

Newburghall "Poore House" - Buses to Club N° 243

Newburghall Welfare Institute (Upper Hall) 8th Jan 1972.
The monthly meeting of the club was held in the above premises, Mr Robt Hendry Sec. Pres. in the chair.
Apologies for Absence - A letter was read from the Pres., Mr Robt Porteous informing us he was in bed ill.
Mr James Glasgow could not be with us as he was at a yearly family party.
- Mr Robt James sent his apology as he was ill with the "flu".

Minutes - The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved on the motion of Mr W. Duncan seconded by Mr John Mallinson.

Business Arising - It was agreed that the price of the Supper ticket be £1 and Pensioner tickets 50 P.

The meal the same as last year - Soup - ^{veg} "hump"
"Lattin" and "Haggis", Beef, Steak Pie - Tea out-lets
A cheese plus 1 cup of whisky and 1 export^{tho} to be included in the price of the ticket.

Each member allowed to bring two friends and be responsible for their tickets.

The members agreed that Mr Alex Stewart be given a free ticket for his services in the refreshment tent.

Correspondence - Invitation for two members to attend the Club's Dinner Club (Prestonians) 516 on the 29th January.

Mr W. Duncan and Mr Geo Blackhart nominated to attend

A Christmas Card was read from the Burns Friends
Chairman Mr Matt McLaughlin wishes our
Club every success in 1942.

Replies to invitation to our Annual Supper (accepting) was
read from Jewel Sawley Club, Newdayhall Wexford
Club, and from Dr Gavin Strang M.P.'s secretary stating
that we would receive further information when
he returned from abroad.

A letter was read from a Mr W Wilson Eiston
Stech England asking for one of our Club P.C.s
As we do not have an official P. Card the Secy
agreed to write Mr Wilson.

Members for Supper - As there were only 15 Members
at this meeting an approximate number of 52
was arrived at, and it was agreed to provide
catering for 60.

Raffle - A Burns Chronicle was the prize - This
was one by Jack Gelson.

Raffle - 39P ~~39P~~

Beer Fund - 84 1/2P.

Treasurers Financial Statement - In Bank £63-16P.

Business terminated at 8-45P.M and the rest of
the evening was spent in Harmonizing

R Hendry, Nicolson

George Blackhall (Secy)

Newcraighall Welfare Institute (Upper Hall)

Report of the Annual Burns Supper 22-2-42.

The Pres. Mr Robt Porteous welcomed the guests and members and hoped they would enjoy a pleasant evening.

Pipe-Major Norman Sommers piped in the Haggis - bannock aloft by Mr Alex Stewart.

The "Chieftain" was suitably addressed by Mr John Matheson Past Pres.

The "Selkirk" Grace was given by Mr Robt Porteous Pres. and the company sat down to the usual fare of "Scotch Broth", "Father's Nap" & Haggis and Beef Steak Pie followed by Oat-cakes & Cheese with tea.

The first song "There was a Lad" was ably rendered by Mr Robt Hendry Vice Pres., while the company joined lustily in the chorus.

"The Immortal Memory" was proposed by the Rev John Sinclair of the local Parish Church.

His oration was one of the finest ever given in the history of the club.

"A Man's a Man" was sung in a very capable manner by Jan Saw Treas.

The Vote of Thanks to the Orator was proposed by the Pres., who expressed the thanks of the company to Mr Sinclair for a wonderful address.

The song "Afton Water" was rendered by Mr Wm Duncan in a very pleasing manner.

owing to the absence of Mr John Mallison, Mr George Lockhart stepped into the breach and recited "Tam O' Shanter".

The President then announced a short interval. On resuming the harmony Mr Robt Morrison sang "Scots Wha Hae" in his usual patriotic style.

"O' a' the Airts" was well rendered by Mr Robt Hendry. As Mr Mallison was unable to be present owing to illness (mai flu) Mr George Robertson proposed "The Toast to the Lassies" in his usual humorous style.

Owing to the absence of Mr H. Macdonald, Mr John Robertson junr sang the appropriate song "Green Grow the Rashes O'" ably assisted by the company in a rollicking chorus.

Mr James Blason suitably replied to the Toast to the Lassies.

Mr John Robertson - rendered the Address to the Peers.

"Ae fond Kiss" was beautifully sung by Mr Ian Paw.

"Comin thro' the Rye" was sung by

Mr Alex Stewart with the company joining in heartily with the last line of each verse. The Toast - The Craupers was proposed by Mr George Robertson and suitably replied to by Mr D. Peacock & Mr R. Morrison.

The song "The Sea King" was sung by Mr Tom King as Mr Pollock was suffering from a severe cold.

This ~~song~~ was heartily received by the company. The last song "Bonnie Wee Thing" was very well sung by the President Mr Robt Partean.

To conclude the Programme "Death & D' Hornbook" was rendered by G Robertson & G. Flockhart.

A number of members, friends, & visitors, contributed to further harmony - namely John Gilroy, A Glen, D. Jeffries, J. Mehara, Y. Hendry.

The evening concluded with all the verses of Auld Lang Syne.

Guests present - Mr Pat Mornie, (Messrs D. Jeffries, J Mehara Auld Club) (Y Hendry John Jamieson Madams Bards Club) (G. Hood J. Hilton Welfare Club) (R Brown & D Slight Jewel B Club)

Mr John Mallison being absent, George Flockhart presented the Gavel which had been gifted by his wife Mrs May Mallison.
G. Flockhart Secy.

Newcraighall "Pooie Nonsie" Burns Club No 293.

Newcraighall Welfare Institute (Upper Hall) 12th Feb 1942

The monthly meeting of the club was held in the above premises. The meeting was opened by the President Mr Robt Porteous in the usual manner.

Apologies - The Secretary made an apology for Mr George Robertson who was performing at Castle Park Bowling Club Burns Supper.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and approved on the motion of Mr James Reilly and Mr Wm Duncan.

Business arising - It was the general feeling of the members present (15) that the Supper was a great success. The Immortal Memory proposed by the Rev John Sinclair was reckoned to be one of the best ever submitted in the history of the Club.

Correspondence - The Secy. read a letter from Mr Alex Brown Secy. of the Jewel Bowling Club giving the date (29th July) for our Annual Burns Shield match. This was agreed to by the members. This game was to be played at Midndrie Bowling Green.

School Prizes - It was agreed to present seven (7) prizes to the following schools for competitions on the works of Robert Burns - Newcraighall Primary, Midndrie Primary, St Francis, Midndrie Mansiehall, Lismore Primary, Portobello Secondary and

Peffermill Primary.

The Secretary was instructed to order the prizes accordingly.

This being all the business the club went to Harmony at 9 P.M.

Owing to the Miners Strike a black-out, ^{place} took I. E. The lights went out at 9-5 P.M.

As this was expected the members, ~~the members~~ were prepared, and candles being produced the Harmony proceeded in its usual happy vein.

Beer Fund 45P.

BAR Funds 40P.

George F. Lockhart (Secretary)
Robert Poston (Pres)

Newcraighall Pooie Nansie Burns Club No 293

Newcraighall Welfare Institute (Doctors Room) 11th March 1942

The monthly meeting of the club was held in the above premises attended by 16 members.

Owing to the absence of the chairman, the meeting was opened by the Vice-Chairman Mr Robt Steady, in the usual traditional manner.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and approved, on the motion of Mr John Mallinson, seconded by Mr Jimmy Keilly.

Business Arising — In the Annual Bowling Match with Middie Bowling Club, Jewel Bowling Club, and the Pooie Nansie Burns Club, to be played at Middie Bowling Green on 24th July at 3 P.M., it was agreed by the members, that we on this occasion, bear the cost of the Teas as well as the prizes. The secretary reported having received the Books for the Schools Competitions, and passed one of them round the members, to let them see the prize that each of the seven Schools will receive.

Any other Business — Mr Mallinson thanked the Secretary, for the letter he sent to Mrs M Mallinson expressing the clubs thanks, for her generous gift of a Chairmans Gavel.

On the motion of Mr W^m Duncan seconded by Mr John Matheson

it was agreed, that on the occasion of our next monthly meeting the 8th April, lady friends could be invited.

The meal to consist of Fatties & Pie & Tea.

This meeting to ~~be held at~~ commence at 6-30 for 7.
It was proposed by Mr John Matheson and seconded by Mr John Mallinson the cost per person be 15 Pence.

An Amendment by Mr Geo Robertson seconded by Mr Tom Lewis that 20 Pence be charged.

A Counter-Amendment by Mr W^m Duncan seconded by Mr Andrew Swan that the cost be 25 Pence.

After two Votes, the result was 25 Pence by 9 Votes to 6.

It was the unanimous wish of the members, that the Secretary write to our Piper, Mr Norman Sommers, and invite him and his wife to be our guests at this meeting.

The Vice-Chairman agreed to interview the Ladies who usually cater for us, to see if they would once again carry out this duty.

The Club went to Harmony at 8-10 P.M.

The Chairman who had been delayed arrived at 8-25 P.M. and asked the Vice-Chairman to carry on in the Chair.

J. Henderson (Vice C)
George Lockhart (Secy)

Newcraighall "Poozie Nansie" Burns Club No 293.

Newcraighall Welfare Institute (Upper Hall) 8th April 1942

The last Monthly Meeting of the session was held on the above premises at 6-30 for 7 P.M.

As this was the "Pies & Tatties" meeting many of the members were accompanied by their wives or lady friends.

The President Mr Robt Porteous welcomed a company numbering 29 to our Club and expressed the hope that the members and ladies present would enjoy a very happy evening with us.

The President then asked the company to be up-standing and open the meeting by singing the first verse and chorus of "There was a Lad".

After the secretary said Grace, a wonderful meal, consisting of Beef-Steak Pie, and Tatties, & Peas, followed by Tea Biscuits & Cheese was served by our usual ladies who cater - namely Mrs Dowell, Mrs Malcolm, Mrs Duncan, Mrs Tiffney & Mrs Cairns.

Minutes - After this splendid repast, the minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and approved, on the motion of Mr John Mallinon, seconded by Mr Geo Robertson.

Correspondence - The secretary read a letter from Mr Geo. M. Baxter, Headmaster of Peffermill School, thanking the Club for the Burns Prize, which he would award

to Walter Schalmers in January 7, because of his
"Address to The Staggs" at their Annual School Supper,
and because he thought he was a boy who needed
encouragement in his efforts.

As this was all the business the Club went to
Harmony at 8-20 P.M.

Many members contributed to this, and special mention
must be made of our unusual number - I.E.
Our Piper Norman Sumner, who was accompanied
by Mr Sumner as our guests, produced his
Pipes, and entertained the company, along with Mr
Alex Stewart & Rob McInnes on Mouth Organs & Mr John
Mallinson playing the spoons.

Mr George Robertson could not resist the music, so
he engaged in dancing with some of the ladies
present.

A very happy evening terminated at 10-20 P.M with
the company singing Auld Lang Syne - The verses
being sung by G. Lockhart, Mr Duncan, Geo Robertson, & being
& Mr Robt Posters.

George Lockhart (Secy)
Robt Posters (Pres)

Newcraighall Poozie Nansie Burns Club No 293

Newcraighall Welfare Institute (Upper Hall) 14th 6th 1972

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 Robt Porteous in the usual manner.

After the opening he asked the members to be upstanding, and observe a short period of silence, in memory of two of our old members, who had passed away, since our last meeting - namely Robt Bowie and John McDonald.

The minutes of the 1971 Annual General Meeting were read and approved, on the motion of Robt Hendry seconded by David Peacock.

The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and approved, on the motion of Geo Robertson seconded by W^m Duncan.

Secretary's Report - The Secretary reported having represented the club at Portobello Secondary School prize giving, and also at Peffermill Primary School, where he had the pleasure of presenting our club's Burns Prize and also the Burns Federation Certificate.

He also reported that while on a visit

to Niddrie Primary School, Mr Inglis the Headmaster informed him, that he had a Burns Shield, which our club had presented a number of years ago for competition between Newcraighall and Niddrie Schools.

After some discussion it was decided, that the Secretary should try and trace the history of this trophy by delving into the old Minute-Books of the Club, and also that he should collect the Shield and bring it to the club.

He further reported that owing to a Strike connected with Tennant's Brewery no draught Beer would be available for our meeting, so with the generous assistance of Mr Tom McKinnon had managed to procure a hamster of Drylong's -
-Heg Heavy.

Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer Mr Ian Paw, gave a detailed statement of the Financial transactions of the club during the year, which resulted in a Bank Balance of £54-42.

This report was heartily applauded by the members.
Correspondence The Secretary read letters of thanks for our gifts of Prizes from the following Schools -
Newcraighall, Niddrie, Peffermill, St. Francis & Portobello.
No reports were received from Niddrie Marischal

at Lisimore.

Excerpts from the Burns Federation communication were read relating to Annual Fees - This now will be increased from £3 to £5.

A letter was also read re a publication named - "A Short Resume of Burns". Cost 35P., but if (50) purchased could be delivered at 25P. It was decided that no action be taken.

Orators. - On the suggestion of the secy. it was proposed by Mr A. McIntosh, and seconded by Mr George Robertson that we invite Mr Pat Moonie to propose "The Immortal Memory" at our Burns Supper on January 24th 1943.

It was also proposed by Mr John MacLennan seconded by Mr George Robertson that we invite the Rev John Sinclair to propose "The Toast to the Lassies".

Election of Office - Bearers
The Secretary reminded ^{the members} that the Club had not had an Honorary - President since 19~~26~~.

the last being the ~~last~~ ~~last~~ ~~David~~
~~Whitehead~~ of Musselburgh. ^{Hon.} Vice Pres Mr A Horne
Major Watt
The following Office - Bearers for 1942-43 were then elected -

Honorary - President - Councillor David M Brown J.P.

Proposed by G. Flockhart & G. Robertson,

President - Mr Robt Hendry

Vice-President - Mr William Duncan,

Secretary - Mr George Flockhart (re-election)

Treasurer - Mr Ian Pow (re-election)

Co-optees - Mr James Blason, Mr James Hilderson

Mr David Peacock & Mr Andrew Swan.

A short interval was called and fees being due, all members present paid as required.

I.E. 25P for ordinary members and 12½P for Old-Age-Pensioners.

The newly elected President then called the meeting to order, and welcomed two new members to our club - Mr Edward Baker and Mr David Mcintosh.

The members duly responded.

The business of the evening being ended the club then went to Harmony at 8-25PM.

The Chairman commenced the Harmony by presenting Archie Mcintosh with the Robt Kelly singles Bowl Shield, to which Archie replied by telling some of his usual humorous stories.

The rest of the evening was spent in song and recitation, our two new members contributing

to the programme. After a very happy
night the evening was brought to a close
at 10-30 P.M. in the usual manner by the
singing of all the verses of "Auld Lang
Syne."

Bar Drawings £5-30P.

George Lockhart Secy.
R Hendry (Treas)

Newcraighall Poosie Burns Club No 293

Newcraighall Welfare Institute (Upper Hall) 11th Nov 1942.

The meeting was opened in the usual manner by the Chairman Mr Robt Hendry, 19 Members being present.

Apologies for Absence - Mr Robt Porteous and Mr Alex Stewart - Illness.

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

Business Arising - The Secretary reported having visited Mr Ingles, Headmaster Niddrie Primary School, and collecting a Poosie Nansie Shield, which had been presented for competition, between Newcraighall Primary School and Niddrie Primary School.

This competition had only been held in 1923 and 1924.

Correspondence - Letters from Mr Pat Mooney and Rev. John Sinclair agreeing to propose the "Immortal Memory" and "The Toast to the Lasses" respectively.

Letter with 2 Complimentary tickets for Niddrie Bowling Club's Presentation - ~~no further action~~ Mr John Mallinson & Mrs Mallinson elected to attend.

Letter with 2 Complimentary tickets for Jewel Bowling

Club's presentation - Mr Jas Clason and
Mr Edward Baker elected to attend.

Letter from Burns Federation read in the
"Scots".

Some excerpts from Federation Quarterly
communication also read.

Any other Business - Programme for
Annual Supper on 24th January 1943 at 6 P.M.

Piper - Mr Norman Summors.

"Address to the Staggs" - David Peacock.

Grace (Selkirk) The Chairman

Song - "There was a Lad" - Mr Geo. Robertson

Toast - "The Immortal Memory" - Mr Pat. Moonie

Song - "A Man's a Man" - Mr Ian Row.

Vote of Thanks - The Chairman.

Song - The Leasing - Mr John Mallinson

Recitation - Lam O' Shanter - Mr David Peacock.

As our local Councillor Mr David Brown J.P.

was present, and he received a call at

this time it was decided to cut the

business short and go to harmony at

8-40 P.M..

Councillor David M. Brown J.P. introduced

Dr Gavin Strang M.P. and his friend

Mr Ross, who were heartily received

by the members present.

The harmony proceeded for half an hour,
when our friends asked to be excused as
they had another engagement.

The evening terminated at 10-20 P.M. by the
singing of all the verses of "Auld Lang Syne".

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

Newcraighall "Pooie Nansie" Burns Club No 293

Newcraighall Welfare Institute Upper Hall 9th Dec 1942.

The monthly meeting of the club was held in the above premises, 21 members being present.

Apologies for absence - Apologies were made for Mr Robt Forteous past Pres. and Mr David Peacock, who were both in Hospital.

Minutes - The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read, and approved, on the motion of Mr Geo Robertson, seconded by Mr Archie McIntosh.

Business Arising - After some discussion, it was agreed, that the Secretary would interview the Head-Teacher of Newcraighall Primary School, and Mr Ingles the Head-Master of Niddrie Primary School, to find out if a competition could be organized, for the "Pooie Nansie" Burns Shield, which had not been competed for since 1924.

Mr John Mallinson and Mr James Colson expressed their thanks for the very hospitable way in which they had been entertained at Niddrie and Jewel Bowling Club suppers. Mr Geo Robertson, seconded by Mr Wm Duncan proposed that we hold a mixed Social

evening about every two months, commencing in March. This evening to consist of dancing, sing-song and a light meal.

Conferring of Hon. President — The Secretary Mr Geo Stockhart was invited by the Chairman, to make the presentation of "a Burns Federation Badge", "the membership card", and a "Robert Burns Check" neck-tie, to Councillor David M Brown J.P.

In a short speech the Secretary remarked, that the club, ^{had} not had an Honorary President since 1946, and we would be delighted if our local councillor would accept this honour. In the past councillor Brown had been a good friend to the club, and this was our small way of showing our appreciation.

In reply councillor Brown expressed his thanks, and considered it a great honour to be Honorary President of "Poozie Nansie" 293, and remarked he would be proud to wear his Badge & Tie in any company.

Correspondence. — The Secy reported having received a Christmas card sample, from Waterson & Johnston Bernard St, Leith. — cost 5 P. each.

Mr Moir ordered 3, Mr Mallman 6 & Mr McIntosh 6.

The following programme was arranged for
our Annual Supper on 24th January 1943 at 6 P.M.

Piping in the Haggis - Norman Sumner
Address to the Haggis - David Peacock sub. A.M. Intosh
Bel Kirk Grace - The Chairman.

Song - There was a Lad - George Robertson.

Toast - The Immortal Memory - Mr Pat Moonie.

Song - A Mans a Man - Ian Pow.

Note of Thanks - The Chairman.

Song - The Leanigg - Mr John Mallinson

Recitation - Lam O' Shanter - David Peacock, sub. G. Hall

Interval

Song - Scots Wha Hae - Tom Ewing.

Song - A' the Airts - W^m Duncan

Toast - Tae the Lassies - Rev. John Sinclair.

Song - Green Grow the Rashes O' - John Mallinson

Reply to the Lassies - Geo Robertson.

Recitation - The Two Dogs - Geo Flockhart & Geo Robertson

Song - Ae Fond Kiss - Ian Pow.

Song - Willie Brewed a Peck o' Maut - Rab M^o Innes.

Toast - The Croupiers - John Matheson

Reply - " " - Jos Blason

Song - Afton Water - Robt Hendrie

Song - Bonnie Wee Thing - W^m Duncan.

Recitation - Selected - David M^o Intosh.

Auld Lang Syne -
 Verse 1 Councillor David M Brown J.P.
 " 2 Wm Duncan
 " 3 Geo Flockhart
 " 4 Ian Paw.
 " 5 Robt Hendry.

Invitations to our Annual Supper were agreed upon as follows - Newcraighall Welfare Club 2. - Middrie Bowling Club 2., - Jewel Bowling Club 2., - The Airt's Burns Club Prestonsians 2. - Dr Gavin Strang M.P., Mr Baxter Head-Master Peffermill Primary School, - Mr J. Ingles Head-Master Middrie Primary School, - Mr Charles McHay Secy & Treasurer of Newcraighall Minis Welfare & Social Club.

Lord Provost Jack Kane, - Lord John Wheatley, Mr Tom Smith, Steward & Club-Master of Newcraighall Minis Welfare & Social Club, & last but not least Wm Williamson the only living "Founder Member".

It was proposed by R. McInnes seconded by J. Mallinson that the price of the ^{Supper} ticket be £1-25. An amendment ^{was} moved by G. Flockhart seconded by Robt Hendry that the price be £1.

On the vote being taken the motion of £1-25 was carried by 10 Votes to 6.

The Chairman agreed to see Mr John Dawell & Mr Geo Williamson to act as Barmen at the Supper, and also to contact the ladies who usually do our catering to carry out the duties once again.

It was agreed that a member could bring two friends and he would be responsible for ~~the~~ ticket costs.

The treasurer reported a Balance in the Bank of £55-5P.

The business being finished at 9-55 P.M. the club then went to Harmony.

Sings, Stories & recitations were contributed by the members present, and the evening concluded at 10-45 P.M. with the singing of Auld Lang Syne, the first verse being sung by our newly elected Hon President Councillor David McBrown J.P.

George Ylockhart
(Hon Secy.)
A Hendry (Pres)