

MINUTES OF THE ANNIVERSARY MEETING OF THE SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND,
HELD IN THE LIBRARY ON WEDNESDAY, *30th November* 1966 AT 4 P.M., MAJOR-GENERAL
J. SCOTT-ELLIOT, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., PRESIDENT, IN THE CHAIR.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

Mr Robert Miller and Mr T. Hamilton were appointed Scrutineers of the Ballot for Office-Bearers.

The President spoke about the new laws, which had been approved at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 26th September 1966, and thanked those members of the Council

whose offices had been made redundant by the reconstruction of the Council, for the good work that they had done for the Society. He also drew attention to the alteration of the dates of the Society's financial year from 1st July to 30th June. This had been done to enable the accounts to be available in time for the Anniversary Meeting. It also meant that subscriptions would now be payable on 30th June.

The Secretary read the following list of Fellows who had died during the year 1965-6, all present standing during the reading:

| <i>Fellows</i> | <i>Elected</i> |
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| Sir William Arbuckle, K.B.E., C.B., M.A., 1 Murrayfield Gardens, Edinburgh | 1931 |
| E. M. Barron, LL.D., The Inverness Courier, Inverness. | 1923 |
| G. C. Emslie, 148 Croftend Avenue, Glasgow, S.4. | 1957 |
| D. G. English, 11 Dalmeny Street, Edinburgh, 6. | 1964 |
| Henry G. Farmer, M.A., PH.D., D.LITT., 48A Station Road, Law, Lanarkshire. | 1921* |
| H. Drummond Gauld, 30 Garden Street, Macduff, Banffshire. | 1926 |
| Sidney Aston Jeavons, Hardwick Lodge, Hardwick Road, Streetly, Staffs. | 1950 |
| P. Kennedy, M.A., 20 Southfield Terrace, Milton Road West, Portobello. | 1930 |
| Major John Lightbody, 1 St Patrick's Road, Lanark. | 1928* |
| Ian G. Lindsay, O.B.E., B.A., R.S.A., F.R.I.B.A., Houstoun House, Uphall. | 1927 |
| C. W. Macfarlane, F.P.S., 156 Arbroath Road, Dundee. | 1944 |
| Captain J. Macfarlane, c/o A.N.Z. Bank, G.P.O. Box 651F, Adelaide, South Australia. | 1935 |
| Lady Macnamara, Invercharron House, Ardgay, Ross-shire. | 1942 |
| D. Macpherson, Glenquithel, Kyle of Lochalsh, Ross-shire. | 1943 |
| Dr C. J. S. Marstrander, c/o Oslo University, Norway. (Hon. Fellow) | 1960 |
| A. Fyffe Miller, Sunnybrae, Midlem, Selkirk. | 1962 |
| Mrs H. G. Miller, Queen's House, Kelso, Roxburghshire. | 1960 |
| S. V. Morris, Kerrenrae, Eden Mount Road, Grange-over-Sands, Lancs. | 1934* |
| Mrs F. S. Oliver, Edgerston, near Jedburgh. | 1926 |
| Professor Walter Schlapp, 13 Barcheston Road, Cheadle, Cheshire. | 1953 |
| Miss G. S. Thomson, M.A., F.S.A., 32 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh. | 1958 |
| V. J. Buchan Watt, M.B.O.U., Little Cottage, Auchallie, Banchory. | 1947 |
| A. W. Wilson, Rannerdale, 14 Venturefair Avenue, Dunfermline. | 1935 |

The following have intimated their resignation:

E. W. Alexander; J. H. Campbell, w.s.; The Rt. Hon. The Countess of Cromartie; A. Cumming, M.B., CH.B., F.R.C.S.E.; A. T. B. Dickson, O.B.E., T.D., M.B., CH.B.; J. Drummond, M.A.; Miss Viola Fleming; C. Gordon-Craig, B.A., F.R.N.S., L.T.C.L.; A. Johnston, J.P.; C. H. Rock, B.SC., A.L.A.; J. S. Weir.

The Secretary then read the following Report by the Council:

ANNUAL REPORT

The Council herewith submits to the Fellows of the Society its Report for the year ending 30th November 1966:

Fellowship

During the year the Society has gained 104 new Fellows and lost 43 (23 through death, 11 by resignation and 9 through lapse of subscriptions).

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| The Roll now comprises: | Honorary Fellows | 11 |
| | Fellows | 1153 |
| | Corresponding Members | 2 |
| | Total | <u>1166</u> |

Meetings

Regular Meetings. The Anniversary Meeting was held on 30th November 1965. Monthly meetings then continued until April 1966 and were resumed in October 1966.

Extra Meeting. An Extra Meeting was held on 2nd March 1966 at which Dr St Joseph reported on the late Professor Sir Ian Richmond's last year of work on the Roman Legionary Fortress at Inchtuthil in 1965 and gave a report on his own work at Inveresk in 1965. This meeting was attended by some of the members of the Inveresk Preservation Society at the invitation of the Council.

Extraordinary General Meeting. An Extraordinary General Meeting was held on 26th September 1966 for the purpose of considering a draft of the New Laws that had been circulated to all Fellows which had been drawn up by a Committee under the Chairmanship of Lord Migdale and later carefully considered by the Council. As a result of this meeting a new set of Laws was approved. The new Laws are shortly going to be circulated to all Fellows and will be published in due course in the Proceedings of the Society.

Rhind Lectures

The Rhind Lectures for 1965-6 were delivered in October 1965 and were therefore mentioned in the last Annual Report. The Rhind Lecturer was W. Watson, M.A., and his subject, 'Cultural Structure and Movement in East Asia from the Neolithic Period to the Unification of China'.

Special Grants

Gunning Fellowship. Grants from the Gunning Fellowship were made as follows:

(a) to Mr A. Fenton for the purpose of attending a Working Conference for Research on Ploughing Implements in Stockholm in August 1966 and to visit various Swedish Folk Museums.

(b) to Mr S. Maxwell for the purpose of continuing research on the decoration of Scottish Weapons in London, Glasgow and elsewhere in Britain.

Excavation and Research. The following grants have been made out of Society Funds for excavation and other field work for the season 1966:

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| Dr M. E. Stewart (Breadalbane Archaeological Society) | Chambered Tomb at Dull by Aberfeldy. |
| D. D. A. Simpson | Late Neolithic/Early Bronze Age Settlement site at Northton, Isle of Harris. |
| Dr J. M. Coles | Bronze Age Urnfield in Strathtay. |
| Dr J. M. Coles | Field work in Argyll. |
| Dr J. J. Wilkes | Roman Legionary Fortress at Carpow, Perthshire. |

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| Miss Campbell of Kilberry | Field Survey of the Island of Jura. |
| G. S. Maxwell | Roman Fort, Crawford, Lanarkshire. |
| A. MacLaren | 1. Limefield, Wiston, Lanarkshire, for investigation of possible Palisaded Homestead. |
| | 2. Ring enclosures, Wiston, Lanarkshire. |
| Peter S. Gelling | Skaill, Deerness, Orkney. |
| Dr A. S. Robertson | Scottish Field School of Archaeology – Birrens, Dumfriesshire. |
| Dr J. K. S. St Joseph | Roman Fort at Inveresk. |

Abstract of Accounts

An abstract of the Treasurer's Annual Accounts is exhibited for inspection by Fellows in the Library. Copies were available on application to the Treasurer (as announced in a notice on the October ballot list) for those Fellows who wished to study it. It is intended that an abbreviated abstract will be available for automatic circulation to all Fellows next year before the Annual General Meeting.

Editor's Report

Volume XCVII of the Proceedings was issued to Fellows on 27th October 1966.

Volume XCVIII, which is designed to cover sessions 1964-5 and 1965-6, has been made up and should go to the printers in the next few weeks.

It should be observed that the collection of material for Volume XCIX is in an advanced state of preparation.

The Council acknowledges with thanks the generous grants made towards the publication of papers in Volume XCVII by the Council for British Archaeology and the Carnegie Trust.

This Report was unanimously approved on the motion of Lord Elibank seconded by Dr Ryder.

The Treasurer then made his report regarding the funds of the Society for 1965-6 and read the Auditors' docquet.

The Treasurer explained various points from the accounts. He said that in the General Fund a balance of Income over Expenditure of approximately £2700 was shown. This was offset by bills for the publication of Volume XCVII of Proceedings of approximately £2090 which had been paid since these accounts were closed, leaving a balance of some £700. This might be slightly reduced by other outstanding editorial changes. The Entrance Fees of new Fellows (£314 10s. od.) had been shown separately in these accounts. The Rhind Lectureship was now £300 (instead of the previous £200). And last year's comparative figures were now printed on the accounts.

The Accounts were then approved on the motion of Mrs V. Rae seconded by Mr F. Hall.

The President thanked the Treasurer on behalf of the Society.

The Ballot having been concluded, the Scrutineers found and declared the list of the Council for the ensuing year to be as follows:

President

MAJOR-GENERAL J. SCOTT-ELLIOT, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O.

Vice-Presidents

MRS ANNIE I. DUNLOP, O.B.E., M.A., PH.D., D.LITT., LL.D.
 THE HON. LORD MIGDALE, M.A.
 ANGUS GRAHAM, M.A., F.S.A.

Councillors

D. B. TAYLOR
 J. G. DUNBAR, M.A., F.S.A.
 H. FAIRHURST, M.A., PH.D.
 G. HAY, A.R.I.B.A.
 STUART MAXWELL, M.A.
 Professor S. PIGGOTT, B.LITT., D.LITT.HUM.,
 F.B.A., F.S.A.

Lt.-Col. R. L. HUNTER, T.D., B.SC.,
 M.I.MECH.E.
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 GEORGE MURRAY, M.A.
 K. A. STEER, M.A., PH.D., F.S.A.
 A. C. THOMAS, M.A., F.S.A.
 J. G. SCOTT, B.A.

Secretary

BASIL C. SKINNER, M.A.

Treasurer

JAMES J. LAMB, O.B.E., T.D., M.A., LL.B., W.S.

Ex Officio Members of Council

R. B. K. Stevenson, M.A., F.S.A. (Keeper of the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland).
 James S. Richardson, LL.D., H.R.S.A. (Society Representative on Board of Trustees for the National Museum).
 Miss Anne S. Robertson, M.A., D.LITT., F.M.A., F.S.A. (Society Representative on Board of Trustees for the National Museum).
 B. R. S. Megaw, B.A., F.S.A. (Society Representative on Board of Trustees for the National Museum).
 Professor A. A. M. Duncan, M.A. (Society Representative on Board of Trustees for the National Museum).
 Gordon Maxwell, M.A. (Editor).

The President drew the Society's attention to the fact that the Secretary, Mr A. Graham, was retiring after twenty-nine years distinguished service to the Society in that position. He called upon Lord Clyde to express the thanks of the Society to Mr Graham. Lord Clyde recalled the quiet and self-effacing way in which Mr Graham had always dealt with the affairs of the Society, which he had steered through many difficulties successfully. He would still be at hand to help when necessary and Lord Clyde hoped that the Society would see him at many meetings to come and would have the opportunity of hearing many more of his most interesting papers.

The President then welcomed Mr B. C. Skinner, M.A., who was taking over the appointment of Secretary from Mr Graham, and hoped that he would be able to remain as Secretary for many years.

The President explained that instead of the usual single speaker, as an experiment, the meeting was going to hear from a series of six speakers reporting briefly on recent events and discoveries. These were:

1. A. Fenton, B.A., M.A. Comment on Highland Show Exhibitions and Future Agricultural Museum Development.
2. Mrs M. E. C. Stewart, M.A., PH.D. Site near Dull Village in Strathtay.
3. B. C. Skinner, M.A. The Concorso Balestra Medal of 1773 won by David Allen.
4. G. S. Maxwell, M.A. The Headquarters Building in the Roman Fort at Crawford.
5. Miss A. S. Robertson, M.A., D.LITT., F.M.A., F.S.A. A Roman Gaming Board found at Birrens.
6. K. A. Steer, M.A., PH.D., F.S.A. Two Recent Discoveries at Iona.

At the conclusion of the Meeting, sherry was served to Fellows and Friends.