

ANNIVERSARY MEETING

Minutes of the Anniversary Meeting of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, held in the Lecture Theatre of the Royal Museum of Scotland, on *Monday 1 December 1997*, Miss Naomi Tarrant and Mr Ian Shepherd, Vice-Presidents, in the Chair.

Apologies had been received from a number of Fellows.

The Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 10 November were read and approved.

Miss Tarrant gave the President's apologies; his absence was due to a long-standing commitment in the Netherlands.

The Scrutineers for the ballots for office-bearers and Fellows, Mr John Ellis, Professor Stephen Brown and Mr Patrick Ashmore, having been appointed the ballots were closed. It was announced that there had been one withdrawal from the ballot for the election for Fellows.

The Director read the following:

ANNUAL REPORT

Membership

The Fellowship of the Society now stands at 3115. In the past year 180 Fellows have taken up election, or been reinstated; 37 names have been removed from the Roll due to death, and 66 through lapse of subscription or resignation. There are, at present, 22 Honorary Fellows.

Meetings

The Society has held the customary programme of activities through the year. Nine lecture meetings were held between December 1996 and November 1997. The session included two open lectures: the Public Lecture, ‘*Pilgrims to St Ethernan*’ was given by Peter Yeoman, Fife Council Archaeologist and, to mark the Science Festival, although this year the Lecture meeting lay outside the Science Festival period, Andrew Sherratt delivered a well-attended lecture on ‘“*With baleful weeds and precious-juiced flowers*”: *Grooved Ware, grape-cups and prehistoric pharmacognosy*’.

The six Rhind Lectures ‘*The Food of the Scots*’ were delivered over the weekend of 25–27 April by our Honorary Fellow Professor Alexander Fenton. These will form part of the *Compendium of Scottish Culture* to be published at the Millennium.

At the Recent Acquisitions Meeting in March Fellows were privileged to hear members of the Social and Technological History Department of the NMS talk on recently acquired items for the National Collections including probably the largest item that we have seen at an acquisitions meeting — a pony carriage; Fellows were also interested by railway memorabilia; items relating to the East Fortune airfield and airships; Second World War items, including tape-recordings, relating to the Women’s Forestry Corps and a rare Enigma machine. We are most grateful to the NMS staff, including Gavin Sprott, the Keeper of the newly formed department, who were involved in this event — truly a recent acquisitions meeting.

Three Conferences were held in 1997: ‘*Architecture and Lordship in Medieval and Renaissance Scotland*’ in association with the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland and the Scottish Baronial Research Group was held in May, as was the *Research in Progress Conference* under the joint auspices of the Society and CSA, which was this year organized by ourselves and highlighted research work grant-aided by the Society. A Conference on ‘*The St Andrews Sarcophagus*’ organized by the Society in conjunction with Historic Scotland, the National Museums of Scotland and the National Committee on Carved Stones in Scotland was held in September.

In June the Excursion to Upper Clydesdale was guided by Tam Ward. This was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all; no Fellow could have failed to have been impressed by the enthusiasm and expertise not only of Tam Ward himself but also by the evidence of the dedicated work of the members of the Lanark and District Archaeological Society and the Biggar Museum Trust, members of which also provided an excellent high tea.

The North-East Section Annual Report

The Section held eight meetings with the same programme as in Edinburgh. In place of the April lecture by Andrew Sherratt, the Society held its AGM which was followed by a talk by Diane Morgan on ‘*The Leper Colony and beyond: an exploration of the Spital, Aberdeen*’.

Revised rules for the Section were approved by Council and at the Society’s AGM.

Summer excursions were arranged to Raedykes and the fisher toons of the Mearns; the Cleaven Dyke and the excavation of Fordhouse Barrow at the House of Dun, and the Spital in Aberdeen.

The Lecture meetings continue to be held in Marischal Museum, University of Aberdeen, and were well attended. Membership of the Section stands at 278.

The Committee for 1996–7 was Elizabeth Curtis (Chairman), Paul Pillath (Vice-Chairman), Neil Curtis (Secretary), John Cruse (Treasurer), Frank Donnelly, Alison Jaffray, Margaret Jubb, Aidan Mulkerrin, Bill Nicolaisen and Graham Steele.

Chalmers-Jervise Prize Essay

The Chalmers-Jervise Prize has, for 1997, been awarded to Kenneth Veitch for an essay entitled: *The Gaelic Church in Northern Britain AD 664–AD 717: a re-assessment*. This will be published in Volume 127 of the *Proceedings*.

Research Grants

In accordance with Law 1 — ‘*The purpose of the Society shall be the Study of the ANTIQUITIES AND HISTORY OF SCOTLAND, more particularly by means of archaeological research*’ — the grant-aiding of research remains one of the most important areas of the Society’s activities.

Reports on the work carried out are supplied by recipients at the end of the year and are held in the Society’s office, or placed in the NMS Library, as appropriate. It is a condition of grant that there is full compliance with current Scottish Treasure Trove legislation and that reports on fieldwork and related projects are presented for publication in *Discovery and Excavation in Scotland* (DES) published annually by the CSA.

Council, on the recommendation of the Research Committee, awarded grants for 1997 from the General Fund (including investment income from the Dorothy Marshall Bequest) in addition to awards from the Angus Graham Bequest for illustrations in the *Proceedings* and the Gunning Jubilee Bequest. The following grants were approved from the General Research Fund (including investment income from the Dorothy Marshall Bequest): To Professor L Alcock for work on Archaeology & History in Northern Britain AD 500–850; to Dr D H Caldwell for the Finlaggan Project: excavation of Council Island midden; to G D R Cruickshank for work on European Export Pottery in South-East Asia; to Dr P Z Dransart for the Scottish Episcopal Palaces Project (Fetternear); to Dr M R Edmonds for the St Kilda Stone Tools survey; to G B Ericsson for Monymusk Church, architectural survey; to S T Farrell for the Nairn Graveyard Survey Project; to A G C Hale for the Inner Clyde Intertidal survey; to Miss A S Henshall & Dr J N G Ritchie for work on the Chambered Cairns of Ross-shire and Inverness-shire; to J MacDonald and ACFA for the Raasay Project; to R MacPherson for research in Spanish archives on Francis, 5th Earl of Bothwell; to Dr E R Page for the Stirling Ancient Bridge project; to H K Sackett for the Orkney Township and Landscape Survey; to the Scottish Historic Buildings Trust for High St, Kirkcaldy historical & archaeological investigations; to I G Scott for work on the Visual Index of Early Medieval Carved Stones: Easter Ross & Moray; to J Symonds for the Flora MacDonald Landscape Project; to P J Turnbull for research on Glassmaking in the Forth Basin; to T S M Ward for the Prehistory North of Biggar Project: Melbourne excavations; to Dr J R Watts for research on Scalan; to A L Wise for excavations at Lilliesleaf of the Iron Age/Roman period.

The Gunning Jubilee Gift was awarded to Dr M C Bishop for visits to Germany to further his research on Roman armour.

Publications

The President has, in his letter in the September Newsletter, drawn the attention of Fellows to the retirement, as Publication Convener, of Dr J N Graham Ritchie. He has indicated the measure of thanks that are due to Dr Ritchie for his work but it would be appropriate to record again that the greatly increased output of the Society’s publications and the installation of a salaried Editor during his term in office added to his normal duties as Convener; additionally, as Convener, he was involved in the decisions over the award of the Chalmers-Jervise Prize and the Robert Stevenson Award.

Proceedings

For the second year in succession the Society has published, again with significant grant-aid from Historic Scotland, a monumentally proportioned Volume of the *Proceedings*; Volume 126 is the first volume to be produced under the Editorship of Mr Jerry O’Sullivan who has toiled since last year on the task. There are now several Fellows who have at various times been involved in the production of the *Proceedings*; they, as

well as the increasing number of contributors, will be aware of the many stages involved in the process and consequent correspondence required between the Editor and themselves.

Monograph Series

Monograph 12 *Excavations within Edinburgh Castle: 1988-91* by Stephen Driscoll and Peter Yeoman, and grant-aided by Historic Scotland, was published in the Summer.

The Series Editor, Mrs Alexandra Shepherd, must be thanked for her devotion to her task; due to the increasing number of Monographs in production, she is now assisted by Dr Anna Ritchie. We again urge Fellows to support the series by taking advantage of their opportunity to purchase these at the special rate — the benefit will be theirs.

Newsletter

Two issues of this were produced and circulated in February and September 1997.

The Work of the Society

The Office moved in late December 1996 to the former Council Room in the Findlay Building, Queen Street and part of the old Library, Queen Street; the second stage of the Office move, up to Chambers Street is imminent; the inevitable disruption caused by the move, in addition to the administration of the Society and Fellowship affairs, has been time-consuming. We look forward to being installed in our new accommodation in mid-March, when we will take the opportunity to update and reorganize some aspects of our technology and procedures.

As the President indicated in his September letter to Fellows, it is our intention to continue to expand our influence on matters in which we have an interest and expertise in the likely changed political circumstances of the Scottish Parliament.

The Society has also expressed, publically, its concern over the proposed introduction of admission charges to the National Museums of Scotland and, although grateful to the Trustees that Fellows are to be allowed free admission, considers that given the major educational remit of the Museums, if charges are unavoidable, consideration should be given to allowing free entry to all those in full-time education. We are pleased to inform Fellows tonight that the Trustees have now decided that free entry will be allowed to all those under 18 in full-time education.

The Society, of course, remains active in the heritage field and we are, as Fellows will be aware, consulted on archaeological issues by a wide variety of organizations; we continue to be represented on a large number of bodies: The Ancient Monuments Board for Scotland; the National Trust for Scotland; the Council for British Archaeology; the Council for Scottish Archaeology; the Traprain Law Management Group; the British and Irish Archaeological Bibliography; the Scottish Field School; the Scottish Wildlife and Countryside Link; Scottish Archaeological Link; the Association for the Protection of Rural Scotland; the National Committee on Carved Stones; the Mouswald Trust; the Dalrymple Trust and the User Panel of The Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland and the Portable Antiquities Working Group.

The Society remains grateful to the members of Council, the Committees, and the other representatives who are unstinting in their assistance to the Director in these matters; she is particularly grateful to the President and the Treasurer, the Vice-Presidents and Conveners of the Committees (tribute has already been paid to our retiring Publications Convener, Dr J N G Ritchie). Thanks are due as well, of course, to the representatives of the Society on various bodies; of these particular thanks are due to our representative on the National Trust for Scotland, Dr Jane Murray; our representative on the Ancient Monuments Board, Mr W D H Sellar, and to Jill Harden who retires this evening as our representative on the Scottish Wildlife and Countryside Link.

Late last year the Society commissioned, from Mr Crear McCartney, the stained glass window for the Founders' Room in the Museum of Scotland; Professor Peter Jones, who chairs the Client and Art for Architecture Committees of the Museum of Scotland Project and is a member of the Society's Working

Group on the window, and the Director visited the artist's studio in July to see the work in progress and cut the first pieces of glass. The design for the window features in a major new book on Scottish stained glass. A photographic record of the work from initial design to installation of the window is being undertaken by Niall Hendrie, who has also been recording the construction of the Museum of Scotland and associated works.

We hope that Fellows will be able, after the next Anniversary Meeting, to see the window in place in the Founders' Room.

The Library

We hope that Fellows are satisfied with the new arrangements; we remain grateful to the National Museums Library for their assistance in minimizing the problems associated with the staff cut-backs and their co-operation and willingness to take on board suggestions from Fellows. The Society has written to the Secretary of State for Scotland pointing out the importance of this national resource and requesting that consideration be given to providing additional funding to allow for higher staffing levels.

Administration

Again there have been no changes to the Office staff: Mrs Fionna Ashmore continues as Director, Mrs Maureen McLeod as Assistant Treasurer and Mrs June Rowan as Administrative Assistant; the Monograph administration continues to be dealt with in the office, mainly by Mrs Rowan, and Dr Rob Sands remains our computer adviser. Mr Jerry O'Sullivan, the Editor, carries out his task from the office. As always we would remind Fellows that all Staff work part-time. Fellows are always welcome to visit the office, but we would ask them to ring ahead, particularly with the imminent moves.

Aspects of the Office work are eased by the voluntary help provided by Fellows especially by Mr Maurice Carmichael, who continues to help the Assistant Treasurer in dealing with Fellowship records and subscriptions, and Mr Patrick Ashmore, who continues to undertake some of the Society typesetting.

Thanks are also due to the regular, dedicated, group of envelope fillers: Mr and Mrs Adamson; Major & Mrs Cave-Browne; Miss M E Doull; Mrs J Fleming; Mr H G Ford; Mrs S Grossmith; Miss M R Hilton; Mr G A Hutcheson; Mr D Jones; Mr Gordon Maxwell; Mrs R Meldrum, Mr R W & Dr J Munro; Dr B J Murray; Mr J C Parry; Professor M Smallwood and Miss C Sym.

Finally, thanks are due to the National Museums of Scotland and those members of the Museum staff who help with bookings and other arrangements behind the scenes; very particular thanks are also due to Grant MacRae whose services as projectionist at our meetings, seminars and conferences contributes significantly to the success of the events.

Treasurer's Report

The Society has enjoyed another year in a favourable financial position, with little substantial overall change in terms of income and expenditure and with a surplus, at £27,534, almost identical to that of the previous year.

There has been a decrease in investment income, due mainly to the impossibility of replacing high interest Government stocks with any similar high interest coupons. The cessation in April 1997 of transitional relief for tax credits on UK dividends also contributed to the decrease. The drop in basic-rate tax from 25% to 24% accounts for the reduction in tax recoverable from Deeds of Covenant. Basic-rate taxation has been reduced further to 23% from April 1997, so this source of income will continue to diminish. Bank interest is down because there was less cash kept on term deposit and lower interest rates.

However, the increase in overall individual membership numbers has meant a corresponding rise in subscription income, and the remainder of Mrs J W Hendrie's bequest has been received. The value of such legacies to the Society must again be stressed.

On the expenditure side the miscellaneous administrative costs have increased, in part because of the move across Queen Street from York Buildings to temporary accommodation in Findlay Building in December 1996. Further expenditure will attend the imminent next stage of the move from Queen Street to Chambers Street.

Costs of the commemorative plaques presented by the Society and placed in the old library in Queen Street and the new library in Chambers Street are included under 'Grants made', while the cost of the library farewell reception is shown under 'Miscellaneous'. Other grant expenditure includes £1000 to the Council for Scottish Archaeology, £600 to the British & Irish Archaeological Bibliography, and £630 towards the conservation of important Society manuscripts held by the library of the National Museums of Scotland.

The amount of grant support from Historic Scotland in respect of Volume 125 of the *Proceedings* was substantial, and the overall cost to the Society of the double volume was, thanks to this support, much the same as for previous volumes. Thus, although the total cost of Volume 125 was £104,311, the actual cost to the Society was £31,569. As always, the total publication costs of the next volume are at this stage estimates. Volume 126 will also be a double volume and the continuing contribution to publication costs by Historic Scotland is gratefully acknowledged. The publication partnership between the Society and Historic Scotland over the double-volume issues is enabling a remarkable achievement within the context of British archaeological publishing as a whole.

The balance sheet shows that the net assets of the Society have increased from £574,892 to £696,619. This is partly as a result of surpluses on the annual revaluation of shareholdings and is encouraging, although future revaluation gains of over 20% on equities cannot be expected to continue. As investments are included in the accounts at their market value, any future fall in share values will of course cause a diminution of the assets.

The *Edinburgh Castle* monograph was launched in May, but could not be advertised to Fellows until the September 1997 mailing, so the anticipated sales of this attractive and authoritative report will not be manifest until future accounts. This volume was subvented by Historic Scotland; those monographs currently in production which are not eligible for the same subvention may require contributions from the general funds. During this year Dr Anna Ritchie has begun to assist Mrs Alexandra Shepherd in the editing of the monographs because of the increase in the number of typescripts being considered and taken forward for publication.

Total expenditure from Special Funds for research amounted to £13,904. This is less than the previous year due to a drop in appropriate applications to the Research Committee. No requests for bursary funds were received. However, after a gap of several years, the Chalmers-Jervise Fund prize, currently £500, was awarded for an essay to be published in a forthcoming volume of the *Proceedings*.

Once again the specialist guidance of the Bank of Scotland Investment Services, in particular the assistance of their adviser Mr Graham Miller, who has attended the F&A Committee meetings during the year, is acknowledged.

I thank the Convener of the Finance and Administration Committee, Mr Humphrey Holmes, and the Treasurer of the North-East Section, Mr John Cruse, for their work during the year, and I wish particularly to acknowledge the contribution of our Assistant Treasurer, Mrs Maureen McLeod, who continues to administer the Society's financial affairs so effectively.

The full accounts continue to expand and to require changes in presentation in line with current legislation and practice, this year including an analysis of net assets amongst funds. Copies of the full accounts of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland 1996–7 are available to any Fellow or other interested party on application to the Society's office, at a cost of £2 (in the UK and Europe; £4 elsewhere) to cover production and postage.

The Director's Annual Report was approved by the Fellows on the proposal of Dr Atholl Murray, seconded by Mr J B Stevenson; the Treasurer's Report was approved by the Fellows on the proposal of Mr A Adamson, seconded by Dr Atholl Murray.

Editor's Report

The Editor gave his Report to the Fellowship.

He was delighted to announce that Volume 126, the first Volume of the *Proceedings* to appear under his Editorship had just been published and dispatched to Fellows. This, as with Volume 125, was a double volume, generously grant-aided by Historic Scotland, with a wide-ranging coverage of periods and topics; he said that this contained material of interest to all Fellows. The publication of double volumes was due, not only to the necessity to publish the excavation backlog, but also to the increasing sophistication of excavation site recording and specialist reports. The publication of double volumes was not entered into lightly by the Society's Publications Committee; the Committee considered the matter most carefully and the introduction of a maximum word count for excavation reports was under consideration. It was the intention to canvass Fellows widely on the issue.

There were no questions on the Annual Reports or Accounts and those concerned were thanked for their work.

The Robert B K Stevenson Award

Tribute was paid to R B K Stevenson and pleasure expressed at the presence of our Fellow Mrs Elizabeth Stevenson. The winner for 1997 was Mr Adrian Cox for a paper on the 'Backland Activities of Medieval Perth'. Mr Cox paid tribute to all his collaborators on the project and resulting paper.

Council

Mr Shepherd then took the Chair and announced that the ballot for Council had resulted in the election to Council of Mr Hugh Cheape as Vice-President; Mrs Jane Brann, Ms Sara Govan; Dr Alan Leslie and Mr Tam Ward. Mr Shepherd thanked all candidates who had allowed their names to go forward for election; the results had been very close. Thanks was given to Miss Tarrant, the retiring Vice-President and the retiring Councillors, Mrs Valerie Dean and Dr John Dent, for their work on behalf of the Society over the last three years. Tribute was paid to Mrs Jane Durham whose tragic death had been notified to Fellows in April.

Council for 1997–8 comprises:

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Miss Tarrant again expressed the President's apologies for absence due to a long-standing commitment in The Netherlands. He hoped shortly to be able to announce developments in the future Lecture and Events Programme and was very conscious of the treat he was missing in the form of the evening's lecture.

Mr Shepherd then welcomed Mr Mark Collard, Edinburgh City Archaeologist, and Mr Fraser Hunter of the Department of Archaeology of the National Museums of Scotland who read the following Communication:

'The Cramond Lioness'.

The formal meeting concluded with thanks to the Speakers and to the Staff of the Society.

A Reception for Fellows then followed in the Bird Hall.

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