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THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

BALANCE SHEET

as at 30th JUNE, 1980

AND

RELATIVE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED ON THAT DATE

BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1980

	Liabilities			Assets
1979	CAPITAL ACCOUNT		1979	HEADQUARTERS
	Balance as at 1st July 1979	£26,658.84		At Cost
	Add: Surplus Revenue for the year	2,344.35	£ 1,822	Less: Depreciation to date
£ 26,659		£ 29,003.19		£ 1,732.00
	LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND			OFFICE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT
	Balance as at 1st July 1979	£ 2,748.36		As valued at 30th June 1954, and additions to date (at cost)
2,748	Less: Transferred to Revenue	366.27	1,723	Less: Depreciation to date
		2,382.09		2,893.00
	LONG TERM MEMBERSHIP FUND			INVESTMENTS
	Balance as at 1st July 1979	£ 6,488.98		Government Securities (M.V. £10,056)
	Received during the year...	4,340.00		Corporation Stocks
		£10,828.98		Industrial Loan Stock (M.V. £5,472)
6,489	Less: Transferred to Revenue	790.32	10,038.66	Investments Trusts (M.V. £3,674)
		18,581.80	32,321	Edinburgh Savings Bank ...
	RESERVES			Standard Property Investment Co. Ltd.
	For Publication Films and Records less spent in year	£ 8,281.80		36,746.04
	Overseas Travelling Expenses	4,000.00		STOCK (as valued by Treasurer)
14,582	General	6,300.00	12,892	Music Books and Records... £12,326.00
		70,477.61		Ties, Scarves, etc.
	FEES PAID IN ADVANCE			15,116.00
	Summer School (1980) ...	£69,136.61		SUMMER SCHOOL (1980)
	Subscriptions and Affiliation Fees	1,341.00		Standard Property Investment Co. Ltd.
57,628		70,477.61		Bank of Scotland Deposit Account
4,370	SUNDRY CREDITORS & CREDIT BALANCES	2,731.83		£69,136.61
£112,476		£133,215.18		SUNDRY DEBTORS and PREPAYMENTS
	JEAN MILLIGAN MEMORIAL FUND			CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND
	Balance as at 1st July 1979	£ 6,204.31	56,835	Bank of Scotland Current Account
	Donations received during year	7,422.00	3,499	In Hands of Officials ...
	Interest	781.80		1,983.09
	Less Grants:			£133,215.18
	Scholarship	£396.00		JEAN MILLIGAN MEMORIAL FUND
	Pianists' Course	385.80	3,384	Bank of Scotland Deposit Account... ..
6,204		13,626.31		13,626.31
	STAFF FUND			STAFF FUND
	Balance as at 1st July 1979	£ 2,735.47	£112,476	Investments
	Interest	312.99		Current Account
	Allocation	500.00	6,204	Sundry Debtor... ..
2,736		3,548.46		3,548.46
	JAMES TAYLOR, Convener, Finance Committee.			£150,389.95
	D. M. VAUGHAN, Treasurer.		2,736	£121,416
£121,416		£150,389.95	£121,416	£150,389.95

3 HOWE STREET, EDINBURGH EH3. 16th September, 1980.

I have audited the books and accounts of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society for the year ended 30th June, 1980, 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, 1980.

MARJORIE A. MATHESON, Chartered Accountant.

REVENUE ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1980

1979	To ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		1979	By SUBSCRIPTIONS
£10,206	Staff Salaries	£12,523.27		Received from Branches ...
3,098	Travelling and Meeting Expenses	4,412.89		Paid Direct to Headquarters
1,463	Printing and Stationery ...	1,955.95		Life Members
1,617	Telephone and Postage ...	1,903.07		Long Term Members
125	Audit Fee	140.00		790.32
2,023	Office Accommodation ...	2,168.98	£ 9,456	1,156.59
368	Insurance	405.30	638	£ 12,090.09
289	Repairs and Renewals ...	1,042.64	130	AFFILIATION FEES
259	Miscellaneous Expenses ...	344.30		DONATIONS
£19,448		£24,896.40		141.28
3,706	Less: Allocated to Summer School	6,077.70		FEES FROM STUDENTS:
£15,742		£ 18,818.70		Summer School (1979) ...
4,185	BULLETIN	5,411.80		Less: Expenses
510	EXTENSION WORK OVERSEAS	(33.30)	4,079	3,911.02
961	EXAMINERS/TEACHERS' OVERSEAS TRAVEL	—	4,013	Examinations
1,025	SUBSCRIPTION COPIES	2,174.39		Less: Expenses
	AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF:			(112.76)
	Furniture and Equipment ...	£ 413.25		3,798.26
	Headquarters	68.00		5,961.19
	Alterations to Headquarters	22.00		INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS
342		503.25		ROYALTIES:
4,202	BALANCE, being surplus revenue for the year	6,801.36		Books and Music
£26,967		£33,676.20	£26,967	SURPLUS ON SALE OF PUBLICATIONS ...
				SURPLUS ON SALES
				RENT RECEIVABLE
				600.00

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1980

	To PROVISION—		£ 4,202	By BALANCE brought down	£6,801.36
£ 2,000	For Film Production	£1,500.00		GAIN on redemption of investment	42.99
500	For Overseas Travelling Expenses	1,000.00			
—	For Extension Work Overseas	500.00			
—	For General Reserve	1,000.00			
—	For Staff Fund	500.00			
1,702	BALANCE, carried to Balance Sheet... ..	2,344.35			
<u>£ 4,202</u>		<u>£ 6,844.35</u>	<u>£ 4,202</u>		<u>£ 6,844.35</u>

PUBLICATIONS ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1980

£10,661	To STOCK in hand 1st July 1979	£11,684.00	£13,379	By SALES of Books, Records and Tapes ...	£15,334.94
8,551	PURCHASES	9,638.77	1,025	SUBSCRIPTION COPIES	2,174.39
439	DISTRIBUTION AND CARRIAGE CHARGES	270.87	11,684	STOCK in hand at 30th June 1980	12,326.00
6,437	SURPLUS transferred to REVENUE A/c ...	8,241.69			
<u>£26,088</u>		<u>£29,835.33</u>	<u>£26,088</u>		<u>£29,835.33</u>

SALES ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 30th JUNE, 1980

£ 1,344	To STOCK in hand at 1st July 1979	£ 1,208.00	£ 4,218	By SALES of Ties, Scarves, Cards and	
3,202	PURCHASES	4,413.55		Notelets	£ 3,829.32
880	SURPLUS transferred to REVENUE A/c ...	997.77	1,208	STOCK in hand at 30th June 1980... ..	2,790.00
<u>£ 5,426</u>		<u>£ 6,619.32</u>	<u>£ 5,426</u>		<u>£ 6,619.32</u>

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

INVESTMENTS as at 30th JUNE, 1980

	Investment Made	Rate of Interest	Repayable	Cost
1. Corporation Loans				
City of Edinburgh 2568 (renewed)	4. 8.72	9½%	11.11.81	£2,000
do 3615 "	27. 1.75	14½%	15. 5.85	2,000
Thurrock Borough Council 21450	30. 6.78	11½%	4. 7.82	2,000
Knowsley Borough Council	1.10.79	12½%	9.10.84	2,500
				<u>£8,500</u>
2. Government Securities			Purchased	
£3,500 8½% Treasury Stock 1987/90	(M.V. £2,686)		June 1973	£2,996
£1,520 14½% Treasury Loan 1994	(M.V. 1,641)		March 1980	1,495
£2,000 7¾% Treasury Stock 1985/88	(M.V. 1,450)		March 1976	1,525
£2,170 12½% Greater London Stock 1982	(M.V. 2,115)		Decr. 1976	2,048
£2,340 12½% Treasury Loan 1993	(M.V. 2,164)		Decr. 1976	1,996
				<u>£10,060</u>
3. Industrial Loan Stocks				
BOOTS PURE DRUG CO. LTD. £2,000 6% Unsecured Loan Stock 1978/83	(M.V. £1,610)		May 1966	£1,746
COURTAULDS LTD. £1,300 5½% Unsecured Loan Stock 1994/96	(M.V. 617)		Oct. 1967	1,001
COATS PATONS LTD. £1000 7½% Unsecured Loan Stock 1990/95	(M.V. 595)		Nov. 1967	1,012
BLUE CIRCLE INDUSTRIES LTD. £1,000 7% Debenture Stock 1988/93	(M.V. 685)		Oct. 1967	977
IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES LTD. £1,000 7¼% Unsecured Loan Stock 1986/91	(M.V. 675)		Oct. 1967	1,011
TURNER & NEWALL LTD. £2,000 8% Unsecured Loan Stock 1987/92	(M.V. 1,290)		Jan. 1968	1,896
				<u>£7,643</u>
4. Investment Trusts				
BRITISH ASSETS TRUST 1,500 Ordinary Shares of 25p each	(M.V. £1,267)		Mar. 1973	£1,273
SCOTTISH NORTHERN INVESTMENT TRUST 1,500 Ordinary Shares of 25p each	(M.V. 1,432)		Mar. 1973	1,217
MURRAY GLENDEVON INVESTMENT TRUST 1,000 Ordinary Shares of 25p each	(M.V. 975)		Mar. 1973	1,115
				<u>£3,605</u>
5. Edinburgh Savings Bank				£ 618
6. Standard Property Investment Co. Ltd.				£6,320
			Total	<u>£36,746</u>
7. Staff Fund				
City of Edinburgh Bond No. 1642	3.4.70	11¼%	15.5.81	£ 750
£1,000 12¼% Exchequer Stock 1992	(M.V. £951)	8.8.78	25.2.92	1,004
Bank of Scotland Deposit Account				1,232
				<u>£2,986</u>
8. Jean Milligan Memorial Fund				
Bank of Scotland Deposit Account				<u>£13,626</u>

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

for the Year Ending 30th JUNE, 1981

Income:	
Subscriptions ...	£15,500
Affiliation Fees ...	800
Royalties ...	800
Donations ...	—
Investment Income ...	5,000
Fees and Courses (less expenses) ...	2,000
Surplus on Sales ...	8,500
Miscellaneous Receipts (including Rent) ...	600
	<u>£33,200</u>
Expenditure:	
Staff Salaries ...	£15,000
Cost of Meetings, including travelling expenses ...	4,700
Printing and Stationery ...	2,150
Postage and Telephone ...	2,200
Office Accommodation ...	2,600
Audit Fee ...	210
Insurance ...	450
Repairs and Decorations ...	750
Miscellaneous ...	250
	<u>£28,310</u>
Less: Allocated to Summer School 1980 ...	7,750
	<u>20,560</u>
Subscription Copies ...	2,700
Bulletin ...	6,500
Examination Expenses (less fees) ...	(110)
Extension Work Overseas ...	1,000
Examiners/Teachers' Overseas Travel ...	1,000
Sundries ...	500
	<u>32,150</u>
SURPLUS TO MEET CONTINGENCIES ...	1,050
	<u>£33,200</u>

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ANNUAL REPORT

The pressure of work at Headquarters—perhaps too much at times—has nevertheless been a very good sign of the Society's vitality and growth and indeed there appears to have been increased activity overall.

Membership. It was very apparent when we ran out of subscription copies (Book 29) at HQ and had to appeal to Branches with a surplus to return them to HQ, that membership had greatly increased during 1979-80. Membership has reached a total of 25,366 this year as compared to 23,290 last year. This year's figures are composed of 17,297 annual (16,757 last year), 2599 Long Term and 5470 Life Members. This last figure, however, contains around 885 members with whom contact has been lost—232 HQ members and 653 Branch members. We are making a start this year to publish in the Bulletin names and last known addresses of some of these in the hope of re-establishing contact and shall do a number each year in the hope of tidying up this area of ambiguity and arriving at a more realistic membership figure. Anyone with any information regarding these members should contact the Secretary. Nevertheless, even discounting the 'lost legion' there is a considerable increase in membership.

In spite of the fact that Branches were informed in January that an increase in membership fees would be effective from 1st July and that no Long Term Memberships at the old rate would be accepted after 30th June, there was a last minute rush for Long Term Memberships and inevitably some were not in time.

Branches. Birthday greetings go this year to London Branch on their 50th Anniversary and to Sheffield and Tees-side Branches on their 25th Anniversary.

Approval was given by the Executive Council during the year under review for the formation of Kingston (Ontario) Branch, Buffalo (New York) Branch and Detroit Branch—the last named being the first Branch to be formed in Michigan. We warmly welcome these Branches to the 'family' and hope that they will have a successful future; as all have grown out of well established and thriving affiliated groups success would seem to be assured. This again allows us to report an increase in Branches to a total of 128 (82 Home, 46 Overseas) and we have one Teachers' Association in Canada.

In reading Branch Reports one is impressed with the very satisfactory level of activity in most Branches; Demonstration Teams abound and even those Branches not admitting to a Team still seem to go forth and demonstrate their presence in the area. Again—and very important for our future—918 junior associates are claimed though many Branches holding classes for children have no junior associates. 29 Home and 5 Overseas Branches hold classes specially for children.

Affiliated Groups. Thirty-nine applications for affiliation to the Society were approved during the year. Inevitably one or two have ceased to exist and at 30th June the total number of groups affiliated to the Society was 367—another increase over last year.

Examinations. During the year examinations were held at Summer School and in London, Pevensey Bay, Bristol, Wellington (NZ), Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Birmingham and in Callander Park, Craiglockhart, Aberdeen, Moray House and Dunfermline Colleges of Education. In the Preliminary Test 148 passed and 23 failed and in the Teacher's Certificate 66 passed and 16 failed.

An Examiners' Seminar was held on 8th September, 1979, from which emerged recommendations regarding administration, syllabuses, training, examination procedure and future planning. Examiners from overseas who could not attend were kept informed.

Under the Convenership of Miss Margaret H. Anderson, the Examinations Committee met three times during the year and in addition to routine business the recommendations from the Seminar were considered. Some of these have already been put into practice—e.g. the new administrative procedure—while others are still under consideration. The Committee received complaints of falling standards and in all its deliberations has borne in mind the necessity of maintaining standards. Consequently, it has been maintained that before appointment examiners must have taught both Preliminary Test and Teacher's Certificate Classes and have attended examinations at Summer School. In view of certain misapprehensions which came to light, a note was sent to Branches regarding the status of the Preliminary Test, which all holders of a Preliminary Test Pass should have seen by now. With the ruling published in last year's Bulletin that two years must elapse between passing the Preliminary Test and the examination for the Teacher's Certificate and the decisions reiterated this year, it is hoped that teaching standards will be maintained at a high level and, in turn, be reflected in classes.

Contact was made with all Regional Advisers in Physical Education with a view to increasing interest in the Society's examinations and work. It was decided to maintain the practice of sending examiners to North America every second year and a useful exchange of views on procedure was effected with the TAC who act as very helpful co-ordinators.

The Committee decided that a tape of the syllabus dances for both examinations should be produced to help classes where no pianist was available. At present endeavour is being made to improve the quality of the reproductions before they are made available generally.

Publications. Under the Convenership of Mr Duncan Macleod the Publications Committee met four times during the year. In addition a sub-committee met on 4th January to supervise the production of the record for Book 1—in accordance with the accepted policy of going back to the earlier books when there is no new book being published. Reports so far indicate that this will be a very popular record.

The Publications Committee covered a great deal of work this year. In addition to amending Miss Milligan's Miscellany Vol. II ready for re-printing, the Committee produced five new leaflets which went on sale at Summer School in addition to the Queen Victoria's Visit Quadrilles (collected by Mrs Cramb). Devisers of the new leaflets were George S. Emmerson, Bob Campbell (both Canada), Roy Goldring and Derek Haynes (England) and Mina Corson (Scotland). (See Publications list elsewhere in the Bulletin). The Society thanks the devisers of the dances and the composers/arrangers of the music for the gift of copyright.

Already the Committee have completed the selection of dances and music for Book 30 so that there is time to seek alternative quotations with a view to keeping costs down; we were faced with steep rises in printing this year. After some consideration the Committee decided once again to invite Bobby Crowe and his Band to record the music for the new book.

Looking ahead, the Committee have earmarked three leaflet dances for 1981 (devisers May Brown (Australia), George S. Emmerson (Canada) and John Drewry (Scotland)). Some work remains to be done in this respect during 1980-81. Another decision in response to numerous requests, was to produce a book specially for children in 1982, and a start has been made with the selection of one or two suitable dances. So not only has the 1979-80 Committee been well-occupied but they have also set down a schedule of work for their successors.

The decision to make an instructional film, taken in 1978-79, was left to the current committee to implement. Mr Duncan Macleod was appointed Convener of a small sub-committee with Dr Alastair MacFadyen and Mrs Johan MacLean co-opted. The film is being made with the co-

operation of the Audio-Visual Media Department of Jordanhill College of Education, Glasgow, and it is anticipated that it will be completed in the Autumn. We are greatly indebted to the Scottish Sports Council for the financial contribution they have made to assist us in the production of the film and I have no doubt that the Finance Convener will be elaborating on this in his report to the Annual General Meeting.

Throughout the year Dr MacFadyen and Miss Adams have continued with the task of preparing a biography of Dr Jean C. Milligan.

A publicity leaflet giving a brief history of the Society, list of publications and space for local Branch details was made available to Branches free. In spite of this only a few Branches have taken advantage of the offer. Small Branches could make good use of the pamphlet which is attractively printed, to increase membership; supplies are available from Headquarters for only the cost of the postage.

The number of accessories available to members is vastly increased this year and a list appears elsewhere in the Bulletin. By various requests, the badges for children have been produced and it is hoped that Branches with Junior Associates or with Children's Classes will make use of these to help children identify themselves with Scottish Country Dancing.

General. The General Purposes Committee at its three meetings under the Convenership of the Chairman of the Society dealt with various aspects of the Society's affairs among which was the Jean Milligan Memorial Fund, details of which are on another page. The Committee has been gratified by the very good response from individuals, groups and branches several of whom have given more than once. Offers to host Annual General Meetings were received from Glasgow (1984) and Dundee (1985). The Committee had the task of reviewing the Society's Constitution in readiness for a reprint. A sub-committee first went over the Constitution considering at the same time recommendations put forward by Branches. Thereafter the General Purposes Committee as a whole considered possible amendments and put their recommendations to the Executive Council. The results of their labours are to be considered by the AGM 1980.

Under the General Purposes Committee arrangements were made with the Saltire Society for a joint reception to be given to Miss Allie Anderson of Edinburgh in acknowledgment of her contribution to the work of the Society and the cultural heritage of Scotland.

Summer School. The Summer School Committee met in November 1979 and in August 1980. With no new traditional book being published this year it was decided by the Committee that while priorities for acceptance would in the main remain the same, special consideration would be given to beginners and those who were applying for the first time. An innovation this year was the substitution for social dancing in University Hall on the day of assembly, with a reception in Younger Hall so that everyone could meet each other and the staff and be formally welcomed while at the same time enjoying informal dancing.

The Jean Milligan Scholarships were awarded this year to Miss Amy S. Dean of Atlanta Branch (attending the Teacher's Certificate Class) and to Miss Fiona J. Newton of Croydon Branch, attending the Preliminary Test Class).

It is regrettable that it was not possible to offer residential vacancies to all who applied and though non-residential vacancies were available not all members wished to attend as such with the result that some were disappointed. However, we anticipate having more accommodation next year and trust that we shall be able to accommodate in residence all who wish to attend Summer School.

Attendance at this year's Summer School was only marginally less than last year with a total of 863 students attending (459 for the whole course

and 394 for one week) with an average of around 328 per week. Places were allotted to students from the following countries of residence:

Australia	11	Malaysia	1
Austria	1	The Netherlands	28
Belgium	5	New Zealand	4
Canada	32	Saudi Arabia	2
Denmark	9	South Africa	2
Eire	3	Spain	5
France	33	Switzerland	4
Germany	58	Sweden	37
Hong Kong	2	U.K.	548
Italy	2	U.S.A.	66
Japan	7		
Kenya	1		
Korea	2		
		Total	863

Headquarters. We have had special difficulties at Headquarters during the year. Having recruited a full-time office assistant in October, we had thought to find life easier but the work load continued to increase. Mrs Hall, our Cashier, was far from well towards the end of the year and at the beginning of February went into hospital. Very sadly she died on 28th March, 1980. She had been with the Society for some six years and was a most competent member of staff and a very good colleague with quite a sense of fun which made it a joy to work with her. She has been greatly missed and we should like to take this opportunity of thanking those who sent us letters of sympathy. Her daughter, Mrs Morgan, has asked us also to thank everyone who wrote to her at that time—she much appreciated the expressions of condolence.

Miss Mary Wilkie joined us at the end of April to replace Mrs Hall, but left at the end of August and Mrs Edgar who found herself unable to fulfil her contract to work at Summer School left in July. Mrs Ray Wallace was promoted to Assistant Secretary on 1st May.

The total staff of the Society at time of writing is:

Miss M. M. Gibson—Secretary—Full Time.
Mrs S. Wallace—Assistant Secretary—Part Time.
Miss D. M. Vaughan—Treasurer.
Mrs Cornelius—Office Cleaner.

Annual General Meeting. The 1980 Annual General Meeting will take place in Aberdeen on 31st October and 1st November, 1980, when Aberdeen Branch will act as hosts

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Norfolk Gardens, Bradford

7, 8, 9 Nov.

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The Kyoto and Osaka Scottish Dance Club in Japan held a Scottish Dance Christmas Party on 23rd December, 1979, at the Settsu City Fukushi Kaikan Hall from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Around sixty members had a thoroughly good time and they sent a group photograph flanked by the Scottish Saltire on one side and the flag of Japan on the other.

Then, a few days later, a rather unique party was held in Edinburgh when the Sharp family (Genie, Freddie and Alex) from the U.S.A., Bob Millar, from Canada, and Bill Hamilton, Edinburgh, combined to hold a Hogmanay Party for their friends. They too, sent us a delightful photograph with flags very much in evidence representing their three countries.

Into the New Year and we received news of another Scottish Country Dance Party in Hong Kong organised by Mr Lo Man Yui (Andy) when over 200 attended. The Queen's Ghurka Engineers dancing team performed Sword Dances to the accompaniment of their pipes and drums. Again, we received several very interesting photographs of the Ghurkas and of the many young people participating in the Scottish Country Dances.

We are always delighted to hear of "special occasions" and though space may prevent us from reproducing in the Bulletin the lovely photographs we receive, they are not wasted as they go to join many others in the Society's pictorial history. These photographs will provide for later generations of dancers a visual record of the Society's expansion and its world-wide family.

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Affiliated Groups should note that candidates for training courses leading to the Preliminary Test and the Teacher's Certificate of the Society would be welcome from Affiliated Groups. Details of the examination syllabuses, etc., may be obtained from the Secretary, RSCDS, 12 Coates Crescent, Edinburgh EH3 7AF.

DEATH OF LADY MONDEGREEN

In a 1954 "Harper's Magazine" article "The Death of Lady Mondegreen", by Sylvia Wright, Miss Wright recalled a Scottish ballad, "The Bonny Earl of Murray" from Thomas Percy's "Reliques of Ancient English Poetry", which sounded to her like this:

Ye Highlands and ye Lowlands,
Oh, where hae ye been?
They hae slain the Earl Amurray,
And Lady Mondegreen.

She envisioned the bonny Earl holding the beautiful Lady Mondegreen's hand both bleeding profusely, but faithful unto death. "By now", Miss Wright wrote, "several of you more alert readers are jumping up and down in your impatience to interrupt and point out that, according to the poem, after they killed the Earl of Murray, they laid him on the green. I know about this, but I won't give in to it. Leaving him to die all alone without even anyone to hold his hand—I won't have it".

Published in the New York Branch's "Scottish Country Dancer" in December, 1979, this delightful extract is surely worthy of a wider audience.

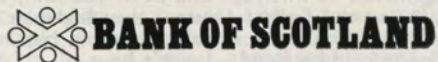
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EXPORTS TO ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

Branch Reports—Home

Aberdeen. Membership: 184 Annual, 13 Long Term, 130 Life. Classes per week: 6 Adult, 6 Children. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch classes were well attended and with that and the very reasonable weather this winter seemed to fly past. The Demonstration Class, though short of numbers, kept up a heavy programme throughout the year. The North East of Scotland Music Festival, at the end of the Winter session, saw the Children's Classes well represented and the Adult Advanced Class won three trophies.

Social dancing is very much on the increase in the area. The year ended with the Annual Ball which was thoroughly enjoyed by the 84 dancers who attended.

Annan. Membership: 39 Annual, 5 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Under the guidance of the new teacher, Mrs Nicholl, the Branch had a successful year, classes now being held in a bigger hall to cater for an increase in membership. The Christmas Party on 11th December was enjoyed not only by Branch members but by some twenty dancers from Dumfriesshire.

Ayr. Membership: 125 Annual, 24 Long Term, 80 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 8 Junior/Young Senior. Demonstration Team available.

The Demonstration Team enjoyed their visit to Mehun in France where they were enthusiastically received. A highly successful Weekend School was held in September based on Alloway which proved an excellent location with the Burns' background providing something a little different. The combined Junior classes Country Dance Party proved a (more or less) controlled riot with approximately 150 Juniors and Young Seniors attending; this is becoming one of the highlights of the Branch year. The Branch were delighted when their Branch Hon. President, Mrs Margaret Parker, was elected Vice-Chairman of the Parent Society and were gratified to know that she was as deservedly popular elsewhere as she was with the Branch.

Ayrshire North West. Membership: 165 Annual, 1 Long Term, 14 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 6 Children. Demonstration Team available.

The year was deemed successful in spite of a drop in membership. The Adult Class continued well and enjoyed the tuition of three visiting teachers—Mr Aitkenhead, Dr MacFadyen and Miss Church during the year. Both Adult and Children's Teams entered Ayr Festival, gaining excellent results, and the Demonstration Team were kept busy. Two dances, a New Year Ball and an Easter Ball were all social successes. The Branch were honoured to have Mr James Taylor, Chairman of the Society, and his wife, as guests at the January Ball.

Banffshire. Membership: 115 Annual, 5 Long Term, 12 Life. Classes per week: 6.

Membership has again increased this year and all classes were well attended with a gratifying number of young people interested. The Branch 50th Anniversary was marked with a very successful Weekend in October with a Day School under the guidance of Mr Neil Grant (Forres) and a Dinner Dance on Saturday evening at which Mr and Mrs Duncan McLeod were the guests of honour.



At Banffshire Branch 50th Anniversary Dinner and Dance—(left to right) Mr S. Morrison (President), Mrs Morrison, Mrs J. Mair (Secretary/Treasurer), Mrs Davidson (Founder Member), Mr D. Macleod, Mrs J. Bain (Vice-President), Mrs Macleod.

Bath: Membership: 126 Annual, 14 Life. Classes per week: 4 Adult, 1 Junior.

Branch membership increased and classes (organised through the Adult Education Department) were organised for beginners and for those at intermediate and advanced levels. The Juniors gave an accomplished display at the Autumn Informal Dance and are indebted to Erica Archer for her expert and patient tuition. Two dances and a Ball were held throughout the season—all social successes and financially profitable over all.

Bedfordshire. Membership: 73 Annual, 8 Long Term, 9 Life. Classes per week: 4 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration Team available.

This proved another successful year with an appreciable increase in membership. The senior class has a new teacher and whilst the Branch wish him well, they acknowledge the guidance and help given by Harold Barnes over the years, and wish him good fortune in his new venture.

The children's class has grown in strength and support and the quarterly socials are well supported. A new venture for the Branch is a Scottish Dance Festival held in Bedford in association with a Local Authority organised River Festival. This was a successful day which the Branch hope to repeat.

Belfast. Membership: 204 Annual, 8 Long Term, 17 Life. Classes per week: 4. Demonstration Team available.

Due to government cut-backs new venues had to be found at short notice for some classes but these difficulties were surmounted and great

enjoyment was had from many extra social events run to help cover additional expenses incurred. Mrs Norah Dunn was guest teacher at the October Weekend School; great interest was also engendered at the weekend by the BBC who came to make a recording about Scottish Dancing and the Branch, for a local programme. This was subsequently heard over the air some two weeks later, even by Mrs Dunn in Scotland!

The Annual Dance in May was most successful and members were happy to acknowledge all the hard work Mr James Strange had done on behalf of the Branch as Honorary Treasurer for sixteen years by presenting him with a radio/cassette player on his retirement from the post.

Berks-Hants-Surrey Border. Membership: 100 Annual, 23 Long Term, 3 Life. Classes per week: 3.

A successful open-air dance at Loseley Hall began the year and despite dull weather over £30 was raised for the Miss Milligan Memorial Fund. An evening was arranged in September for teachers to learn the dances from the new book, and to discuss the problems in teaching them. There are now four more teachers in the area, who passed the preliminary test in November after attending the Branch certificate class. They all had the opportunity to teach a dance at the informal evening in January, while the rest of that evening was spent dancing well-known dances to unusual music. The Day School in March was taught by Alex Gray and was over-subscribed but enjoyed by all who attended.

Berwick-upon-Tweed. Membership: 32 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 1.

A joint certificate class was held with the Duns and District Branch with four members successful in the Preliminary Test. In February a very enjoyable Ball was held.

Birmingham. Membership: 254 Annual, 40 Long Term, 83 Life. Classes per week: 12. Demonstration Team available.

The year has been a busy one beginning in June with the usual open air social in the National Trust Garden at Hidcote Manor. At the Birmingham Highland Gathering the Branch mixed team was judged second and the Ladies' Team first.

The new season in October opened with the Autumn Ball (music provided by the Border Players from Bournemouth). In February 1980 the Branch linked with the Birmingham and Midland Scottish Society again for the Joint Ball in Solihull Civic Hall with music from Bobby Crowe. A successful Day School in March was followed three weeks later by 12 candidates taking their Teacher's Certificate examination. In May the Branch Mixed and Ladies' Teams both won their sections of the Scottish Country Dancing at Nuneaton Arts Festival.

The International Festival, lasting a week at the beginning of August, saw the Branch entertaining teams from Milan, Frankfurt, Lyons and Les Ricey. Plans are in hand for the Autumn Ball on 17th October, 1980, and the Joint Ball in Solihull on 20th February, 1981.

Bournemouth. Membership: 89 Annual, 15 Long Term, 8 Life. Classes per week: 2 (Beginners and Advanced). Demonstration Team available.

The Branch had another successful season. Proceeds from the Summer Dance were given to Bournemouth Caledonian Society Re-building Fund. A Day School was excellently instructed by Mrs Mary Stoker (London) and Dr Ian Hall (Manchester). Miss Christine Shorto and Mr William Drake both passed the Teacher's Certificate Examination in December after

having had to travel to Bristol to attend classes. The Branch record their sorrow at the sudden and unexpected death of Bill Drake on 31st January; he will be sadly missed.

Bromhall. Membership: 57 Annual, 3 Long Term. Classes per week: 2.

An overall profit on classes and social occasions reflected another good season. A new function was introduced this year—a Summer Picnic for members and their families, family gatherings having been amongst the most successful of the social events. The Branch were pleased to have amongst their new members, all of whom were very enthusiastic and soon reached a good standard of dancing, a group of young people.

Bristol. Membership: 55 Annual, 3 Long Term, 22 Life. Classes per week: 3. Demonstration Team available.

Of the six social dances held during the year it was a pleasure to note that the two most well attended were those designed for newcomers to dancing and that held in aid of a local charity. A teachers' course was held very successfully during the autumn of 1979 and as a result dancers in the south west of England have four more fully qualified teachers and fifteen who have the preliminary test.

Carlisle and Border. Membership: 56 Annual, 4 Long Term, 11 Life. Classes per week: 1 General and 1 Technique fortnightly. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch has welcomed a number of new members—complete beginners to SCD. The Weekend School in November attracted members from all over the country under the tuition of Bill Hamilton, with Nancy Dickson at the piano. A fairly new venture—a Day School aimed at members who could not attend the residential weekend—was full to overflowing with Mr Jackie Johnstone at the helm. The Highland Ball, now held annually, was the season's highlight, with John McGregor's Band. The Branch were again invited to dance at the Carlisle Great Fair; these demonstrations are danced in the city centre outdoors and go down very well with visitors to the city. In addition the demonstration team has entertained elderly people with the greatest enjoyment on both sides. The children's class flourishes under the care of Mrs K. Rooney.

Carlisle and Border Branch at Carlisle Great Fair, August 1979, with Latvian Dancers.



Carnoustie. Membership: 26 Annual, 4 Long Term, 2 Life. Classes per week: 1 Junior.

The Branch has again increased membership due mostly to the very successful monthly social evenings (to be held next session on first and third Mondays of each month). The junior class, under its teacher, Mrs MacDougall, continues to be enthusiastic and successful. The Annual Dance will be held this year on 17th October.

Castle Douglas. Membership: 50 Annual, 3 Long Term, 11 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Classes were well attended, with a sharp rise in membership, the average attendance being 48 compared with 31 the previous season. Over 100 dancers enjoyed the Annual Dance in November.

There was a disappointing drop in the Junior Link despite widespread publicity. It is felt that the Disco Sessions claim a number of the Juniors, which is to be regretted. Castle Douglas Branch joined with Kirkcudbright and Gatehouse Branches to run a Charity Ball in the Cochran Hall, Kirkcudbright, on 26th April, with the Stewartry Kidney Research Fund benefiting by over £250.

Cheltenham. Membership: 90 Annual, 5 Long Term, 22 Life. Classes per week: 2-3 Adult, 1 Junior.

A good season saw a further increase in membership. The 6-week crash course for beginners was again well attended and the course extended a further 6 weeks at the request of the new members. Derek Haynes taught at the successful weekend school in January. The only disappointment was the reduced attendance at the Annual Ball at the Pumprooms though all 90 dancers who attended thoroughly enjoyed the evening with music provided by Frank Reid and his band. Classes and social evenings were all well attended throughout the year and a Christmas Party was arranged for the children's class.

Clackmannanshire. Membership: 102 Annual, 7 Long Term, 13 Life. Classes per week: 2.

The Alloa and Dollar Classes continue to prosper with memberships well maintained. The Branch Annual Dance held last February was most enjoyable.

Croydon and District. Membership: 95 Annual, 21 Long Term, 38 Life. Classes per week: 4.

The Branch has managed to maintain its membership despite the loss of a number who have left the district. During the year, two editions of a Branch Newsletter have been published and a Preliminary Test Class has been started. Four dances, an enjoyable Branch Weekend and a Day School where Miss Florence Adams and Mr Michael Begley were teachers, have all been successful and well attended. During the summer there will again be open air dancing.

Doncaster and District. Membership: 60 Annual, 15 Long Term, 1 Life. Classes per week: 2.

This has been a successful first year as a Branch of the R.S.C.D.S. Two classes have been held throughout the session despite difficulties with accommodation. Social functions have been well attended by members and visitors from other groups; to date these have been 2 social dances to records, a Christmas Party social, Burns Supper and Dance, a most enjoyable and enlightening ceilidh and an end of Season S.C. Dance with a band in early June. The main event was an afternoon school and inaugural Ball in

April when the Branch had tremendous support from their neighbouring Branches and groups. Mrs Anna Holden and Mr Duncan Macleod were the teachers with piano accompaniment from Mrs Avril Jones and Mrs Mary Stockdale. Andrew Rankine and His Scottish Country Dance Band provided the music for the Ball.



*Doncaster and District Afternoon School.
Mrs Anne Holden demonstrates to Mrs Moira Stacey (Branch Teacher)
and her husband and other Branch members.*

Dumfries. Membership: 80 Annual, 1 Long Term, 5 Life. Classes per week: 3. Demonstration Team available.

Adult classes increased and the Junior Link has had an excellent class. In the Festival both adults and juniors gained second places. Four of the Junior Link were again chosen to dance in the Operatic Society production and the demonstration teams have been kept exceptionally busy. Socials were all a marvellous success and a Spring Dance, a Christmas Dance and a Highland Ball were held. September saw the Branch Day School and Social Evening, the first for some years, under the expert tuition of Bill Hamilton, which was a great success. Also in September a team demonstrated for BBC Radio Scotland's "Take the Floor".

Dunbartonshire West. Membership: 155 Annual, 3 Long Term, 16 Life. Classes per week: 3 (and 1 bi-monthly). Demonstration Teams available.

The Beginners' and Teenage Classes continue to thrive. The Charity Dance run for the Dr Jean Milligan Memorial Fund was a great success and a donation of £505 was sent to the fund. Over 200 youngsters attended a very successful Junior Dance. One member attained the Preliminary Test after attending classes in Glasgow. The Demonstration Group again gave displays to visitors in one of the local hotels during the summer months and the second Branch Weekend at the end of April lived up to the promise of the first venture last year, the teachers being Mr A. Aitkenhead, Miss

Esme Stewart and Mrs N. Dunn. At the Coffee Morning on Sunday, 27th April which concluded the Weekend, Dr MacFadyen gave a very interesting and informative talk on the detective work of the Historian with especial reference to the Biography of Dr Milligan on which both he and Miss Florence Adams are working.

Dundee. Membership: 133 Annual, 22 Long Term, 146 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adults, 1 Demonstration, 1 Teenage, 3 Children. Demonstration Teams available.

A teenage class was started and has proved quite successful. Teams from both adult classes took part in the 6th Annual Festival, with teams from the children's classes participating also. The Festival Ball was a great success. Three social dances were held during the winter. Again, the demonstration team danced for the old people enjoying Saga Holidays in the area, took part in Highland Nights at Pitlochry and performed on several other occasions.

The highlight of the season was a weekend residential school held at Crieff Hydro from 25th to 27th April, attended by 120 dancing enthusiasts from all over—Hong Kong, Newcastle, Inverness, Aberdeen, Oban and many others. The Branch were pleased to have Mr Jackie Johnstone of Dumfries as guest teacher, Mr George Mechan, Branch Teacher and Miss Alice Mann, pianist. Bill Hendry's Band provided the music for the Dinner Dance which all enjoyed.



Tuesday Class Ladies' Team, Dundee Branch. (left to right) Catriona Hay, Norma Traghman, Elizabeth White, Mary Moir, Jenny Ramsay, Irene Cruickshanks.

Dunfermline. Membership: 45 Annual, 4 Long Term, 19 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Children.

A St Andrews Night Dance and a Closing Dance at the end of March were held. As well as the winter classes, a summer class was held which was open to non-members of the Society and was well attended both by members and visitors from out of town.

Duns and District. Membership: 120 Annual, 16 Long Term, 35 Life. Classes per week: 4 Adult, 1 Children.

The Branch was delighted to have the class in Duns re-established. The Preliminary Test Class run in conjunction with the Berwick Branch was most successful and as a result thirteen ladies are presently working toward their Teacher's Certificate under the instruction of Miss M. A. Rae. The Residential May Weekend was again thoroughly enjoyed by all with guest teachers Duncan Macleod and Bill Hamilton. The dances were completely sold out and a large company enjoyed coffee and an open forum to complete the weekend on the Sunday morning.

East Angus. Membership: 70 Annual, 2 Long Term, 15 Life.

East Lothian. Membership: 138 Annual, 18 Long Term, 12 Life.

Seven dances were held during the year including both an "Instruction Dance" and the New Year Ball.

Edinburgh. Membership: 280 Annual, 76 Long Term, 391 Life. Classes per week: 7 Adult, 4 Children. Demonstration Team available.

All classes showed a slight increase, particularly in the children's section where many of the classes had to be sub-divided. Three informal dances were held during the year, and the return of the Annual Ball to the Assembly Rooms was appreciated judging by the increased response from members. This year Edinburgh had the pleasure of hosting the Society Annual General Meeting, and the variety of events available under the one roof made it a most enjoyable and successful occasion. The Eighth Weekend School at Cramond College again saw all places taken well in advance with Wilma Miller and John Drewry teaching. Esme Stewart's Ballroom class provided a welcome respite from the rigours of Scottish Country Dancing. Miss Allie Anderson, who has done so much for Scottish Country Dancing in Edinburgh and in the Society generally was honoured by the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society and the Saltire Society in May with a reception.

The Demonstrators had, in addition to the usual events, trips to Munich, Norway and the Isle of Man to take part in various Festivals. Once more, the Edinburgh Fancy attracted large audiences from both home and abroad, with seats sold out at every performance. A record of the event provides a happy reminder of an enjoyable show.

Editor's Note: Although not properly part of Edinburgh Branch Report it may be apposite to mention here that Headquarters were asked to organise a Junior Highland Ball as part of the Hopetoun House Festival. Mrs Mina Corson, one of the Edinburgh Branch Teachers, was invited to undertake the task and made a resounding success of it. Boys from Loretto, Fettes, Stewart-Melville Schools in Edinburgh and from the Queen Victoria School, Dunblane, with girls from St George's, St Denis, St Hilary, St Margaret's, Edinburgh, beautifully attired for the Ball, produced an atmosphere of youthful gaiety in the delightful setting of one of Scotland's stately homes, and their enjoyment of the evening was reflected in demands for a repeat performance next year.

Elgin. Membership: 43 Annual, 11 Long Term, 7 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Despite a healthy membership, attendances at classes was poor. Increases in accommodation costs are producing serious problems for the Branch. Dances in October and December were well attended and profitable. The numbers at this year's Weekend School were disappointing compared to the previous year but those who did attend thoroughly enjoyed themselves and included visitors from Norwich, Cleveland and Dunfermline.

Exeter. Membership: 107 Annual, 6 Long Term, 19 Life. Classes per week: 2.

Last season ended with a very pleasant dance at Fingle Bridge and some stalwarts continued dancing throughout the summer. Monthly socials have continued as a way of bringing the classes together and have been much enjoyed. Beginners and Intermediate classes have been held but there has been no Advanced Class this season so the Branch has fulfilled very few official organised demonstrations. Three Branch members attended certificate classes in Bristol and were successful in passing the Preliminary Test. A start of season dance, a Christmas dance (now traditional) and a mid-season dance were held, and throughout the year Branch members attended dances at Bournemouth, Weymouth, Bristol, Truro, Kingkerswell, Torquay, Minehead and many other places. The highlight of this tenth anniversary season was the Annual Ball in the Great Hall of Exeter University with Robert Baird's Band.

Forfar. Membership: 22 Annual, 9 Long Term, 17 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Junior.

The Annual Dance, now taking place in October, was attended by members and dancers from the surrounding areas. Three junior teams were entered in the Arbroath Festival and achieved one First and Two Seconds. The Reid Hall, Forfar, is once more to be the venue for our Annual Dance on 23rd October with music by Bill Hendry and his band.

Forres. Membership: 33 Annual, 10 Long Term, 10 Life. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 2 Children.

Demonstration teams from both the junior and adult classes have entertained at functions in the town. In August the Branch acted as host to a group of German dancers who were touring Scotland and both nationalities entertained the public at a ceilidh. Dances during the year were well attended by dancers who travelled up to eighty miles each way to be with the Branch. The Branch, like many others, is having difficulties in getting pianists.

Gatehouse of Fleet. Membership: 51 Annual, 9 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The outstanding feature of the 1979/80 season was an increase in membership of nearly fifty per cent, to more than sixty, the highest ever recorded in the Branch. The resultant greater numbers at classes brought about an enthusiasm for Scottish Country Dancing which was further reflected in the 'sell-out' nature of the Christmas and End of Season dances. An 'early' class, for the less experienced dancers, held prior to the main class, was well supported and is to be continued. The Branch wishes to record appreciation for Mr Little's teaching and his support in several directions, to Miss Maillie for her playing and to Mrs Wadsworth for her teaching of the early class.

As a finale to the season the Branch combined with Castle Douglas and Kirkcudbright Branches to organise a "Three Branch Dance" in aid of the Stewartry Kidney Research Fund with nearly £300 being raised for the fund.

Glasgow. Membership: 395 Annual, 63 Long Term, 202 Life. Classes per week: 6. Demonstration Teams available.

At the A.G.M. in May the Branch was pleased to honour some very hard working members by appointing Miss F. H. Adams as Hon. President and Mr W. Cross and Miss E. Watson as Hon. Vice Presidents. Though classes and social functions were successful, membership is slightly down. The Day School was very successful and the Branch would welcome all

to the Day School to be held in Partick Burgh Hall on Saturday, 18th October. The non Competitive Festival attracted teams from several branches and the event was much enjoyed and it is hoped that this is now established as an annual event.

Hamilton and Clydesdale. Membership: 184 Annual, 7 Long Term, 31 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The dances in Hamilton Town Hall were well attended and the Ball in the Civic Centre in Motherwell was filled to capacity, George Fleming providing the music and Dalziel Co-operative Society, the catering.

Herefordshire. Membership: 51 Annual, 14 Life. Classes per week: 4 and 1 Children.

Again there is a slight increase in numbers. The Branch Christmas Party in December and the Annual Ball on 26th April were very successful functions. Duncan MacLeod instructed at the Day School with Dorothy Shaw from Birmingham playing. Since the Jean Milligan Memorial Fund is on-going a decision to donate the proceeds from one of the summer functions was made. Pam McIntyre obtained her Teacher's Certificate at last year's Summer School and ran a children's class for the Branch during the year. The Branch has now six fully qualified teachers.

Inverness and District. Membership: 98 Annual, 41 Long Term, 18 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 11 Children. Demonstration Team available.

With a slight increase in membership, the adult classes have been well attended and, by popular request, a series of general classes were continued throughout April and May. Three new children's classes have been started and several teams took part in the Inverness Music Festival, the Teenage Class winning the Inver Shield.

Social functions included three dances, a Wine and Cheese Party and a very successful Dinner-Dance. The Demonstration Team had a week's dancing on the stage of Eden Court Theatre with Calum Kennedy's popular show and received very good notices in the local press.

Kilmarnock. Membership: 76 Annual, 3 Long Term, 22 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The Branch had a most successful winter with numbers at the class being doubled. The usual two dances in December and April were well attended and a success. George Fleming's Band provided the music with excellent results.

Kirkcaldy. Membership: 59 Annual, 2 Long Term, 36 Life. Classes per week: 1 General, 1 Children.

Attendance at both the Children's Class and the General Class was good for the whole session. The highlight for the year was the celebration of the Branch's 50th year of existence (as a Centre/Branch). The Branch was pleased to welcome to the Dinner and Dance, Mr and Mrs Taylor, the Society Chairman and his wife, also Founder Member Miss C. S. Melville. Members attended from Dunfermline, St Andrews and Dundee Branches, as well as from the Affiliated Group of Pathhead Church class and the Y.W.C.A. class. Messages of congratulations were received from other Founder Members and teachers and from Jimmy Shand. Dancing was to Bobby Crowe's Trio, after a delightful meal. The evening was voted a great success and members enjoyed looking at the display of old photos, cuttings from newspapers and old programmes.

Kirkcudbright. Membership: 44 Annual, 3 Long Term, 7 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Attendance at classes was markedly regular throughout the season and the Branch records its appreciation of the teacher, Mrs Jessie Hamilton. The One-Day School held in Dumfries gave members an excellent opportunity to understand methods of improving dancing technique under the expert guidance of Bill Hamilton. The Christmas Dance and End of Season Party held in a local hotel were well supported. With winter weather less severe this year many dancers came from a wide area of Dumfries and Galloway to attend the Annual Dance in January. The highlight of the year was the Stewartry Charity Ball, organised by a representative committee from the Castle Douglas, Gatehouse-of-Fleet and Kirkcudbright Branches. Dancers enjoyed an excellent choice of dances to the music of Kenny Thompson and his Band in the Cochran Hall, Kirkcudbright, which was beautifully decorated with spring flowers and foliage.

Lanark. Membership: 31 Annual, 41 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Children.

Classes were again very enjoyable though they came to a chilly end having no heating during the last five weeks. The two annual events — Christmas Dance with music by Jack Stalker's Band and the Ball, with George Fleming's Band, were well attended and enjoyable. On invitation, a team of eight successfully entertained at two W.R.I. meetings, Crawford and Crossford — a new venture for the Branch.

Leamington Spa. Membership: 52 Annual, 17 Long Term, 16 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

A successful year saw weekly attendance averaging over four sets with nearly as many men as women. An Autumn Dance to Andrew Brake's Band was held at Hampton-in-Arden and a Spring Dance to records in Leamington Spa. The Dinner Dance at Christmas has become an annual event and has a real family atmosphere. Several demonstrations were given to entertain local organisations. The general class is held in Leamington on Thursday nights and newcomers are always most welcome; we have a lot of fun.

Leeds. Membership: 187 Annual, 24 Long Term, 61 Life. Classes per week: 1 Open Advanced, 1 Highland, 2 Children. Demonstration Teams available.

This year the Branch revived the Highland Ball. Despite nervousness, everything went wonderfully on the night. There were many thoughtful and stylish little extra touches by the Ball sub-committee. Perhaps the Bulletin is the place to thank other Branches for their loyal support of our monthly social dances. Bands are becoming more expensive and the Branch is grateful that numbers keep up. As usual the Day School and the Children's Festival and the Scarborough Weekend were sold out well in advance.

Numbers are up in the Open Advanced Class in a handsome new hall. The Teenage Class is now good enough to go out on demonstrations. A series of demonstration training sessions were held just in time for a rush of requests. More than 30 have attended the recently started Highland Class and in the autumn it is planned to run a certificate class—neighbours welcome.

Leicester. Membership: 68 Annual, 10 Long Term, 5 Life. Classes per week: 1.

There was a small influx of beginners at the start of the season and numbers in all sections have been healthily maintained. The Branch held its first Annual Dance in October with Frank Reid's Band. The next one



A group of guests and committee members at Leeds Branch Highland Ball Ladies (left to right) Mrs Harrison, Mrs Kendall, Miss Shaw (President), Mrs Pate, Mrs Morrison (Treasurer). Gentlemen (left to right) Mr Harrison, Mr Mason (Secretary), Mr Kendall (Chairman), Mr MacPhail, Mr Pate (Leeds Caledonians), Mr Morrison.

will be on Saturday, 1st November, 1980. A modest but jolly party was held at Christmas and on 22nd March, 1980—with much trepidation—the first Branch Day School was held. Claire Goodman and Derek Haynes enchanted members with their programme—technique sessions can be great fun and so rewarding. There will be no lack of participants for the next Day School. It is planned to start a Teachers' Class starting in September.

The Secretary of the Branch, Mr Richard Noden, spent a fortnight in Charleston, Illinois, U.S.A., introducing Scottish Country Dancing to Junior and High School pupils and members and students of the P.E. Faculty of Eastern University, Charleston. During the visit he came in contact with well over 1,500 teachers and students and his promotion of Scottish Country Dancing delighted his students of whatever age. 95 per cent or more of the dancers he met were raw beginners so far as Scottish Country Dancing was concerned but Mr Noden reports that it was a superb experience.

Liverpool. Membership: 53 Annual, 15 Long Term, 9 Life. Classes per week: 1 Beginners, 1 General. Demonstration Team available.

Classes have been well attended throughout the year. The Christmas and Annual Dances were very successful with George Fleming and his Band

providing the music for the latter. The Saturday 'Hops' have been more than successful and tickets have been sold out weeks beforehand. The Summer Hop was glorified with strawberries and ice cream for refreshments which, needless to say, proved very popular.

Lochaber. Membership: 10 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 1.

An Open Day in October 1979 though enjoyable and instructive, failed to increase membership as had been hoped. The class, though small, continued until March this year and is still solvent.

Lockerbie. Membership: 20 Annual, 9 Long Term. Classes per week: 1.

London. Membership: 449 Annual, 190 Long Term, 521 Life. Classes per week: 8. Demonstration Team available.

The Golden Jubilee of the Branch's formation has made 1979-80 a memorable year in the Branch's history. Special events opened with a reunion of long-standing members of the Branch and in November the 150th issue of "The Reel" was extended to mark outstanding events of the period. A book of four new dances composed by members was published and a Jim MacLeod record, which included music for these dances, was dedicated to the Branch.

A most enjoyable and well received two-night Scottish Concert was organised by the Demonstration Class for which we were delighted to have support from our friends in the English Folk Dance and Song Society.

A new experiment of a picnic dance at Poleselew Lacy, Surrey, attracted enormous support from a very wide area with the sale of over 600 tickets. Unfortunately the Meteorological Office failed to co-operate by providing the only wet day in almost ten weeks and we were prevented from enjoying the undoubted delights of the National Trust Property, but alternative arrangements in a nearby school provided an afternoon of enthusiastic and friendly dancing.

The Jubilee events reached their peak at the Ball on 28th June when the Society Chairman, Past Chairman and Secretary were guests.

The normal activities of the Branch continued with classes, dances and schools, etc., and with Open Air Dances in Jubilee Gardens and at Holland Park during the Summer.

Members of London Branch at the Albert Hall, 1980.



Lorn (Argyll). Membership: 71 Annual, 8 Long Term, 42 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 2 Children.

All the usual functions were held with a very successful weekend school in March. Summer social evenings take place at fortnightly intervals in Oban, to which visitors to the town are very welcome to join in the Branch dancing. The Branch at present is looking to the future and making arrangements for the Silver Jubilee next year.

Manchester. Membership: 185 Annual, 35 Long Term, 112 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 1 Children, Fortnightly Highland. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch continued to flourish during the year. All events were most successful including the Annual Ball where Bobby Crowe provided the music. The Day School was fully booked again with expert tuition provided by Jackie Johnstone, Wilma Miller, Alastair MacFadyen and Duncan MacLeod. In April the teams were joined by the Manchester Scottish Singers for a most wonderful tour of Washington State. They were relieved that Mt. St. Helens decided to keep its major eruption until a week after they had left Kelso and Longview! Members of the group stayed overnight with Seattle Branch and provided 'live' music for them for the first time. The Annual Scots Night continues to add interest to the calendar. This year a Children's Class was started again after several years and contains lots of very enthusiastic boys as well as a few girls.

Milton Keynes. Membership: 22 Annual, 4 Long Term. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

The first year of the Branch has been most successful with weekly classes well attended. Two dances and a day school were organised, the first dance being to records and the second, the Annual Ball, with music by MacBain's Band. The day school was well supported and though Derek Haynes was unable to attend, the Branch found an able substitute in Colin Garrett, who, after teaching all day, was joined by his wife, Sarah and Norman Bett to provide live music for the evening dance. The other musician at the day school was Ros Whatmore, a Branch member, who the previous weekend had been one of the six pianists attending the R.S.C.D.S. Pianists Course in Edinburgh. The Demonstration Team danced at a number of local events and the Branch also provided a team and session of Scottish Country Dancing at the Day of Dance organised by Milton Keynes Dance Contact.

Moffat. Membership: 31 Annual. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

At the beginning of the season the Branch sustained the sad loss of Miss E. N. Shaw who was the Teacher-Treasurer-Secretary. Miss M. Clavering kindly stepped in to help with the teaching for which the Branch are most grateful.

Attendances were regular during the weekly classes which were held on Monday evenings. Again parties were held in Moffat House Hotel at Christmas and New Year and the Demonstration Team was out at local social functions during the year.

Monklands. Membership: 151 Annual, 24 Long Term, 2 Life. Classes per week: 3 Children.

This year, the Branch has seen a slight decrease in its membership, hopefully temporarily. Despite this drop in numbers, the season's attendance was good, culminating in a successful Dinner Dance attended by 150 members.

The Children's Classes were well attended throughout the season ending with a very successful Display.



Milton Keynes Branch Day School

Newcastle-upon-Tyne and District. Membership: 310 Annual, 175 Long Term, 168 Life. Classes per week: 4 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration Teams available.

For the first time for many years our membership has decreased, but 51 new members were enrolled. The usual classes have been held but one class will be lost next season owing to Education cutbacks. A Technique class was again held and proved popular. A Day Course, at which Mr Jackie Johnston was the teacher, was well supported. Dances have been well attended and the postal system for tickets has been beneficial both for members and conveners. The Branch brought out a new record —NRSCDS 104 in February; this time the Tillside Trio play. The Newcastle Collection (2nd Edition) still sells well and also Hogmanay Jig leaflet. The Branch hold open air dances at Wallington Hall and are appreciative of the publicity given the Branch by the National Trust. Demonstration Teams have been busy and the children's class has been very successful, some of the pupils having attended the dances.

North West Craven. Membership: 73 Annual, 7 Long Term, 1 Life. Classes per week: 3.

The Branch has continued to maintain interest in Scottish Country Dancing in the area. Classes have been held in Kirby Lonsdale, Ingleton and Lancaster and three dances (to records) and the Annual Ball (with Alan Coulson and his Band) were organised.

Norwich. Membership: 77 Annual, 18 Long Term, 18 Life. Classes per week: 1 Beginners, 1 General.

This season classes have been held in a school nearer to the City centre than hitherto and this has probably accounted for an increase in numbers, although a number of the beginners who joined before Christmas did not attend after the holiday. The Day School which had to be

cancelled in February, 1979, was eventually held in November when Bill Hamilton and Claire Goodman taught some 90 dancers from all over East Anglia.

Nottingham. Membership: 99 Annual, 19 Long Term, 24 Life. Classes per week: 4.

In addition to the weekly classes Half-Day Courses were conducted by Miss Margaret Donaldson and Mr Roy Clowes. The Annual Dance was held in the Lakeside Pavilion with music by the Danelaw Band and will be repeated on 15th May, 1981. Publicity of the Branch activities through demonstrations and the placing of leaflets and posters in libraries led to some 43 people showing interest, 16 of whom became members. Through the year the attendance ranged from 40-76 and averaged 61 compared with 50 in the previous year.

Oxfordshire. Membership: 30 Annual, 8 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Classes were held every Thursday throughout the season and were well attended. The Branch have been pleased to welcome many new members and have had several visitors to the class both from home and overseas.

The Open Air Dance was again held in June at Heythrop Park and was a great success giving dancers in the area an opportunity to keep in touch during the summer months. In November the Annual Ball was held in Elms Court Ballroom and all enjoyed dancing to the excellent music of the Thistle Scottish Country Dance Band.

Perth and Perthshire. Membership: 104 Annual, 16 Long Term, 101 Life. Classes per week: 4 Children, 1 Demonstration when required. Demonstration Team available.

When visiting Australia last year, Mr Duncan MacLeod took with him a Scroll, signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Branch, carrying the good wishes of Perth Branch (Scotland) to its counterpart in Western Australia.

A one night class was held in October to go over Book 29 when Miss Nancy Arnott was the guest teacher and Miss Todd the accompanist. Miss Todd again provided the music for two classes held in the forenoon of the Branch A.G.M. in May, which were taught by Miss Jean Reid. After the meeting in the afternoon an informal dance was held at night to the Glendaruel Band. The Demonstration Teams have had a busy season and once again the ladies took the Bronze Statuette, and the Mixed Team the Quach, at Perth Festival. All the children's classes sent in teams to the Festival and all were well placed in their sections.

Peterhead. Membership: 41 Annual, 4 Long Term, 40 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 3 Junior.

Numbers were up on last year and were well maintained and the class had an enjoyable season's dancing. To end the season a very successful Buffet Supper Dance was held in the Palace Hotel with many friends attending from surrounding districts. This was a new venture and it is hoped to make it a yearly event. Children's classes continue to flourish. Two teams entered the Scottish Country Dance Festival at Aberdeen and both were placed first in their respective classes. There was also a very successful end of season display.

Portrush. Membership: 25 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 1.

A Dance was held in December, the proceeds of which were presented to the Dr Jean Milligan Memorial Fund and at the end of the session a Supper Dance was held and proved a great success once again. The class had a very enjoyable session.

Renfrewshire West. Membership: 163 Annual, 7 Long Term, 19 Life. Classes per week: 3.

The monthly dances in the Gantock Hotel, Gourrock, are still very popular with both members and non-members and the Branch has had a very successful season. The Annual Ball was held in the Town Hall, Greenock, on 28th March. For all dances the music was provided by George Fleming and his Band.

Richmond (Yorks). Membership: 54 Annual, 17 Long Term, 21 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Because of an unacceptable increase in fees charged by the Local Authority for the Evening Class, the Branch took over the running of the class again as it used to do in the early days of its formation. This has been a tremendous success, resulting in greater attendance at Socials and an increase in Branch membership. A class for prospective candidates for the Preliminary Test resulted in a pass for all the eight people who took the examination. A new venture this year was a technique class for experienced dancers and this proved very popular.

The Branch is always happy to welcome visitors to the Socials which are held on the first Friday of each month except August.



The Richmond Demonstration Team at the Leeds Festival, 1979

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

The usual classes were held during the year with good attendances, despite difficulties caused by the refusal of the Local Authority to accept members from outside the metropolitan borough. The Annual Ball in March

proved to be a very successful social function with over 200 people from many parts of the country dancing to the music of Iain MacPhail and his Band.

Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles. Membership: 189 Annual, 18 Long Term, 16 Life. Classes per week: 14 Adult, 2 Children.

The Branch Dance held at Kelso in the late Autumn was well attended and enjoyed. The October Technique Class in Selkirk and Summer Classes in Hawick attracted members from various clubs in the Branch. Being a scattered Branch it is encouraging to find members travelling quite some distance to attend. The Annual Children's Ball proved to be a popular event with our young dancers. With scarcely a pause between dances the Band were quite exhausted by the end of the evening!

Royal Tunbridge Wells. Membership: 63 Annual, 19 Long Term, 3 Life. Classes per week: 2. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch were sorry to lose Vera and Sandy Sim who returned to live in Scotland. An able new teacher was found, however, in Elizabeth Platford, and the classes continue to be popular. An Autumn Dance, Christmas and New Year Socials, Day School and Spring Ball were all successful and will be repeated during the coming year. Teachers at the 1981 Day School will be Dr MacFadyen, Dr Hall and Mrs Meyer.

St Andrews. Membership: 106 Annual, 15 Long Term, 27 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration Teams available.

Membership this year has broken all records for a good few years, dancing attendance for most nights being in the nineties. The Branch celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the Fife Branch with a Ball in the Younger Hall. A class held in the afternoon by Dr Alistair MacFadyen, followed by a talk, was very interesting and thoroughly enjoyed.

Sheffield. Membership: 45 Annual, 8 Long Term, 11 Life. Classes per week: 1.

Due to shortage of suitable halls, only one class could be held last year but it was consistently well attended with a number of new members. Later this year the Branch will celebrate its 25th Anniversary at a Dance in October.

The Demonstration Team has been in demand again this year and besides dancing at Festivals, has appeared in David Webster's Show and a number of Women's Institute functions, and has taken part in a "Folk Festival". Liaison with nearby groups and Branches is good.

Southport. Membership: 86 Annual, 12 Long Term, 59 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration Teams available (including Children's).

Teaching and social events were well supported including the weekly classes, monthly socials, Children's Christmas Party, Christmas Dance and Twelfth Night Ceilidh. At the Annual Day Course in February the new venue was most satisfactory and the Branch was pleased to welcome Keith Napier from Sydney Branch, Australia, on that occasion. Instructors were Mrs M. C. Gudger and Mr D. A. Haynes, with musicians Mrs M. Rimmer and Mr F. Hayes. The 22nd Annual Festival held during November went well and the Branch were pleased to have their President, Dr Charles Robertson Wilson (from Perth) with them again together with Mrs Gudger who has done so much to encourage and support the Branch over the years.

The Demonstration Team has been kept busy and there are several bookings for the summer months for both adult and children's teams.

A forthcoming event is the 23rd Annual Festival of Scottish Dancing on the 8th November in the Floral Hall, Southport—Afternoon Display, 2.30 p.m. and Festival Ball 7.15 p.m. (Music by Tom Hall and The Rattray Band).

South Wales. Membership: 94 Annual, 16 Long Term, 26 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult.

The Branch enjoyed another successful year with an increase in membership. Mrs Johan MacLean was the instructress at the very enjoyable Day School held in November. February saw the other regular event—the South Wales Ball—held this year at a new venue, but still with the Danelaw Band providing their usual good music. The new venue was judged a success by those attending, and a repeat performance is anticipated next year. In addition several socials, dances and classes enjoyed good support. The Branch also returned to a local Spastics School where a picnic dance was held and a stall run at the School's Garden Party. The money collected at both these events went to the School's funds.

Stirlingshire. Membership: 88 Annual, 19 Long Term, 24 Life. Classes per week: 3 Adult, 2 Children.

It is good to report that the beginners' class was well supported and the numbers at the children's classes were maintained over the two sessions. A successful Open Night was held in October when Mrs Hunter from Edinburgh gave an interesting talk on mourning jewellery and Dr Alistair MacFadyen gave a talk on the history of dances and dancing. In February Mrs Vera Sim was the guest teacher for a most instructive class.

The end of season was celebrated in a Supper Dance in the Golden Lion Hotel and a Scottish Country Dance was organised during the Stirling District Festival.

Stirlingshire East. Membership: 200 Annual, 17 Long Term, 21 Life. Classes per week: 6 Adult, 5 Young Folk. Demonstration Teams available.

The Branch is in good heart. All classes were well attended especially the Summer Term one which attracted over seventy dancers each Tuesday evening. The year started well with the Branch taking part in a "Societies" Day in the Town Hall in September. Branch teams gave demonstrations to an enthusiastic audience in the Lesser Town Hall while members of Committee manned the stall in the large hall, the object being to attract new members.

A delightful and instructive evening was enjoyed in Callendar Park College in November with Bill Hamilton. As ever, the December Dance was a happy occasion with Jack Delaney's Band supplying the music, and the Branch were happy to welcome Mr James Taylor, Chairman of the Society, and Mrs Taylor to their Festival Ball in March.

The candidates who attended the Preliminary Test class in Callendar Park College were all successful including nine Branch members. The Branch congratulate Miss J. Service on the success of her first certificate class, as well as the candidates. The Young Folk were the first winners of the Nancy Samuel Memorial Trophy at the Central Region Music Festival in Falkirk—a trophy in memory of their former pianist with whom they had so many happy associations.

Stonehaven. Membership: 30 Annual, 2 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch had a slight increase in membership this season. Six members attended a very successful weekend at the Crieff Hydro run by the Dundee Branch and a very successful and enjoyable Ball was held in May.

Stranraer. Membership: 55 Annual. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

There was an increase in membership this session and classes were well attended throughout. The Christmas and end of session parties were greatly enjoyed by Branch members and neighbouring classes. Some members assisted with simple Country Dancing at a local handicapped occupational centre.

Teesside. Membership: 180 Annual, 4 Long Term, 90 Life. Classes per week: 2.

The Branch experienced good attendances at all functions. The Dryburgh Weekend, the non-competitive Festival and the Barbecue were again the main functions. A very enjoyable 25th Anniversary Dance was held with Andrew Rankine supplying the music. Any dancers visiting the area will be made most welcome at any function.

West Lothian. Membership: 56 Annual, 32 Long Term, 38 Life.

Membership was increased slightly overall with Long Term members increasing by 20. The Annual Dinner Dance in October was enjoyed by everyone as was the Day School held in March with Dr Ian Hall the guest teacher. The Branch congratulate Miss Fiona Boag (who was awarded one of last year's "Lapiner Scholarships") on passing her Preliminary Test at Summer School.

Whitehead. Membership: 20 Annual, 1 Life. Classes per week: 1.

The annual "Scottish Night" was again a great success with visitors from other classes attending and enjoying the evening. In all the Branch had another enjoyable session with members attending well throughout.

Winchester. Membership: 14 Annual. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

Membership fell slightly but there has been no loss of enthusiasm. Members have been pleased to welcome visitors from home and abroad on many occasions during the year. The Burns Supper dance was well attended and proved to be a most enjoyable evening. The Branch has given demonstrations for various charitable organisations during the year. The season was rounded off with a Garden Dance Party.

Wolverhampton. Membership: 35 Annual, 1 Long Term, 3 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

Membership has fallen this year and although the Thursday Class has survived, the Monday Advanced Class has temporarily had to close. Several social events were successfully organised during the year, the two most notable being the Christmas Party and the Burns Social and Supper. One Branch member successfully passed the Preliminary Test and the Demonstration Team has again been very active. It was with regret that the A.G.M. learned that Miss Helen Gardiner-Jones was giving up the teaching of the class at the end of the season. After 35 years association with the R.S.C.D.S. it is impossible to put into words the debt that the Branch owes to her.

Worthing. Membership: 82 Annual, 8 Long Term, 11 Life. Classes per week: 1 (plus one monthly).

Although numbers have slightly decreased at both the dancing classes and social dances the real aim of Scottish Dancing—social spirit in its true sense—has increased. Many of the members have become more actively involved in the aims of the Branch. The Day School last year was the

most successful and all who attended learned a great deal. A team of dancers from the Branch gave a number of demonstrations during the year, both in Worthing and surrounding districts, thereby spreading 'the gospel' of the R.S.C.D.S.

York and North Humberside. Membership: 84 Annual, 64 Long Term, 10 Life. Classes per week: 1 Adult. Demonstration Team available.

The year has been a busy one. Besides five monthly dances to records, the Branch had the the end of season Dance in May, to the Border Reivers Band, and the Highland Ball in November, with Alan Coulson's Band. There was also the yearly Ceilidh in January which is now an institution and always enjoyed, and a Charity Dance in June, which raised a substantial sum for the Mentally Handicapped. The Half-Day Course, in October, turned into a Day Course this year, incorporating a morning Highland Class taken by Alec Gray from Cardiff, with two afternoon Scottish Country Dance Classes when Alec was joined by Joanna Fodgen. Another new feature this year was a Branch Dinner which was thoroughly enjoyed by those who attended it, and after dinner entertainment was provided by a member of the Branch. As usual the Branch entered teams for the Stockport, Teesside and Leeds Festivals, and Branch classes in Highland and Scottish Country Dance Technique have been taking place monthly throughout the season.

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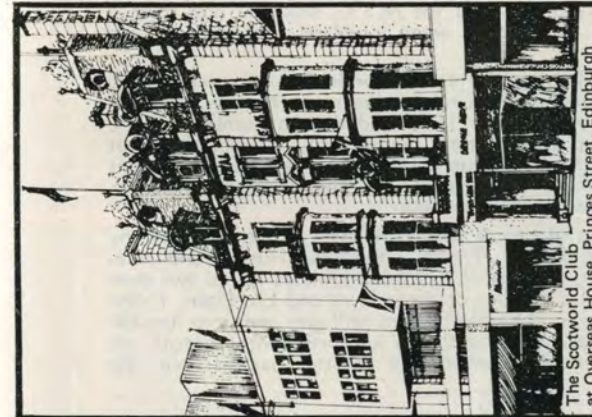
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Scottish Country Dancing in Kenya

Imagine dancing at a temperature where even a small amount of exertion brings perspiration beading on your brow. That is the general rule for my small group who dance every Tuesday night at the Nyanza Club in Kisumu; the overhead fans fight a gallant but losing battle.

Kisumu is the third largest town in Kenya and is situated on the Gulf of Winam, a large inlet on Lake Victoria and it lies about ten miles south of the Equator.

Kenya has been described as a cold country with a hot sun — the illusion being to the variation in temperature caused by the differing altitudes. Kisumu is at 3,750 feet, Nakuru at 6,000 feet, Nairobi at 5,500. We, of the three regular centres for Scottish Dancing, enjoy (?) the warmest conditions.

Nevertheless we meet once a week and after step and formation practice dance, 7 or 8 dances an evening and what a cosmopolitan crowd—Britishers, a Canadian, an American, Danish, Swiss, a Japanese couple and one or two Asians. It shows that Scottish Dancing can capture the imagination of a very diverse group of people and get them together in a social gathering to enjoy themselves. Nobody who has been to St Andrews Summer School would be surprised at its international draw—there, to a large extent it is gatherings of fellow countrymen—here it is individuals who have come together to make a single entity.

A hundred miles to the east of us at Nakuru in the Rift Valley there are two groups operating. Operating at 6,000 feet, conditions are much more comfortable and when the Nakuru group goes up to St Andrew's School, Turi, about 8,000 feet—things are getting distinctly chilly!

Nakuru, as I mentioned above, sports two groups—one is formed from the students of the Medical Training Centre (M.T.C.) and is wholly African. They were initially formed and trained by Doctor Meg Gray, and after the departure for Malawi of Meg and her husband Roger in September, 1979, the group has continued to flourish being run every Friday night by a small group of enthusiasts. Discussing problems of running a small group with Karanja, their organiser, I find that he has the same problem that I have—a small core who will attend regularly every week—overall numbers 12-14—not quite enough to make up two full sets.

However, the M.T.C. 'hard core' get two bites at the cherry (a misnomer for this part of Africa but bear with me—perhaps it should be paw-paw). On Tuesday nights they join Ian and Hazel Marshall who run the main Nakuru group. There used to be a large Scots contingent in Nakuru—this however was some years back—and the M.T.C. students now form a very useful support group at a time when numbers for one set are occasionally difficult to get.

If we move south and slightly east for a hundred miles over a road which currently has more potholes than tarmac we reach Nairobi. Nairobi has had a Branch of the Society since 1957 and though numbers at the Branch have to be kept up by constant recruitment, Nairobi does not suffer from the problem that we have up country—will we have sufficient numbers this week?, or where the transfer of the main organiser(s) threatens the continued existence of the group.

Nairobi still has a nucleus of people who have been in Kenya since the Branch was formed: Brenda Kampf, Freddy and Anne Hutton and John Gaylor, to name a few and a number of expatriates whose initial two year contracts have been renewed a number of times: Jim and Liz Elson, Faline Taylor, John and Liz Guthrie. Naming names will get me into trouble with those left out—but there is a continuity of sorts. Most people are on two year contracts and move on after their contract expires; over the

years the departure of the experienced dancers has left the Branch with only one fully certificated teacher—Freddy Hutton—and therefore training and keeping up standards has been a continuing problem. By way of note—Freddy wrote the dance City of Nairobi Reel and composed the music. Aware of the problem the committee invited Group Captain David Huxley and his wife Netta out to Kenya in December 1978 to teach and also revived the practice of having a festival—the first for ten years. A description of this visit appears in Bulletin No. 57, October 1979.

Amongst other things this stimulated three of us to attend the Summer School in 1979 (hopefully a continuing trend) and interest in having teachers on a more regular basis out from the United Kingdom.

Nairobi Branch meets every Monday night at St Andrew's Church Hall—this is mainly social dancing. Training on the Monday evenings is occasionally undertaken—also training courses for beginners have been undertaken at odd intervals—the most serious lack at present is a formal training programme; this stems as much as anything from the lack of teachers.

One area where training is constant is the demonstration team run by Jim Elson. The demonstration team meet on Friday nights and take part in a number of charity functions—for instance they went to Nyeri in November 1979 at the request of the East African Women's League to help raise money for the 'Year of Child'—they have also very kindly made two trips to Kisumu during 1979 and this has helped my dancers feel part of the family at large.

Nairobi organise two main functions each year, the annual ball at one of the International Hotels in Nairobi—and I am pleased to say that the attendances have improved progressively over the last three years. The other function is an outing where the members of the Branch together with people from the other groups go to a hotel up-country to dance.

Regarding other dancing in Nairobi, I am aware of a group that dances twice monthly at the Tigon Golf Club, John Gaylor's Karen Group dance once a month, Una Watson runs a small group and also organises any dancing done by the Caledonian Society.

Dancing on the whole flourishes, often with more women than men although on two occasions I have had to take a woman's part in Kisumu—an embarrassment of too many men! If we had a motto for dancing in Kenya it would be: "It's Kooler in a Kilt".

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Branch Reports—Overseas

Adelaide. Membership: 34 Annual, 10 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

One of the highlights of the year was the visit in July of Mr Duncan Macleod and a special evening was arranged to enable him to meet Adelaide dancers. The evening began by Mr Macleod giving a talk and some dance instruction, followed by a Social Dance and Supper. Once again we extend a welcome to any dancers who may be in Adelaide to come and join us on Tuesday nights, in the Baptist Church Hall, 142 Tynte St. North, Adelaide. The season starts on the first Tuesday in March and ends on the last Tuesday in November. Mrs Jean Strath, President, can be contacted by telephone—442763.

Atlanta. Membership: 125 Annual, 2 Long Term. Classes per Week: 2. Demonstration Team available.

This has been a highly successful year for the Branch. The Beginners' Classes continue to flourish under the able direction of Ted Blaschke. Much interest was sparked at the Stone Mountain Highland Games in October where the Branch now has a permanent wooden platform! Audience participation continues to enthuse novices—and the following week Fall Beginners Class starts!

The Third Branch Workshop with Bill Hamilton as Guest Instructor was a tremendous success. The Demonstration Team has given around twenty demonstrations, many for hospital patients or charitable organisations. Other activities included participation in the Independence Day Parade on 4th July, 1979, in sizzling hot weather, parties and the first Branch picnic.

Amy Dean, a Branch member with a Preliminary Test pass, had the honour of being awarded a Jean Milligan Scholarship to attend Summer School this year to join the Teacher's Certificate Class.

The Branch experienced a real "cliff-hanger" when eight days before the Spring Workshop the scheduled Guest Instructor, Stewart Smith, was unfortunately hospitalised. Frantic phone calls produced two real winners—Sandra Binns of St Catharines and Georgina Finlay of Toronto. In a selfless and gracious manner these ladies flew to the rescue. Both were inspiring teachers and the Branch looks forward to continuing contacts through this newly-forged link with Canadian dancers. This was a workshop which will be long remembered!

The 'Bill Hamilton' Workshop at Atlanta, Georgia.



Boston. No report at date of going to press.

Buffalo (N.Y.). Membership: 49 Annual. Classes per week: 2.

The 1979-80 dancing season was very active and more enjoyable than ever with the addition of several new members.

The main event of the year was the 13th Annual Burns Supper, held on January 26th, with approximate attendance of 175. The highlight of the evening was the announcement that we had formed and become an approved Branch of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society.

Burlington (Ontario). Membership: 66 Annual. Classes per week: 2 Adult, 4 Children. Demonstration Teams available.

Membership increased significantly, contributing to a most successful and enjoyable season. Our new teachers Patt Hotchkies and Margaret Morrison are a real asset to the Branch; both taught very well throughout the year and the Branch look forward to having another enjoyable season with them in 1980-81.

Highlights of the year were the Annual Dance in October, with the Bobby Frew Trio, the Wine and Cheese Party in January, Guest Teacher Night with Frances Gray in March, and the end of season social on 2nd May, Bobby Frew again delighting us with his music. In December the first "Family Night" for children and parents was held and judging by the response it may become an annual event with the Branch.

Calgary. Membership: 122 Annual, 4 Life. Classes per week: 7 Adult, 1 Children. Demonstration Team available.

Although membership is down slightly, enthusiasm for dancing is not diminished and the children have retained their keenness throughout the year (including the one boy!). The visit from New Zealand dancers brought great pleasure and, since they were billeted with local dancers, started many friendships. Their visit gave us reason for the season's first Branch dance where we learned their new dance "Trip to Canada" and watched 'Maori' dancing. Three Branch dances were held and one mini-ball. Branch dancers won a trophy in an ethnic dancing competition and four dancers took part in the ethnic dance show in conjunction with the Alberta Winter Games and hope to participate more as Alberta celebrates its 75th birthday this year.

Co-ordinated by the Branch, several clubs danced at most nursing homes in the city accompanied on three occasions by the children. As 1979 was the Year of the Child, our young dancers took part in Heritage Day Celebrations in August.

Two clubs hosted workshops—one in Banff, the other in Calgary and the Branch hopes to sponsor a one day workshop in conjunction with an annual Spring Ball in 1981.

Canberra. Membership: 18 Annual, 69 Long Term, 33 Life. Classes per week: 6.

A successful weekend school for teenagers and children was held on 13/14 October, 1979. Over 40 young dancers, formed into two classes, participated. The teachers were Mrs Sheila Gradon and Mrs Catherine McKenna. A social was held on the Saturday evening to which many parents came along to join in the fun.

A Teachers' Liaison Group has been formed within the Branch and the first workshop was held in October. The first edition of 'Scotch Circle' the new Branch Newsletter, has been published and circulated. 'Scotch Circle' will be issued quarterly.

A number of Branch members attended the 5th Australian Winter School at Toowoomba, Queensland and the Branch was also represented at the annual Summer School held in New Zealand.



Fourth Australian Winter School (hosted by Canberra Branch, 1979). Teachers (left to right) Jean Conway, Catherine McKenna (both of Canberra). Glenys Mills (New Zealand) and, at the back, Les Cumming (Canberra).

Cape Town. Membership: 38 Annual, 5 Life. Classes per week 2. Demonstration Teams available.

Attendance was again very good in both Beginners' and General Class and the Branch is doing all they can to encourage new members "to join the dance". The Demonstration Teams under the guidance of Mrs Nancy Smith had a very rewarding year, starting off with the Community Chest Carnival which aids several worthwhile charities. At Easter, Cape Town had their turn of holding the Highland Gathering (shared by the towns of Port Elizabeth and East London); "Royals" entered two teams — a novice team trained by Mrs Jander and a senior trained by Mrs Smith and both did well. Also during Easter the Branch welcomed Les and Elaine James, R.S.C.D.S. teachers from Canada and one of the dances they taught, "Davey Nick Knack" has become a great favourite with the Branch.

The usual three big dances were held—the Birthday Ball in June, a Hallowe'en dance (with a very clever skit produced by Nancy Smith featuring the witches "Faith, Hope and Charity" modelling the latest in "witchwear"), and a Hogmany dance with Champagne, Old Father Time and the New Year and symbols of good cheer being piped in. The Annual Weekend to Hermanus in November saw the biggest attendance ever with sunshine, sea, fellowship and a Scottish Country Dance Party.



Cape Town's Senior Team:

Back Row—Dave Levene, Maureen Lith, Allan Roebuck, Nancy Smith, Andy Smith, Tish Bryce.

Front Row—Beryl Gilham, Joy Day, Duncan MacMillan, Judy Jander.

Delaware Valley. Membership: 145 Annual, 17 Long Term, 21 Life. Classes per week: 1. (Branch classes fortnightly and Demonstration Classes monthly). Demonstration Team available.

This year marked the tenth anniversary of the Branch and the twenty-fifth anniversary of Scottish Country Dancing in the McNair home. The latter was celebrated with a gathering of old friends, many of whom are still regular dancers.

The Branch was inspired by the visit from Bill Hamilton and his stay, though brief reminded members that they are part of a large family of dancers. The New Year began with the traditional Hogmanay Ball. Once again the Swathmore College students charmed everyone with their Ball in February. Last but not least for the year was the Spring Ball with an enthusiastic welcome for Bobby Brown and his Band. The Branch is losing several teachers this year and wish them happy dancing wherever they go. Geoffrey Selling will be taking a certificate class to train other members of the Branch so that a large enthusiastic group of teachers may be maintained.

Delft. Membership: 40 Annual, 10 Long Term, 5 Life. Classes per week: 1. Demonstration Team available.

The first activity as a Branch, after eight years as an Affiliated Group, was the 9th Whitsun Course in June, with Derek Haynes as teacher and Jennifer Wilson as accompanist. Certainly no group could ask for a better

start for a new phase in its existence. In October, at the annual Day School and Ball, the Branch officially celebrated its formation, with Mr Macleod and his wife as guests. Miss Jennifer Wilson, returning as accompanist for the second time in the year, overwhelmed everyone with a solo dance performance. A sterling performance by the City of Amsterdam Pipe Band contributed to the festivities as did a demonstration of Scottish Country Dancing by a children's team trained by Mary-Jane Boode, Branch Teacher and Chairman. Robin Ellis and the Caledonian Dance Band added the perfect musical accompaniment.

The 10th Whitsun Course was instructed by Jackie Johnstone, accompanied by Ian Kirkpatrick, accordionist. The demonstration team were busy with an ever-increasing number of requests to meet, including demonstrations at the Continental Pipeband Championships and the Liberation Day Celebration in Delft.

The Branch were very satisfied—and perhaps a little proud as well, that their membership had doubled during the year.

Gothenburg. Membership: Annual 38. Classes per week: 2 adult, 1 Junior.

Membership has remained fairly constant with a few losses being cancelled out by new members. The dancing year got off to a good start with a Scottish Country Barn Dance held at a farm, which everyone enjoyed. The beginners class was well supported again with a total of 16 dancers. A demonstration was again given at Gunnebo Castle and was concluded by the audience joining in some simple reels and jigs, much to everyone's delight. Other demonstrations were given at Boras and Ulricehamn in the form of two Scottish shows, which included dancing, piping and singing. The junior associates, affectionately known as the 'foreign sporan' had the honour of taking part and demonstrating Scottish Country Dancing in a national production to commemorate "Children's Year" and delighted a large audience at Gothenburg Scandinavian Stadium. Two members represented the Branch both at the Gothenburg Tattoo and on TV with Highland Dancing.

Two enjoyable evenings as guests of Swedish Folkdance Groups were attended by the demonstration team who despite a very slippery floor—and far too much to eat—gave a good account of themselves. A number of social dances throughout the year were well supported and a number of the more energetic dancers travelled to Hamburg, Copenhagen and Stockholm to enjoy various weekend courses. The Branch thanks those Societies for their kind hospitality during the visits.

The Hague District. Membership: Annual 92, 3 Long Term, 9 Life. Classes per week: 2. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch year has been eventful as regards demonstrations, more than 20 performances being given. Most of these were for old people's homes where this type of dancing is enjoyed very much. Although not possible to start a beginners class this year, the number of members was still on the increase. The Branch teacher also instructed at a Scottish Country Dance workshop in Leiden where a number of new members were enrolled. By giving Dutch dance groups assistance in getting to know Scottish dancing it is hoped to increase interest in the dances and the membership of the Society.

Hamilton (Ontario). Membership: 248 Annual, 1 Long Term, 6 Life. Classes per week: 5. Demonstration Teams available.

This year the Branch celebrated its 25th Anniversary of becoming a Branch of Society on 6th December, 1954. Accordingly an Anniversary Dance was held on 8th December, 1979, with Bobby Frew and his Band

playing. Dr Bob Smith, founder of the Hamilton Branch, was presented with a Pen and Pencil Desk Set showing the Society logo and Scottish Country Dancing figures in Blue and White. His wife, Ena, President of the Scottish Country Dance Group when Branch status was applied for, was presented with flowers. "The Hamilton Collection" book of dances was compiled by June Shore, John Carey and Elizabeth Williams.

The Annual Weekend in Niagara Falls was again a "sell out" with New Zealand dancers among those present. Teachers were Wilma Miller (Scotland), Wesley Clendenning (Mississauga) and John Middleton (Hamilton), with pianists Donald Bartlett, Elma Grech and Bobby Brown. A successful Children's Festival was held in March and the Branch presented a new round medal showing Scottish Country Dancing figures. Among the Trophies presented, the Muriel Haddon Trophy and the Margaret Connell Shield went to the Strathcona Dancers and the Jean C. Milligan Trophy and the Davidson Rosebowl went to the McNab Dancers of Hamilton. Bobby Brown and the Scottish Accent supplied the music for the Silver Anniversary Ball in the Spring when Duncan Macleod and his wife Sheena from Glasgow were guests of honour. The demonstration teams undertook 24 engagements throughout the year besides the Anniversary and Silver Anniversary Dances. The Annual Adult Gala Day was sponsored by the Hamilton Branch with 16 teams providing a day of demonstration dancing.



Dr. Bob Smith and his wife, Ena, with the gifts presented to them at the Anniversary Dance.

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

The Hawaii Branch continues healthy and active in Paradise. This year was highlighted by the Third Hawaii Institute of Scottish Country Dancing, held in Honolulu over the Easter Weekend of April through 6th, 1980. It was an ambitious undertaking in which the visiting participants far out-

numbered those who staged the event. But good planning and teamwork paid off. Local dancers and dancers attending from Canada and the West Coast of the United States pronounced it a resounding success. The teaching of our own Mary Brandon as well as Anthony Moretti, Jr. of Auburn, New Hampshire, was truly inspirational. And fun! Total attendance numbered 57. Enthusiasm is already high for Workshop 4, and we are aiming tentatively for the weekend of Easter 1981.

In addition there have been a number of demonstration dances, celebrating (of course) the birthday of Robert Burns and Israeli Independence Day, to name but two. The Branch is actively seeking to enlarge the membership and welcomes all interested persons.

Houston and District. Membership: 40 Annual, 5 Life. Classes per week: 2.

In spite of a Texas tornado and flood, Bill Hamilton arrived to instruct the class on 30th October to provide a beneficial and enjoyable evening. C. Stewart Smith taught at a special evening of dancing on 25th March. Three other party dances were held during the year plus dancing at the Burns Supper, Tartan Ball, Highland Games and Ceilidh. In November, the Branch celebrated its first anniversary at one of the most enjoyable social evenings of the year. Enthusiasm is such that dancing will continue through the summer months on Tuesday nights.



Houston Branch Members at First Anniversary Party.

Hunter Valley. Membership: 54 Annual, 17 Long Term, 26 Life. Classes per week: 11.

The first Branch Ball, and a most enjoyable evening, was attended by the Lord Mayor of Newcastle and visiting dancers from Sydney and Melbourne. It is hoped this Ball will be the first of many more.

In August, a weekend was spent with dancers from Brisbane and Sydney, learning the dances of John Drewry, taught by visiting teachers and our own Branch teachers. In fact there has been a most happy year of dancing and socialising.

Johannesburg. Membership: 101 Annual, 1 Long Term, 10 Life. Classes per week: 4. Demonstration Teams available.

Classes have been well attended with a very enthusiastic Advanced Class meeting for an hour before the other classes, and then joining the general Intermediate Class—quite a taxing evening's dancing. Three members have started children's classes in the suburbs, which is an encouraging development.

The trend at Gatherings in the Transvaal seems presently to be away from competitive dancing towards "mass" displays involving as many dancers as possible. The Branch is well supported by the Pretoria dancers and in turn supports them in such displays.

An enjoyable Highland Ball was held in August and two successful Weekend Schools with the most recent attended by dancers from three centres in the East Cape Province who travelled all of 600 miles to be there; there were also several teenagers and young students from different centres, a delightful "second generation", friendly and enthusiastic which augurs well for the future.

Kingston (Ontario). Membership: 52 Annual, Life 2. Classes per week: 2 (Beginners and Intermediate). Demonstration Team available.

The Branch, newly formed this year, was previously listed as an affiliated group and had been active in Kingston for about 15 years. As well as classes and an annual weekend workshop, the Branch runs monthly social dances and can field a demonstration team on request.

Major plans are afoot to run up to three classes for all grades of dancers and to start a children's class.

Kitchener-Waterloo. Membership: 102 Annual, 1 Long Term, 1 Life. Classes per week: 4.

A Branch Picnic was held in June and a Camping Weekend in August. Several demonstrations were presented during the Summer months, including Dundurn Castle in Hamilton. Several monthly dances were held at Victoria Park Pavilion, as well as dancing at the "Oktobertfest" (a German type festival), and there was, of course, the Annual Ball. The Branch attempted the first Ceilidh which was a decided success. The second annual "Ski 'n Do"—cross-country ski-ing, was followed by dinner and dancing.

London (Ontario). Membership: 90 Annual, 4 Life. Classes per week: 4.

The highlight of the year for the Branch was the visit of 36 dancers from New Zealand in October. Their special dance "Trip to Canada" was learned and performed at a Bandshell performance in Victoria Park in June. The annual Workshop was held in February and the Annual Ball in April. This latter is scheduled in the Spring of 1981 for May 2nd.

Los Angeles. Membership: 253 Annual, 7 Long Term, 18 Life. Classes per week: 11 (fully supported by Branch), 9 (sponsored by Civic Parks and Recreation areas). Demonstration Team available.

Classes were held on a regular basis in five locations throughout the summer and informal dancing parties took place on Saturday evenings in July and August in Santa Monica. The regular classes began in mid-September and closed in mid-June to coincide with the school year. Many members attended performances of the Black Watch in Anaheim and Inglewood when the regimental pipes and drums and the military band came in November. A near capacity crowd attended the St Andrew's Ball in December and The Burns Supper was held at the Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades in January. 161 dancers profited from the excellent instruction at the Weekend Institute in May, provided by Sandy Bain, Enid Fowler, Mary Murray, Elinor Vandegrift and George Will. Jack Rennie and the Thistle Band performed at the St Andrew's Ball, the Burns Supper and the Institute Ball.

Wedding bells rang throughout the year for six Branch members — Margaret Morrison married Arthur Roche in September, John and Kathleen Jardine were married in October, Jane Prather and Richard Healy were married in November and John and Diane Roush invited the Branch to attend their wedding reception in April. The Branch was saddened by the loss of three of its members — John Cockburn, Ingeborg Sieger, and Penny Hook.

Dancers in the various classes participated in the mass demonstration of Scottish Country Dancing at the Highland Games in Long Beach.

Melbourne and District. Membership: 457 Annual, 29 Long Term, 50 Life. Classes per week: 24 (plus 4 fortnightly). Demonstration Teams available.

In 1979 the Branch inaugurated a teaching and social weekend in Ballarat. This successfully brought 'Melbourne' & 'District' Scottish Country Dancers together. As the 1980 Weekend was also a great success, this weekend will now be an annual event. In both 1979 and 1980 the Branch was asked to provide dancers for the Melbourne Military Tattoo, now affiliated with the Edinburgh Military Tattoo and the Royal Tournament. As 1979 was the Branch Tenth Anniversary year the highlight must be the altogether too brief visit of the then Society Chairman, Mr Duncan Macleod who travelled many miles in a very short time, giving news from Scotland and running classes for dancers and teachers wherever he went. His visit, which was very much appreciated, had the effect of making the Branch feel not so far from Scotland after all.

Montreal. Membership: 182 Annual, 1 Long Term, 14 Life. Classes per week: 3 Branch, 6 Social.

Membership dropped slightly during the past season not due to lack of interest but mainly to departures to other regions of Canada. However, enthusiasm undampened, the Branch enjoyed another successful year of teaching and social activities, and an advanced technique class was added to the well established basic and intermediate classes. The Weekend Workshop held in June at Ste. Agathe, with Jeanette McColl, Jim MacLellan and Paul Sarvis as instructors, was again a popular and successful event. The Garden Party followed in July and an Open-House in mid-September the purpose being to recruit new members. Other activities included the Harvest Social, Hogmanay Party, Burns Night and the Annual Ball (the 22nd.)

Miss Nancy Arnott of Kirkcaldy spent one week in Montreal as a guest of the Teacher's Group with one evening set aside for an open class. Five sets of dancers participated at the Maxville Highland Games Tattoo and three sets at the Montreal Highland Games.

Mornington Peninsula. Membership: 103 Annual, 5 Life. Classes per week: 1 (April to October). Demonstration Team available.

Mr Duncan Macleod's visit last year will be long remembered as beneficial and enjoyable. Weekly classes and bi-monthly socials continue to be well attended. The influx of new dancers presents problems, but class enthusiasm and patient teachers overcome them. 15 new members were welcomed from the Launceston Caledonian Society in Tasmania (a group which is newly affiliated to the Society) and visitors from Britain, USA, Fiji and New Zealand attended classes. A social teaching weekend at Marysville, in the mountains, was held in conjunction with the Melbourne and District Branch; various other weekend schools and socials in country areas have been well supported. Several members attended the Fifth Australian Winter School in Queensland—approximately 1100 miles away. The Branch participated in the Melbourne Military Tattoo and in the opening ceremony of the first Frankston Highland Games. Pipe Bands, Kilts and Cabers in the scorching sun made a very colourful scene. Twice yearly members visit Delgany, a School for Deaf Children; boys and girls with an assortment of hearing devices bobbing up and down enjoy dancing with the more experienced visitors.



Mornington Peninsula Branch dancers at Frankston Highland Games February, 1980, dance "Salute to Miss Milligan".

Nairobi. Membership: 67 Annual, 3 Life. Classes per week: 1 (and two sessions of classes each 6 weeks during the year).

Unfortunately the Branch lost some of its members during the year on departure from Kenya but those remaining continue to enjoy the Monday evening dancing. The Annual Ball in December was, once again, very successful and well attended. Some of the dancers travelled almost 300 miles

to be present. At the time of writing the Branch is looking forward to the Annual Weekend Outing at Kericho, another very popular event in the calendar. Visitors from other Branches are always welcome, so when in Nairobi please contact the Secretary for details of Branch activities.

New Haven. Membership: 136 Annual, 11 Life. Classes per week: 3.

The new Branch teachers participated in classes in every group in the Branch. A new schedule of classes was adopted which provided more social dancing separate from class time. Monthly social dancing on Fridays, open to all members, was attempted and enjoyed moderate success but conflicts with holidays and other events made it difficult to attract wider participation. The Middletown group has initiated a Highland class. All groups this year provided demonstrations.

The Bill Hamilton tour of the Eastern US was initiated last year by Sylvia and Arthur Reed and was the Branch's major event beside the Annual Ball. Bill presented techniques and dancing aims and a party for the event was held in the evening after Saturday's classes. Bill stayed in the area, visiting first Newtown and then Hartford before extending his visits further afield. The aim of the tour, other than the visit to New Haven Branch, was to introduce Society style and expertise to groups who have had less exposure to Society teachers.

The sixth annual Highland Ball held at the Sheraton Park Plaza was a great success from start to finish. The New Haven group participated in the Anglo-American Pinewoods Camp Benefit, sponsored by the New Haven Contra Dancers.

New York. Membership: 147 Annual, 4 Life. Classes per week: 6. Demonstration Team available.

All levels of instruction were given at the Branch throughout the year. The Jeannie Carmichael Ball, sponsored by all the groups in the Greater New York Area was an elegant affair. Other highlights were the Burns Night Dance and the Valentine Party.

Great enthusiasm was aroused by the visits of Bill Hamilton and Duncan Macleod; their Workshops did a great deal to raise the standards of dancing.

The 18th Annual Weekend at Holiday Hills, attended by 150 dancers was most successful with a grand staff of teachers from Canada—Georgina Finlay, Jean Yeats and Ian Macfarlane, with music provided by the Don Bartlett Band. The Hudson Valley group held an exciting third birthday dance, the Brooklyn group celebrated its 10th anniversary and the Nassau group gave a Scottish cultural concert, and all the New York groups held parties and dances to raise money for the forthcoming Miss Jeannie Carmichael Ball to be held in November, 1980. There's always something exciting going on at the New York Branch, so visitors to the city—do come and dance with us.

New Zealand. Membership: 875 Annual, 47 Long Term, 120 Life.

The New Zealand Branch is flourishing with the annual membership having increased by approximately 100 annual members. Regions with the New Zealand Branch have been very actively engaged in conducting Day Schools, Weekend Schools and regular weekly and fortnightly classes for all grades of dancers. At the 1979-80 Summer School held in Wellington 15 candidates successfully passed the Preliminary Test and 4 successfully gained their Teacher's Certificate. Already enquiries have been received from Australia and Japan for the 1980-81 Summer School to be held in Nelson.



*Pawling Committee, May 1980, at Holiday Hills.
(18th Annual Weekend)*

Northern Virginia. Membership: 115 Annual, 6 Life. Classes per week: 4 plus 1 fortnightly. Demonstration Team available.

This has been a year of experiment for the Branch and the changes made have been successful. The Fairfax class, which used to meet once fortnightly, became a full-fledged weekly class. The three Alexandria classes, for many years held on different nights in different locations, are now held on the same night in a newly renovated school, now the property of the Recreation Department. This move, together with the addition of social dancing after the regular classes, has been most beneficial in that the members have gotten to know each other. A fifth class for demonstration team members, meeting twice a month, was added at the beginning of the year.

Social activities included the usual dance parties, a barn dance and the Annual Ball, held at the Army-Navy Country Club. In September, we co-sponsored a ceilidh with the Washington, DC Branch to benefit the Jean Milligan Memorial Fund. One of the dances was held in conjunction with the Alexandria Christmas Walk and was open to the public as part of this charitable event. The demand for demonstrations continued and the Branch were pleased that the contributions received added substantially to the scholarship fund for teacher candidate training.

Ottawa. Membership: 291 Annual, 5 Life. Classes per week: 16. Demonstration Teams available.

A successful year saw the membership increasing to 296. Sixteen classes met each week in various locations throughout Ottawa and the surrounding area. Dances were held monthly—both spirits and attendance were high. A weekend of dancing was held in September, and a Christmas Dinner and Dance later in the season, followed by the Annual Ball in April at the Chateau Laurier. Music was by Ed Brydie's Scottish Country Dance Band. The Branch held a technique day and hosted a regional children's

festival. Members of the Ottawa Branch were more than pleased to meet once again with Miss Nancy Arnott who very kindly visited Ottawa as guest teacher during her recent stay with Montreal Branch.

Regina. Membership: 34 Annual, 11 Long Term. Classes per week: 4.

In the Spring of 1979 a workshop was held with 36 participating. Two capable and fun-loving teachers, Ena McNaught and Una Lennan, were brought in from Calgary. The workshop, held at the Vagabond Hotel, was followed by a Ball.

The Branch have decided that in future they will have a Spring Ball only and postpone the workshop for the Fall so that new dances learned at the workshop and thereafter may be utilized at the Ball.

St Catharines. Membership: 76 Annual. Classes per week: 3.

This was one of the most successful and enthusiastic years for the Branch under the leadership of Chairman Ralph Crowther. Numerous demonstrations were performed by the teams during the year. Several record dances were held and the Christmas Dance attended by members and their guests enjoyed the live music of Bobby Brown and his "Scottish Accent" Band. Several general classes have enjoyed the live music of Ed Brydie (an original St Andrews boy) during the season. The ever popular "Beach Ball" and "Tennis Court" Dances finished off the season. As usual, the highlight of the year was the Annual May Ball held at Brock University.

In March the Branch was fortunate in having Mr Iain Macfarlane of Toronto as guest teacher of a general class. The Branch teachers will be exchanging classes with the Buffalo (New York) Branch teachers again thus continuing the neighbourly association with dancing friends across the Border.

San Diego. Membership: 101 Annual, 5 Life. Classes per week: 6.

The Branch has had another busy year of dancing and other fun activities. Membership has gone over the 100 mark for the first time. In addition to two beginner sessions held in conjunction with the intermediate class which meets weekly, two new beginner classes have started in other areas of the city and are going well. The Branch gained five new teachers this year—Alan Leitch, Richard Macklem, Lee Steadman and John White who passed the Preliminary Test, and Elaine Regelson who now has her Teacher's Certificate. One of the year's highlights was the Mini Institute, with special guests Duncan Macleod, Robin Pichel Johnson (now in Los Angeles) and John Kelly from Palo Alto. Jack Rennie's Thistle Band played for the Ball in the evening. Four scholarships were presented during the evening which were used by the recipients to help defray expenses for the Santa Maria weekend sponsored by the LA Branch and which a total of 22 San Diego members attended.

Monthly social parties have been held throughout the year plus a Betwixt and Between holiday party. The second annual camping weekend was held in December with the great outdoors attracting many to hiking and climbing in addition to daytime dance classes and evening dance parties. The summer picnic was held in the country and an afternoon and evening of games, dancing, swimming, picnicking and a hayride were enjoyed.

The Branch Newsletter "The Reel Thing" has been published regularly and circulated to various Branches; the demonstration team has performed on many occasions and altogether this has been a year of growth for the Branch.

San Francisco. Membership: 240 Annual, 24 Life. Classes per week 13. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch was pleased to host a number of visitors from other Branches during the past year, including 30 dancers from New Zealand, who joined

the Asilomar Weekend. In a beautiful setting along the California coastline, the largest weekend attendance ever enjoyed the teaching of Margaret Zadworney, Simon Scott, Barbara McOwen and our special guest, John Drewry. Music for the Ball was performed by the Schiehallion Band from Vancouver. Those attending the Valentine's Ball had the pleasure of dancing to our own Berkeley Scottish Players. In April the Branch was visited by Duncan Macleod who conducted a general class and a teacher's workshop. The Annual General Meeting was held in true California style with members assembled in and around a swimming pool, enjoying the May sunshine.

Seattle. Membership: 85 Annual, 48 Long Term, 4 Life. Classes per week: 9. Demonstration Teams available.

In the past year the Branch commenced additional classes at the University of Washington, Kirkland Senior Citizens' Center and in Renton, and moved the monthly dance parties and two weekly classes to the Fremont Lodge, IOOF Hall. The sinking of the Hood Canal Floating Bridge did not hamper our popular September weekend workshop at Fort Worden, and we were pleased again to greet our many friends from the Vancouver and Victoria Branches. We danced one-fourth of a Thirty-two-some Reel for the Seattle Highland Games, gave demonstrations at the Holland Happening Folk Dance Festival, and danced for the evening commuters on the Seattle-Bremerton ferry. Our first Seattle Ball was held in May with music by Vancouver's Schiehallion Band. True, the dancing was spirited and enthusiastic and the Olympic Hotel had never before felt the mighty force of 144 dancers coming down almost together in a pas de basque; but there was no connection at all with the eruption of Mount St Helens one week later!

South East Queensland. Membership: 118 Annual, 9 Long Term, 5 Life. Demonstration Team available.

The dancing year commenced with a Weekend School and has just concluded with the Australian Winter School for which SE Queensland was host Branch this year. The Annual Ball in September and the Branch Christmas Dance was also on the year's programme. Local clubs held social dances regularly throughout the year and though this Branch is relatively new, two clubs will be celebrating their 25th anniversaries this year—the SCDS of Brisbane have organised a Dinner Dance for June and Clan Mackenzie Dancers also reach their 25th year in 1980.

It was good to see old and new friends from near and far at the Fifth Australian Winter School; in addition to members from Australian Branches two visitors came from New Zealand—Mrs Glenys Mills and Miss Mirth Smallwood, and Mrs Anita McGrigor whilst on a visit to Australia from England. Local support for the School was excellent and the Branch is proud to say that every Queensland participant worked willingly and well to make the School a success. Teachers were: Mrs Elma See, Mrs Phyllis South, Mrs Morag Napier and Mrs Jean Garvin (experienced dancers classes), Mrs Nan Kelly (new dancers), Mr Neil MacKenzie (teenagers) and Mr Bruce McClure (children). The participation of the young was a feature of the School and it is with them that our hopes for the future are based.

Stockholm. Membership: 78 Annual, 1 Long Term, 2 Life. Classes per week: 3. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch took part in and provided a large demonstration team for the St Andrew's Ball arranged by the Swedish-British Society in Stockholm on the occasion of their 60th Anniversary. Admiring onlookers among others were the King and Queen of Sweden. On December 2nd, the Branch

organised, for the first time in Sweden, Scottish Country Dancing for the general public in Stockholm's recently completed House of Culture. Surprisingly, everyone joined in and danced gaily for over three hours. The dances chosen were of course rather simple but it was a grand sight to see twenty sets dancing happily after receiving only the usual short recaps. There was in fact more than a slight touch of the Younger Hall atmosphere about this remarkable event.

The traditional Spring Ball and concomitant courses were again very successful. Branch teachers conducted the Country Dance courses while Jennifer Wilson held her ever popular courses in Highland Dancing. In addition, for the first time in Sweden, a course in traditional Scottish fiddling was arranged with Bill Brian, Director of the Elgin Strathspey and Reel Society as instructor. His excellent tuition produced several noteworthy results for Jennifer Wilson was accompanied at the Ball by no less than eight fiddles, drums and bass and subsequently the Stockholm Strathspey and Reel Society was successfully formed.

Sydney. Membership: 106 Annual, 2 Long Term, 25 Life. Classes per week: 2 plus Advanced fortnightly. Demonstration Team available.

The Branch has continued to increase in numbers and the Branch is happy to have the original representative of Headquarters, Mrs Jean London, as Chairman; her association with Scottish Country Dancing would be just about a record in Australia. October once again was the time for the Branch Weekend School where teachers from Hunter Valley Branch had the responsibility of main classes. The Teachers' Liaison Group has successfully run three one-day schools which have been voted a very well worthwhile effort. Of course the main event towards which the Branch is working is the May 1981 Winter School which will be held at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College, Richmond (16th-23rd) and any overseas Scottish Country Dancers will be more than welcome.

Various demonstrations have been given by the Branch including one at Government House for the National Heart Foundation when the normal white frocks for the ladies were substituted by pastel colours; this innovation created quite a bit of comment and looked quite effective.

Toronto. Membership: 1215 Annual, 31 Life. Classes per week: 6, several Children's Classes and 36 Social Groups. Demonstration Teams available.

1979-80 opened with a Gala Day at which the Branch welcomed teams from out of town, as well as many representing the Toronto Branch Social Groups. Throughout the summer, members attended summer schools at St Andrews and in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and the TAC Summer School, showing a growing enthusiasm for an increased knowledge and enjoyment of the correct technique of Scottish Country Dancing.

The Annual Branch Weekend at Geneva Park was held in beautiful weather in September with a Ceilidh Friday evening, classes Saturday and Sunday and a Ball on Saturday night. The Monthly Dance schedule comprised nine events, including a Young People's Night, a Beginners' Night, and an extremely successful Family Night attended by dancers of all ages. The Tartan Ball in February was attended by some 550 dancers and was truly memorable. This year a special "Graduation Dance" was the closing event for the Branch classes and for many dancers it was their first experience of dancing to "live" music.

The Children's Festival this year was a non-competitive event and was attended by 370 young people from the age of four to the late teens.

The Branch continues to grow and we Canadians—the majority Scots by heritage or birth, the minority by adoption—will always be grateful to Miss

Milligan and Mrs Stewart for their foresight in keeping alive the wonderful tradition of Scottish Country Dancing.

Twin Cities. No report at date of going to press.

Vancouver. Membership: 402 Annual, 33 Life. Classes per week: 5. Demonstration Team available.

This year Vancouver celebrated its 50th year of dancing, highlighted by the Annual Ball and Workshop held in Hotel Vancouver. The Branch's own Schiehallion Band played for the Ceilidh on Friday evening, and at the Ball on Saturday Don Bartlett and his Band supplied the music. Classes at the Workshop were taught by guest teachers Sandy Bain, George Emmerson, Eleanor Vandergrift, Stewart Smith and five local teachers. A very successful children's weekend was held with the Schiehallion Band playing for the party in the evening. Other social events included monthly parties and a Burns Supper. The open air dancing at Ceperley Park in Stanley Park began on 16th June with a pipe band and demonstration by the Vancouver team.

Victoria. Membership: 126 Annual, 10 Long Term, 1 Life. Classes per week: 5 (and a social dancing class). Demonstration Team available.

The year started with the 6th Anniversary Dance in May and continued through the summer with dancing in the City Hall square. Fall got off to a good start with classes four nights a week, a children's class and social dancing every Friday. One of the highlights was a well attended and most successful November Workshop and Dance. Christmas and New Year parties, jointly sponsored by Vancouver Island Group and Victoria Branch were very enjoyable. Second term began in January and in no time the Annual Meeting in April was upon the Branch. For information about Branch activities contact Bobbie Huebner 384-1015, or Louise Cooke 477-3467.

Washington D.C. Membership: 246 Annual, 4 Life. Classes per week: 6. Demonstration Teams available.

The Branch has continued to grow in 1979-80. The two major Annual Events—the Spring Ball and the IONA Weekend—continued to attract enthusiastic participation both from Branch members and from dancers from other parts of the Eastern United States. The demonstration teams were active and extremely well-received at various events. The Branch had the privilege and pleasure of working with its sister organisation, Northern Virginia Branch, in co-sponsoring a ceilidh-dance party to raise funds for the Jean Milligan Memorial. This was an enormously successful event from almost every aspect—introducing Scottish Dancing to new people, entertaining the community, our own enjoyment and fund raising.

The Branch has continued to supply teachers to the Baltimore Scottish Country Dance Group as part of the ongoing relationship with them and also experimented with an effort to introduce Scottish Country Dancing to the City of Annapolis, Maryland. It is hoped that expansion will continue in the coming year.

Western Australia. Membership: 52 Annual, 16 Long Term, 9 Life. Classes per week: 2.

The Branch had an eventful year from start to finish as they were involved in the State's 150th Anniversary Celebrations. Scottish Country Dancing was performed more than ever. The monthly hops are becoming more successful as time goes on and the Annual Boat Trip proved highly popular this year. In May 1979, nine Branch members attended the Fourth

Annual Winter School in Canberra, a contact which helped to standardise ideas and encourage co-operation in joint projects. Duncan Macleod, then Chairman of the Society, held a teaching day which was the highlight of the year. In the Military Tattoo held as part of the 150th Celebrations, five Senior teams and one Junior team of Scottish Country Dancers were privileged to take part—the only civilian performers to participate. In December a team of Jakarta Scottish Country Dancers made a visit to Western Australia and as a result stronger ties have been formed between W.A. and Jakarta, with continuing friendships.

Winnipeg. Membership: 184 Annual, 5 Life. Classes per week: 9.

The new season got off to an excellent start with the first Fall Weekend Workshop. Attendance was high and the Weekend in October was a great success. Bill Little, one of the guest teachers, stayed for a week during which he taught several classes and his return for the 1980 October Workshop is anticipated with pleasure.

A mini-weekend was held in March and a number of children from Mamie Hendron's class in Thompson attended. Georgina Finlay, the guest teacher from Toronto, was most impressed with Mamie's efforts and inspired her home Branch to raise funds so that Mamie might attend Summer School. The Winnipeg Branch will also subsidise Mamie's studies.

Both the New Year Dance and the Annual Ball were well attended, the presence of the Schiehallion Band from Vancouver adding to the enjoyment of the latter.

The Branch are losing two teachers this year—Robin Lynch and Archie Nixon both of whom have contributed to the Branch in many ways over the years. The Branch will particularly miss Archie, a founding member of the Branch.

Teachers' Association (Canada). Membership: 414.

It is pleasing to note the increase of 64 in membership which is due in part to Miss Nancy Arnott's tour of North America as an examiner a year ago, as there were many successful candidates at that time.

The popularity of Brock University at St Catharines as a venue for the Annual TAC Summer School was undoubted and the 1980 School will be held there again, included in the numbers attending are 36 candidates for either the preliminary test or full certificate. Seven participants will be attending under scholarships provided by the TAC and two by means of scholarships provided by either their group or other interested parties—a clear indication that the Association makes a worthwhile contribution to the promotion of Scottish Country Dancing.

The second record by Don Bartlett was completed and released during the year and has sold well. As a venture for 1980-81 a reprinting of *The Border Book*, now some years out of print, is expected to be arranged. The book is a collection of 23 traditional dances collected by the late Ion C. B. Jamieson and compiled by Elizabeth Maclachland.

1981 will be 'candidates' year in North America and the Association will again be arranging the tour of the examiners on behalf of the Society's Headquarters in Edinburgh.

The AGM for 1979 was held in Niagara Falls and the Association was fortunate in having Stewart Smith from Houston, Texas, to take some most instructive classes, and, incidentally, to show some movie films of our dancing prepared by the Society in the thirties. It was apparent from the steps and figures demonstrated that Scottish Country Dancing has changed in some subtle but definite ways over the past 50 years.



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Kangaroos, Koalas and Kilts

Before we migrated to Australia, most Scots of my acquaintance had fanciful ideas of what we might be doing here. We knew all about kangaroos and koalas, but kilts were the last thing on our minds. Well, we mostly came to live in towns and cities and kangaroos in the streets are an uncommon sight.

After the migrating Scot has settled and found a job, it seems the inevitable next step is a "dream o' hame". Some think back on the halcyon childhood days among the heather, or playing peever, or sliding in the ice behind the janitor's back, or whatever was their wont, and drifting across the horizon of the memory comes the echo of the sweet, the lilting, the penetrating voice of the until then, forgotten gym teacher. "Awaay from the centre, turrn! Up or down, turrn!" Ah, ye graduates of Jordanhill, think not that you are forgotten by your former charges. Not all seed falls on stony ground, even though it can be twenty years germinating!

As a natural sequence of this, some begin to formulate slowly in the tortured convolutions of the thinking process the great and oft asked question—"Who can I get to make up the set?" This, the great motivator of the exiled Scot and this, the fashion in which Scottish Country Dancing is transplanted and takes root in all soils. A Scot might well be essential to the proper sharing of the dream o' hame and the dram o' Hogmanay but no Scot is necessary to make up a set. Making up the sets here we have Scots-Australians, Australians-Scots, Australians-Australians, and Scots-Scots. Then we have our German-Australians, Italian-Australians, English-Australians and Dutch-Australians and I spotted last year a Welsh-Australian and a Canadian-Australian! In fact we have Australians of many nations, including some whose lineage defies description, all dancing in the sets as passionately as any Scot. We have here the swinging kilts of all clans, known and unknown—the tartan ancient and modern, hunting and dress, conservative and unbelievable!

We meet as dancers all over the world meet—in big halls, small halls, Scout Halls, Town Halls. We have day classes, night classes, old classes, young classes. We have our socials, balls, weekend schools and our recently established (1976) annual winter school. This has become our central rallying point. Australia is THE biggest island. The distance between Perth in West Australia and Brisbane in Queensland is roughly similar to that between London and Moscow. Yet we know each other. Some of us have met at Winter Schools. Should it happen that we are visiting another city, so long as there is a Scottish Country Dance Class, we are known.

Because of the distances we travel to visit each other, there is a great hospitality here. The Hundred Thousand Welcomes of the Highlands is nothing compared to that of the welcome experienced when visiting a class in a country town who are starved for new dances and music. They often struggle along with a teacher who may happen to have danced at some time and who manages to keep a class going for years on the strength of a 101 book and a couple of records.

So, if you come to Australia you will find the classes of the city Branches no different from your own classes and you might even be a future teacher in a remote town pleading for books and music. Wherever you go in Australia you are likely to find the well-kent dances, the well-kent happy faces and, above all, the well-kent spirit of Scottish Country Dance.

You can look to Robert Fergusson, poet, 1750-1774, for an explanation:

"For naught can cheer the hert sae weel,
As can a cantie Heilan' reel,
It even vivifies the heel,
tae skip and dance.
Lifeless is he wha canna feel,
it's influence!"

SENGA FREELAND.
South East Queensland Branch.

The Jean Milligan Memorial Fund

We are pleased to report that the Fund continues to grow with several Branches, Groups and individuals giving more than once. As we stated in the last Bulletin it is intended that the Fund will always remain open for contributions—the larger the Fund, the greater the interest accruing and the more we can do with it. It is therefore most heartening to see that we have more than doubled the Fund in its second year.

This first year's interest amounted to £781.80 which was used for two purposes. Three Scholarships were offered for Summer School (in addition to the Jean Milligan Scholarships for young people) to cover fees for potential teachers. The Scholarships were awarded to an affiliated group in the North of Scotland, to a Branch in the South of England, and to an affiliated group in Australia. The second project was, on the suggestion of a Branch, a course for pianists, the idea being to get capable pianists who were not experienced in Scottish Country Dancing and to help them acquire that particular skill. This was in the nature of an experiment and it is certain that another course would be tackled differently but on the whole we think it was useful and that the six pianists (three from England and three from Scotland) enjoyed the experience. Miss Kitty McLauchlan conducted the course.

Plans are already being made for a tour of the African Continent next year by two teacher/examiners; it is hoped that all Branches and Groups in Africa will participate.

A gift in kind came from Capt. S. Livingstone-Learmonth of Gwynedd, North Wales, in the shape of a very dignified and elegant commemorative plaque of beautiful Welsh slate which has been affixed to the front of headquarters in memory of Dr Jean C. Milligan. All members will wish to thank Capt. Livingstone-Learmonth for his timely thought and generosity.



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Minutes of Annual General Meeting

3rd NOVEMBER, 1979

MINUTES of the Fiftieth Annual General Meeting held on Saturday, 3rd November, 1979, at 2.30 p.m., in The Assembly Rooms, Edinburgh.

Present—The Earl of Mansfield (President), Mr D. Macleod (Chairman), Mr J. Taylor (Vice-Chairman), and an approximate attendance of 550 of whom 140 were delegates.

In the Chair—The Earl of Mansfield.

The Lord Provost of Edinburgh, Mr Kenneth Borthwick, welcomed members to the City and commented on the influence which the Society exercised all over the world on behalf of Scotland whose dances and culture we had spread so far and wide.

Apologies—Apologies were received from the Duke of Atholl, Lord Hugh Douglas Hamilton, Sir Donald Cameron of Lochiel, The Hon. Colin Tennant, Col. Colin Mitchell (Hon. Vice-Presidents), Mr T. G. Leggat (Leicester), Mr A. Edmonds (Melbourne), Mrs J. M. Wright (Northern Virginia), Mr A. Greenyer (Worthing), Mr and Mrs Barnes (Bedfordshire), Mrs A. Burnett (Toronto) and Mrs Parker (Kilmarnock).

Chairman's Remarks—Lord Mansfield said that it gave him great satisfaction to preside at this Annual Meeting of the Society so well attended in Scotland's capital city. He then read two messages from Her Majesty the Queen. In the first, the Queen asked him to thank the Executive Council and Members for their loyal greetings and sent her best wishes for a successful and enjoyable meeting. The second message intimated Her Majesty's thanks, as Patron of the Society, for the copy of Book 29 and the accompanying record, which had been sent to her.

The President reported that among the many delegates present fifteen represented overseas branches and he specially welcomed delegates from Delft, Doncaster and District and Milton Keynes Branches which were represented for the first time having been formed in the past year.

At this time of celebrating another successful year Lord Mansfield felt it was but right to remember those who were no longer with us. In addition to the obituaries listed in the Bulletin, which included Sir Herbert Brechin, an Honorary Vice-President, and Miss Lilian Ross, a founder member, Miss E. N. Shaw, Secretary of Moffat Branch who was to have been a delegate, had died very suddenly in September. He said we were indeed saddened by the loss of these good friends of the Society.

Minutes—The Minutes, having been in delegates' hands for some time, were taken as read. Mr J. C. Douglas (Newcastle-upon-Tyne and District Branch) moved the adoption of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting on 4th November, 1978. The motion was seconded by Mrs Linda Gaul (representing Hamilton (Ontario) Branch), and the Minutes were unanimously approved.

Mr D. Macleod took the Chair.

Appointment of President—Mrs M. Parker (Ayr Branch), seconded by Mrs L. Barclay (Aberdeen Branch), proposed that the Earl of Mansfield be confirmed in the appointment of President and the motion was carried unanimously.

Before vacating the Chair, Mr Macleod took the opportunity to express his thanks to everyone for their support during his term of office as Vice-

Chairman and as Chairman of the Society and said how much he had enjoyed those years.

The Earl of Mansfield resumed the Chair.

Resuming the Chair, Lord Mansfield thanked Mr Macleod for all he had done for the Society while in office.

Appointment of Honorary Vice-Presidents—Miss D. A. Paterson (Glasgow Branch) seconded by Miss M. E. Grieve (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles Branch) moved confirmation of the appointments as Honorary Vice-Presidents of the Society of the Duke of Atholl, Sir Donald Cameron of Lochiel, Lord Hugh M. Douglas-Hamilton, Lt. Col. Colin C. Mitchell, Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk and the Hon. Colin Tennant. Confirmation of these appointments were approved unanimously.

Election of Office-Bearers and Six Members of the Executive Council for 1979-80—

- (a) **Chairman:** Mr James Taylor (sole nominee) was duly elected with the unanimous agreement of the delegates. Mr Taylor expressed his appreciation of the honour they had done him.
- (b) **Vice-Chairman:** The result of the voting was—
Mrs M. G. Parker—111 Votes—Elected.
Mr J. D. L. Gregor—28 Votes—Not Elected.
- (c) **Six Members of the Executive Council.** The result of the voting was:

Miss L. Martin	129	Votes	} Elected
Mr R. Mackay	124	"	
Dr I. Hall	121	"	
Miss I. Elliot	116	"	
Mrs N. Dunn	110	"	
Miss A. B. W. Mann	94	"	
Mr W. J. Ireland	75	"	Not Elected

Adoption of Annual Report—The Secretary, presenting the Annual Report which had been in the hands of delegates for some weeks, said that the growth of the Society continued in a satisfactorily steady manner with a net increase this year of 4 new Branches and 36 newly Affiliated Groups; among the latter we had representation in the Sultanate of Oman, Norway and Spain for the first time. Since the figures reported in the Bulletin, the Jean Milligan Memorial Fund had risen to over £9,600 and contributions were still coming in.

Mrs Wadsworth (Gatehouse-of-Fleet Branch), seconded by Mr A. Gillies (Croydon and District Branch) moved the adoption of the Annual Report. The Report was adopted unanimously.

In reply to Mrs Linklater-Shirras (Inverness and District Branch) who wished a complaint recorded that all members had not received their Bulletins before the Annual Meeting, the Secretary explained that in the Society's timetable this was not physically possible. All Bulletins had, however, been despatched by the printer prior to the meeting and in addition all Branches had received at least one copy of the Bulletin so that business could have been discussed before the Annual General Meeting.

Adoption of the Annual Accounts and Balance Sheet—Mr J. Taylor (Vice-Chairman), presenting the Annual Accounts of the Society dealt first with the Revenue Account and said that increased membership together with the rate of subscription from 1st July, 1978, resulted in an increase from this source of £2,798 over the previous year. While interest on investments was down by £100, royalties were up by £200. He recorded his gratitude to the staff at Headquarters for their enthusiastic sales efforts in both books and accessories.

In view of the increase in work it was remarkable that administration costs had risen by only £1,305. Our extension work and overseas visits for classes and examinations were necessary parts of our activities and as expenditure on this work was likely to increase an overseas travel expenses reserve was being created.

The result for the year was a surplus of £4,201 of which £2,000 had been set aside to meet the cost of an instructional film being financed jointly with the Sports Council in 1980, and £500 for overseas travel expenses.

Returning to the Balance Sheet, Mr Taylor drew attention to the investments. Conforming to Society policy, £2,000 had been invested during the year to create a contingency reserve and increase annual income.

He asked Branches who had not already done so, to consider contributing to the Memorial Fund so that we might reach over £10,000 in this current financial year.

Mr Taylor pointed out that the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1980, for the first time in over twenty-five years, anticipated a deficit but taking the Summer School 1979 into account and the current high rate of interest on our investments, the Treasurer had now forecast that there might actually be a small surplus. He hoped that she was right.

Concluding, Mr Taylor said that admirable though it was, thrifty house-keeping was not the complete answer and that it was important for the Society to have adequate working capital—a theme to which he would return later in the Agenda.

In moving the adoption of the Annual Accounts and Balance Sheet he thanked the Finance Committee, the Treasurer, the Secretary and Staff at Headquarters and Miss Matheson, the Auditor, for their continued support and loyalty to the Society.

Miss M. M. Ross (Forres Branch) seconded the motion and the Annual Accounts and Balance Sheet were adopted unanimously.

Appointment of Auditor—Confirmation of the appointment of Miss M. A. Matheson, C.A., was proposed by Gp. Capt. D. S. Huxley (Leamington Spa Branch) and seconded by Mr S. Wilkie (Edinburgh Branch) and approved unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS—

(a) Amendment to the Constitution and Rules

Mr G. Burnett (Toronto Branch) seconded by Mr R. Hunn (Delaware Branch) moved that the Constitution and Rules of the Society should be amended as follows:

Section VII. General Meetings, Paragraph 9, Fourth Line: After 'Ballot' insert:

"Any overseas Branch entitled to more than one vote and having sent a delegate or delegates, or having nominated a delegate or delegates in the United Kingdom to attend a General Meeting on its behalf, shall be permitted to give a delegate or delegates the authority to cast the full quota of votes to which that Branch is entitled. This authority to apply to both voting on all motions before a General Meeting and to the elections to Offices, the Executive Council or Committees. Arrangements for recording these authorised votes shall be made by the Executive Council and it shall be the duty of the Chairman at the General Meeting to intimate the number of votes so cast, which shall be added to the votes of those delegates present, as each motion is considered".

Mr A. Douglas (Hamilton (Ontario) Branch) moved the Direct Negative.

Gp. Capt. D. S. Huxley (Leamington Spa Branch) moved that the motion be remitted to the General Purposes Committee for consideration generally of representation at Annual General Meetings and this proposal was seconded by Mrs M. G. Parker (Ayr Branch).

After some considerable discussion a vote was taken. Gp. Capt. Huxley's proposal to remit the matter to the General Purposes Committee was CARRIED by 100 votes for the remit, 33 against and 7 absentions. The original motion therefore fell.

(b) Membership Subscriptions

Mr J. Taylor (Finance Convener), seconded by Miss Galway, moved:

"That with effect from 1st July, 1980, the Annual Subscription be raised to £2.00, the subscription, as at present, being divided in the proportion of 50 per cent to be retained by the Branch and 50 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 1980".

The motion was CARRIED by an overwhelming majority.

Annual General Meeting 1980—The President confirmed that the next Annual General Meeting would be held on Saturday, 1st November, 1980, in the Mitchell Hall, Marischal College, Broad Street, Aberdeen.

Vote of Thanks—Miss Arnott, proposing the vote of thanks, said everyone would be pleased that everything was going on smoothly just as Dr. Milligan would have wished and this had been due in no small measure to the Chairmanship of the Society of Mr Duncan Macleod who had now completed three years in office and had directed another successful Summer School. On behalf of the Society she thanked him and wished him well in his year as Immediate Past Chairman.

She congratulated Mr James Taylor on becoming the new Chairman and Mrs Margaret Parker on being elected Vice-Chairman and wished them every success.

Miss Arnott said that the meeting, functions and classes held this year in the beautiful Assembly Rooms had been made possible only by the hard work of the Edinburgh Branch whom she thanked for their generous hospitality. In particular she thanked the Chairman, Mr Graham Bell and the Secretary, Mrs Brodie, and all their Committee for their efforts not only during the weekend but throughout the past year when they were preparing for the Annual General Meeting.

For the day to day running of the Society she thanked Miss Gibson, the Secretary and the Staff at Headquarters, and Miss Vaughan, the Treasurer, at Queen Street.

Lastly, Miss Arnott thanked Lord Mansfield for giving of his time to preside at the Meeting when his commitments were now so many. She said he was travelling the length and breadth of Scotland in the cause of Scotland and she recorded the Society's sincere appreciation of his presence at the Meeting in the cause of the Society.

The meeting closed at 4.50 p.m.

The following letter from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, England, is published, without comment, for the information of our readers . . .

Dear Sirs,

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I am, therefore, writing to your organisation to ask whether you would be prepared to use your influence, as a body of some standing and repute in Scottish Country Dancing, to dissuade your members from purchasing sporrans manufactured from sealskin, whether dyed or natural colour. I should point out to you that the Department of Trade will be placing before Parliament an Order made under the Trade Descriptions Act 1968 which will, when in force, require all sealskin goods, after January 1st next year, whether imported or made in this country, to be clearly marked that they are of sealskin and also show the country of origin where the seals were killed. It should, therefore, be possible from January 1981 to identify clearly the use of sealskin in any article. Goods not so marked will not be permitted to be sold without incurring a breach of the Act.

With the very substantial increase in recent years of synthetic furs our Society believes that it should now be possible to reduce and ultimately avoid the use of animal skins.

The comments of your organisation would be of considerable interest to me.

Yours faithfully,

R. J. HOPKINS, Executive Director,
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(Full details obtainable from organising Branches)

	1980	1981	1981
Stirlingshire East	5 November	Winnipeg	possibly March
Kingston (Ontario)	7-8-9 November	Leicester	March
Bedfordshire	8 November	Edinburgh	3-5 April
Newcastle & District	8 November	Leeds	3-5 April
Victoria B.C.	8-9 November	Dunbartonshire West	10-11 April
Croydon & District	14-16 November	Stockholm	11-12 April
Seattle	15 November	Melbourne & District	17-19 April
Norwich	15 November	Vancouver	April
Carlisle & Border	November	Perth & Perthshire	April-May
	1980-81	Forres	possibly April
New York Branch	Fall and Winter	Milton Keynes	April
New Zealand	29 Dec.-8 Jan.	Doncaster	2 May
(Summer School)		Johannesburg	8-10 May
		Duns & District	15-17 May
Hague & District	24-25 January	Sydney	16-23 May
London	13-15 February	Los Angeles	22-25 May
Southport	14 February	Delft	5-8 June
	(provisionally)	Herefordshire	6 June
San Diego	21 February	Worthing	6 June
Hague & District	21-22 February	Montreal	June
Delft	28 Feb.-1 March	TAC Summer School	3rd week in
London (Ontario)	28 February		August
Carlisle & Border	February	Atlanta	Fall
Atlanta	Spring	Johannesburg	18-20 September
Berks/Hants/Surrey	early March	Seattle	18-20 September
Border		Toronto (Ontario)	September
Melbourne & District	6-8 March	TAC	September
Birmingham	7 March	Leeds	possibly 19 Sept.
Lorn (Argyll)	13-14 March	South Wales	26 September
Bournemouth	14 March	Manchester	September
Liverpool	14 March	Sydney	2-5 October
Nottingham	14 March	Delft	3 October
Seattle	21 March	Hamilton (Ontario)	17-18-19 October
London	28 March	Belfast	October
Royal Tunbridge Wells	28 March	York & North	October
West Lothian	28 March	Humberside	
Hague & District	28-29 March	Calgary	October
Burlington (Ontario)	March	Regina	October
Calgary	March	Cheltenham	Details not yet
Leicester	March		fixed
Forres	possibly March		

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING—DUMFRIES—13th-14th November, 1981

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