



MORAY CEILIDH CLUB NEWSLETTER

April 2006

Hi everyone,

What a ceilidh! March's event was one of the best of the season, pulling by far the largest crowd. It was great to see so many of you at Bishopmill Hall, considering we've struggled for numbers at previous ceilidhs there. The feedback from you all on "Iron Broo" was tremendous and the dance floor was packed all night. Thanks so much to everyone who helped make the evening such a success. Rumour has it that even the club treasurer smiled.....briefly!

Our next and final ceilidh of the season takes place at Miltonduff Hall on Saturday 22nd April. "Clachan Yell" will be playing for us. Reputedly the best ceilidh band in the north-east, they perform a high-energy set. So this promises to be another good night - get your tickets now! As you know, Miltonduff Hall has a limited capacity and we're expecting another sell-out crowd, so book early to avoid disappointment. We will again be giving you the chance to win a bottle of whisky by sliding coins along the floor and there'll be a sweetie version for the kids. The hall has just had a new lighting and PA system installed which we're sure we will make good use of.

We're pleased to say that the club is on a bit of a roll at the moment. Recent ceilidhs have been very successful - good bands, large turnouts and a great atmosphere - so things are certainly looking up. This wasn't the case this time last year when some of the committee seriously thought the club might fold. Thank you all very much for your support. Long may it continue.

We would encourage you where possible to order your tickets on the web from The Booth; go to the "Events" page on www.moraycc.org and click on the date of the event to be taken straight to the booking page. It's very straightforward makes things so much easier for the committee, and can be done right up to 5 p.m. on the day ... but only as long as there are tickets left!!!! We know some members have had the occasional problem with the website in the past, but we're assured these problems been ironed out now.

There are a few other coming events to tell you about:

Sunday 30th April - open day at Benromach Distillery, Forres. There'll be an attempt to get as many people as possible to take part in a huge Virginia Reel.

www.benromach.com/Spirit-Speyside-Festival.html

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Assisted by the Arts Council for Moray

Friday 5th May 7.30pm - Quiz night at Miltonduff Hall to raise funds for the Ceilidh Club. Cash prizes! Teams of up to six people are required and the entry fee is £4 per person. We would really appreciate your support for this fund-raising evening and are hoping for a good turn out.

Tuesday 20th June 7.30pm - our Moray Ceilidh Club AGM at Elgin City Social Club. Some current committee members will be standing down so we'll be looking for new people to volunteer. It really doesn't involve too much work and our infrequent committee meetings are always very sociable and enjoyable. We'd really like to have some nominations in place beforehand so, if you could spare a few hours to help keep the club going, please contact our Chairman Sandy Duncan (01343 860388).

Meanwhile, see you on the 22nd!

Caroline Coomber

AGM

The Club's Constitution says, "One month's Notice of General Meetings will be given to members, the notice will include details of the business to be transacted." To save costs we are going to do this by e-mail this year. If you want to use a different e-mail address or receive the Notice another way please let me know soonest - thanks.

Tom Hardie
tom@primarysolution.co.uk, 01309 696919

Future ceilidhs

Here is the plan for future events, locations, bands, etc

DATE	LOCATION & BAND
Sat 22 Apr 2006 at 20:00	Miltonduff Clachan Yell
Fri 05 May 2006 at 19:30	Miltonduff Quiz Night
Tue 20 Jun 2006 at 19:30	Elgin City Social Club AGM
Sat 02 Sep 2006 at 20:00	Miltonduff Ceilidh Mor
Sat 25 Nov 2006 at 20:00	Bishopmill Ceilidh Minogue
Sat 27 Jan 2007 at 20:00	TBD TBD
17 Mar 2007	Bishopmill Marwicks
21 Apr 2007	Miltonduff TBD

Below is a tear off to help you order your tickets. **Hurry, while stocks last!!!**

Are they any of the bands you'd like to, or maybe even not want to, see back again? Just let Sandy (the tall one in the tartan trews who stands at the front at half time) know as we are booking next season's bands.

Clachan Yell, Miltonduff Village Hall, Sat 22 Apr 2006 at 20:00

Name _____ Tel _____

Address _____

Member Tickets (Adult @ £6.00) _____ Member's school age kids (Free) _____

Guests/Non-members (Adult @ £9.50) _____ Non-members school age kids (@ £1.00) _____

Send **form**, **s.a.e.** and **cheque** to either Caroline Coomber (01343 541983) 32 High School Drive, New Elgin, IV30 6UE or Sandy Duncan (01343 860388) Lagana, Rashcrook, Birnie. IV30 8SW

Or Book OnLine at www.moraycc.org