



NEW BOY'S REPORT - FROM THE CHAIRMAN

By the time you read this. Hidden Gardens will be over for another year. Perhaps, just perhaps, you will have enjoyed the day in brilliant sunshine. As I write, we are anxiously scouring the forecasts for signs of a break in the rain. Whatever the outcome, we have more splendid events lined up, with the Summer Reception this month and the golf and putting competitions in late August. Walking in the Footsteps promises to be a splendidly entertaining (and educational) evening at the end of September. Do please come and bring your friends. As a relative new boy, there are still a number of members I haven't yet met. If you are one of them, I'd be especially grateful if you could introduce yourself at one of these events.

Amid the jollity, the serious work of the Trust continues unabated. The approval of the HMO moratorium last month was a notable victory after a strenuous campaign. It has given us fresh heart as we strive to protect our town from insensitive planning and development. Many Members played an important part in the HMO vote by writing in with comments and by turning up in force at the public gallery in Cupar. There are other major planning issues that dominate our attention: the Fife Structure and Local Plans - and now Tayplan - as well as the Knightsbridge proposals for Abbey Park and the future use of the Madras College site once the school moves, to name a few. As ever, we deal with a relentless stream of ordinary planning applications and often achieve success with our comments and objections.

The Museum goes from strength to strength. The topical Here Comes the Bride exhibition has won many plaudits and has attracted more visitors than normal. New interpretative signage is now in place downstairs, and we have just implemented an industry-standard database system - key elements in our drive towards greater professionalism.

On another positive note, the work on restoring cast-iron shop fronts continues, with the spectacular gilt finish for all to see. Away from the town centre, the long awaited new fencing at Boase Wood should be in place (or soon will be).

I should emphasise that involvement in all these activities is not reserved for a select few. All are welcome to contribute. Please don't be reticent about coming forward.

To fulfil our purpose, we need to appeal to more of our residents and visitors. To that end we are working on plans to attract more Members and, possibly, introduce new categories of membership. This would also bring in additional income as a useful by-product. Although the Trust has broken even over the past few years, we need to strengthen our finances and we are examining new approaches to increasing income. We would much value your ideas on this, or indeed on any other topic.

Whether you are to be in St Andrews or elsewhere, have a very good summer.

D.G. Wynd
Chairman

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PLANNING POLICY REPORT

NORTH EAST FIFE LOCAL PLAN

A Senior Reporter, Karen Heywood has been appointed by the Scottish Government to hold an examination into the Local Plan. She will have two additional reporters to assist her. Richard Dent and Don Rankin. As expected, the examination will largely be a desk exercise and only selected issues will be examined in a public forum. This is likely to take the form of an informal hearing - or round table discussion. It will not now be necessary for the Trust to consider legal representation. Fife Council has produced a summary version of all unresolved objections (the vast majority) and these will be checked to ensure that the Trust's submission has been accurately reported.

TAYPLAN and NEW LOCAL PLAN

The consultation on the Strategic TAYplan, which will supersede the Fife Structure Plan, is now underway. The new Fife Local Plan will have to be compliant with this.

The TAYplan and SESplan (For South East Scotland and South Fife) have different timescales, so Fife Council's decision to have one local plan responding to both has obvious drawbacks. The Council also intends to create an appointed Fife-wide Consultative Forum as a sounding board for the local plan. The difficulties of achieving informed decision making and democratic accountability with this arrangement are obvious and it was opposed by the Trust.

An insert in this edition of the Newsletter identifies some of the TAYplan issues which might yet be influenced. Members are provided with information with which to assist in formulating a personal response to this document which will shape the future of St Andrews for the next 20 years. Please do have your say on this important topic.

MADRAS REPLACEMENT

The Madras replacement saga continues. Discussions between the University and Fife Council have stalled because of an inability to close the gap between the valuation placed on the old Madras building (together with the rest of that site) and the greenfield site offered in exchange by the University on the "Western Extension" The matter has now been referred to an independent valuer recommended by the Scottish Government.

A new issue emerging is whether the Council can legitimately dispose of Madras College without due legal process and a community consultation as it may well be common good land. It is understood that the school was gifted to the Burgh by its founder, but the common good designation may go back even further to the Charter of Mary Stuart which bestowed former church lands, including Blackfriars Abbey, to the community of St Andrews on the day of her abdication in 1567. This is not fanciful - Fife Council have acknowledged that significant common good land in Cupar owes its origins to an earlier charter of James I in 1428.

At last year's AGM, members present strongly supported a suggestion that the green space at Madras, which provides the setting of the Blackfriars Chapel, should remain in public hands.

LEGAL CHALLENGE to FIFE STRUCTURE PLAN

Penny Uprichard's appeal against refusal of her legal challenge to the Fife Structure plan will be heard between 12th and 14th July, in the Inner House, Court of Session, Edinburgh, before three law lords. The original action received wide support and financial pledges from many individuals as well as the Trust. Delivery of the judgement will occur later.

HMO POLICY for the CONSERVATION AREA

This policy was passed for implementation by 8 votes to 7 at the June 8th meeting of the North East Area Committee in Cupar. Student delegates and representatives from CSARA and the Preservation Trust

The public gallery was by packed with St Andrews residents, many of them Trust members. Some members of the public were turned away. Councillors Waterston and Morrison spoke strongly in favour of the policy. Councillors Melville and Sangster proposed and seconded rejection. The future of the historic core of St Andrews then rested on councillors from other areas recognising the need to support the dwindling resident population in the town centre and the historic environment they helped to protect. Fortunately, sufficient members were convinced of the case for a policy to carry the proposal by one vote.

The closeness of the vote may have been influenced by the planning report on the consultation which selectively quoted policies and government advice as well as providing some misleading and unresearched assumptions about the possible effects of the policy. These factors appeared to be designed specifically to back the report's recommendation that the policy should not be approved. As a result the views of those supporting the policy were not reasonably and properly presented in the report.

Bearing in mind that the same officers may be responsible for writing a report when the policy is reviewed in two years time, the Trust has decided that a complaint should be lodged with the appropriate authorities about the professional failings in the report.

Sincere thanks are due all the Trust members who wrote in support of the policy and those who helped to convince councillors that this was a matter of vital importance to St Andrews by making their presence felt in the public gallery.

The four St Andrews councillors have now united to seek a comprehensive review of competing housing needs in St Andrews.

KNIGHTSBRIDGE/ABBEY PARK

This development continues to lurch from crisis to crisis. The long awaited Strategic Development Framework due to be cleared for public consultation at the North East Fife Area Committee in June, was withdrawn at the last minute because Robertson Homes had failed to fully consult their development partners, the Health Board, on the content of the SDF. This is the latest glitch of many which has seen this development delayed by at least 18 months, mainly because of the developer's unfamiliarity with proper procedure and Fife Council's failure to give them clear advice about how to meet statutory requirements.

David Middleton
Planning Policy Convener

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The Boase wood re-fencing is scheduled to start this month. June, to replace the fencing on the northern road edge and the wire fence on the descending path.

A walk along Church Street and South Street will similarly show that shop-front restoration is making rapid progress under the care of John Frew, with the assistance to date of Jimmy Macgregor in negotiating the many hurdles that this poses. The net result will be to provide the town with a unique display of late 19th century shop fronts, boasting the moulded cast iron pillars and gilt-work that have been carefully remodelled on the original frontages. The contribution of the Pilgrim Foundation in funding this work is gratefully acknowledged.

Our work has recently extended to the seafront, where we are liaising with the West Sands Committee under Cllr Waterston and council rangers to remain advised of what is going forward there to restore and maintain dunes and to manage effective and pleasurable public access.

Trees are next in line for a renewal of interest and we hope to interest competent bodies to discuss a

revision of the now out of date booklet by the late Prof MacDonald. This, together with a leaflet on the restored shop fronts will be a major concern for the committee and the recent addition to the committee of zoologist Iain Matthews and art historian Margaret Humfrey will add to John Frew's existing expertise in these areas.

Sam Taylor
Environment Convener

FINANCE AND PROPERTY

I became a Trustee at the Trust AGM on 19th May and at the first Trustee Meeting I was appointed as Finance and Property Convener, taking over from Graham Wynd who has moved up to being Chairman of the Trust. I wish him well in his new post.

I have spent the first few weeks becoming familiar with the systems of the Trust and I am pleased to report that all seems to be in good order, although as all members know, it is not easy to raise enough income in order to meet all that the trustees would like to do.

Subscription income is slightly down on last year with some members still requiring to increase their standing orders to the new subscription rates. All in this category have been advised. Some members have still to renew despite a reminder so it is important that all members try to find new friends who are interested in the aims of the Trust. The other main source of non-event income is from dividends which so far are in line with last year. As we all know interest rates on cash deposits are almost non-existent so this needs to be looked at in full detail. I am pleased to report that, in May, we received a bequest of £9,000 restricted to expenditure on the museum. We are most grateful for this most generous bequest.

Expenditure continues to be tightly controlled but it is very difficult trying to obtain savings against last year with the main costs being almost fixed, in the form of salaries, rates and heat and light.

Ian Lumsdaine
Finance and Property Convener

FUNDRAISING

I would like to begin my report by saying how pleased I am to head up this exciting committee and how grateful I am to those who have agreed to join me.

The committee will meet for the first time after the Hidden Gardens Day to discuss and to explore other interesting and stimulating events which will hopefully capture the imagination and support of our members, their friends and the general public.

We already have two well established and successful events. The Annual Quiz so ably organised by an enthusiastic team and that redoubtable question setter Frances Humphries, and the afore mentioned Hidden Gardens Day which this year will hopefully see some positive changes and additions to the usual format.

One plan already afoot for **Friday September 30th** is a splendid evening entitled:

"Walking in the Footsteps" A Hidden History Treasure Hunt with Supper and Quiz.

Those participating in this special and interesting event will start from various points around the old part of the town with the task of identifying and noting interesting and sometimes overlooked historical aspects. Once the entrants have completed their list they will repair to All Saints Church Hall for a sumptuous two course supper and refreshments.

Those less able will be entertained at the Hall with a Historical Quiz, and it is hoped that we will top off the evening with some musical entertainment. All this will be for the princely sum of £10 per person and a splendid prize for the team with the most correct answers. We are indebted to Anne Morris whose brainchild this exciting and interesting evening is. You may be assured, therefore, that it will be well thought out, colourful and not to be missed.

Once the Committee has met I will report back with other proposals but please remember that we act on your behalf with the aim of entertaining you and by doing so increasing the well being of the Trust. If you have an idea for an event that you would like us to consider, then please do let us know.

Andrew Johnson
Fundraising Convener

MEMBERSHIP, PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICITY

Because of the heavy burden laid on the shoulders of the Convener of the Programme and Membership (including Fund Raising) Committee, there has been a restructuring of the Trust's Committees. Fund Raising and Programme are now free standing separate committees and Membership has been added to the remit of Publications and Publicity.

Because some of the work of the two committees is complementary. Programme and Membership, Publications and Publicity held a joint meeting last month. Programme is largely responsible for organizing events for members and involving them in the work of the Trust. MPP has the task of communicating with members through this newsletter, the web site and in other ways.

We continue to put out regular press releases on behalf of the Trust. The creation of the post of Press Officer four years ago has greatly increased the amount of press coverage generated. We have been fortunate in getting two photographs of the photogenic museum curator on the front page of the "Citizen" in recent months. A very good working relationship has developed with Mike Rankin of the "Citizen" and the new "Courier" man for North East Fife, Dave Lord. We have also resumed contact with former freelance reporter Dougie Miller who now works for the "Citizen".

The Committee intends making a serious effort to increase membership significantly. A new membership recruitment leaflet will be designed and printed. Thereafter efforts will be made to get the leaflet distributed throughout the town. Members who are in arrears with their subscriptions will be given one last opportunity to pay up and efforts will be made to re-recruit lapsed members. Consideration will be given to introducing a student membership and the question of greater promotion of corporate membership will be discussed at the next meeting. A document produced ten years ago on membership development will be studied to see if there are ideas we could repeat.

We are going to regularise the production and delivery of this newsletter with editions in January, April, July and October. In due course we hope to deliver a large proportion electronically which will cut costs. Committee member Howard Greenwell is working on the database to make it cope with this kind of demand. Howard has also been appointed "Webmaster" and will ensure updated communication with members.

We have also started the process of selecting designs for new Christmas cards for this year to be sold at the annual Christmas Card sale in the Town Hall. Finally we have started upon a stock take of publications held by the Trust in order to decide if reprints are required or if there are gaps in the market that we can and should fill.

Derek Barrie
Convener

TRUSTEES

This is the first newsletter since the AGM on 19th May. With six trustees standing down this has meant an upheaval on the Board of Trustees. We intend providing you with brief biographies of our new trustees in future editions but in this issue we feature our new Chairman, Graham Wynd. We would also like to pay tribute to the trustees not returning to the Board for their hard work on behalf of the Trust: Marianne Baird; Lesley Barrie; John Frew; Jill Hardie; Audrey Jones; John Matthews.

Graham Wynd

Graham Wynd was appointed Chairman of the Trust, in succession to John Matthews at the first meeting of the Trust Board following the recent AGM. Graham and his wife, Alison, live in Greyfriars Garden moving in in 2007. They have a grown up son and daughter, both St Andrews graduates.

Graham's roots are in the Carse of Gowrie, where his father grew up and his grandfather farmed but he himself spent his childhood in south west London. Frequent holidays to the family in Errol and Dundee were the source of his first memories of St Andrews - on the West Sands and putting greens.

A student at Queen's College Dundee, where membership of the University Air Squadron and SRC prompted regular trips across the Tay, Graham obtained a BSc in Applied Science. His business career started in the steel industry in Glasgow from where he entered the world of international management consultancy. After 25 years with PA Consulting Group, based in London, he set up on his own and, for 12 years with BP as his client, he toured the oil capitals of the world.

Graham has been a trustee of the Preservation Trust for three years, latterly as Finance & Property Convener. Until last year, he served on the business committee of the University's General Council. He is a director of the St Andrews Partnership, a trustee of the Dow Trust and is just stepping down from being treasurer of Holy Trinity Church.

Board Appointments

Other appointments made by the Trust Board are:

Vice-Chairmen: Andrew Johnson and Professor Sam Taylor
Finance and Property Convener: Ian Lumsdaine
Fundraising Convener: Andrew Johnson
Museum Convener: Dan Rutherford
Environment Convener: Sam Taylor
Programme Convener: Elma Penny
Membership, Publications and Publicity Convener: Derek Barrie
Planning Convener: Margaret Humphrey
Planning Policy Convener: David Middleton

New Trustees

Two new trustees elected at the AGM were Derek Barrie and Ian Lumsdaine.

Three new trustees co-opted by the Board were Marysia Denyer, Simon Kidd and Iain Matthews.

MUSEUM REPORT

If I say that filling the previous Museum Convener's shoes is a big task, it will I hope not be taken as a comment on the size of Lesley Barrie's feet! Having been a somewhat nominal member of the museum committee during my first trustee year I am aware of the need to catch up pretty quickly with all that goes on, in and around the museum if I am to approach the high standard that Lesley set. The more I learn about the museum the more I am impressed, and humbled, by the amount of volunteer support it receives and which I will benefit from too. It is a genuine privilege to be part of this team and I hope to do justice to my role over the next year (and beyond?!).

Jennifer Reid has, to our delight, accepted our offer to remain in post as Curator for a second year. Like her predecessor, Claire Robinson, Jenn has ideas and enthusiasm aplenty. Her highly successful *St. Andrews Bairns* exhibition has now been replaced by the equally well-received *Here Comes the Bride* display. It was good of Wills and Kate to time their event for a few weeks before the Bride opened, thus priming the visiting public's interest. Jenn has also been busy on many other fronts, including the transfer of the museum database to the new Adlib system and starting the revamp of many of the information displays. Thanks are due again to Elma Penny for her kind donation which has funded these. We now have new garden cases and a dental display as a result.

The recent high winds are still fresh in our memories and we were lucky no-one was under the trees at the back of the museum garden when several large branches were torn from them and literally propelled several metres into the garden. Thanks are due to Derek Bayne who tidied up the mess in very short order. A coincidental approach to the Trust by a retired tree expert, Peter Robinson, who is willing to advise us on matters arboreal was very timely and I am arranging to meet Peter and obtain his view on whether any safety action might still be needed on these trees.

The Public Catalogue Foundation is a charity that commenced work in 2003 to photograph and make available, via catalogues, all 200,000 paintings in public ownership in the UK. Through a recent partnership with the BBC they are moving the publishing to the web rather than paper. 16 of these paintings are now from the Trust museum, which had a recent visit from the PCF's photographers.

The museum is in some ways the face of St Andrews Preservation Trust. Certainly many of the visitors to St Andrews will know of the Trust's existence only because of the building at 12 North Street. In these changing times the Trust will need to consider what changes it may need to make to survive financially and stay relevant to new generations of residents of and visitors to this unique town. I look forward to working with the other sections of the Trust and the small army of museum volunteers to help with the museum part of that development.

Dan Rutherford
Museum Convener

MUSEUM VOLUNTEERS

We already have a number of museum volunteers from among our members, who help in various ways. One of the most important is being present in the museum, to meet visitors and answer their queries. During exhibitions the museum is open daily from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and the curator is present to be consulted if necessary.

We are in need of additional volunteers. If you can help or are interested in getting more information, please contact the curator Jennifer Reid on 01334 477629
Or e-mail curator@standrewspreservationtrust.org.uk

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

Before the AGM great thought was given to the best way forward with regard to the organisation of the Committees each of which, with a Convener, is responsible for the various activities undertaken by the Trust as a whole.

The newly formed Programme Committee will be involved mainly with social events for members and the organisation of visits.

There has been little time since this decision was taken but already progress has been made and new-ideas are forthcoming.

It is, however, to a well established event I wish to draw members attention and that is the Summer Reception to be held at the Museum on Friday 29th July at 6.30pm This is always a most enjoyable evening and we hope for weather which permits us to enjoy the Garden so well cared for by our dedicated gardeners. An invitation to attend is enclosed and reply should be made as soon as possible.

Details of the Golf Tournament on 29th August followed by the Putting Competition on 31st August have already been sent out and further dates have also been fixed. These include the Winter Reception on 8th December and before that the new time of year for the Art and Craft Fair, 26th November to 4th December.

Many people are involved in planning all this activity and by keeping members aware of the dates we hope to encourage as many as possible to take part.

Elma Penny
Convener.

St Andrews Botanic Garden

The article that follows is an update of one that first appeared in the June 2011 newsletter of the Friends of the Botanic Garden written by Friends Chairman, Louise Roger entitled "the Future of the Garden". Members of the Trust will be interested to know what is happening and will support all the efforts of the "Friends" to maintain this priceless asset for the town. Strong support for the work of the "Friends" was expressed recently at the Trust's AGM.

The article informs us that, "approximately one year ago, Fife Council indicated their intention to reduce their funding of the Botanic Garden from 2012, the date being significant as the lease of the Garden from the University is also up for renewal in September 2012. Natural Capital, a firm of consultants, were appointed jointly by the University and the Council last summer to investigate the way forward, and their report has now been completed and signed off by the commissioning parties.

On 12 May, Louise Roger attended a meeting with the University's Stephen Magee, Vice Principal for External Relations, at which he outlined the University's thoughts for the future of the Garden, and its funding. He has had meetings with surveyors who had helped advise on the commercial opportunities of the property. The proposals are as follows:

- The formation of a Trust to take over the running of the Garden, made up of - the University, Fife Council, the Friends, the Education Trust and a Commercial Partners). Fife Council can provide advice on trust formation, and this will be sought.
- Sell off the car park for a few, large houses.
- Sell off the depot end (nearest the viaduct) for affordable housing, with access under the viaduct. Possibility of 10-15 units in here.
- The capital realised from these sales would go into a trust fund. The interest arising from this

fund could be used to fund the working of the Garden, but not the capital sum itself.

- A commercial partner, or partners, would be sought to run a plant sale/cafe/shop or whatever. This could be located in the central woodland/shrub area, between the gatehouse, the order beds and the scree garden. Income from the lease of this would help fund the Garden.
- The Trust would appoint an overall manager.
- It is recognized that an interim period would be required for the commercial operation to pick up sufficient momentum to become viable.
- A new entrance and car park area would be required.

It is stressed that these are proposals put forward by Stephen Magee and will have to be approved by the University Court before they are put into action. Clearly there is much detail to be worked out before we reach that stage - and even more negotiation before a trust is up and running and a new era for the Garden dawns.

Stephen Magee also accepts that decisions regarding the future of the Garden should be deferred to the soon to be established trust. He also reiterated the University's commitment to renewing the lease, and has indicated that it should be for a similar long term as the current lease - 25 years or more. That is important for planning the Garden's long term future, so is welcome. The establishment of a trust is important in that it will also enable funding to be sought from a wider range of bodies than is currently available. Finally, we are actively seeking other partners who would be part of the trust and help strengthen the Garden's position in terms of the Garden's educational role and charitable status.

The Friend's committee will keep friends informed as more information becomes available. Louise said "We know how much the Garden means to the Friends, and a survey recently carried out underlines that fact. The survey also outlined many opportunities for the Garden to widen its scope and range of activities, and perhaps we should welcome the opportunity that this new arrangement may bring to achieve these aspirations. I have no doubt that we will be calling on the Friends in the months ahead for advice, opinions and ideas to ensure that we get the best possible outcome for the Garden. The Committee would welcome your feedback."

The membership/publications/publicity committee of the Trust will keep its members informed given the Trust's strong backing for the work done by the Friends of the Botanic Garden.

Garden now a four star attraction

Below is a press release from the Friends showing how successful the Botanic Garden is and some plans for the summer:

"St Andrews Botanic Garden has been awarded four stars by VisitScotland, raising its visitor attraction rating from very good to excellent.

Representatives from the tourism agency paid an anonymous visit to the Fife Council-run Garden last month, and noted many areas for praise including the warm welcome given to garden visitors, the excellent condition of the Garden itself and the quality of information and signage.

Louise Roger, chair of the Friends of St Andrews Botanic Garden, said, this is welcome recognition of the hard work put in by Garden staff and volunteers, and we are all very proud of what has been achieved. The Garden is a vital part of community life in St Andrews, and with all the events and activities we've put in place we hope to have our busiest summer yet.

This year the popular Open Day will be held on Sunday 7th August. As always, entry on this day is free, and there will be lots of activities for all the family, with live music, food and drink, science and garden activities, and a children's Art Competition.

Throughout the summer, the art gallery in the gatehouse is featuring botanical art and work by local artists, much of which is for sale. Exhibitions change on a monthly basis, and range from woodcarving to pottery, sculpture, painting and tapestry. Opposite the Gatehouse, the plant stall has a wide variety of plants for sale, including some rarities from the Garden.

Following the results of the recent visitor survey carried out by the Friends, this summer sees two innovations to the Garden. A coffee kiosk selling freshly made teas, coffees and refreshments by the glasshouses will be open during July and August; and a children's discovery trail will be set up by the Education Trust in the Friendly Wood, for ages 4 to 9.

"We asked people what they wanted" said Louise Roger, "and the message came back loud and clear: a cafe and more facilities for children. So this summer we are trialing both on a small scale, and if they prove popular we'll have a sound basis to argue for more investment in the Garden".

The Garden is open from 10am to 7pm during the summer. For more information please visit www.st-andrews-botanic.org or the Garden's new Facebook site.



HIDDEN GARDENS DAY 2011

This annual event is only made possible by the help, support and contribution of so many people to whom we extend our grateful thanks. In selecting gardens, June Baxter's local knowledge is invaluable. The Gardens included some regulars that our visitors would expect to be open, and new ones, so very important to help keep the event fresh and interesting. The Preservation Trust's thanks go to everyone involved with the opened gardens.

Hidden Gardens of St Andrews has grown to the point where suitable sponsorship was sought and an approach was made to Murray Donald Drummond Cook who agreed to be main sponsors.

It was also agreed that we should invite garden related local craftspeople to be present along with our own stalls at St John's and Louise Roger and the Botanic Garden plant stall. We obtained the services of Jon Warnes, demonstrating working with willow; local blacksmith, John Henderson, and Lorna and Mark Tunstall with their Green Thumb Lawn Treatment stand. The feedback from them was very positive and they would like to return and support the event again.

Thanks are also due to "Scotsman" columnist Jenny Mollison who, for a second year, gave plant surgeries at 46 South Street,

Musical entertainment was provided at St John's by the Madras Strings, followed by the East Fife Horns (including their Junior Division) and the ever popular Haydays Singers. Callum McLeod entertained on keyboard in the doocot at 46 South Street. Visitors appreciated their efforts and they will be invited back next year.

As ever, the catering at St John's was superb. We are very grateful to the ladies who gave willingly of their time to help, and the bakers whose contributions were well remarked upon.

Sandwiches and ploughman's lunches (an innovation) sold out quickly. Greater quantities could be made available next year. Our thanks go to The St Andrews Cheese Company, Balgove Larder and Trotters Independent Condiments for contributing the main ingredients of the ploughman's lunches; also Allanhill for the donation of strawberries, available with meringues at the Greenside Court venue. Tapas at Queen's Terrace again proved very popular.

Yet again the museum garden proved a popular and profitable venue with over 700 visitors. Thanks are due to the many volunteers who helped sell tickets and with the well-stocked stalls. Special mention is due to Jill Cameron who again produced all the goods on her work stall and donated all the profits to the Trust. Mention must be made too of Jenn. the museum curator, who not only produced baking but worked from 8.30 a.m. through to 6 p.m.

Despite the weather being slightly adverse and the unfortunate clash with the University's mediaeval banquet the results, yet to be finalised, look to be up on last year.

In ending this report I would like to thank all who helped in what ever way, notably: Derek Barrie for his most professional promotion of the event; Pat Harvey for delivering nearly five hundred flyers; Marysia our Rainbow stall lady and her helpers; our committee secretary Lesley Barrie and of course Janette, for master minding the 'Back Office' and for her invaluable contribution and support.

Andrew Johnson
Event Chairman

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 27th May to Sunday 2nd October — "Here Comes the Bride"

Trust Museum, 12 North Street, St Andrews
2pm to 5pm daily
Admission Free

Friday 29th July — Members' Summer Reception

Trust Museum, 12 North Street. St. Andrews
6:30pm

Monday 29th August — Members' Golf Championship

Straththrum Course

Wednesday 31st August — Members' Putting Competition

Himalayas Putting Green 5pm (meet at 4.45pm prompt)

Friday 30th September — Hidden History Treasure Hunt with Supper

6.00 pm start from various points around the town ending at All Saints Church Hall for supper with an 11.00 pm finish. Those not walking will be entertained with an Historic Quiz and music in the hall then supper with the others. Numbers are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets £10.00 per person to include two course supper with refreshments

Saturday 19th November to Sunday 4th December

— St Andrews Week Exhibition and Art and Craft Fair

Trust Museum, 12 North Street. St Andrews
2pm to 5pm daily
Admission Free

Thursday 8th December — Members' Winter Reception

Details to follow

NOTICES
Trust Minutes

The Trust is looking for someone to take the minutes at Trust meetings. These are held on the final Tuesday of each month, with the exception of August and December - ten meetings in total. These meetings are held at 7.30 p.m. in the Hebdomador's Room in the University Quadrangle.

A small honorarium is paid. Anyone interested is asked to get in touch with the Trust Administrator, Janette Gillespie, in the Trust Offices at 4 Queen's Gardens, St Andrews Tel. 01334 477152, e-mail: trust@standrewspreservationtrust.org.uk.

Golf and Putting Reminders

Full details of the golf and putting competitions for members were included with the last newsletter. This is, therefore, a brief reminder that entries for the Golf Championship on Monday 29th August over the Strathrym course should be returned to Frances Humphries at the Trust Office, 4 Queen's Gardens, St Andrews KY16 9TA before Monday 15th August.

The putting competition will be held on Wednesday 31st August at the Himalayas (meet 4.45 p.m. prompt). Participants will be limited to 36 and application forms should be made to Frances Humphries as per the Golf Championship.

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