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## Welcome 2009

Nearly 40 villagers and friends gathered in the Reading Room on Hogmanay to see in the New Year in style with Ceilidh and modern dancing, competitions, games and a sumptuous buffet. The draw for the 100 Club was made with the winner, ticket 67 – Janet McAndrew winning £100.

## A Celebration of Burns

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January saw nearly 60 villagers and guests celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> birthday of Robert Burns in the Reading Room.

Robin Kelsall chaired the evening. George Sutherland got the ball rolling by setting the scene and toasting the 'Bard'. Then followed tunes on the pipes played most efficiently by Nathan & Connor who are students of Lornshill Academy School.

Brian Jamieson gave us a reading of Burns 'Now Westlin Winds' following which we all joined together to sing 'Duncan Gray' and 'Scots Wha Hae' accompanied on the piano by George McIntosh. Jane Kilgour sang 'Banks and Braes' and husband Colin recited 'My Heart is in the Highlands' and this was followed by another selection of tunes from the pipes of Nathan & Connor.

The first part of the evening's proceedings were then brought to a close by Andrew Logan reciting the 'Selkirk Grace' before an excellent buffet, prepared by Alice & Colin Kilgour, Roseanne Neill and Rae McIntosh, was served.

The second part of the proceedings began with a sketch 'The Trooth o' Tam O'Shanter' delightfully performed by Murray Thomson, Lucy Allen and Angus Annan following which we all sang 'Comin' Thro' the Rye' and 'Red Red Rose' once again accompanied by George McIntosh. Keith Neill was next and gave an outstanding recital on the theme of an 'Imitation of Burns' utilising place names throughout Scotland. Alice & Clive Kilgour closed the second part with 'Ae Fond Kiss'.

Angus Annan thanked everyone for their efforts in making the evening a roaring success and left the floor to Mike Bisset and Friends to Ceilidh the night away.

## Blairlogie Community & Heritage Trust

An update following the AGM on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January.

Letters have been sent to the Council's Planning Enforcement Officer and to the Roads Maintenance Manager, Environmental Services and a telephone call to Scottish Power.

The Enforcement Officer has visited the site to assess the deteriorating condition of the Kirk and, in particular, the garden. She is of the opinion that, whilst there are areas of the land that are overgrown, the issue of an Amenity Notice to the owners at this time, is not warranted. She will, however, be monitoring the situation once there has been plant growth in the forthcoming months.

The letter to the Roads Maintenance Manager concerned the possible dangers raised at the AGM of exiting on to the A91 from the north. At this time no response has been received and a reminder has been sent.

An Inspector from Scottish Power visited the West Lane on 17<sup>th</sup> February to inspect the areas where the road and edges thereof need urgent attention, and has taken note and has agreed to carry out the necessary repairs.

### Forthcoming Events

#### Wine Tasting

Please make a note in your diary of this very enjoyable event, which will be on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 in the Reading Room and will include the third 100 Club draw.

For catering purposes, this will be a ticket event and these are available now priced at a mere £10 from your Committee.

#### Film Night

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May has been earmarked for the second film night event of 2009 so please enter this in your diary.

#### Logie Community Council

The next meetings of the Committee are on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May starting at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

#### Reading & Recreation Room AGM

This has been arranged for Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April and it is hoped that there will be a good turnout.

Should anybody wish to make a contribution to the social happenings of the village by joining the committee, please let one of the present committee know.