



MORAY CEILIDH CLUB
NEWSLETTER - JUNE 2003

JUST IN CASE YOU'VE BEEN
 WONDERING, THE MORAY CEILIDH
 CLUB IS ALIVE AND WELL AND
 LOOKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Yes! A group of us die-hard ceilidhers
 have got together to try and keep
 Moray Ceilidh Club alive and kicking.
 Due to work and family commitments
 Euan, Susan, Walter and Kirsty have
 decided to take a well-deserved
 backseat and leave the running of the
 club to others. We thought it
 appropriate to make them all honorary
 members, which they've readily agreed
 to. I'm sure you will all agree that the
 hard work and time spent making the
 club so successful is a wonderful
 achievement and very much appreciated
 by all who attended. Don't worry
 though, they have assured us that they
 will still be regular attendee's at the
 ceilidhs.

WE CAN CONFIRM THAT THE NEXT
 CEILIDH IS TO BE HELD ON
 SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER IN THE
 BISHOPMILL HALL and thanks to Euan
 we have landed a **real cracker of a**
band to start off the new ceilidh season.
 They're called '**Daimh**', (pronounced
 Dive) and are accompanied this time by
 none other than **Dougie Hunter**,
 accordion player extrodinaire with
 'Hoogie' and 'The Goat Island Ceilidh
 Band', two of the best ceilidh bands ever
 to feature at the Club.

Daimh are a red hot property on the
 Celtic music scene at the moment, and
 we are extremely lucky to have lured
 them to Moray Ceilidh Club.
 (Check out www.daimh.com). With
 Dougie to accompany them through the
 ceilidh sets we are sure this is going to
 be a stonker of a night.

TO SAVE DISAPPOINTMENT ORDER
 YOUR TICKETS ALONG WITH YOUR
 MEMBERSHIP!!!
 (See attached membership form)

Two more ceilidhs are scheduled for
 October and November. Further details
 will be relayed to you in future
 newsletters. We hope, on average to
 hold a ceilidh every 5 to 6 weeks
 between September and May 2004.

We aim to run the club in a similar
 format as before. There's no point
 changing the formula that has proved to
 be so successful. We can guarantee
 that BYOB and top quality bands will
 continue.

However, annual membership fees have
 been changed as follows:-

SINGLE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP
 £10.00
 COUPLE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP
 £20.00
 FAMILY ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP
 £25.00

TICKET PRICES:

MEMBER	£5.00
GUEST	£9.00
SCHOOLCHILD	£1.00
(Accompanied by responsible adult)	
PRE-SCHOOL	FREE

Kirsty very kindly gave us an indication of the costs involved in running a ceilidh and after doing our sums and thinking it over carefully, we came up with the afore-mentioned figures which we feel should be charged in order to make each ceilidh viable.

You will have noticed that the cost of the tickets for a guest has increased greatly. The previous price for a guest ticket was £6.00 but we felt that not only is £9.00 a small price to pay for a great night out but that it should make Ceilidh Club members feel that they are getting more benefit from being a member. It may also encourage non-members to join.

Our next piece of news is that we're going to have an Open General Meeting. It's to be held on Monday 30th June at 7.00 pm at Elgin City Social Club and we would like as many of you out there as possible to show your support by attending. We are not going to press gang folk onto a committee, we already have a committee elect. The meeting is simply a chance for you to have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about YOUR CLUB and give you a chance to voice your opinion on how you think the club should be run. (If it helps swing your decision, the football club sells really cheap drink!).

At the meeting we will also discuss the constitution we plan to adopt. It all seems to be a bit official but please be assured we will keep the whole thing as simple as we officially can. There will be an excellent opportunity to pay membership fees if you haven't already got round to it by then.

We would be really, really grateful if all membership fees and forms could be with us before the meeting if at all possible, in order that we can gauge the amount of interest (which we expect to be high). Your co-operation in this would be most appreciated. Please note that the membership will run from the date of the first event i.e. 06/09/03; however, for those of you who join before this date, your membership will run until 06/09/04. For people joining during the year, membership will be rolling. Confused.....? Then come along and all will be revealed!!!

This newsletter is a one-off mailshot to all those already listed on the Moray Ceilidh Club's files.

Newsletters detailing future events will only be sent to those who rejoin.

The Ceilidh Club Newsletter will be posted to members as before, however it would be easier for us to send them via e-mail. If you have an e-mail address please add it to the membership form in the space provided if desired.

For future reference, we're currently working on a web-site; our address will be www.moraycc.org but it's not quite ready yet.

I say again, THIS IS YOUR CEILIDH CLUB AND THE FUTURE OF IT DEPENDS ON YOU!

SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!

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