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## Standing Committee Chairs/Others

Audit	Carol Goodman
Burns	Denise Smith
By-Laws	John Scarborough
Historian	Bill Madewell
Hospitality	R. Cunningham
Membership	Denise Smith
Newsletter	Alan Clark
Parliamentarian	John Scarborough
POTG	René Cavett
Program	Tom Bentley
Publicity	Alan Clark
Registered Agent	Crawford Parrish
Ways and Means	(Open)

While the pandemic has slowed us down, it has not stopped the HRSS from trying to maintain a presence in our community and among our friends who cherish the Scottish backgrounds in our history. Stay with us, members, as we swing back towards a new normal and have the chance to greet each other again in fellowship and reverie that is uniquely Scottish.

Join us for meetings again, let's get our membership back, and enjoy the blessings of one another.

*Blessings, Alan Clark, Editor*

## **2021-22 UPCOMING EVENTS**

**November 16, 2021: Annual General Meeting of the Society, 6:00 p.m., Celtic Cup, Tullahoma, TN.**

**January 2022, TBA: Robert Burns Dinner, St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, Tullahoma, TN.**

**April 23, 2022 Piping on the Green. The Celtic Cup grounds, Tullahoma, TN.**

### **Report of the Nominating Committee for Officers to Serve 2021-2023**

A Nominating Committee was formed by the Executive Board at its last meeting in accordance with Society By-Laws, the purpose of which was to present a slate of nominees from the Society's membership to serve as Officers for the 2021-2023 Years. The Committee appointed was Carole Goodman, Philip Short, and Alan Clark.

The Committee contacted and received approval from the nominees below, and are hereby submitted in nomination for the positions indicated:

For President: Rita Christiansen.  
For Vice President: Ron Porter and Mark Smith.  
For Secretary: Gene Jones and Pat Curley.  
For Treasurer: Rene' Cavett.

The Committee recommends that the membership elect Rita Christiansen as President, either Ron Porter or Mark Smith as Vice President, either Gene Jones or Pat Curley as Secretary, and Renee Cavett as Treasurer. Note: Renee has agreed to serve another term as treasurer, and the committee strongly encourages that she retain her position.

Voting will take place at the Society's next General Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at The Celtic Cup.

### **September 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

In absence of Secretary Desiree Porter, Editor of the Sporrán Alan Clark stated a correction to the date for the Sir Walter Scott Dinner to Sunday September 26th, 2021. Changed moved by Tom Bentley and seconded by Carol Goodman. Minutes were taken by Carol in Desiree's absence.

Treasurer Rene' Cavett announced the balance of \$19,734.51 in the club treasury.

Due to difficulties with the internet connection, Denise Smith posted online on the HRSS and Facebook websites to explain the absence of our Zoom meeting connection.

Membership Chair Alan Clark stated new members joined at the Highland Games in Nashville.

Hospitality Chair Randal Cunningham stated that Shelter #1 at Frazier McEwen Park is rented for Sunday October 19th for the annual Chili Cookoff from 12 to 3PM. There will be no Bake Sale this year.

Piping on the Green Chair Rene' stated Saturday April 23rd, 2022 is the date for the next event beginning at 9:00 AM. Denise stated all information is on the HRSS website. The featured band will be North of Argyll who will be able to do two 45 minute sets if needed. Vendor Bobby Williams will return with his wooden Shields and swords.

Historian: Denise Smith spoke about gathering information on Charter members with historical information and clans listed to be put in a binder. She suggested using Angela Arnold's books to include a past member history in the society including clans and tartans.

Parliamentarian John Scarbrough stated no changes to the by-laws.

Webmaster: Forward to Ron Porter if there is any information for the website. Submit any news to be included in the Sporrán to Alan Clark.

Elections in November: A nominating committee is needed to seek those interested in becoming an officer. Voting will take place during the November 16th 2021 general meeting. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Burns Dinner: Denise stated she still needs a caterer. The January 2022 date has not been decided yet. Dinner will take place at ST. Barnabas Episcopal Church and music will be provided by Jacobites by Name. The date will be announced at a later time in the Sporrán.

Sir Walter Scott Dinner: Will take place Sunday September 26th from 6 to 8PM at the Celtic Cup. Denise suggested arriving by 5:15 to 5:30 and stated Piggy's parking lot may be used for parking. Mark Smith and Rita Christiansen will lead the program and there will be eight readers. Crawford will close the program with a final piece. Cont pg 3

## SEPTEMBER MINUTES CONT.

New Business: John Scarbrough asked about the Glasgow Games and Denise stated they had been postponed until 2022. The Maryville Games are moving to Townsend, TN.

Nominating Committee: Alan Clark and Philip Short volunteered and Carol Goodman will assist them. It was suggested that the names and contact information of the committee be put in the HRSS and FaceBook pages for those interested in running for an office.

John made a move to adjourn the meeting with a second from Tom and Alan. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

## DUES ARE DUE!

As of the November meeting of the Society, annual dues are now due and payable at the rate of \$10.00 per single member, and \$15.00 for a couple. Family members may be included in the dues if they reside at the same residence.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Roberta Adams  
William E. (Gene) Jones  
Deborah McClain (Clann McLean)  
John Peden  
Connie Peden (Clann Donald)  
Jason Simpson (Fraser of Lovat)  
Reagan Bergstresser-Simpson

## SIR WALTER SCOTT DINNER





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