |
| £1,500 | 9 % Treasury Stock 1980 | (M.V. 1,455) | March 1976 | 1,457 | |
| £2,000 | 7¾% Treasury Stock 1985/88 | (M.V. 1,595) | March 1976 | 1,525 | |
| £2,340 | 12½% Treasury Loan 1993 | (M.V. 2,299) | Decr. 1976 | 1,996 | |
| £2,170 | 12½% Greater London Stock 1982 | (M.V. 2,278) | Decr. 1976 | 2,048 | |
| | | | | | <u>£10,022</u> |
| 3. Industrial Loan Stocks | | | | | |
| BOOTS PURE DRUG CO. LTD. | | | | | |
| £2,000 | 6% Unsecured Loan Stock 1978/83 | (M.V. £1,590) | May 1966 | £1,746 | |
| COURTAULDS LTD. | | | | | |
| £1,300 | 5½% Unsecured Loan Stock 1994/96 | (M.V. 604) | Oct. 1967 | 1,001 | |
| COATS PATONS LTD. | | | | | |
| £1,000 | 7½% Unsecured Loan Stock 1990/95 | (M.V. 605) | Nov. 1967 | 1,012 | |
| ASSOCIATED PORTLAND CEMENT MANUFACTURERS LTD. | | | | | |
| £1,000 | 7% Debenture Stock 1988/93 | (M.V. 655) | Oct. 1967 | 977 | |
| IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. | | | | | |
| £1,000 | 7½% Unsecured Loan Stock 1986/91 | (M.V. 655) | Oct. 1967 | 1,011 | |
| TURNER & NEWALL LTD. | | | | | |
| £2,000 | 8% Unsecured Loan Stock 1987/92 | (M.V. 1,310) | Jan. 1968 | 1,896 | |
| | | | | | <u>£7,643</u> |
| 4. Investment Trusts | | | | | |
| BRITISH ASSETS TRUST | | | | | |
| 1,500 | Ordinary Shares of 25p each | (M.V. £1,125) | Mar. 1973 | £1,273 | |
| SCOTTISH NORTHERN INVESTMENT TRUST | | | | | |
| 1,000 | Ordinary Shares of 25p each | (M.V. 980) | Mar. 1973 | 1,217 | |
| GLENDEVON INVESTMENT TRUST | | | | | |
| 1,000 | Ordinary Shares of 25p each | (M.V. 910) | Mar. 1973 | 1,115 | |
| | | | | | <u>£3,605</u> |
| 5. Edinburgh Savings Bank | | | | | |
| | | | | | 521 |
| | | | | | <u>£30,292</u> |
| 6. Staff Fund | | | | | |
| City of Edinburgh Bond No. 1642 (renewed) | | 3.4.70 | 11¾% | 15. 5.81 | £ 750 |

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

for the year ending 30th JUNE, 1979

| Income: | 1978/79 |
|--|----------------|
| Subscriptions | £ 8,500 |
| Affiliation Fees | 750 |
| Donations | — |
| Royalties | 400 |
| Investment Income | 3,500 |
| Fees and Courses (less expenses) | 3,000 |
| Surplus on Sales | 6,750 |
| Miscellaneous Receipts (including rent) | 600 |
| | <u>£23,500</u> |
| Expenditure: | |
| Staff Salaries | £10,000 |
| Cost of Meetings, including travelling expenses | 2,900 |
| Printing and Stationery | 1,400 |
| Postage and Telephone | 1,750 |
| Office Accommodation | 1,700 |
| Audit Fee | 125 |
| Insurance | 325 |
| Repairs and Decorations | 400 |
| Miscellaneous | 250 |
| | <u>£18,850</u> |
| Less: Allocated to Summer School 1978 | 3,750 |
| | <u>£15,100</u> |
| Subscription Copies | 2,100 |
| Bulletin | 4,200 |
| Examination Expenses (less fees) | 200 |
| Extension Work Overseas | 500 |
| Examiners'/Teachers' Overseas Travel | 500 |
| Depreciation | 400 |
| | <u>£23,000</u> |
| Staff Fund | 500 |
| | <u>£23,500</u> |

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