



St Andrews - Loches Alliance

Newsletter, Christmas 2022

Dear Members

Happily this year everything slowly got back to normal and we were able to hold two lovely events in the second part of the year. In June members enjoyed lunch on the most perfect summer's day at Craigfoodie, the beautiful gardens of James and Lindsay Murray



A special memory to hold on to in these dark wintry days.

In November we had a Cheese and Wine tasting led by the incredibly knowledgeable Peter Wood of the St Andrews Wine Company. In his fascinating commentary Peter introduced us to unusual but delicious wine and cheese pairings which I'm sure no one present would ever have considered possible.



Now to the future; the last few years have given us time to think and to re-evaluate the work we do to encourage cooperation of all sorts with the town of Loches. We have many exciting new initiatives in the pipeline for 2023 and I will be able to talk more of these at our

January Drinks Party to which you are all invited



*New Year Drinks and Canapés
at The St Rule Club, The Links*



Friday 13th January 2023 6.30 – 8.00pm

Tickets £10



If you would like to pay by electronic transfer: Sort code: 83-26-28 A/c 00246214

Name: The St Andrews Loches Alliance. Please enter your name and 'January Drinks' in the reference space.

Alternatively send a cheque to me: Joyce Duncan, 3 Beley Bridge, St Andrews KY16 8LX payable to 'The St Andrews-Loches Alliance'



Festival of Christmas Trees



The Alliance is sponsoring a Christmas Tree as part of the Festival of Christmas Trees at Holy Trinity Church. Please pop in and see our creation! The Church will hopefully be open from 10am – 4pm for the week beginning 12th December. The trees will be sold after the festival and profits will go to Maggie's Centre in Dundee. To accompany the Festival Callum MacLeod, one of our committee members, will be giving a free piano recital 'The Lighter Side of Christmas' on Saturday 17th at 4pm and Professor Ian Bradley, husband of another,

is giving an illustrated talk 'Stories behind your favourite carols' at 4pm on Sunday 18th. Both events are free and will take place in Holy Trinity. It would be lovely to see members there.

Visit from Loches

After a break of three years we are finally able to welcome a group from Loches early next summer. They will arrive on the evening of Friday June 22 and leave on the morning of Monday June 26. A busy programme of events is being organised for their visit. If you would like to host one or more of our visitors please let me know. Obviously there is much more information to follow.

SCO Concert Bar

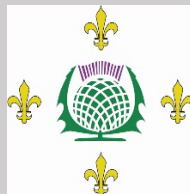
We are once again running the bar at the SCO concerts in the Younger Hall. This helps to keep the Loches flag flying in the wider community and we make a modest profit. While the bar is run by the committee we would love some help from our members too. Please get in touch with me if you would like to help. Why not volunteer? The next concert is on Tuesday 3 January 2023 at 7.30. We are there from approximately 6.30 –9pm .

So, lots of dates for these 2023 diaries! All that remains is for me to wish all our members

Joyeux Noël, Bonne Année

et à bientôt !

Joyce



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