

Dear members,

With Christmas fast approaching I would like to take this opportunity to bring you up to date on recent events in the Society.

On the 4th October Sheila and Roger Brown hosted an evening at Petts Wood Memorial Hall to celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary treating us to an evening of dancing with Ian Muir playing. An excellent evening was enjoyed by all those who attended.

A successful Autumn Dance followed on the 13th October and our band this year was Frank Reid. On Monday 5th November our 32nd Monday Birthday dance was held with a number of our Thursday dancers coming along to join in the fun. Our St Andrew's Dance was held on the 29th November with a very tasty celebration cake being made by Rebecca Randall.

Displays have taken place at the Friendship Club at St. John's Church, Orpington and the Weald Heights Residential Home in Sevenoaks. In January we have a number of displays booked in conjunction with the annual Burns celebrations.

Sadly, I have to report the death of Diana Campbell a former member of the Society who some of our older members will remember. She was well known for her charitable work which was recognised by the Queen.

Attendances at our Monday teaching class average around 24 people which is about the same number who go to our Thursday Social dances. These numbers have dropped since I joined the Society over 10 years ago. We are always looking for new members so please spread the word whenever possible. The only provision is that people should have a reasonable standard of fitness.

Tickets for Hogmanay and Burns Night are now on sale. Remember these dances are open to friends and family as many dances are walked through and suitable for everyone to join in. Further details are available on our website.
www.orpingtonscottishdancing.com

I do hope you and your families have a lovely Christmas and I wish you a happy and healthy New Year.

Keep Dancing!

Angela House
President