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Scottish News in Minnesota



FEBRUARY 2015

EVENTS

JANUARY 29

Tin Whiskers Lecky Scottish Ale release with the Boru
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Listen for members of the Brian Boru Irish Pipe Band at the Tin Whiskers Brewing Tap Room's release of their new Lecky Scottish Ale Thursday January 29th at 6 p.m.!

Tin Whiskers is located in downtown St. Paul - Tin Whiskers
www.brianborupipeband.com/schedule

Tin Whiskers | 125 E 9th St | St. Paul

JANUARY 30

TCSC AGM

The TCSC AGM will be on January 30th from 6-8pm at the Celtic Junction. We will be upstairs in the "round table room" (we will have someone at the door directing people up to the room). At this meeting we will officially vote in the new board and discuss the direction of the club. Please come ready to discuss the kinds of events you want to see the club continue to offer and new events you would like to see! If you haven't renewed your membership yet, you could also do this at the meeting.

Celtic Junction | 836 Prior Ave N. | St. Paul

JANUARY 31

39th Annual St. Andrew's Society Burns Dinner

Our 39th Annual Burns Dinner will be held on January 31 at the Fort Snelling Officers' Club. It should be a great time and a grand dinner. Greg Lance is giving the Toast to the Immortal Memory and Jonathan and Emily Palmer are doing the honors for the Lads and Lassies. Hope you will be there with us.

Fort Snelling Officers' Club | 395 Highway 5 and Post Road | St. Paul

FEBRUARY 6

You're invited to the Macalester College Winter Open House and Pasta Dinner

Friday, February 6, 2015

6:00pm until 8:00pm

Blow away the February chill with an evening of pasta, music, and good company! Free dinner (with gluten free and vegetarian options) and musical performances by the Macalester College Pipe Band and other local celtic music groups. This family night will include a chance for folks of all ages to learn more about the life of our pipe band and the Great Highland Bagpipes & Drums and to try on a kilt or have a go on a practice chanter or drum pad. Donations will be welcome. A RSVP to MacPipeBandRSVP@gmail.com is appreciated (so we know how much pasta to make) but not necessary.

Macalester-Plymouth United Church | 1658 Lincoln Ave | St. Paul

Dunquin's SCOTTISH ISLAND CONCERT : The Borders Between
Dear Friends,

It's that time of the year again (soon), so save the date of Friday February 6th for the annual

Dunquin's SCOTTISH ISLAND CONCERT: The Borders Between (a.k.a.Eilean Dubh) at Olivet Congregational Church Hall 1850 Iglehart Ave., Saint Paul (two blocks west of Fairview Ave, one block north of Marshall Avenue)

Doors open 7 pm; concert starts at 7:30 pm

\$15 at the door (no advance sales) includes the great Scottish Tea at the interval (cash and checks only, please; credit cards cannot be accommodated)

This is the 13th year Dunquin (Don, Sherry, Rosa and Lisa) has brought excellent Scottish music, with lively jigs and reels and heart-melting airs, to the Scottish-style kirk hall of Olivet Congregational. Our theme this year is The Borders Between; we're playing Scottish border music (all the "borders", between Scottish folk and baroque, between Yorkshire and Scotland, in Cape Breton, America, and everywhere). Joining us for spellbinding readings, as always, will be author Audrey McClellan, whose Scottish Island Novels are the inspiration for these unique concerts. Special musical guest Jim Moss brings his Scottish Border Pipes, low whistles, and bouzouki (!) to Dunquin's mix. A great time is guaranteed!

Be an islander for the evening; come in from the cold for great entertainment and the fabulous Scottish Tea made by Jim and Joy Gullikson. If you haven't been here before, you're in for a treat; if you have been here, you know what I'm talking about! Save the date and warm up a cold winter's night with the finest in Scottish entertainment. If you love Celtic music, this one is not to be missed. See you there!

Cheers,

Sherry, Don, Rosa, Lisa, Jim and Audrey

Olivet Congregational Church Hall | 1850 Iglehart Ave. | St. Paul

FEBRUARY 15

A Scottish Ramble

It's time once again for Scottish Ramble where each year we prove that "Nothing's Cooler Than Kilts in February".

Sunday, February 15 11 am - 6 pm

Landmark Center ~ St Paul

75 West 5th Street

\$6 adults, \$4 children & seniors

Performers this year include:

MN Police Pipe Band

Macalester College Pipe Band

Thistledown

Northern Gael

Dancers of MN Scottish Celtic Dance Assn, Royal Scottish Country Dance

Society & Fligmagaerie

The Gunn Slingers

Ross Sutter

Laura MacKenzie

Storyteller, Sir Gustav Doc'Tain

In addition to performing in Northern Gael, Laura MacKenzie will present her research and will perform Scots Gaelic music collected in Minnesota in the 1930's.

A solo piping competition held on Saturday in 2014 will be part of the Sunday activities.

The MSCDA Highland dance competition beginning at noon will be on Saturday (Valentine's Day) is FREE & open to the public.

See performance schedule at www.scottishramble.org.

For more info, call or email producer Liz Michaelson at 952-470-6300, liz@uncommongatherings.com.

Volunteers are needed to check in exhibitors & performers. You can register to volunteer at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084ba9a7292-scottish4>

Liz M.

Landmark Center | 75 West 5th Street | St. Paul

The MSF&HG at the Scottish Ramble - Silent Auction items needed!

The MN Scottish Fair & Highland Games is going to be at the Ramble again this year. As always, we will be selling our famous meat pies and bridies! We will also be holding a silent auction. Please contact Andy

McCracken if you have some items that you can donate. Contact Andy at andrewmcc@izoom.net.

www.scottishramble.org

St. Andrew's Society at the Scottish Ramble

St. Andrew's will be at the Scottish Ramble on February 15. We will be doing the traditional Kirkin' of the Tartan to get things started that day. Look for us there and say hello!

Thistledown at the Scottish Ramble

Thistledown is playing for the Scottish Ramble at Landmark Center, downtown Saint Paul, on February 15th. We are accompanying the RSCDS branch and Fligmagearie dancers in the afternoon.

FEBRUARY 20

Laura MacKenzie with Gary Rue

February 20th, 7:30 - 9:30 pm at Bo Diddley's

129 25th Ave S, St. Cloud, MN (320-252-9475)

In Concert, sponsored by Granite City Folk Society, \$10 at the door

www.granitecityfolk.org

Bo Diddley's | 129 25th Ave S | St. Cloud

FEBRUARY 21

Laura MacKenzie with Gary Rue

February 21th, 8:00 pm at The Riverview Cafe

3753 42nd Ave S., Minneapolis, MN

In concert! The Riverview's Showcase series. This is a lovely place for a concert, and we are honored to be a part of this showcase series. We will be doing some cool new repertoire!

\$15 - in advance or at the door - limited seating!

www.theriverview.com

612-722-7234

The Riverview Cafe | 3753 42nd Ave S. | Minneapolis

FEBRUARY 23

Scottish Country Dancing Mini-Course

Interested in getting a taste of Scottish country dancing without a long-term commitment? Looking for an opportunity to review the basics? Sign up for the RSCDS Twin Cities Branch's Scottish country dance mini-course!

The class runs Monday nights from 7:30 to 9:30pm, February 23rd through March 16th at Tapestry Folkdance Center in south Minneapolis and will be taught by Chandi McCracken. During the 4-week course, you will be introduced to the basic steps and formations used in Scottish country dancing and learn a number of easy and "classic" dances. For more details and registration info, see www.rscds-twincities.org/minicourse.html

Tapestry Folkdance Center | 3748 Minnehaha Avenue | Minneapolis

FEBRUARY 28

Brian Boru Irish Pipe Band at the 1st Annual Finnegan's Downtown Anoka Pub Crawl

Join the Brian Boru Irish Pipe Band on the 1st Annual Finnegan's Downtown Anoka Pub Crawl - more info at www.finnegans.org or www.brianborupipeband.com.

MARCH 6

The Duluth Scottish Heritage Association's 4th annual Spring Concert

Join us once again for our annual Spring concert on [Friday, March 6, 2015](#).

www.duluthscots.com/events.htm

Mitchell Auditorium, St. Scholastica | 1200 Kenwood Ave, Duluth | Minnesota

NEWS

The Celtic Croft Has a New Store!



Just two miles down the road from our home (where we've done business for the previous 14 years). We ran out of room to grow and had to move the business! We now have a large new warehouse, office, and a real showroom! Come see us!

8451 Xerxes Ave N, Brooklyn Park, MN 55444

Hours: M-Th 8:00am–5:30pm, F 8:00am–5:00pm, and Sat
10:00am–2:00pm

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