

Gatehouse of Fleet Burns Club

Robert Burns World Federation No: 1004

CELEBRATING THE 50th BURNS SUPPER

Saturday 25th January, 2003



CATHERINE
CZERKAWSKA
Writer and Playright
Principal Speaker 2003



A memorable gathering of top Burnsians at Murray Arms 1985:

George McKerrow (The Globe Inn), Past President, James McGivern: Past Federation President, Wilson Ogilvie and former Honorary Club President David Campbell, (The Tam o' Shanter Man)! All except Wilson Ogilvie, are, sadly, deceased.



LORD SINGH receives one of Bobby Carson's treasured Ram's Horn table lamps. Lord Singh invited President Bobby to plant a shrub in the castle garden to mark the occasion.



BURNS CLUB OUTING VISITS THE LORD IN HIS LAIR

At the invitation of Sirdar Iqbal Singh (Lord of Butley Manor) a happy coach load of Burnsians had an enjoyable visit to Little Castle at Lesmahagow in the autumn of 2001. Iqbal and his Swiss wife, Gertrude personally cooked and served up a lovely meal. The entertainers at the Castle were Rev. Raymond Vincent, New Galloway (fiddle), Margaret Taylor, Auchencairn (songs) and 16yr. top accordionist, Derek Muir from Motherwell. Earlier in the day the group visited the Tam o' Shanter Experience at Alloway and the birthplace of the Bard.



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Affiliated to the Robert Burns Worldwide Federation
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Burns Supper 50th. Annual Celebration

Murray Arms Hotel
Saturday 25th. January, 2003

Chairman:
JAMES W. FINLAY
President - Gatehouse of Fleet Burns Club

*Here's a bottle and an honest friend
What wad ye wish for mair man
Believe me happiness is shy
And comes not aye when sought man*



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*The sun has closed the winter day,
The curlers quat their roaring play
And when the day had closed his e'e
Far i' the west
Ben i' the spence right pensivelie
I gaed to rest*

SELKIRK GRACE.....JAMES W. FINLAY
ADDRESSJENNIFER COWAN
PIPERDR. DAVID HANNAY



Bill o' Fare

A HORN O' COCKIE LEEKIE SOUP

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A TASTER O' HAGGIS and NEEPS

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ROASTIT' BUBBLY JOCK
WI' ROASTIT' TATTIES AN' BOILED GREENS

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OAT BANNOCKS AN' A WEE BIT O' KEBBUCK  
TASSIE O' COFFEE

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*The honest man tho' e'er so poor
Is king o' man for a' that*

Receptionist:Leon Cadman
Door Admissions:Dolly McMurray
Cronie Caller:Howard T. McLean
Raffle:Gracie Omari and Charles Jeffries
Collection (Jean Armour Statue):Gracie Omari

TOAST LIST & ENTERTAINERS

THE QUEEN THE CHAIRMAN

*He was the king of a' the core. To guard, or draw, or wick a bore
Or up the rink like Jehu, roar in time o' need*

Interval

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Presentation of The HARRY DAWSON Memorial Award
and The HUGH FINGLAND QUAICH

Introduced by **HOWARD McLEAN**

Poetry Competition Convener, Gatehouse of Fleet Burns Club

Verse speaking by winning pupils, Gatehouse School and a couple of songs

A W E E B R E K

SCOTS WHA HAE.....A' the gither, led by Hugh Sloan

THE IMMORTAL MEMORY CATHERINE CZERKAWSKA

When winter muffles up his cloak and binds the myre like a rock

When to the loughs the curlers flock, wi'gleesome speed

SANGS.....MARGARET TAYLOR

"OOR GUEST".....Chairman: JAMES FINLAY

"THE LASSES".....ANDREW DUNLOP

The man of independent mind

He looks and laughs at a' that

WILLIE WASTLE.....CLAN McCULLOCH (George, Wyllie & Jennifer)

Reply to "THE LASSES".....THE REV. VALERIE OTT

The mark is but the guinea's stamp - The man's the gowd for a' that

SANGS.....MARGARET TAYLOR

BURNS INTERNATIONAL.....Vice Chairman: MICHAEL DUGUID

That man to man the world o'er - Shall brothers be for a' that!

COMMUNITY SINGING.....A' the gither, led by Hugh Sloan

TAM o' SHANTER.....WYLLIE McCULLOCH

Gie fools their silks and knaves their wine

A man's a man for a' that

"THE GUID MAN IN THE CHAIR" coupled with

Artistes, Hosts and Croupiers.....MICHAEL DUGUID

PIANIST.....SHIRLEY MASSEY

PIPER.....Dr. DAVID HANNAY

AULD LANG SYNE

Nae man can tether time nor tide,

The hour approaches.

Club Presidents

1981/2003

Peter Morton 1981/82
James Finlay 1982/83
Robin Austin 1983/84
Harry Dawson 1984
Nigel Hesketh 1984/85
Jane McGivern 1985/86
Tony Gilbey 1986/87
Irene Bryson 1987/88
James Finlay 1988/89
Dolly McMurray 1989/90
Nigel Hesketh 1990/91
Elizabeth Keeble 1991/92
James Finlay 1992/94
Mike Bannister 1994/95
Bobby Carson 1995/96
Howard McLean 1996/8
James W. Finlay 1998/99
Bobby Carson 1999/2002
James Finlay 2002/2003

The "High Heid" Yins

2002/2003

Officers & Committee

President:	James W Finlay (PP)
Vice President:	Michael Duguid
Secretary:	George McCulloch
Treasurer:	Dolly McMurray (PP)
Poetlaureate:	James W. Finlay (PP)
Youth Poetry:	Howard McLean (PP)
Committee:	
Robin Raphael	Howard McLean (PP)
John Russell	Leon Cadman
Allan Lowden	



AN HISTORICAL NOTE

On this, the momentous occasion of the Club's 50th. Supper Celebration the members are mindful that it was the foresight of the Girthon Curlers that brought the club into being in 1938. Curlers present at the meeting were: Provost McCutcheon, W. Corson, T. Veitch, J.A. Veitch, Dr. A.C.Craig and J.A. Payers.

COLLECTIONS FOR MURRAY ARMS STAFF **and new JEAN ARMOUR STATUE**

SMOKING

SORRY - smoking is not permitted in the function room. Entertainers thank you for heeding this request. Intervals will be announced.

SSCBA QUARTERLY SPRING MEETING

The Southern Scottish Counties Burns Association will be holding their Spring 2003 meeting here in Murray Arms Hotel.
All burnians are cordially invited to attend as observers at 11am. on Saturday 22nd. March. Coffee will be served from 10.30am.



The late **PETER MORTON**

"Auld Scotland wants nae skinkin' ware that
jaups in luggies, But if ye' wish her greatfu'
prayer - Gie her a haggis".



The late **NIGEL HESKETH**

"Her pin wad help tae mend a mill in time o'
need....."



THE TOP TABLE - SUMMERTIME BURNS EVENING 2002

Back row left to right: Past President Bobby Carson, Sirdar Iqbal Singh, Pres. James W. Finlay, Leon Cadman, V. Chairman Michael Duguid. Front: Helen Morrison, Margaret Taylor, & Elizabeth Caine. Absent: Dr. David Hannay.



A TOP TABLE LINE-UP in the 1970's



DAVID CAMPBELL with TAM o' SHANTER in full flight!



"whaur sits oor
sulkie sullen
dame"

