

SCOTTISH ST. ANDREW SOCIETY OF GREATER ST. LOUIS



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PRESIDENT'S EDITORIAL

Dear Members,

The summer has come but it's not quite gone yet, and it's not quite time for our new 1997 season to start. Nevertheless, your Board has been keeping the action alive, and we have the opportunity to participate in a couple of new and exciting "pre-season" events. Details are inside and you need to call immediately if you wish to play in the "kilted golf", and plan ahead if you wish to come along for the "bike ride".



The first monthly meeting of our season will be at Garavelli's restaurant, and I hope to see you all there, if you didn't make it to one of the earlier events.

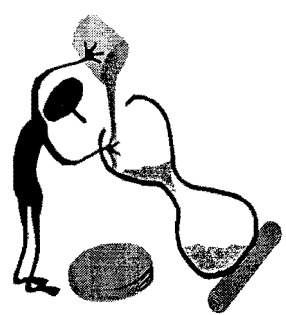
The regular Thistle Times will be out and in your hands in October. We are also working on a webpage for the Society, on the Internet. A draft version has already been posted at my Scottish site. Responses for informal communication have been received from Indiana, Mexico, and Scotland. If you have access to the Internet, look up the page at:

<http://www.inverizon.com/scotlink/>

URGENT

Thistle Times Supplement

We are not yet into the regular Thistle Times publication time. However, we are working on it already so, any ideas, contributions, articles, stories, etc., would be welcome.



The Board has some ambitious plans to make it another great year. However, it's you, the members who make it what it is. I'm looking forward to your support and another another super year for our lively Society.

aw ra best, Jim McLaren

Knock Knock!
Who's there?
Thistle.
Thistle who?
Thistle be my last knock knock joke!

inside...

- Bike Ride. Sept. 22nd*
- Garavelli's: Sept. 30th*
- Kilted Golf Tournament: Oct. 1st*
- Celtic Festival: Oct. 5th*
- Toasts & Things*

Upcoming Events

Social Bike Ride: Katy Trail

Sunday, September 22nd, 9:00am till ~noon

Meet at Augusta (9am) at Katy Trail parking lot (near Main St). Ride to Defiance.

Bikes can be rented: best to call ahead — Touring Cyclist, tel: 314 228 4882.

We will have designated drivers to ferry people back to the starting point.

Augusta is also a good spot to visit wineries, eat lunch, and see the river and scenes.

St Andrew Society

Opening Monthly Meeting

Monday September 30th, 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Garavelli's Restaurant

Come along and enjoy a nice dinner, and catch up with everyone's summer activities.

New Board will be presented and officially sworn-in.

Social evening with surprise fun and games! Don't miss it.

Garavelli's restaurant is located at 9739 Manchester Road, in the Rock Hill area.

St. Francis Celtic Festival

Saturday, October 5th, 11:00am - 6:00pm

All day music including the Invera'an Pipeband, Irish Arts, and Threepenny Band.

Jousting Tournament, archery, falconry, blacksmithing.

Foods, crafts, hay rides, etc. The St. Andrew Society will have an information booth.

Adults \$5, under 12 free.

At Hwy 109 and Old State Road.

3 miles north of I-44, 3 miles south of Manchester Rd.

St. Andrew Society of Greater St. Louis
presents the inaugural

KILTED GOLF OUTING

Tuesday, October 1st, 1996

The Players Club

T-time: 1:00 pm

Lunch can be purchased at the clubhouse if desired.

Cost: \$55 per person, includes cart

Rules:

At least one person in every foursome must be wearing a kilt, and the others be showing some tartan.

Format will be a scramble — everyone hits, choose best ball, everyone hits from that spot, and so on. *Go ahead and kick it, it'll cost you a stroke!*

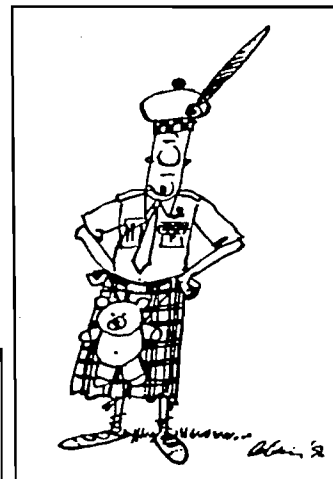


Dam sheep swallowed my ball!

DIRECTIONS

I-44 going west from I44 & 141
Exit at LEWIS (Eureka exit is too far)
Bear right onto North Outer Road
Go west a short distance to stop sign.
Turn right (north) on LEWIS.
Follow Lewis for about 2.2 miles.
Players Club is on the left.

Call Keith Parle: 314 537 9463
or Jim McLaren: 314 530 6943
BY Sept 24th. Limited Numbers.



Is that your sporrán,
or a mis-placed club head cover?

Spectators, cheerleaders, and anyone laughing at the proceedings are also welcome!

TOASTS & THINGS

A ccording to the Glasgow Herald, tourists beware:

In Edinburgh, folk are being exposed to the danger of finding themselves held in a vice-like grip. City's juveniles, and spry OAPs of an inquisitive turn of mind are most likely to be affected. Notices have been popping up on bus shelters all over the capital which read: "Beware -- the top of this bus shelter has been treated with anti-climb paint". Anti-climb paint -- for those of you who do not know and have absolutely no imagination -- is a thick, sticky substance that does not dry, clings to clothes, and could, if the climber is made breathless and faint by the 10ft altitude of a bus shelter roof, hold them fast until prised free with something like a giant tyre (or tire) lever. Why travellers in Edinburgh have taken to queueing on the roofs of bus shelters instead of waiting quietly inside remains a mystery. If you're taking a quick break to Scotland, don't say we didn't warn you not to climb on the bus shelters!

Scenes like this on the bike ride?
Come along and find out!



The first joke in the world was Scottish:

Big John the Red:

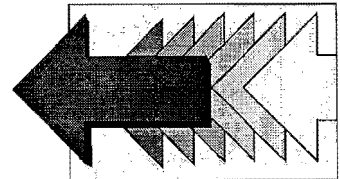
"Why wis Boadicea no fightin' the
Romans wi' us the day?"

Wee Shug:

"She wisna' Pict!"

Please try to find someone who may enjoy becoming a member, and encourage them to join, or come along and find out what we have to offer.

Enquiries to: Peter Geery, (314) 227 2785.



Thank you for your participation and help...

Hope you all enjoyed reading our very own newsletter, the Thistle Times.

Comments, and new material to the Editor:

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Many thanks to those who contributed all the excellent material, it does help!