

**FÀILTE**

Fàilte chridheil oirbh a-rithist, a' chàirdean, agus tha mi 'n dòchas gun robh deagh Nollaig agaibh uile.

Aig toiseach am bliadhna ùr bidh sinn uile a' coimhead air adhart gu làithean nas breagha agus nas blàithe. Tha prògram de thachartasan tarraingeach againn 's na mìosan ri tighinn agus tha sinn a' creidsinn gum bi iad a' còrdadh riubh.

Chì sibh tuilleadh anns an iris seo :

- **Ar tachartasan sòisealta**
- **Fèis "Celtic Connections"**

AR TACHARTASAN SÒISEALTA

We have had to make some changes to the social programme described in the last issue. Here is an updated version :

February 21 st	Bardic Supper	Westburn Church, Greenock	
March 21 st	Latha Gàidhlig	Paisley Grammar School	4 language classes, plus singing workshop
April 18 th	Quiz Night	Wynd Centre, Paisley	
May 9th	Choirs' Night Note new date	Wynd Centre, Paisley	Choirs from Glasgow and elsewhere, competing for the Renfrewshire Provost's Cuach
May 16 th	Annual Trip		Destination to be advised
June 8 th	AGM	Wynd Centre, Paisley	

Bardic Supper 21st February

Our guest speaker will be Ian Smith. Ian is from the Isle of Tìree and is currently studying on the BA Scottish Music Course at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland. He was a finalist in the BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician of the Year 2014 competition and is a founder member of the well-known cèilidh band "**Trail West**". He has a keen interest in the local history of Tìree and, through his studies at the Conservatoire, has researched a number of topics of interest in the island's history.

Ian's talk is entitled : "**Poetry and Song in Tìree from the 18th Century to the present day**" and will give us an insight into the poetry and song of the island over the last 250 years. This talk will cover some of the earliest poems and songs from the island as well as some of the more recent compositions. Throughout the talk, there will be examples of compositions from archived and recorded material as well as live performances of some of the pieces.

Tickets, priced £15, which includes a 3-course meal, are available now from Committee members, at night classes, or via the telephone or e-mail address below. If you are interested in attending, please make early contact, as this is always a popular event and places are limited.

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**AR TACHARTASAN SÒISEALTA (CONTINUED)**

The Choirs' evening in the Wynd Centre, Paisley, has been re-scheduled to May 9<sup>th</sup>. Choirs which have so far committed to taking part are the three Glasgow choirs (the "GG", Govan and Islay), Stirling and Cumbernauld and this should make for a most enjoyable evening's entertainment. Tickets will be available from our usual contacts, plus from the Wynd Centre itself. We hope that as many of our members and friends will come along to support this event.

Our Workshop of Christmas Carols on 6<sup>th</sup> December was very successful, with 14 singers joining GilleBride MacMillan to learn many carols which were new to us, together with some which were better-known. Despite the very wet weather, there was an appreciative audience to hear the singers perform a short concert at the end of the day. This was a most successful event in a venue new to us.

**FÈIS CELTIC CONNECTIONS**

The annual feast of music from around the world commences on 15<sup>th</sup> January.

Here are some of the events which might be of particular interest to members :

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| 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 7:30 | "Nae Regrets" – the music of Martyn Bennett                                                                                                                                        | Concert Hall               |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 7:30 | Màiri Smith and friends (inc. Julie Fowlis, Calum Alex MacMillan)                                                                                                                  | The Mackintosh Church      |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 7:30 | Para Handy's "Highland Voyage"                                                                                                                                                     | St. Andrew's in the Square |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 1:00 | Concert with TMSA Young Trad Tour 2014 finalists                                                                                                                                   | Concert Hall               |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 7:30 | "Crossing the Minch" – music of Pipe Major Donald MacLeod                                                                                                                          | Mitchell Theatre           |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 7:30 | Gaels le Chèile @ Ceòl 's Craic                                                                                                                                                    | CCA                        |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 8:00 | "Mìorbhail nam Beann" – a celebration of the writings of Donnachadh Bàn MacIntyre                                                                                                  | Concert Hall               |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan 7:30  | Màiri Macinnes and friends (inc. Karen Matheson and Paul McCallum)                                                                                                                 | Tron Theatre               |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 1:00 | Ceòl nam Fèis – young members of the Fèis movement                                                                                                                                 | Concert Hall               |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 8:00 | Danu 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, with Julie Fowlis, Phil Cunningham and others                                                                                                   | Old Fruitmarket            |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 9:30 | Skerryvore and Dàimh                                                                                                                                                               | Old Fruitmarket            |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan. 2:00 | Concert by students at the University of the Highlands and Islands                                                                                                                 | Concert Hall               |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan. 8:00 | "Slàinte Mhath" – a celebration of Gaelic drinking songs, stories and traditions.<br>Artists include – Arthur, Ruairidh and Eilidh Cormack, Rona Lightfoot, Sìneag McIntyre, Trosg | Concert Hall               |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb. 5:00  | BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician 2015 Final                                                                                                                           | City Hall                  |

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