



## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TRUST

This is a short Newsletter to keep you up to date with forthcoming events in the Trust. Our Publications Convener, **Ken Roberts**, is standing down after three very productive years. We are most grateful to him for the energetic work he has put into the Publications, Publicity and Membership side of the Trust's activities, amongst other things for our new format for the Newsletter which, judging by your favourable comments, has clearly received your approval. However, we are delighted that we have been able to secure the help of **Mark Cox** of the University's IT Services, and Mark will be designing the layout of the Newsletter.

**Elizabeth Williams**

## PLANNING

Revision of the East Fife Local Plan is now under way. We are promised more public consultation at all stages of the process. Meetings will be 'themed', so that each deals with a distinct topic. There will of course be Trust representatives at these meetings. They will be advertised in the local press, so please go along to those that interest you.

## PRIDE OF PLACE SCHEME

The aim of this scheme - made possible by a bequest to the Trust - is to improve the appearance of the town. For example, it is hoped to encourage individuals to improve their property through appropriate restoration or refurbishment of the exterior of their property. The scheme allows a number of small awards to be made as a contribution to the expense incurred by the individuals. A further idea for this year is to encourage the planting of trees in places where they will be visible to the public. We are looking for projects for either this year or the coming years. If you have any ideas, please let us know, but it must be possible to put them into practice without Trustees being involved in too much extra work! We are very pleased that **John Frew** and **John di Folco** have joined the committee.

## AT THE MUSEUM

The Easter exhibition drew 726 visitors, while our Summer exhibition, **St Andrews by the Northern Sea**, runs until 28th September. The Museum now has an improved Sales Stall including many publications with a local theme. Among these are Jurek Putter's *A Feast of Images - a look at St Andrews' Golden Age, 1460-1560* (£2.50) and the new book by lifelong Trust Member Betty Willsher on her time at university here and the work of the Trust: *St Andrea's - Ancient City in the 20th Century* (£9.99). Proving particularly popular are the new booklets on all three recent exhibitions at the Museum (£1).

## GREEN BELT PROGRESS

The Green Belt Forum under its new Chairman, Trustee **Tony Jackson**, has concluded two important meetings. Landscape expert **David Rice** explained how landscape character assessment could be applied to analyse the landscape setting of St. Andrews. Then **Bill Lindsay**, Team Leader (Plans and Projects) at Fife Council Planning and Building Control Services spoke encouragingly about the preparations for implementing the town's Green Belt. In answer to some forceful questioning, given the Council's record of opposition, he stressed Fife Council is fully committed to a Green Belt. The East Fife Plan should be fully adopted by 2006 when the Green Belt would take full effect.

## NEW TRUST HISTORY

A 'must' for your bookshelves is the Trust's latest publication in Saving St Andrews, *A Short History of the Trust*, on sale at £3 at the Museum and the Trust Office.

## *Christmas is coming!*

The festive season might be far away but we are looking for two new designs for this year's cards and need them pretty soon. If you have any photographs, paintings, or drawings which you feel might be suitable, please let us know. A handy tip: a subject which is always popular is a recognisable St Andrews scene with snow or frost and perhaps a red gown or two!

## HIDDEN GARDENS DAY

Sunday 29th June 2003, 11 am - 5 pm

Members really look forward to this event and this year Events Convener **Daphne Matthews** has the onerous task of taking over from the successes of **June Baxter**. But Daphne has produced a sparkling programme for the Day which this year is on Sunday June 29th. A dozen gardens will again feature - some old favourites and some terrific new additions. These include, for the first time, the gardens of St Leonards, a new corporate member of the Trust. The Queen Mary's Library Garden is small, but beautifully laid out, behind the 16th century house where it is thought Mary Queen of Scots stayed. This also provides a unique opportunity to see the 18th century Grotto in the grounds which is embellished with fragments of foliage carving plundered from the cathedral. Also on show are a cottage-style garden, a Japanese style layout and many more.

**ADMISSION £3 INCLUDES ALL OPEN GARDENS  
CHILDREN FREE**

**A MAGIC SHOW FOR CHILDREN AT THE MUSEUM AT  
1:30pm & 3:30pm**

**"ST ANDREWS THE GARDEN CITY"**

**A SMALL EXHIBITION BY JUREK PUTTER, OLD  
SCHOOL LIBRARY, ST JOHN'S**

**TICKETS ARE ON SALE FROM 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY FROM:**

- **THE ST ANDREWS PRESERVATION TRUST MUSEUM,  
12 NORTH STREET**
- **SOUTH STREET GALLERY, 158 SOUTH STREET**
- **ST ANDREWS POTTERY, 4 CHURCH SQUARE**
- **LOOT, 68 MARKET STREET**
- **ALSO ON MONDAY TO FRIDAY (MORNINGS ONLY)  
FROM THE ST ANDREWS PRESERVATION TRUST  
OFFICE, 4 QUEENS GARDENS**

**ARE YOU ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO ANY OF THE  
STALLS?**

**CAKES (EASY TO SLICE), TRAY-BAKES, BISCUITS,  
TEL.NO 01334 472908**

**BOOKS AND PLANTS MAY BE LEFT AT THE MUSEUM,  
12 NORTH STREET  
COLLECTION CAN BE ARRANGED BY  
TELEPHONING 01334 477629**

**BRIC A BRAC MAY BE LEFT AT 74-76 SOUTH STREET  
PLEASE TELEPHONE MRS ANTHONY TO ARRANGE  
A DELIVERY TIME OR FOR COLLECTION, TEL.NO  
01334 479326**

**WANTED ALL HATS (MEN AND WOMEN'S)!  
FOR ALL SEASONS AND OCCASIONS FOR  
DELIVERY/COLLECTION TELEPHONE:-**

**BRIDGET MASON, 01334 473193**

## **Members' Evening**

Friday 1st August, 6:30 pm.

The Chairman and Trustees would like to invite members to a reception of wine and savouries and an opportunity to meet the trustees, especially the new trustees and fellow members.

There will be no charge to members for this event but should you wish to bring a guest, there will be a charge of £3

In order to assist catering, please inform Mrs Daphne Matthews at West Grange Farmhouse, St Andrews, KY16 8LJ. Tel: 01334 472908

## **Autumn Fair**

**Saturday 6th September, 11 am - 4 pm,  
Museum Garden.**

A new idea. Any craft donation will be welcome, including plants and books. More details in the next Newsletter.

## **OTHER NEWS**

### Trust Outing

36 Members enjoyed a highly interesting, if wet, visit to the splendid grounds of Wemyss Castle last month, by kind permission of Mrs Charlotte Wemyss. An amusing and most informative commentary was given by Professor Hugh Kennedy.

### St Andrews in Bloom

The Trust has donated £100 to this scheme, and has also given £150 out of the Pride of Place monies.

There will be an account of the Annual General Meeting in the next Newsletter.

**HELP WANTED** Can any members spare an hour or two every so often (glass of wine supplied) to help collate future newsletters and put them in envelopes?

Please contact John Beaton (01333 360874)