



DANISH-SCOTTISH SOCIETY

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Dear Members,

SPRING RECAP

What a storming start to the New Year...50 members turned up to an eventful Burns Supper with fun entertainment and fantastic ceilidh dancing to end the evening. Thanks again to all who contributed to the entertainment. Later on in February we showed Per Fly's film trilogy, The Bench, Inheritance and Manslaughter. Enjoying the use of new chairs at DCI as well as a projector and sound system, we created a small cinema on the day, and several members turned up to watch some or all of the films. The Easter lunch was as popular as ever – apologies to all who didn't manage to get tickets for the event. Not only did the delicious food go down well, but one special Danish Easter beer was even auctioned at the highest bid!

It is wonderful to see so many of you at the events, so please pencil in the forthcoming dates in your diaries – hope to see you then.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Clay Pigeon Shoot - 19th April at 10am

Venue: Dalmeny Estate, South Queensferry

Last chance to join us for an informal clay pigeon shoot at Dalmeny Estate. Meet at 10 am at **the car park by Dalmeny House** (see Skt Hans section below for directions).

Wrap up warm and bring hot drinks as you should expect to be outdoors for approx. 2 hours.

Cost: £10 per head for those taking part in the shooting. Spectators are also very welcome.

Please let Pernille know by **11th April** if you'd like to attend, tel: 0131 3311790, e-mail: pl.chapman@virgin.net.

In case of bad weather, do phone ahead on the day to check if this event is still going ahead.

Picnic and Kite Flying - 10th May at 11am

Venue: West Sands, St Andrews Beach

This year's picnic will be held on the beautiful St Andrew's Beach where you can usually rely on a bit of wind.... hence the reason for flying kites!

We meet at 11am at West Sands at the furthest away car park.

Please bring your own picnic, blankets, kites and swimwear (for the optimists).

There will also be an opportunity to try out stunt kites and land yachts (adults only). Keep fingers crossed for good weather, and we'll see you there!

Directions: Follow signs to St Andrews. The road leading to St Andrews runs past playing fields on the left hand side, and further on you can also see the Old Course Hotel. When you come to a mini roundabout, go straight across. Drive a little further and you come to another small roundabout; take a left on Golf Place. Then follow the road along the beach to the last car parking area. Look out for the Danish flag!

For further info/map, use this link:

<http://www-solar.mcs.st-and.ac.uk/html/local/stamapc2.gif>

Sankt Hans Evening, Saturday 21st June, 7 p.m.

Venue: Dalmeny Estate

May the weather gods be with us this year, as the lovely beach on Dalmeny Estate will provide a fantastic setting for our Skt Hans celebrations with the ritual burning of witches and midges!

As usual, BBQ food and drinks will be on sale at the event. All you have to do is bring blankets/picnic chairs and perhaps a copy of *Højskolesangbogen!*

Price: £6 for adults and £3 for children over 5, but do let us know beforehand of any 'hungry' children under 5. Please sign up by returning the cut-off slip below before 7th June.

Please go to the car park at Dalmeny House and follow the signs from there.

How to find Dalmeny House: From Edinburgh, take A90 northbound (towards Forth Road Bridge). Turn off sliproad signposted for South Queensferry. The main entrance to Dalmeny Estate is approx. ½ mile up this road, on your right. Enter through main entrance and follow tarmac road until you see Dalmeny House and car park on your left.

From Fife: After Forth Road Bridge, take 1st sliproad signposted for South Queensferry. At roundabout, take first left. At next roundabout (Burger King), take 1st left into South Queensferry. Take 4th right (Station Road) and carry on to T-junction at the end of this road. Turn right up to T-junction in Dalmeny Village, then turn left and continue until you reach the crossroads at main entrance to Dalmeny Estate.

Bus no. 43 from Edinburgh stops at the main entrance (ask for the Chapel Gate bus stop).

REMINDERS

Camping Weekend 30th-31st August

Venue: to be confirmed

Please feel free to e-mail us with any suggestions (preferably before 11.6.08).

AGM - Thursday 18th September, 7.30 p.m.

Venue: The Danish Cultural Institute

Invitation and proxy forms to follow.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Children's Playgroup

We are a group of bilingual children aged 0-7 who meet with our Danish-Scottish parents to play and sing Danish songs etc. We do not have a permanent venue, but we are scheduled to meet on the 27.4.08 (venue to be decided)

If you would like to know more, please contact Jette Lemvig (see details below).

Best wishes from your Committee:

Chair: Ulla Dormer

Treasurer: Jonas Andersen

Secretary: Jette Lemvig

Membership: Pernille Chapman

Rikke Sode

Bettina Smith

Colin O'Neill

Jeannette Gulbrandsen

SANKT HANS EVENING, Saturday 21st June, 7 p.m.

BBQ, bonfire, songs and snobrød!

Adults: £6.00, children over 5: £3.00.

I enclose a cheque for ____ adult(s) and ____ child(ren), total £____
(made payable to The Danish-Scottish Society).

I would like vegetarian BBQ food

Name.....

Tel:

Address.....

Postcode:

Please return this form with payment to the Membership Secretary,
Pernille Chapman, Dalmeny Home Farm, South Queensferry EH30 9TQ
no later than 7th June.