

Guildry of Stirling News

March 2014

Dates for your Diary

NB ALL COURTS ARE 7.15 FOR 7.30PM

Spring Court Wednesday 26h March 2014

The speaker is Stuart Campbell Deacon Convener of the Hammermen, one of the Seven Incorporated Trades.

Kirkin Service Sunday 11th May 2014

When the above date and arrangements are confirmed, notification via the Voice of the People section of the Stirling Observer will be made along with email and website.

Summer Court, Wednesday 13th August 2014

The speaker is still to be confirmed. Please check the Voice of the People notice in the Stirling Observer the week before the Court.

Guildry Golf Outing

It is hoped to hold the Annual Golf Outing this year, depending on weather and numbers. If you wish to participate, please give your name to Guild Brother Alasdair Gammack

Tel. 07966445566 or e-mail ag19@stir.ac.uk

Autumn Court, Friday 26th September 2014

It is hoped to run a similar function to last years successful Whisky evening. Please check the Voice of the People notice in the Stirling Observer.

Remembrance Service

Sunday 9th November 2014 at 10.45am The service at the Church of the Holy Rude will be followed by the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial, Corn Exchange. Guild Brothers are requested to meet at the Guildhall before 10.30am and a good attendance is will be appreciated by the Dean.

Winter Court and Annual General Meeting Wednesday 3rd December 2014

The speaker is still to be confirmed. Please check the Voice of the People notice in the Stirling Observer the week before the Court.

The Guildry of Stirling Tartan

This Tartan was designed by the Dean Robin Iffla to celebrate the Guildry's remarkable longevity, and was ratified by the Deans Council on the 14th August 2013. The Design is based on the Black Watch Tartan and recognises the association of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders with the City of Stirling. The design also incorporates the green for the Guildry of Stirling



Remembrance Day 10th November 2013

The Dean laying the Guildry of Stirling Wreath at the War Memorial in the Corn Exchange, following the Service at the Church of the Holy Rude

Dean's Dinner Friday 7th February 2014

The Annual Guildry of Stirling Dean's Dinner took place at the Park Lodge Hotel Stirling. Guest Speakers were Sir Peter Housden KCB, Permanent Secretary to the Scottish Government and Mrs. Marjory McLachlan, Lord Lieutenant of Stirling and Falkirk. The evening was a great success and those partners who attended for the first time commented most favourably. Pictured here are the top table quests: Back row -Mr John Barton (Guildry Clerk), Councillor Mike Robbins (Provost of the City of Stirling), Mr Jim Mailer (Guildry Officer). Front row: Sir Peter Housden KCB, Mr Robin Iffla (Dean of the Guildry of Stirling), Mrs Marjory McLachlan (Lord Lieutenant Stirling & Falkirk) and Rev Alan Miller (Chaplain to the Guildry of Stirling).



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Guildry History Prize 2014

Certificates will be awarded again this year to all participating High Schools in the Stirling Council area as well as the Queen Victoria School Dunblane and the University of Stirling History Department. Each school and the History Department of is awarded £100 of book tokens to share among their winners.

Annual Levy

The Annual Levy of £15 is due again in March.

Thank you, to those who completed a Standing Order form. Those without standing payments and wish to, please contact the Treasurer, Ian Carmichael Tel. 01786 478338.

Deans Diary



The Dean with Stuart Forsyth Deacon Convener of the Skinners and Provost Mike Robbins alongside the Ryder Cup. The photograph was taken at the opening night of the Ryder Cup Exhibition at the Smith.

The Dean accompanied by Immediate Past Dean Paul Miller, Past Dean Alan Webb and Deans Councillor David Brown and their wives attended the Autumn Court of the Deans of Guild of Scotland at Brechin in October last year.

The Dean hosted an informal whisky tasting evening in the Autumn of last year which was led by Guild Brother Calum McMillan (Diagio). Some 30 Guild Brothers and guests attended and sampled the delights of the varying malts which go into a Johnnie Walker Blend. All went home much merrier, and some very much merrier than when they arrived.

The Dean continues to represent the Guildry of Stirling on the Cowane's Trust and the Cowane's Hospital Maintenance Trust. He is ably assisted by Dean's Councillor's Tom Sinclair and Alan Donald.

The Dean continues to sit on the short life Guardians of Scotland Trust which is established to enable the erection of a statue to William Wallace and Sir Robert De Moray at the site of the Old Stirling Bridge.

The Guildry is also represented on the Stirling Educational Trust by Dean's Councillor Michael Coleman.

The Deans Council continues to meet on scheduled dates to progress the business of the Guildry.

The Dean continues to meet regularly with the Provost of Stirling Councillor Mike Robbins.

Guildry Tartan: Should any member wish to enquire about the range of clothing or gifts available in the Guildry of Stirling Tartan, please speak to a member of the Deans Council.

Newsletter Editor

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