

Newcraighall "Poosie Nansie" Burns Club No 293.

Newcraighall Welfare Institute (Upper Hall) 13 Jan 1943.

The monthly meeting was held in the above club  
Mr Robt Hendry President in the chair, 23 members.  
being present.

The President asked the members to be upstanding  
and observe a short period of silence, in respect  
to our late President, who had passed away  
since our last meeting.

The meeting was then opened in the usual manner.  
Apoloqis for Absense - Apologies were made for Wm

Duncan and David Peacock who were both ill.

Minutes - The minutes of the last monthly meeting  
were read and approved on the motion of James Reilly.  
seconded by Alex Stewart.

Business Arising. The Secretary reported having  
interviewed Mr Inglis Niddrie Primary School Head Master,  
and The Head Teacher of Newcraighall Primary School  
re-organizing a competition between the schools  
for the Poosie Nansie Shield. It was suggested  
that the competition incorporate the following Primary  
Schools - Newcraighall - Niddrie - Peffermill  
- Lynedoch - Braigmillar and Lismore.

The Secretary was instructed to contact the Head  
Masters of the other schools, and try to arrange

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a meeting so that the competition could be ~~arranged~~ organized.

This was proposed and seconded by A. McIntosh & W<sup>m</sup> Young.

Correspondence - Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Lena Porteous thanking the Club for the members attendance at the Cemetery, & the floral tribute sent.

Letter from The Rt Hon Sir John Wheatley expressing his regrets, at not being able to attend our Annual Supper owing to pressure of business.

Letters (2) from Lord Provost Jack Hume making his apologies for not being able to attend our Annual Supper.

Letter from "The Arts" Club informing us that as their Supper was the same night as ours, they would not be able to send 2 Members.

Letter from M<sup>r</sup> J. Ingles H-Master Niddrie Primary accepting invitation to our Supper.

Letters (2) from M<sup>r</sup> Baxter accepting invitation, then having to cancel it, and asking us to accept his Deputy M<sup>r</sup> R. Walker B.A. MBE Jewel Bawby Club Guests - M<sup>r</sup> Allan Blair & M<sup>r</sup> Ronnie Watson.

Niddrie Bawby Club Guests - M<sup>r</sup> Tom Hendry & M<sup>r</sup> John Jamison

Newcraighall Welfare Guests - Mr John Hilton & Mr W Peat.

Mr Charles Messay hopes to attend for a short time.

Mr William Williamson, <sup>Founder Member</sup> & Mr Geo. Williamson as guests of the Club.

Mr Tom Smith Bar Steward of Welfare Club.

Any other Business - In answer to a appeal letter from Lord Elphinstone on behalf of The Scottish Boys Clubs Association, Mr Blackhall proposed, and Mr David McIntosh seconded that the Club send a donation of £1-1 (a Guine). An amendment by Mr Mallinson seconded by Mr A Swan that we take no action.

On the vote being taken the motion was carried by 13 Votes to 6.

It was agreed that the Secretary procure a quantity of "Daily Express" Burns Song Sheets for the Supper.

The Secretary was instructed to get typed program for the Supper.

The President reported that he had seen the Ladies and arranged the catering for the Supper.

He also suggested that Mr James Tiffey and

M<sup>r</sup> John Dowell act as Bar-Stewards on that evening.

Ten Burns' Chronicles which were ordered were duly sold.

Names for the Supper were taken, and a total, including Guests was ascertained at of 65.

New Members - M<sup>r</sup> Francis Grady, 36 Cowgate Edinburgh H 1-151 and M<sup>r</sup> James Wright, 9 Summerfield Place, Leith H 6, 8 B.A. were welcomed by the President and warmly received by the members present.

The business of the evening being concluded the Club went to Harmony at 8.40 P.M.

The rest of the evening was spent in Song as Stong, our new members both contributing to the Harmony which terminated at 10.30 P.M. with the singing of all the verses of "Auld Lang Syne".

R Hendry (Pres)  
George Lockhart  
Hon Secretary

Report of Annual Burns Supper 27 Jan 1943.

The Annual Supper Programme as arranged was carried out, the only alterations being - Mr A. J. McIntosh addressed the Haggis.

Mr G. Lockhart rendered "I am O' Shanter."

A "Toast" was proposed to our "Guests," and short replies were made by Mr John Ingles, M.A. Head-master of Niddrie Primary School and Mr R. Warner M.A. M.B.E., <sup>Deputy master</sup> Bellahouston School President of Niddrie Bowls Club.

After the official programme was finished, visitors and members contributed to further harmony.

Mr Geo Robertson rendered "Holy Willie's Prayer," the lights being switched off & the tables decorated with candles, protruding from empty bottles. He duly entered, dressed in a Night-Shirt, & with a candle and a book, gave a wonderful rendition.

One of the best suppers ever held by the club concluded at 10.30 P.M., with the singing of all the verses of "Auld Lang Syne."

R Hendry (Pres)

George Lockhart  
(Hon Secy.)

Newcraighall Welfare Institute Upper Hall 10 Feb 73.

The monthly meeting of the Club was held in the above premises 19 Members being present.

The Chairman Mr Robt Hendry opened the meeting in the usual traditional manner.

Apologies for Absence — Mr George Robertson who was at Royal Musselburgh Golf Club Burns Supper. — Mr John Mallinson and Mr Robt McInnes.

Minutes of last Meeting. — The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read, and approved on the motion of Mr Wm Young, seconded by Mr David McIntosh.

Business Arising — The secretary was asked to contact the Head Teachers, of the primary Schools mentioned in the last minute, and try to arrange a meeting, and hold a competition next session if unable to do so this year.

Mr Wm Young raised the point, of some members not being able to hear the speakers, at the Burns Supper. After some discussion it was decided to arrange the tables in a different setting in future. This was the only complaint, as generally it was

agreed that the Annual Supper was one  
of the finest in the history of the Club.  
Any other business — The Secretary raised the  
question as to how many years, our Piper, Norman  
Summers had been playing at our Annual Supper.  
No member seemed to remember the first year  
he had played, and the Secretary agreed to  
dive into the old Minutes Books to see if  
this could be ascertained.

The Chairman Mr Robt Hendry agreed to see  
Mr Charles M'Clay, Secretary of the Welfare  
Club for permission to hold a Social evening  
on the 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Correspondence — A letter from Mr Roger  
Warner M.A. M.B.E. <sup>Dunbar Main Primary School</sup> expressing his thanks for  
a wonderful evening at our Annual Supper.  
A letter from Mr John Tuglis M.A. Head Master  
Niddrie Primary School expressing his thanks for a  
happy evening spent at our Supper.

A communication from The Edinburgh District Burns  
Clubs Association, informing us that the Federal  
Conference 1944 will be held in Edinburgh,  
and asking for our help in making the aran-  
gements for same.

They also invite us to nominate a delegate

to join the conference committee.

No decision was made regarding this communication.

This being all the business the Club went to Harmony at 8-40 P.M.

The rest of the evening was spent in Song & Sentiment terminating at 10-20 P.M. with the singing of all the verses of Auld Lang Syne.

P Hendry (Pres)  
George Flockhart  
(Hon Secy)

Newcraighall "Posie Nansie" Burns Club No 293

The monthly meeting of the Club was opened, in the usual manner, by the President, Mr<sup>r</sup> Robert Hendry 22 members being present, also a visitor, a friend of Mr Baker -

Apologetics for Absence - Mr James Clason, Mr James Wright, Mr George Pollock & Mr Tom Ewing.

Minutes of the last Meeting - The Minutes of the last monthly meeting, were read and approved, on the motion of Mr J Reilly seconded by Mr Wm Duncan.

Business Arising - The Secretary was instructed to contact the Headmasters of the Primary Schools to arrange the Burns Shield competition for next session.

The proposed Social Evening on 14<sup>th</sup> March was cancelled, and it was agreed to make the last meeting 14<sup>th</sup> April a Social evening with ladies invited, the meal to be Stovies, etc, at a cost of 25P. Mr G. Robertson would try and arrange for an Accordeon Player, and a Drummer, to be present.

The Secy reported having searched through the old Minute Books to, see when our Piper Mr Norman Summers had first played.

at our Annual Supper. The only mention was in 1954, when it was recorded that Mr Robert Hendry would invite Mr Norman Summers to play at our Annual Supper.

No record has been kept of the Annual Suppers until the last two years.

After some discussion it was the unanimous decision of the members, that Mr Norman Summers be invited to accept the position of Honorary Piper of "Poozie Nausie 293".

A proposal by Mr John Mallinson seconded by Mr George Robertson, that our Pipers should be presented with a Burns Check Tie, A Burns Badge, and Membership Card, was made.

An amendment was moved by Mr Robt McGinnis seconded by Mr Henry Brown that instead of a Tie a Pennant, or Flag, to fix on the Pipes shall be made. On a vote being taken the Motion was carried by 11 Votes to 4.

Alteration to Meeting Night. — As in the very near future the premises will be altered, a discussion took place as to which night, we would hold our meetings as a Saturday would

not be possible. It was a unanimous decision that the Secretary write to Mr Robt Sneedon, Manager & Secy of the Welfare Club, asking if it would be possible for our Club to have our meetings, on the second Friday of each Month from October to April.

The Secretary was instructed to reply to the Edinburgh & District Burns Clubs Association, that as our Club had resigned from their Association, we did not wish to rejoin, or act on their Festival Committee.

Any other Business - The Secretary reporting having purchased, seven Books of the works of Robt Burns, for presentation to the Schools. He was once again indebted to an Old Refugee Friend, Mr Harold P. Anderson, who saved the Club money, by supplying them at cost price, £1. £3-4/-P.

Correspondence - Letter read from Mr Stocks Secy of Musselburgh "Hollie" Old Age Pensioners Association, thanking our Club for organizing, & carrying through their first Burns Supper. Enclosed were Postal Orders valued at £3-50/-, which Mr George Robertson, who was in charge of the arrangements, suggested that the Accordion Player should receive £2, and £1-50/- go towards our Club Funds. This was agreed to.

Financial Report - The Treasurer M' Ian Pow  
gave a report on the Annual Supper.  
Income £~~100~~<sup>35 - 123<sup>p</sup> P Expenditure £40 - 48P.  
Loss £5 - 35<sup>p</sup>.</sup>

Income in Bank - £63 - 33P.

This report was very well received by the members.  
This was all the business and the Club went  
to harmony at 8-40 P.M.

The rest of the evening was spent in song, story  
and sentiment which terminated at 10-20 P.M.  
with the singing of all the verses of Auld Lang Syne

George Flockhart  
(Hon. Secy.)  
R Hendry (Pres)

Newcraighall "Poozie Namee" Burns Club No 293.

The last Monthly meeting of the season was held in the above premises, and the members were accompanied by their Wives or lady friends.

M<sup>r</sup> Robt Hendry presided over an attendance of 46 which included some guests and friends.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved on the motion of M<sup>r</sup> A. McIntosh, seconded by M<sup>r</sup> John Matheson.

Business Arising — As this evening was to include a Social night there was no discussion.

A meal consisting of "Stovies", Cakes, Biscuits and Tea was served, after which the Club went to Harmony.

The Accordion player having received an injury at his work, dancing was held with a record player supplying the music.

The following Members & Guests contributed to the Harmony — M<sup>r</sup> Pat Moonie and M<sup>r</sup> A. McIntosh "Humorous Stovies" — Songs — M<sup>r</sup> Hendry, M<sup>r</sup> Duncan, M<sup>r</sup> G. Robertson, M<sup>r</sup> J. Paw, M<sup>r</sup> T. Ewing, M<sup>r</sup> G. Brad, M<sup>r</sup> D. McIntosh, M<sup>r</sup> T. Matheson M<sup>r</sup> G. Blackhart, M<sup>r</sup> G. Blackhart, M<sup>r</sup> S. Rae, M<sup>r</sup> Stewart, M<sup>r</sup> McGlory, and M<sup>r</sup> R. McEwan and M<sup>r</sup> John Mallinson with Hammerin' & Spoons.

A Happy night terminated at 10-30 P.M.

L. Blackhart (Secy)  
(R. Hendry Pres)

Newryaghall Welfare "Poosie Nansie" Burns Club No 293.

The Annual General Meeting was held in the above premises at 6.30 P.M., when 24 members were present. The meeting was opened by the Chairman Mr. Rolt Hendry in the usual manner.

The Chairman welcomed two new members, - Mr Wm Mooney and Mr Richard Marr and they were well received by the members present. The Minutes of the last Monthly meeting were read, and approved on the motion of Mr G. Robertson and Mr Wm Duncan.

No business arising.

Minutes of the Annual General meeting 1942 were read and approved on the motion of Mr Wm Duncan, seconded by Mr G. Robertson  
Secretary's Report. The Secretary reported having attended the Prize-giving at Middle Primary School, where he had the honour of presenting the "Poosie Nansie" Burns prize and also the Burns Federation certificates to the successful pupils.

He also reported having represented the Club at Portobello Secondary School Prize-giving.

Accompanied by the Chairman he also attended an Opera - "The Pirates of Penzance" which was performed by the pupils of the above School.

Treasurer's Report - Mr Ian Paw gave a very clear and concise report of the Income and Expenses, for the past year, which left a Balance in hand of £92 - 29P.

This was the highest Balance ever, in the history of the Club, and ~~this~~ was received with great acclamation by the members.

Correspondence - The Secretary read letters of thanks from Newcraighall, Niddrie, St Francis, Castelbrae, and Portobello Schools for the Burns Books the Club had provided.

No replies had been received from Peffermill or Lismore Schools.

Letter from "The Jewel Miners Welfare Society and Social Club granting the use of the Welfare Institute to hold our Annual Burns Supper on Jan 26" 1944.

Letter read from Niddrie Bowls Club enclosing two tickets for their Annual Dinner & Dance.

Letter read from Newcraighall Miners Welfare Society giving our Club permission to change our name to Newcraighall Welfare "Poosie Nanies".

Alteration to our Annual General Meeting - After an explanation by the Secretary, on our reports to The Burns Federation, which are included in "The Burns Chronicle", it was proposed by Mr D. Pearce

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and seconded by Mr G. Robertson that the Club should in future hold the Annual General Meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in April.

This was approved by all members present.

My other Business - It was proposed by Baillie David M Brown, and seconded by Mr D. Peacock, that the Secretary and Mr Blackhart, should represent the Club at Niddrie Bowls Club's Annual Dinner & Dance & Presentation of Prizes. Our Honorary President Baillie David M Brown informed the meeting, that some Clubs in the area were proposing to hold a "Jesus" Supper in Tunisia - the first ever to be held there - the cost approximately to be £25 for 4 days. He hoped to give further information at a later date.

Some discussion took place regarding a Social evening, to be held on a Wednesday night in the Upstairs Lounge. Mr Robertson moved that we further discuss this business at the November meeting.

The Chairman raised the question of the Club purchasing drinking glasses, but Baillie David M Brown, JP said that we could carry on as usual, with the kind co-operation

of the "Club Steward" Mr Tom Smith.

The Secretary gave a report on his enquiries re-a speaker to propose "The Immortal Memory".

He was very fortunate to procure the services of Mr David S. Allan Rector of Preston Lodge High School.

The members agreed that the "Toast to the Losses", be proposed by Mr Pat Moonie, who was the principle Speaker last year, and that The Rev. John Sinclair reply to this toast.

Apoloquin for Absence. - An apology on behalf of James Glockhart who was in Eden Royal Infirmary was submitted, and the secretary was instructed to send him a "Get Well" card with the Club's compliments.

Election of Office-Bearers for 1943-1944

Honorary President - Baillie David M Brown JP.

President - Mr Robert Hendry.

Vice-President - Mr William Duncan

Secretary - Mr George Glockhart

Treasurer - Mr Ian Pau

Custodians - Mr Edward Barker, Mr James Gleason

Mr Tom Ewing, Mr Andrew Swan.

Presentation of Bob Kelly Shield - The Chairman

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presented the Singles Bowling Shield to the  
Secretary Mr. G. Flockhart, who made a  
suitable reply.

This being all the business the Club  
went to Harmony at 8-30 P.M.

A very happy evening was spent in  
Song & Story, both our new members  
Mr. Wm. Mooney & Mr. Richard, Mass con-  
tributing to the programme.

The Chairman Mr. Robt Hendry, brought  
the happy evening to an end at 10-30 P.M.  
in the usual manner by the singing  
of "Auld Lang Syne".

George Flockhart (Hon Secy.)  
R. Hendry (Pres)

Newcraighall Welfare Youth Club Whitehill St 10 Nov 1943

Newcraighall Welfare Poosie Nansie Burns Club No 293

The monthly meeting of the Club was held in the above premises, and was opened in the usual manner by the President Mr Robert Hendry, 22 members and 1 visitor being present.

The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and approved on the motion of G. Robertson seconded by D. McIntosh.

Business Arising — The secretary was instructed to enquire why "Lismore" and "Puffinwell" Schools had not acknowledged the "Burns Prizes" gifted this year.

The business of a Social Evening was further discussed, but it was agreed to leave it in abeyance meantime, until the premises were more suitable.

The secretary Mr Geo Stockhart reported having been very well received & entertained, at Middle Bowling Club's Dinner Dance & Presentation of Prizes, where he was accompanied by Mr Stockhart.

Correspondence — Letter read from Jewel Bowling Club, inviting 2 members to Annual Dinner & Dance & Presentation of Prizes — Mr Wm Duncan and Mr Duncan nominated to attend.

Letter read from Stollies O.A.P. regarding Artists for their "Burns Supper". The Secretary & G. Robertson

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arranged to meet their officers and report accordingly.

Apologies for Absence - R. McInnes working on  
ward shifts. James Cockhart out of  
Hospital but not able to be with us yet.  
James Wright - Indisposed. T. Ewing - Indisposed

Any other Business -

Programme for Annual Supper 26 Jan 14, 5.30 PM 16.

Replying in the Haggis - Mr. Norman Summers  
Address to the Haggis - D. Peacock or A. McIntosh  
Selkirk Grace - The Chairman

Song "There was a Lad" - Richard Marx.

Song - A Man's a Man - Francis Brady.

Toast - "The Immortal Memory" - Rector David S. Allan.

Vote of Thanks - John Mallinson.

Recitation - "Holy Willie's Prayer" - G. Robertson

Song - The Lassies - M. D. Adey.

Recitation - Tam O' Shanter - John Mallinson

- Interval. -

Song - Scots Wha Hae - James Reilly.

Song - A' the Airts - W<sup>m</sup> Duncan

Toast - Yae the Lassies - Pat Moonie

Song - Green Grow the Rashes O' - Ian Pow.

Reply - Yae the Lassies - Rev John Sinclair.

Recitation - The Yava Dogs - John Mallinson - G. Cockhart  
G. Robertson

Programme Continued.

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Song - "Ae Fond Kiss" - Robert Hendry (Pres) Newer

Song - Willie Breed a Peck o' Malt - David McIntosh The 1

Toast - The Croupiers - Archie McIntosh I have

Reply - From the Croupiers - Edward Baker mann

Song - Afton Waters - W<sup>m</sup> Duncan seen

Song - Bonnie Wee Thing - Ian Pow. spotog

Recitation - Selected - Tom D'Arcy. in m

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Invitations - Dr Gavin Strong, Baillie D H Brown J P. not

M<sup>r</sup> Anderson, Newcraighall Welfare 2, Niddrie 22

Bowling Club 2, Jewel Welfare 2, Jewel Bowling 220

Club 2, Arts Burns Club 2, Tom Smith, Stewart eff

W<sup>m</sup> Williamson (Farndale member.). the

Then finished the business and the Club went to the  
Harmony at 8.50 P.M. the

In spite of the cold evening in the new premises,  
various Songs, Stories, and Recitations were rendered  
in the usual happy manner, and concluded the evening  
terminated at 10.20 P.M. with <sup>the</sup> singing of "Auld Lang Syne".

George Blackhall, (Hon Sec)  
R Hendry (Pres)

Newcraighall Welfare Institute (Doctors Room) 8 Dec 1943.

Newcraighall Welfare Poosie Namee Burns Club No 293.

The Monthly Meeting of the Club was held in the above premises, and was opened in the usual traditional manner by the President Mr Robert Hendry, 19 Members being present.

Apoloies for Absence - Baillie D. M. Brown, Alex Stewart, Wm Duncan, R. McInnes, Jacky Mair, Wm Mooney.

Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting were read and approved on the motion of Mr L. Brady and seconded by Mr Geo Robertson.

Business Arising - The Secretary reported having phoned Mr Baxter of Peffermill, and Mr Gladwin of Lismore Schools, who both apologised for not having acknowledged receiving a "Burns" Book, as a prize for their Burns competition, and promised to confirm by letter. Mr Baxter of Peffermill School did and the letter stated that the successful pupil was Denise Robertson, 48/6 Greendykes Terrace. As no further acknowledgement had been received from Mr Gladwin's Lismore School, it was decided after discussion to cease to send a Book to Lismore - This was moved by A. J. W. Innes and seconded by John Williamson.

Correspondence - Letters read from the following - Dr Gavin Strang M.P. accepting invitation to our Burns Supper.

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Honorary President Baird David M Brown J.P., accepting.  
M'Pat Moonie agreeing to propose "The Toast Yae the Lasses"  
M'George Baxter re name of Burns Prize at Linlithgow  
School.

M' Walter Muir (secy) "Airts Club" 516, regretting that they could not be present at our Supper, as their function was being held on the same evening.

Any other Business - It was agreed that Price of Supper Ticket be £1-25P and 45P for retained members. The Secy was authorized to purchase "Daily Express" Song Sheets, and make enquiries regarding Programmes.

The Treasurer reported that Burns Badges, and The Burns Federation Chronicles were ordered, and would be received later.

M' Robt Hendry President made the suggestion that we make enquiries about the let of two houses in Whitehill St, and the Secretary was instructed to write to the Estate Manager after consultation with Baird David M Brown J.P., - This was proposed by M'D. Ardy and seconded by T. Matheson.

Business terminated at 8.35 P.M. when the members went to Harry. This closed at 10.15 P.M. with the singing of Caledonian Syne.

George Lockhart (Secy)  
R Hendry (Pres)

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