SEANACHAIÐH
A Newsletter for members of ClannGàidhlig

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Fàilte chridheil oirbh a-rithist, a’ chàirdean. Cò bhios a’ creidsinn gum biodh an t-side cho fuar agus cho garbh fad mìosan? Am bidh an sàmhradh a’ tighinn idir am bliadhna-sà? Feumaidh sinn a bhith dòchasach.

Tha prògram de thachartasan tarraingeach air a bhith againn ’s na mìosan ’sa chaidh agus tha direach ar Coinneamh Bhliadhnhail ri tighinn a-nis, ach bidh an coinneamh seo beagan eadar-dhealaichte am bliadhna.
Chì sibh tuilleadh anns an iris seo:

COINNEAMH BHIADHINAIL
This issue of “Seanachaidh” will act as an alert and an invitation to our Annual General Meeting.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we are having to change the date of this important meeting from Monday 8th June to Monday 29th June, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Please note that the meeting will take place in one of the halls in the Wynd Centre, rather than the Coffee Shop, which we have used in previous years.
We would like to see as many members as possible come along to the Wynd Centre in Paisley for a short, formal business meeting; to hear an update on what has been happening over the last year; and to contribute to a discussion on what the group might do in the year ahead.
After the formal part of the meeting, some tea/coffee, and a chance to chat we will be entertained by Ian Smith on the accordion, who will also lead us in some community singing of cèilidh favourites. Ian was our guest at the Bardic Supper in Greenock (see last issue of “Seanachaidh”), so those present that night will know what a talented young man he is. For those who missed the Bardic Supper, here is a chance to hear one of the finest accordion players around, who has just completed his degree course in Traditional Music at the Royal Conservatoire and is a member of the award-winning band “Trail West”.
This promises to be a highly enjoyable evening, do try to come along.

AR TACHARTASAN SÒISEALTA
Quiz Night 18th April

Five teams battled it out for the prizes in a close-fought contest at the Wynd Centre. “Na Reubaltaich” emerged the winners, despite the handicap of having two committee members in the team! Many thanks to quizmaster Coinneach Combe for getting our brains working overtime and providing an evening of much fun.
AR TACHARTASAN SÒISEALTA (CONTINUED)

Choirs’ Concert 9th May

There was a feast of music in the main auditorium of the Wynd Centre, and in front of a packed house too, as four choirs competed for the Renfrewshire Provost’s Cuach. The choirs taking part were Largs (holders), the Glasgow Gaelic Musical Association (the “GGs”) who won the major prizes at last year’s National Mòd in Inverness, Cumbernauld and Stirling (who were taking part for the first time).

A wide range of musical styles was presented - big choral pieces, a folk duet, a solo from the current ladies’ Gold Medallist Eilidh Cormack, and a trio from the Cumbernauld choir who gave a beautiful rendering of the traditional song “Aye Waukin-O” in Scots and Gaelic.

This latter piece seemed to be the deciding factor for Provost Anne Hall, who awarded the trophy to the Cumbernauld choir – a verdict which met with the warm approval of the audience.

This event was run in conjunction with Meur Phàislig, the local branch of An Comunn Gàidhealach (the organisers of the National Mòd) and we have every hope of repeating the event in the future.

Provost presenting Cuach  

TACHARTASAN FILE

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.

The event is being held at the Sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghlaschu in Berkely Street, starting at 9 a.m.

Even if you can’t help out, why not come along to enjoy the fine music and atmosphere of the day.

Fèis Phàislig – July 21st – 24th. Here is early notice that the first Paisley Fèis, or music festival for young people, will be held in Sherwood Church, Glasgow Road, Paisley. School-age children will be able to enjoy tuition in a number of music disciplines - accordion, clàrsach, chanter/pipes, drama, drumming, fiddle, guitar and singing.

There will be a Tutors’ Concert and Family Cèilidh on the evening of Wednesday 22nd and all are welcome to attend the final concert by participants on Friday afternoon.

More from www.feisphaislig.com, info@feisphaislig.com or 0759 517 5099.

Please pass on this information to anyone who might be interested.

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.