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ROYAL SEAL OF APPROVAL FOR COLUMBA 1400

The main fundraising event by this year's Chain Gang was the Glasgow Ball on 10th May in the Hilton Hotel. Proceeds going to the charity Columba 1400, which provides character development courses on Skye, will benefit people from the Easterhouse area of Glasgow.

Patron of Columba 1400 is HRH The Princess Royal, who is also an honorary member of the Grand Antiquity Society and the Incorporation of Hammermen. In a full page article in The Herald by Melanie Reid on 4th April she explains the reasons why she gives her support to Columba 1400. These are a few of the points made in the article.

After only three years Columba 1400 - whose aim is not to put greatness into humanity, but to elicit the greatness that is already there - has managed to make lasting transformations to the lives of hundreds of Scots by drawing out their leadership potential.

Asked why she became involved with what was a tiny charity, The Princess Royal puts it down to her knowledge of Norman Drummond, who was the Queen's Chaplain in Scotland. "I don't think many people meet Mr Drummond without being affected

by him or talked into doing things for him," she commented

The Princess supports the scheme whereby people are taken from areas such as Easterhouse and put through an eight-day course to draw out their potential. When they return to their community they are monitored for several months. These people are regarded as seed capital, who will inspire others in the community with their new-found confidence

Columba 1400, working in partnership with the Greater Easterhouse Development Company, has put hundreds of residents through the course on Skye. A recent survey showed that over 86% have found employment or secured a place in formal education.

The Columba code of responsibility has six principles: awareness, focus, creativity, integrity, perseverance and service. Of these the Princess rates service as the key and says: "You get individual confidence through being aware of your position within a greater number of people, and that is about your service to other people in the group."

The Princess adds: "The really inspired leaders are

those who find the key. Columba 1400 has proved it is never too late to find the key, and if people have had a difficult time in the past, Columba 1400 gives them the chance to find the key."

The Chain Gang have committed themselves to raising a substantial sum for Columba 1400 and also to fund other initiatives to help the underprivileged in the east end of Glasgow.

DEFIBRILLATOR SUCCESS

After last year's Chain Gang, under Late Convener George Horspool, raised funds to provide a rapid response vehicle in Glasgow, the Scottish Ambulance Service took the unusual step of placing an advertisement in the Evening Times to point out that "the Trades House was the catalyst, driving force and sole fundraiser which allowed the Service to provide this facility for the people of Glasgow."

The money also provided the Ambulance Service with four complete sets of defibrillators to be available and used by trained staff in major public centres in the city.

END OF A LONG ROAD

Renovation work on the Trades Hall, ongoing for the past six years, is scheduled to reach completion in time for the CraftEx Exhibition which opens on Thursday 12th June.

All outstanding structural work is now complete including reinstatement of the Glassford Street Venetian windows, a new entrance for tourist visitors, two new meeting rooms on the previously disused top floor and much improved disabled access facilities and heating and ventilating systems.

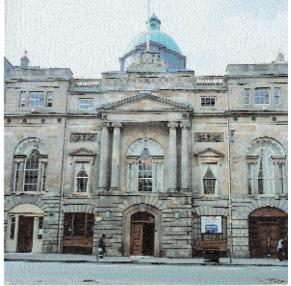
The imaginative tourist interpretation facilities now being installed include the fitting out of the top floor school room which will reflect much of the history of the House and the Crafts over the past 400 years.

The Hall is now destined to be one of the best tourist attractions in the city centre.

Full details of the completed Hall and all its revitalised facilities will be included in the next issue of the Craftsman.



Final painter work underway in the old top floor schoolroom



The revamped Hall exterior showing the new windows and entrance

OUR MAN AT HOLYROOD!

Deacon Convener Stewart Wright was at the opening of the Scottish Parliament on 6th May – as the official representative of the City of Glasgow.

Normally the Lord Provost would be the City's representative but in a sitation which occurs every four years there is a period of 14 days between the local elections and the appointment of a new Lord Provost when civic duties are carried out by the Lord Dean of Guild and the Deacon Convener, respectively Glasgow's second and third citizens.

During this period Stewart and Lord Dean of Guild Andrew Primrose shared the duties. Apart from attending the opening of the Scottish Parliament, Stewart attended various functions such as a Chiropody Conference, a Civic Dinner for a Cuban Inward Investment Mission, the Vauxhall Motors Centenary 1000-mile Trial, a Civic Reception for the Scottish Sub Aqua Club and a Civic Reception for Nuremburg students.

NEW WEB FOR SUMMER

With the help and guidance of Ex-Deacon Ian Dale of the Tailors, the new House website is taking place with a summer launch date expected. Visitors will be attracted to the website and members can find not only information about the House, the Crafts and other Associations but also what's on from the regularly updated 'Events' section.

The website should stimulate members to attend dinners, Craft meetings, social evenings, sporting events, CraftEx and other award ceremonies, Musical Association evenings and other opportunities to meet fellow Craftsmen and their guests. There will be a facility within the website for those interested in joining one of the Crafts to obtain further details and an application form directly. This magazine and past issues will be accessible to the widest audience showing how the House and the Crafts make a difference to so many people in different ways.

The website address will continue as www.tradeshouse.org.uk.

A FRESH FANFARE

Late Convener George Horspool has long been a critic of the fanfares played as top table guests enter the Grand Hall immediately prior to the annual House Dinner.

In an attempt to improve the current fanfare repertoire the Late Convener invited Bryan Allen, Head of Brass at the Royal Scottish Academy of Music, to organise, from amongst his students, a competition, the product of which would be a new House fanfare.

Bryan duly obliged and, from a very strong entry, a winner, Oliver Searle, duly emerged to win the prize of £250.

The new fanfare has been played twice at concerts in the Academy to considerable acclaim although the Late Convener has yet to have the pleasure of hearing it for himself!

It is hoped that the new House fanfare, performed by its composer, will have its premier at this year's House Dinner. A suitable plea in this regard will be made to the incoming Convener in early course.

A CELEBRATION OF COLLEGE SKILLS

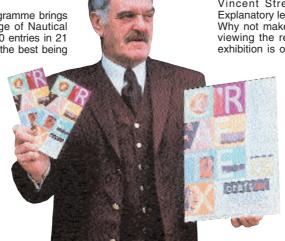
The annual CraftEx exhibition at the Trades Hall, the showcase of excellence in crafts and skills created by students from the further education colleges in Glasgow, will run from Thursday 12th June to Sunday 15th June.

Now in its eighth year, the CraftEx awards programme brings together the city's 10 colleges with the College of Nautical Studies participating for the first time. Some 700 entries in 21 disciplines are expected to be put forward with the best being

judged by Bailie Liz Cameron who will also present the awards on 13th June.

All students whose work is exhibited receive a recognised qualification award certificate. The best students in each category will win a cash prize with the potential to progress through to Scottish, United Kingdom and International Awards Programmes.

The Trades House in promoting and managing the exhibition continue a tradition of supporting excellence in craft skills. This is all made possible by raising significant sponsorship from major corporate supporters, individual sponsors, the 14 Incorporations and bodies such as the Merchants House, Anderston Weavers,



Glasgow City Council and Scottish Enterprise. Contributions to this worthwhile project should be made to the Trades House of Glasgow at the Trades House Office, 310 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5QR (0141 228 8000). Explanatory leaflets are available.

Why not make a point of visiting the CraftEx exhibition and viewing the renovated Trades Hall at the same time? The exhibition is open from 10 am to 4.30 pm each day with a

> late night extension to 7.30 pm on Thursday 12th June.

> House Officer David McGaffin is pictured outside the Trades Hall displaying the leaflets and posters which will help attract thousands of visitors to the exhibition.

STEWARDS REQUIRED

A team of 48 stewards is required to welcome and guide visitors over the four days of the CraftEx exhibition from Thursday 12th June. Each day is divided into three shifts. If you are able to help in this work of the House for part of any day then please offer your services to Annette Wright who is making up the rota at the Trades House Office, telephone 0141 228 8076.

THE HOUSE AND THE HEARTH RING

The next major project to be carried out at the popular and successful House for an Art Lover at the city's Bellahouston Park is a large garden for children on the lawns in front of the House. It will consist of eleven features as part of a project known as 'Grounds for Play'.

The Trades House was asked if they would like to become involved and as a result Deacon

Convener Stewart Wright and his Chain Gang have it as one of their projects for the year.

A special feature, which is named at the moment 'Skara Brae' or 'Hearth Ring' is to be constructed as an exciting adventure for young children to explore including those who are disabled and in wheel chairs. It consists of circles like Skara Brae in Orkney and has been designed by Tassy E Thompson, an artist and sculptor who specialises in these types of project. The Trades House has made a generous contribution and all the Incorporations are asked to contribute, with due recognition of their support being included in a special 'funders' plaque built into

The client and owner will be Glasgow City Council, who own the park, co-ordinating the works, which are expected to begin in May with completion in the late summer, through its Land Services Department. The work will be carried out by students from the Glasgow College of Building and Printing with the co-operation and support of Sandra Gunn, the Dean of the Faculty of Construction, John Brown,

who looks after the trainee bricklayers (who will be carrying out the main building work), is co-ordinating and organising this very impor-tant part of the project. The bricks have been generously donated by Hanson Bricks.

Builders and joinery contractors Thomas Johnstone from Inchinnan have generously given a very competitive price for the foundations and the Incorporation of Masons, under the leadership of Deacon Mitchell Hutcheson, are treating this project as the main Lady MacDonald project for this year on account of its stone masonry content.



An artist's impression of how the 'Hearth Ring' will look



Tassy Thompson (right) and Pauline Muir, lecturer from the College of Building and Printing discuss the project.



The site at the House for an Art Lover as it is at

THE RIVERMAN CONCERT

The House has for a long time been supportive of the work of the Glasgow Humane Society and Craftsmen are urged to attend the Society's latest fund raising venture - The Riverman Concert - which is being held in Adelaide's in Bath Street, Glasgow, at 7.30 p.m. on 31st May.

The Concert is being given by the Australian folk duo Mundy-Turner. This is the

third time the duo have staged a concert with all proceeds going to the Society. Their support began four years ago when, during a U.K. tour they happened to see a television documentary on the work of the Society and its Officer, George Parsonage. They were so moved by his life and dedication that they wrote a song called "The Riverman"

George and the Society undertake a quite remarkable service to Glasgow and indeed the West of Scotland. He is on call 24 hours a day 365 days a year to rescue those who have entered or are about to enter the Clyde. Each year he saves many lives and sadly the bodies of those who are not so lucky. It is grim and stressful work, but one to which he is dedicated, as his father was before him.

Although it receives a significant grant from Strathclyde Police, the Society has to rely on voluntary donations which have never been able to cover more than the basic essentials of the job. Ex-Deacon Convener Ken Sandford was amongst those who set up the Friends of the Glasgow Humane Society and they have been successful in funding the purchase of new boats and equipment. They are concern ed that no provision has been made for a pension for George or his successors and

ed that no provision has been made for a pension for George of his successors and they are now addressing that challenge.

Apart from assisting the Society Craftsmen, who attend the Concert will be enjoying an evening of easy to listen to melodic music all written by Mundy-Turner. Tickets, £5 each, are available by written application from Ken Sandford c/o the Trades House Office, 310 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5QR.

Historic note: the House and a number of the Crafts have connections with the Society dating back over 200 years. The original deeds setting up the Society made provision for the Deacon Convener to be an ex-officio director with the Deacons and Visitor of any supportive Incompositions also being invited to Deacons and Visitor of any supportive Incorporations also being invited to become directors. The Lord Dean of Guild is also an ex-officio director.

JEWEL IN THE CROWN

The President of the Association of Trades House Ladies now has a new gold medal and chain of office. Late Convener George Horspool appealed to his Chain Gang to consider helping in the purchase of the medal, to which they readily agreed. To this end the medal was shown to the Deacons and Visitors of the 14 Crafts in February and duly presented to the President of the Association, Mrs Anne MacConnacher at a meeting of the Ladies' Committee, in the Deacon Convener's suite, by the late Convener accompanied by Ex-Convener lan MacConnacher who designed and helped to produce the medal. Late Convener Horspool is pictured

here presenting the medal to the President.

The design depicts the Trades Hall doorway in gold and enamel surrounded by diamonds on a slender and enamer surrounded by diamonds on a stender gold chain. It was worn in public for the first time at the Cordiners' Dinner Dance by the President of the Association and greatly admired by all who had the opportunity to view it. The Association of Trades House Ladies appreciated the contribution made by the Crafts towards the purchase of the

Another successful fashion show was held in the Holiday Inn, Bothwell Street, at the end of April with the assistance of Francesca Rossi, of the Fashion Boutique, Kilmacolm.

Membership of the Association continues to grow and any ladies who wish to join should contact either Mrs Eleanor Sandford (Treasurer), Roslyn Cottage, School Road, Guildtown, Perth PH2 6BX (tel: 01821 640300) or Mrs Anne MacConnacher (President), Rivendell, Bridge Of Weir Road, Kilmacolm, PA13 4NN (tel: 01505 872480).



HALF TERM REPORTS

A BRIGHT AND SHINY FUTURE

It is hard to believe that some six months have passed since I was given the privilege of leading the House, this Family of ours of which we are all so justly proud. Life for your D.C. continues to be hectic, but at the same time it is a most enjoyable and rewarding experience.

To date, Jeanette and I have received almost 250 invitations to events ranging from London to Aberdeen. We have visited hospitals and homes, had the privilege of meeting several members of the Royal Family, met with grantees and school children and greeted representatives from all over the world. There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that the contribution that the House gives to our City is highly valued and the warmth of the welcome we have received from the Čity Fathers is testament to that.

The maintenance of our traditions and the caring ethos continues as always. The forthcoming Glasgow Ball on 10th May at the Hilton I am certain will be a great success, and my grateful thanks are due to those who have given so selflessly of their

time and substance to ensure an outcome that will not only enable us to fulfil our commitment to Columba 1400 but will also allow us to assist other deserving youth projects in the East End of our City. Elsewhere in the Craftsman, amongst other items, you will have noted that the re-launching of our website is on target and that steps have been taken to ensure the financial stability of our CraftEx Exhibition. We in the Chain Gang are doing our utmost to ensure that when we pass the baton, it will be as bright and shiny as always.

W. Stewart Wright, Deacon Convener



Over the winter months I have thoroughly enjoyed the formal Craft Dinners and the social events. This has built a strong Chain Gang team not only managing Craft affairs but also making a significant contribution to the work of the House.

In the 22 years since I was Deacon of the Skinners I am aware that in the 22 years since I was Deacon of the Skinlier's I am aware that the Trades House has greatly extended its charitable work including organising school and college competitions and arranging a major fundraising event 'The Glasgow Ball'. The traditional work of the House continues reaching out to organisations and individuals to provide help where help is needed.

On 6th February 2005 the Trades House will celebrate the 400th Applyorganus of its founding. The part played by The House in the

Anniversary of its founding. The part played by The House in the city over these centuries is immense. I hope that during that year, through the various special events, we can build Craft membership

to support our committees for the future.
As Collector I am aware that the future work of the Trades House will require two things, members prepared to serve their Master Courts and the House and the financial resources to continue the work which we do. There is a great bond of friendship involved and I call on ordinary members to join your Master Court to play your part in our work.

Thomas Gilchrist, Collector



COMMONWEAL FUND FORGES ON

As the Commonweal Fund approaches its 80th anniversary a number of minor alterations have been made to its operational structure which should assist in the processing of applications for financial support. If anything these changes will strengthen the original intentions of the motion by Collector of the House John Dallas in 1924 that the Fund revenue was for good and pious uses tending to the advancement of the Commonweal of the Burgh.

Applications will now be graded into categories namely:-medical; drugs related; children's welfare; children's holidays; old people's welfare; old people's holidays; homelessness; culture, music and the arts although, in some cases, there will be a degree of overlapping between categories.

All applicants will now require to complete a short formal application form with their submission before it can be considered. During 2002 applications were considered by a Committee

which consisted of the members of the Platform, a number of ex-Deacons, Mrs Avril Denholm, Lady Provost Mrs Peggy Lally, Assistant Chief Constable John Maclean and show business personalities Andy Cameron, Johnnie Beattie and Fred MacAulay, all noted for their charitable works.

Over the year the Committee made 91 awards with disbursements totalling £79,050. These awards ranged from £50 up to four awards of £5000 each. These £5000 awards went to Children s Classic Concerts towards the costs of mounting their 2002/03 series of concerts; Caring Operations Joint Action Council towards the cost of fitting out a sensory room for the disabled; East Park towards the acquisition of additional premises for disabled youngsters; and Glasgow Lodging House Mission towards their work with the homeless.

Others who benefited from financial help included children and Others who benefited from financial nelp included children and youth projects in Dalmarnock, Parkhead, Govan, Maryhill, Carntyne, Ibrox, Reidvale, Ruchill, Townhead, Sighthill, Gallowgate and Calton. Bridgeton Friendship Club was given assistance for their recovery work for those suffering from mental illness; Langside and Battlefield Caring Service received funds towards their work with the elderly; Parkhead Housing Association help towards the creation of a sense of a garden for Association help towards the creation of a sensory garden for former hospital residents and the Rotary Club of Dennistoun assistance towards the costs of producing a recorded version of

In addition the Commonweal Committee ensured that revenues were distributed in accordance with the terms of several trust funds including Mrs Mary McAdam's Trust, John Dallas Fund, Blythswood Trust Fund, Andrew Kerr s Trust and Simon Dallas Bequest.

Further information on the Commonweal Fund and application forms can be obtained from the House Office (0141 228 8000).

DEACONS AT THE DOUBLE

Enjoying a meeting of kindred spirits are Peter Kelso (left), Deacon of the Society of Deacons and Free Preseses of Glasgow, and Michael Low, President of the Association of Deacons.
The Society was formed in 1780, at a time when Glasgow had

43,000 inhabitants, by the Deacons of the Trades and the Free Preseses of the City to help provide for the mutual aid of the needy. However, in 1857, the Deacons of the House decided to form their own Association drawing its members from within the

House itself. In 1989 Deacon Convener Maurice Crichton and Deacon Alan Stewart of the Society held a meeting at which it was agreed that the value of each organisation should be recognised and they should continue the valuable contribution which they have given over the years to Glasgow

and elsewhere.

Deacon Convener Stewart Wright and Collector Tom Gilchrist are members of both organisations.



MUSIC ON THE BONNIE BANKS

Following an excellent 'Evening with Burns' at the Mitchell Theatre, the next exciting meeting of the Musical Association will take place at Lomond Shores on Wednesday 9th July when the students of the Royal Academy will present an evening of opera including Puccini, Mozart and Verdi. Many old favourites will be performed by these talented youngsters in an outstanding venue. The evening will be formal and with a buffet supper, spectacular views of Loch Lomond and a floodlit 'Maid of the Loch', it is hoped that this event will become a regular feature in the Loch, it is hoped that this event will become a regular teature in the House diary. Accommodation is limited to 120 with tickets costing £35 from the House office.

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On Tuesday 4th November the Association will have a gala first trio performance of the 'Scottish Idyll' - a work donated to the House for its premier performance. The composer is David Williamson, a member of the Skinners, and the Principal of the RSAMD, Mr John Wallace, will participate. The venue will be the Trades Hall and tickets costing £7.50 will be available from the House office.

Any profit from these two events will go to charitable causes chosen by the Deacon Convener.

Membership of the Association is open to all and is free. Anyone wishing to attened either or both of these events should contact Carole Nelson at the House office.

Rov Scott, Ex-Convener

THIRTY YEARS

The Hammermen Service Group has celebrated thirty years of providing summer and winter outings for the beneficiaries of the House and the Crafts.

Founded in 1972 to provide assistance from younger members of the Incorporation of Hammermen for their pensioners the twice a year outings typically comprised less than twenty person

in the early years. In the late 1980s invitations were extended to all fourteen Crafts plus some House Trusts to send their beneficiaries to significantly enlarged outings, with each Craft funding their own share of costs. Now each outing normally accommodates 150 to 180 participants.

The Service Group is run by a committee chaired by Robin Brown (who also organises the summer outing) with Gordon McLennan as secretary, Norman Hamilton as treasurer and Jim Morris organising the winter pantomime outing. About half the current commmittee joined as founding members in 1972.

The summer outing is to popular tourist destinations usually within 60 miles of Glasgow. Last year the outing was to Peebles with 147 attending. Some of the guests are pictured here enjoying lunch at the Peebles Hydro Hotel. This year the outing with be to Dunkeld with lunch at the Hilton Dunkeld House Hotel.

The winter outing was to the pantomime at the Kings Theatre preceded by a meal at the Thistle Hotel. Pictured here are Deacon Convener Stewart Wright and his wife Jeanette and Collector Tom Gilchrist and his wife Anne joining in the spirit of the occasion.









CRAFT NEWS

COOPERS SCHOLARSHIP

The first ever Coopers' Scholarship Award has been presented at a ceremony in Vintners' Hall, London, by Late Deacon Richard Paterson to Mark Stacey of Oddbins. Apart from a cash element the Scholarship includes an all expenses paid visit to Glasgow, and visits to a cooperage and a whisky blending sample room where the importance of different types of casks in the flavour of whisky is demonstrated. Richard, also an ex-Visitor of the Maltmen, is the Master Blender for Kyndal Spirits Ltd.

Richard is pictured here congratulating Mark while Jancis Robinson, a Master of Wine and wine writer presents his certificate.



FUNDING THE FUTURE



Sandra Gunn, the Dean of the Faculty of Construction at the Glasgow College of Building and Printing accepts a cheque for £1000 donated by the Masons to help the curriculum costs of the training of the apprentice stonemasons.

The cheque was presented by Deacon Mitchell Hutcheson (left) and Craftsman Graham Kelly, Chairman of the Lady MacDonald Fund Committee at Rogart Street, Bridgeton, where the stonemasons are trained

CLERKLY CRAFTSPERSONS

Two ladies with Clerk associations have been elected as the first lady members of their respective Incorporations.

The Bonnetmakers & Dyers at their March meeting voted unanimously to accept ladies as full members of the Craft. Following this decision Mrs Ena Young was admitted as the first full lady member at their Box Dinner on 20th March. Ena, has been associated with the Bonnetmakers for more than 30 years working as assistant alongside a number of Clerks organising quarterly meetings, choosing dinners and all other Craft functions. Ena has now decided to retire and the Master Court felt that she be extended the honour of becoming the Craft's first lady member.

Fna Young



Deacon Ewan Mackie commented: "Now that Ena is a member of the Craft we look forward to welcoming her along to all the events which she previously organised so usefully.'

The Coopers have also decided that the honour of being their first lady member should go to Clerk's assistant Sheila Carter. Deacon George Espie is pictured presenting the Incorporation's first lady member with her membership certificate.



TOOLED UP TRADESMAN



Steven McWade, the top stonemason for 2001-02 receives his box of tools from Graham Kelly, Chairman of the Masons' Lady MacDonald Fund Committee. In memory of her builder husband Sir John MacDonald, Lady MacDonald left a large bequest to the Masons for the purposes of helping young tradesmen and women.

TWO OF A KIND

David Millar, the architect for the final phase of the Trades Hall renovation, has been elected a member of the Incorporation of Skinners. This is very appropriate in that their Deacon, Campbell Duff, has been the architect to the Trades Hall Trust since 1977 and continues to advise the Trustees.

AMBASSADORS AT HALL

Rotarian ambassadorial scholar Takasama Yazawa and his friend Lisa from China were guests at the Masons Candlemass Social Evening in the Trades Hall. They are pictured here with Kay Wilson, a former Queen of the Masons, and Jan Reekie, a friend of Collector Anthony Warnock.



SPORTS NEWS CURLING - SECONDS TO THE RESCUE

After a particularly hard fought competition this year the Gardeners second team came to the final leaving in their wake Cordiners, Bonnetmakers & Dyers and Weavers. The other half of the final was the Tailors team who had demonstrated their strength by beating not only the Skinners and the Masons but came up against the holders Gardeners team 1 in the semi-finals and prevailed.

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Gardeners skip Charles Jackson, just back from a Royal Caledonian Curling Club tour of Canada, and consequently well warmed up for competition, led a strong team of Tom Lang, Roddy Angus and Gray Mickel against an equally strong rink of Tailors skipped by Ronnie Peat. To counter Charles Canadian warm-up, Ronnie fielded Robin Copland at three, Robin having just got back from the same Canadian tour. John Fergus and Michael Burton made up the rink.

The Gardeners won the toss, and at the penultimate and were one shot up as a consequence. That was

end were one shot up as a consequence. That was how close the game was. In the final end it was

ANGLING-BACK ON THE LAKE

Once again the Lake of Menteith on Saturday 13th

September will be the venue for the annual Trades

House angling competition. New entrants and novices from all Incorporations are most welcome and should

inform Murray Blair, Angling Convener, 0141 638 0155, should they wish to compete. All other anglers on record will be contacted nearer the time.

This year there is a magnificent salver for the

winner of the over sixties event. This has been presented to the Club by Michael Beale of the

Bonnetmakers in appreciation of his many happy days fishing with his fellow Craftsmen.

looking good for the Tailors until Charles played his last stone. This was an immaculate draw behind the guard and right on the button. Ronnie could not quite match this excellently played stone and the Gardeners retired to the bar winners 7-5. This is the third time in three years that the Gardeners have won the coveted cigar box, although the last two wins were recorded by Gardeners team 1

The other Crafts need now to gather their strength for next season and try to put their names on this magnificent trophy. Would all Trades House curlers

please let their crafts know about their availability. There are still some crafts struggling to field teams and who would appreciate a few more names to call on

Picture: Winning skip Charles Jackson with the curling trophy is congratulated by Ronnie Peat.



GOLF-SWINGING INTO SUMMER

Arrangements for 2002 Trades House golfing events are as follows:- Thursday, 15th May - Trades House Shield competition at Milngavie G.C. Wednesday, 13th August - Match v Edinburgh Merchants Co. Golf Club at Bruntsfield G.C. Tuesday, 9th September - David Borland Trophy competition at Prestwick St. Nicholas G.C. or details contact Gray Mickel, Golf Convener, 01560 700601

LADIES DAY

The ladies' golf outing will be held at Cathcart Castle G.C. on Monday 12th May.

BOWLING WRONG RUB OF THE GREEN

The shine was somewhat taken off the Maltmen's victory in the 2002 Trades House bowling competition when we wrongly attributed their success to the Masons. Apologies all round. Perhaps the Maltmen can repeat their victory in this year's competition on Sunday 8th June at Giffnock Bowling Club. For details contact Stewart Cobb, Bowling Convener 0141 639 6472.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

10 May - The Glasgow Ball, Hilton Hotel 14 May - Pensioners' Tea Party, Trades Hall 31 May - The Riverman Concert. Adelaide's,

Bath Street.

9 June - Schools' Craft Awards, Trades Hall 9 June - Schools' Community Achievement Awards

Trades Hall

12-15 June - CraftEx College Awards and
Exhibition - Trades Hall
14 June - Lord Provost's Procession - City Centre 9 July - Loch Lomond Shores Opera Evening

KEEP IN TOUCH

WRIGHTS - New Clerk, Thomas W Monteith, c/o Bird Semple, 21 Blythswood Square. Glasgow G2 4BL, Tel: 0141 304 3434, Fax: 0141 304 0004, email: twm@bsemple.com.

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