



CHAIRMANS REPORT SEPTEMBER 2022

Dear Members,

I hope by the time you read this we will have had a few months to get ourselves back to normal living, not easy for some.

We were delighted to end the 21/22 season on a high note. A very entertaining and informative lecture from Roo Irvine in June, live in the Victoria halls with coffee provided beforehand. Roo has also joined the committee and taken on the role of publicity and we are already reaping the benefits. Also, as part of our 25th anniversary celebrations we were able to unveil the TASLA plaque in Colquhoun Square. If you haven't already seen it, it is beside Anne of Loudenville.

Fiona Campbell, Chair of Scotland and Northern Ireland, and Sue Osbourne, President of Tayside and AS Trustee, were kind enough to join us. We hope to get a mention in the Society magazine.

MEMBERSHIP.

We have had a number of resignations, mostly age related, but also 11 new members as a result of making the June lecture 'an open to all' occasion. We are still looking for members to join the committee. The more opinions we have, the better. It is not necessary to sign up for a particular role. Get in touch and come along and see if you like it/us! We are happy to announce that we have 5 new committee members being voted on at the AGM, but we still need more!

FINANCE

Fortunately, while much reduced, our finances are still healthy. We still have all the usual fees to pay; affiliation to London, Victoria Halls, Lecturer's fees and travel (unfortunately, most of the them come from down south).

We are in the process of transferring our account from the TSB to the Bank of Scotland. This will not affect your payment for this year's membership fees.

We are also continuing to support Route 81. This year we applied for, and were awarded, a grant of £250 from London. We will continue to support them.

VOLUNTEERING

ROYAL HIGHLAND FUSILIERS

We will continue to support the museum and hope to return in September after an absence of 2 years. We go for a day once a month and currently catalogue the regimental silver. It can always do with more helpers, a fascinating exercise.

CHURCH RECORDING.

Joy Temple is in charge of a group about to start the record of St. Modan's in Roseneath. Please get in touch with her ASAP if you would like to join the group.

We handed over the completed record of Cardross Parish Church during a service on Sunday 1st May. The Moderator of the Church of Scotland was there which added to the sense of occasion. All in attendance had a light lunch afterwards in the Church Hall. A lovely day.