

# The Robert Burns World Federation Ltd

## Executive Meeting

**Venue:** Georgetown Community Centre, Georgetown Road, Dumfries, DG1 4DF. ☎ 07793 068 389

**Date:** Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2013 - 9:30am for 10:00am

## MINUTES

Change Requested by	Change Requested	Change Made
David Smith	Fuller Update from Heritage Committee	Yes
George Anderson	Fuller information on the Jean Armour Burns Houses	Yes

	<b>Jane Brown gave a warm welcome from SSCBA</b>
1.	<b>Chairman's Remarks</b> Bob welcomed everyone and thanked the ladies of SSCBA for a wonderful lunch Bob mentioned this was the second time we had been in Dumfries and had been well looked after Bob read the obituaries and sent our thoughts to the families of the deceased.
2	<b>Minutes of Meeting of 16th March</b> Proposed by David Baird and seconded by Jim Robertson
3	<b>Matters Arising</b> No matters arising.
4	<b>Finance Update – Jim Shields</b> Jim had circulated the cash flow report for 2012 – 2013 (FY13) and a budget for 2013 – 2014 (FY14) Jim spoke about the figures in the Cash Flow report which showed a surplus for the year, all being we still have some outstanding payment. Jim thanked Alison and Corinne for their work. This year's Gift Aid claim has still to be processed – estimated this will bring in just over £1000. We have paid 2k in advance for the conference and still have accountants' fees to be paid. As per the report we now have a breakdown on how much it costs to run the business on a weekly/monthly basis. As per the handout we have a budget for FY14. Staffing is 37k per annum and our subscriptions are only 26k. The budget shows an increase in the subs which will be put forward at the Annual Conference. The budget will change. This is a guide and will be changed when required. Bob Stewart thanked Corinne and Alison for the support on this and mentioned that we are in a better place than we were at this time last year. The donation appeal now stands at over 9k and is still growing.
<b>5</b>	<b>Reports</b>
5.1	<b>President</b> Bob had joined a number of committees this morning and was very pleased with the work that is being done. Bob has been to a number of events since the last meeting. Bob has been to over 60 events and travelled over 8k miles since he became President. There are too many events to talk about but to mention a few: Bob spoke about the Provost of East Ayrshire Burns supper in Dean Castle and it was very enjoyable. Bob also went to the RBANA conference in Niagara and had a great time; "everything about it was first class". Next year it will be in South Carolina and Bob would recommend it. Bob went to the Tweed Bridge ceremony which was very touching and a great day.

5.2	<p><b>Chief Executive</b></p> <p>Alison read her report and spoke of the great events she had attended recently. Alison asked the meeting if they would support events and after a conversation it was agreed that as an income stream we should pursue this line. Bob thanked Alison for all her hard work</p>
5.3	<p><b>Conference – David Baird</b></p> <p>There was a very good meeting this morning with the conference committee. The Lord Provost has agreed to host a drinks reception on Saturday night prior to the conference. We are still waiting on news from Arran Whisky and Jane is pursuing her contacts for support. Transport has been organised for the Church on the Sunday. We are trying to have a brief wreath laying ceremony at George Square after the Church. The conference is by and large set now. The committee had discussed that next year we will be in Irvine for the Conference and in 2015 the following have been put forward: Oban, Belfast, Dublin, Canada Mike will add a note to the Newsletter asking for suggestions. The seminar is being promoted by Helena Anderson Wright and it shaping up very nicely. On the Saturday afternoon the Mitchell Library will be open for people to visit and the Burns archivist will be on hand to help. There should be time for folks to have a look between the end of AGM and beginning of the Seminar. Alison mentioned 2018 conference will be in London.</p>
5.4	<p><b>Literature – Mike Duguid</b></p> <p>We are still progressing a Heritage Lottery Fund grant for digitisation of the Burns Chronicle from the first edition to the present issue. The Editor is gathering information for the new Annual Chronicle which is due out in November. The deadline for copy is September immediately after the conference. Members are encouraged to send in articles and the earlier the better. The Board decided it should be a full colour, hard-back book and should carry a price. We are also investigating a Kindle or equivalent version and it will have an International Standard Book Number (ISBN). We will consider distributing a digitized version of the annual Chronicle, perhaps a year after publication. The Newsletter continues to be well received and articles are always welcome.</p>
5.5	<p><b>Editor – Bill Dawson</b></p> <p>Included in Literature Update</p>
5.6	<p><b>Archivist – John Haining</b></p> <p>At the last meeting John had mentioned that he had transferred a number of the minutes to Ayrshire Archives and John would soon arrange to have the balance sent to them. The presidential office bearers' chains have been valued and will remain in the ownership of the Federation in case the clubs are reinstated. Betty Burns portrait is expected back from the repairer in July Exhibition of artefacts may be taken to the Mitchell Library for show during the conference. John is regularly contacted with requests for valuation of books, most of which are under £100. We have a full set of Chronicles in the Dower House and some spares too. The spares should be put to auction although Alison mentioned that we had been given some for safe keeping and should not be sold. This will be discussed at the next Board Meeting It was decided that any future gifts should be accepted with terms and conditions.</p>
5.7	<p><b>Website –</b></p> <p>Now included in the Chief Executive update (see above)</p>
5.8	<p><b>Marketing – Murdo Morrison</b></p> <p>1 The Committee were informed that new Booklets Edited by Peter Westwood and printed by Solway Offset were now available for purchase. There is a series of six titles with researched information about Robert Burns and containing information and facts which had not previously been published.. These will sell for £2 each or £10 for the six of the</p>

complete set.

## 2 The “Year of the Haggis” proposal.

- Key Features and progress to date.
  - Announced at the conference
  - Engaged with David Scott – Scottish Meat Traders Assoc
  - Current President of the Meat Traders Assoc is the Kilmarnock Butcher – Ian Faulds
  - The year of the haggis will be light hearted
  - For example we will try to have press coverage on the First Haggis of the Season
  - Burns clubs will be involved engaging with the local butcher and presenting the certificates
  - Peter Hughes mentioned the Macsween Haggis manufacturing company but the first emphasis was to be on locally based High Street butchers.
  - John Chapman from Lanarkshire would likely support, Murdo will contact his son Jamie to discuss
- 3. David Hannah handed over promotional brochures- listing many items -which came from a company known to him and consideration would be given to the purchase of memory sticks for potential use by the Federation for information sharing or other uses
- 4. The possibility of a Federation App could be considered and the content to be discussed and agreed but the use of this type of technology had to be recognised as a potential valuable resource.
- 5. The Robert Burns Centenary Run sponsored by Transport Company Robert Burns Ltd was receiving admin and other support from RBWF. This event co-incides with RBWF Conference and consists of an invitation to Motor Cyclists to follow a round Scotland route and stopping at/viewing former Bike racing circuits. The entrants will be supplied with a Robert Burns the poet’s places visited in vicinity of the proposed route. Discounts are being negotiated for entrants at, for example, the Falkirk Wheel, Ellisland Farm and the Globe Inn. A meeting with the organisers is on schedule for within the next two weeks. Provost Todd of East Ayrshire has agreed, subject to his availability, to be present at a photo call for publicity purposes together with Robert Burns the Sponsor.
- 6. Shop Sales have been steady and were particularly good at the Lasses Lunch which took in nearly £350. The web site sales are approximately one per week but this is still early days for that type of selling. A shop will be at the Conference and a Lanarkshire supplier is willing to provide appropriate Burns related goods on a sale or return basis
- 7. Lomond Books – stocks at Dower house are running low and require top up plus possible additions to the range. Lomond books provide a good sale or return service for us.
- 8. Sample ties. This matter was considered and the sample tie circulated to the Committee for observation was considered to be of a reasonable standard. There was room for improvement of the RBWF logo to increase its prominence.
  - We will also have a long ladies polyester scarf the same colour/logo as the tie
  - We have orders burns check scarves and throws from Beggs of Ayr. These are due in October but an endeavour will be made to have them available for conference
- 9. A welcome suggestion was made by Peter Hughes in that he had a contact at Dumfries House and this would be a likely location for Burns items for display. He would progress this and advise re outcomes.
- 10. Mention was made of a donation of two inscribed Crystal glasses which will possibly be auctioned for funds at the Conference.
- 11. Ayr Flower Show. 2-4<sup>th</sup> August. The Federation will have a presence there for the Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this prestigious event and a new style leaflet will be produced by then. This leaflet is for general use and supplements the outline information contained in the application for membership leaflet.
  - There are now persons identified to man the stall throughout the show. Pressing requirement currently is to design the content of the Federation stall to follow the theme of Ayrshire and Arran Tourism, Corinne advised that she would recruit some assistance for this project.
- 9. THE Highlander Magazine. Much use is being made of the many contact details in the magazine which encapsulates nearly all Scottish associated societies and organisations in USA and Canada. Our Burns newsletter has received wide circulation with many positive responses. The increase in numbers receiving the Newsletter has to be a continuing priority as it is proving to be a great asset.
- 10. The Convenor advised that a new TV production re Burns was in final stages of preparation and consists of Scottish and Irish Gaelic with appropriate sub title translations. This will receive a wide distribution.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Hannah shared his experience of assisting a college local to his home in an Annual Burns Supper. This was certainly an event which could be duplicated at many other locations and David was asked if he would be good enough to submit an article for the Newsletter to encourage other Federation Members and Clubs to promote a similar event.</li> <li>• We need to promote the 200 club. Annie Small will make a special effort at the Conference to sell any shares not sold by then.</li> </ul>
5.9	<p><b>Schools – Isa Hanley – Helen Morrison presented</b></p> <p>The meeting discussed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary 4/5 pupils will in future recite Burns and will not be given the choice of other Scots poems</li> <li>• It will be stressed that, if a competitor requires the official accompanist, he/she <b>MUST</b> send in copy of music and indicate key to be played in</li> <li>• The bag-piping over the last 3 years has not had enough entrants in primary 4/5 and the adjudicator suggested we no longer run this competition and have only primary 6/7</li> <li>• Still looking at venues for the 2014 festival, in Glasgow/Kilmarnock. Other suggestions are welcome</li> <li>• Karen McPhail will organise the Choral Competition</li> <li>• Graham has asked that we have the dates for return of Art and Project competitions brought forward and this was agreed to</li> <li>• There are photographs of the Ukrainian/Australian/Russian International competition from last year, and the next essay subject will be <i>An honest man's the noblest work of God</i></li> <li>• There will be an event in the Globe Inn on Sunday 29 July, with visitors from Russia performing</li> <li>• Isa has written to the schools' convenors asking for information on how they run their local competitions, to allow comparison.</li> </ul> <p>Bob had a concern about the primary 4/5 not being allowed to recite other Scots poems, but Helen informed him that the majority do Burns. This year's adjudicator had also questioned why the children were not all reading Burns, as he suggests they are quite capable. After all, it is a Burns' event.</p>

**Heritage – Walter Watson**

Convenor welcomed members present with a special welcome to Harry Hutchison attending as an observer.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held at Coldstream on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2013 having been circulated were taken as read and agreed correct on the motion of J. Kennedy. The minutes were not seconded as no other member was present at that meeting. Convenor expressed thanks to J. Skilling for chairing that meeting in his absence and to J. Kennedy for taking the minutes.

**Matters arising**

Convenor stated that current matters were agenda items for the meeting.

**Chairman's Report**

Convenor stated that he had been asked to prepare a report for submission to HQ in advance of the meeting which he found puzzling and would seek clarification

**Correspondence****Tombstone at Broughton.**

Convenor reported communications with descendants of the Rev. Hamilton Paul, buried in Broughton Kirkyard, regarding the possible refurbishment of the headstone.

**Reports:****Burns Statue, Dumfries**

D. Miller reported that the plans for improvements had now been revealed and had caused consternation

locally as the traffic flow round the statue had been reversed and as the site was also a bus terminus, the famous view with Greyfriars Church in the background would be obscured as bus shelters would be relocated to the statue side of the street. There was also an issue of road safety and traffic congestion. Dumfries clubs, the SSCBA and individual Burnsians had lodged objections and had enlisted the support of local MSPs. He had since been advised that the scheme had been placed on "hold" for further consideration by councillors and any decision would be deferred. Convenor confirmed that he had submitted an objection on behalf of the RBWF, having been apprised of the situation by local members and an acknowledgement had been received. D. Miller agreed to present a report to the afternoon Executive Meeting.

**Theatre Royal, Dumfries**

Convenor stated that nothing had been received from Shona Shaw and he feared she had dropped out of the committee. D. Miller reported that elaborate plans for major redevelopment had been approved and funding was mostly in place. The facade would be retained and improvements made to the auditorium and rehearsal areas with adjacent property in Queen Street being acquired.

#### Burns Monument. Alloway

Convenor reported that a meeting had been held between Alloway Burns Club and the NTS but he had not been invited. He understood from J. Skilling that scaffolding would be erected to assess the damage and it may be possible to effect minor repairs at that stage but major remedial work would require to be costed and funding put in place. He believed that a further meeting was scheduled for August and would request an invitation. J. Skilling was monitoring the situation. J. Kennedy stated that the building should be closed to the public meantime.

#### Hiighland Mary Monument, Failford.

Convenor reported that J. Skilling had advised that quotes for repairs had been received, £1800.00 and £1500.00 for replacing the railings. A grant of £2000.00 was promised from South Ayrshire Council and it was hoped to place a bench seat at the site. J. Skilling would report to a future meeting.

Finance Director J. Sheilds joined the meeting and was welcomed by Convenor.

#### Trysting Thorn

Convenor stated that it was not known if the funds previously mentioned would include refurbishment but the area had been cleared of severely overgrown brambles and Murray Henderson had kindly offered to donate paint.

#### Highland Mary, Greenock

No further report had been received from Elza Anderson but it was thought that no work had been put in hand as yet. A meeting would be arranged with Historic Scotland to discuss funding. It was noted that the grave was in a seriously poor state and the statue needed some work. It was hoped that Elza would bring the committee up to date at the next meeting.

#### Canongate Kirkyard, Edinburgh

J. Shields reported that members of EDBA had carried out a cleanup at Clarinda's grave stone and had replaced some rose bushes. At the same time, Robert Fergusson's grave had been thoroughly tidied up.

#### Rose Garden, Dower House.

Convenor reported that J. Skilling and J. Gibson had replaced the Jean Armour roses and the garden was in good condition. He expressed thanks to both gentlemen.

#### Plinth, Dower House

Convenor reported that he had now arranged for the replacement of the commemorative plaque. This was originally installed to mark the "9/11" terrorist attack in New York, USA. J. Kennedy commented that he had recently shown a party from New York around places of Burns interest locally but the visitors had shown no interest in the plinth or plaque.

#### Burns Statue, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

Convenor confirmed that statue is in pieces in a builder's yard in Newcastle. An appeal for funds to repair the statue had been launched some years ago by the late Fred Sinden but had not taken off. As no funding sources had been identified, it was unlikely that repairs could be made in the foreseeable future.

#### The Auld Brig, Alloway

Convenor reported that loose cobbles from the bridge were still being taken as souvenirs by visitors. Although the bridge was in reasonable condition, further loss of cobble stones could cause an increase in water penetration to the lower parts of the structure with consequential risk of damage. He understood that J. Skilling was monitoring the situation.

#### Tombstone at Broughton, Peeblesshire

Convenor reported that he was in correspondence with some of Rev. Paul's descendants with a view to his tombstone being refurbished. The Rev. Paul was reported as chairing the first known Burns Supper at Alloway and one of the gentlemen responsible for the erection of the Alloway Burns Monument. The stone is intact but off the vertical and he will seek an estimate for repair.

#### Other Competent Business

##### Greenock Burns Club Archives

Convenor stated that with the alterations to the Greenock Public Library and the relocation of the Greenock Club archives, it might be possible to store the important collection in the Mitchell Library and would pass this on to Elza Anderson.

##### Old High Kirk, Kilmarnock

J. Kennedy reported that the Old High Kirk which would have been known to Burns, had been closed and the congregation amalgamated with another parish. The building is currently up for sale. The grave of John Wilson, printer of the Kilmarnock Edition is in the kirkyard. East Ayrshire Council cut the grass but he will monitor the situation.

##### Burns Statues

Convenor displayed photographs of a statue of the poet taken by Gordon Jamieson in Auckland, New Zealand, which was a copy of the Pomery statue in Paisley and other statues in Sydney, Central Park, New York, Canberra, Australia and Edmonton, Canada.

#### Conclusion

H. Hutchison expressed thanks for being allowed to attend. Convenor thanked members present and a vote of thanks to the Chair terminated the meeting.

5.11	<p><b>200 Club – Alison Tait</b> The 200 club draws are up to date. This is now included in the Chief Exec Update</p>
5.12	<p>Overseas – Bob Stewart (on behalf of May Crawley, Jim O’Lone &amp; Les Strachan)</p> <p><b>Pacific Rim Director – Jim O’Lone</b> Best wishes for a successful meeting</p> <p><b>Canada – May Crawley</b></p> <p>1) Firstly it was wonderful to have President Bob and Frances, P.P.Jim Robertson and Eileen along with Mary and George Letham at our recent R.B.A.N.A Conference in Niagara Falls. Our Overseas guests, as always, added much to our event and President Bob was a wonderful ambassador for the Federation throughout the weekend. His speech at the Saturday banquet was delivered with grace and humour and was very well received by all present, as was the Toast given by P.P.Jim. The Conference Committee, composed of members of the Halton Peel Club, is to be congratulated for planning such an excellent and varied programme which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.</p> <p>2) Unfortunately we were unable to hold a Schools Competition this year owing to contract disputes with the Ontario Government and the Teachers' Union, which resulted in the cancellation of extra-curricular activities.</p> <p>3) The St.Andrew Socy. of Sarasota donated money for a tree to be planted in Scotland in memory of the late Frank Campbell. Frank was an Individual Member of R.B.W.F., a Founding Member of the Burns Discussion Group-an offshoot of the St. Andrew Socy. (of which Alex and I are members) and P.P.of R.B.A.N.A.</p> <p>4) Re. Burns' death. Several Clubs across Canada, including Calgary, Niagara Falls, Toronto and Winnipeg are holding commemorative events. The Niagara Falls Club decided to adopt a suggestion from an Ayrshire Club and is having a BARD-B-Q, complete with haggis and a tribute to Burns including contributions (i.e. songs and poems) from members and guests.. Greetings to all and best wishes for a productive meeting. Respectfully submitted,</p> <p><b>U.S.A. – Les Strachan</b> I hope it will be a successful and productive meeting. Bob mentioned that Les performed a marvellous immortal memory at the RBANA Conf</p>

**Association Representatives****Ayrshire Association of Burns Clubs – Joe Kennedy**

No Report

**Borders Association – Murray Henderson for Sandy Murray.**

We are all delighted with the success of our youngsters at the Primary & Secondary schools competitions and especially for Hannah Wyness a talented fiddler who won Junior Burnsian. Iain Buick from the Whiteadder club was another successful competitor winning the John Lapraik trophy. The Coldstream Bridge ceremony in May went very well. Many of the Borders clubs were represented, and good to see again some of the Howff Club members. We also had the pleasure of President Bob Stewarts company

Wauchope Cairn day will be on the fourteenth of July meet at Hawick Burns Club. Bus leaves for the cairn at one thirty. Please confirm date & time with Hawick club.

**Edinburgh & District Association of Burns Clubs – Gordon Jamieson**

On the 5<sup>th</sup> June I, along with Jim Shields President of the EDBCA, Ian Chisholm PP of the EDBCA attended in Edinburgh The Celebration of Russia's National Day. Here we were joined with other members of the Robert Burns World Federation and many civic dignitaries. We were guests of the Consul General of the Russian Federation and enjoyed the singing of a superb Russian choir. Several speakers spoke about the links between Russia and Scotland both cultural and business and how much Robert Burns was liked in Russia.

The EDBCA are holding their annual Burns Celebration and Poetry Competition on the 20<sup>th</sup> of July 2013. We hope to have representatives from 11 associations taking part in the Poetry event.

**Fife Association of Burns Clubs – Bob Stewart**

1) Fife Schools' Burns Competitions took place on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March in the Auchterderran Centre in Cardenden. There were good numbers of Primary and Secondary pupils entered in all four sections and the F.A.B.C. members assisted with the stewarding and recoding the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> winners for entry into the R.B.W.F. National Schools' Festivals;

2) Members of the F.A.B.C. assisted as required with stewarding and providing refreshments at both the Primary and Secondary National Festivals held in Dunfermline H.S.

3) On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June, members attended the Provost's Civic Reception held in the evening in the Glen Pavilion, Dunfermline. There the 1<sup>st</sup> winners of the fife Schools' Burns Competitions were presented with their trophies and medals. The presentations were followed by some of the winners performing their pieces then all present enjoyed the buffet food refreshments provided.

Helen complimented Bob on how great the welcome was at the Schools competition in Dunfermline.

**Glasgow Association of Burns Clubs – Enez Anderson**

George Anderson –

Sale of the Jean Armour Burns Houses has gone through, the directors were disbanded and there is now in a trust which will have funds to support clubs on projects. It must be Robert Burns and the promotion of Robert Burns in the Glasgow community. One of the conditions of the sale was it would remain the Jean Armour Houses and donations can still be made. Any cheque for the Houses should be made payable to the JEAN ARMOUR BURNS TRUST, with a letter which clearly states the money is for the Houses. In time, we hope to have included in our own Newsletter and that of the Federation, what we spend the money on. Donations should be sent to: Mr J.M. Slater, 28 Buch Avenue, Newton Mearns, Glasgow, G77 5PP

Ken Dalgliesh has asked the Glasgow Association for volunteers to help if people want help during the conference.

**Grampian Association of Burns Clubs –**

No Report

**Lanarkshire Association of Burns Clubs – Eric Budgetell**

A very successful schools competition with additional 5 schools and in excess of 250 children in the finals. The standard in the competition was very high.

The lasses the lunch was in Shawlands Hotel on May 12 where 180 + ladies sat down to lunch, the entertainment of Hazel Blair was excellent as was the speaker. Tunnock's of Uddingston and Super County were the sponsors and without them the event could not

have taken place. Covington Mains on 7th of July will be followed by afternoon tea which will be in Shieldhill Hotel. Please contact Kay Blair if you would like to attend.

**Renfrewshire & Inverclyde Association of Burns Clubs – George Grant**

No Report

**Southern Scottish Counties Burns Association – Jane Brown**

A very hearty thank you to SSCBA and a great contribution from the members especially Jane and Dan who helped with the catering. The SSCBA children did very well in the schools competition.

The Brow Well will held on 17th of July and everyone is welcome, we will go to the Cairndale afterwards

17th of September there is a Tam O'Shanter competition will be in the Globe

The whistle competition will be in Ellisland 19th October

**Yorkshire Association of Burns Clubs – Jim Robertson**

The Tartan Ball was held at Ardsley House Hotel and once again a very successful evening attended by just under a 100 members and guests. We were pleased to have in attendance the President Bob Stewart and his wife together with the Chief Executive Alison Tait and her husband

Mr & Mrs Baird and Mr & Mrs Handley were also able to attend.

I am very pleased to report that our Secretary Mrs May McGuffog has again managed to arrange the same price for the meal and also the hotel. The date is Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2014.

Please make a note in you diary and come down to Yorkshire for the weekend.

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June we held our Annual Bowls Matches and Quiz together with the AGM. This year the host Society was Wakefield.

Various teams from the area competed in both events and all who attended had a very successful day. The weather for the bowls was very warm for a change. In between the rounds of the quiz at night a pie and peas supper was served.

The winner of the Bowls was Wakefield with the runners up being Bradford.

The Quiz was one by Bradford and the runners up Wakefield.

Most Clubs are now booking their speakers for the St Andrew and Burns Night functions.

6.

**Applications for Membership:**

**Individual Membership**

Mrs Irene Furneaux, 108 North Deeside Road, Bielside, Aberdeen

Mr. David McDonald, 5 Cowie Terrace, Gilmour Street, Alexandria,

Mr. Robert Sommerville, 10 Linkwood Place, Lawthorn, Irvine

Mr Ernie Munro, 7 The Heugh, Tranent, East Lothian

Mrs Ruth Baird, 3 Urquhart Court, Calside, Dumfries, DG1 4XE

Mr Alex Hanley, 24 Kirkland Road, Heathhall, Dumfries, DG1 3RN

Mrs Wendy McNab, 49 Whitemoss Road, East Kilbride, G74 4JB

Rev James B Watson, 49 Lennel Mount, Coldstream, Scottish Borders, TD12 4NS

Mr Graham Hill, 1 Kidston Gardens, Rhu Road Higher, Helensburgh, G84 8JS

Mr William H Fulton, 313 Landside Road, Devon, Pennsylvania, 19333, U.S.A.

Mrs Carolyn McAllister, West Sound Radio Ltd, Radio House, 54A Holmston Road, Ayr KA7 3BE

**Family Membership**

Mr. & Mrs John Sanders, 18 Vespasian Road, Bitterne Manor, Southampton

James Thorburn, 29 Battlefield Court, Wharfdale Road, London

Mr & Mrs McKenzie, 73a Loudon Street, Mauchline, KA5 5BQ

	<p><b>Corporate Membership</b> None</p> <p><b>School Membership</b> Clerkhill School, No.2187, Cairtrodlie, Peterhead Coaltown of Balgonie Primary School, School Road, Coaltown of Balgonie, Glenrothes, KY7 6HY</p> <p><b>Re-Affiliation</b> None</p>
7.	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Murdo mentioned in the news that there was mention in the news regarding Calgary and recommended we send a mail expressing our concern</li> <li>2. Alison asked if there are events they should let <a href="mailto:admin@rbwf.org.uk">admin@rbwf.org.uk</a> and we will put them on the website</li> <li>3. Jim Shields mentioned that in Edinburgh they have replaced the roses at Clarinda's grave and have spent time clearing up Fergusson's grave.</li> <li>4. Jean Amb... mentioned that the draw for the 200 club was normally drawn at the executive, Alison explained that she had done it quarterly as she was on her own in the office. Now Corinne was in the office it was no longer necessary to draw at the executive.</li> </ol>
8.	<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b></p> <p><i>Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> Edinburgh District at Lodge Liberton</i></p>

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