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Fàilte chridheil oirbh a-ríthist, a’ chàirdean. Anns an iris mu dhèireadh thuirt mi “Aig toiseach am bliadhna úr bidh sinn uile a’ coimhead air adhart gu làithean nas breagha agus nas blàithe.”- uill tha sinn a’ feitheamh fhathast! Saoil gum bidh an t-side a’ fàs nas fheàrr ‘sna làithean a tighinn.

Tha prògram de thachartasain tarraingeach againn ’s na mìosan ri tighinn agus tha sinn a’ creidsinn gum bi iad a’ còrdadh riubh.
Chì sibh tuileadh anns an iris seo:

- Oifigear Leasachaidh
- Ar tachartasan sòisealta
- Tachartasan eile

OIFIGEAR LEASACHAIDH

Many of you will have heard that Sìne Maclean, Gaelic Development Officer for the local authorities, is moving on to pastures new. She has already commenced her job as Early Years Co-ordinator for Bòrd na Gàidhlig, with responsibility for an area covering “bho Pheàirt dha na Criochar”. Not only is this a huge geographic spread, it includes the cities of Glasgow and Edinburgh, where much of the new growth in Gaelic is taking place. We are sure that all members will join your committee in wishing Sìne well in her new role and thanking her for the significant contribution which she made as GDO.

Bidh sinn gad ionndrainn, a’ Shìne.

AR TACHARTASAN SÒISEALTA

Bardic Supper 21st February

Our guest speaker was Ian Smith, whose talk “Poetry and Song in Tiree from the 18th Century to the present day” was very well received by a capacity audience. Ian’s presentation was a mix of slides, archive recordings and “live” music, in which we heard songs from Ian and his father, Bernie, with accompaniment from Ian himself on the accordion. This was a very lively evening, with plenty of audience participation.

For those who couldn’t be there, why not visit our web-site to see and hear a couple of songs recorded on the evening. Those who were there can watch the video and try to spot themselves singing along!
AR TACHARTASAN SÒISEALTA (CONTINUED)

Here is a summary of our programme for the remainder of this session:

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<td>Quiz Night</td>
<td>April 18th</td>
<td>Wynd Centre, Paisley</td>
<td>19:30. Entry £2. A Fun Quiz. Come along on your own, bring a friend or why not make up a team with some of your class-mates? Don't worry that your Gaelic might not be good enough, we will try to ensure that all teams have a mix of skills.</td>
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<td>Choirs’ Night</td>
<td>May 9th</td>
<td>Wynd Centre, Paisley</td>
<td>19:30. Six Choirs competing for the Renfrewshire Provost's Cuach. Choirs taking part are Cumbernauld, the three Glasgow choirs (the “GG”, Govan and Islay), Largs and Stirling. Tickets (£7) will be available from our usual contacts, plus from the Wynd Centre office itself (0141 887 4647). We hope that as many of our members and friends as possible will come along to support this event, which is being run in conjunction with Meur Phàislig, the local branch of An Comunn Gàidhealach, the organisers of the National Mòd.</td>
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<td>Annual Trip</td>
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<td>Bus run to Stirling Castle, including a short stop (approx. 1 hour) at the Bannockburn Centre. Cost £10. Pickup will be at 10:00, from Abercorn Street, Paisley, close to Gilmour Street station, returning from Stirling at approx. 6:30 p.m. allowing time for a meal before leaving for home. Please note that we need to confirm final numbers with the coach company by 9th May, so if you are interested in joining the trip contact any committee member, phone the editor on the number below or e-mail <a href="mailto:fios@clannaidhlig.org">fios@clannaidhlig.org</a> as soon as possible.</td>
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<td>AGM</td>
<td>June 8th</td>
<td>Wynd Centre, Paisley</td>
<td>19:30. Annual General Meeting. Come along to hear how the group has been doing and have your say on what we do in the future. Your input is VITAL.</td>
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TACHARTASAN EILE

Recent months have seen a number of Gaelic drama presentations in the Glasgow area, notably “As an Dorchadas” (“Out of the darkness) and “Sequamur” (“Let us follow” – the motto of the Nicolson Institute, Stornoway). These have been very successful, with good attendances, and have broken new ground in their manner of presentation – who would have expected to be taken by bus from the theatre to a house where most of the action took place during a power cut?

Gaelic drama is in a healthy state and is well worthy of your support – watch out for news of upcoming events.

Glasgow Provincial Mòd – Saturday June 13th. The local Mòd committee are looking for Gaelic-speaking volunteers to assist with the running of this event (e.g. stewarding). This would be a good opportunity to use your Gaelic conversational skills in a supportive environment. For more information contact Angela Jenkins at jenkinsangela34@gmail.com

As always, the editor would welcome contributions for future issues of “Seanachaidh” (articles, photographs or even just suggested topics for inclusion). Please call 0780 591 8509.

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