



NANTWICH & DISTRICT SCOTTISH SOCIETY

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Dear Members

I have been asked to put pen to paper, so to speak, before venturing into the unknown (to me) depths of north and east Germany. I hope my journey will be as enjoyable as our recent treasure hunt, if accounts given by the participants are accurate. What a night, though, in the driving rain, having to vacate a dry car to gather certain items of information. Back at base, having changed from the soggy clothes of the car park (I spent forty minutes in the rain, explaining clues, maps etc), warmed by a pub meal, we awaited the arrival of the “teams”.



The Whitegate Way Walk - smile please!



Traditional walking weather

There were a few surprises here as the cars did not return in the order in which they had set out – a few detours and back-tracking having occurred. All those smiling faces, sitting patiently awaiting the results, exchanging details of their adventures, when the last car pulled in and recorded their mileage – a mere 240+ miles; had they been to see the Queen, or misread the mileage initially? Winners were announced and prizes distributed. The booby prize was worth winning, too – bright orange bucket, a sponge and a year’s worth of car shampoo! Maybe you would like to join in the fun next year?

Liz and Rob organised and led a walk along the Whitegate Way. Rain – what rain? A good walk, even better company, and lovely food. The photo shows us in a rather bedraggled state; not to be deterred, we soon completed the circuit, changed our shoes and went looking for the meal which we had ordered before venturing out.

Our demo team is busy over the holiday period, entertaining at several summer fetes – flying the flag for Scottish country dancing. A dedicated group, with Liz at the helm, they are also busy rehearsing new routines for the coming year. They certainly do us proud.

Many of you were at Worleston for our summer dance in the new village hall. A lovely, sprung floor, and music provided by Ian Slater. We had a wonderful time! Everyone enjoyed the dancing – there were many positive comments from visitors as well as members – your committee worked hard to ensure a fun evening.

Thank you, everyone, committee and members, for making this event a success.



Ian Slater - musician at our Summer Dance

Could I take this opportunity to remind you that membership fees are due, preferably *before* we return to dancing on Monday 7th September. Please refer to the attached renewal form. It would be of enormous help if you could post your form and cheque to Sylvia BEFORE the start date, so that she doesn't have to spend the first few evenings of the season sorting out forms, payments and membership cards – she comes along to dance, too!.

In the meantime, I hope the lovely weather continues; enjoy it. Please spare a thought, and offer up a prayer, for those who are coping with difficult situations, whether here or abroad. Be thankful for the freedom we enjoy.

See you in September

Maureen

10th July, 2015



Summer Dance at Worleston, 3rd July



Dates for your Diary 2015-16

- Mon 7th Sept** – start of dancing season
- Mon 2nd Nov** - President's & Visitors' Night
- Mon 30th Nov** - St. Andrew's Night celebrations
- Mon 14th Dec** - Hamper raffle / last dance before Christmas
- Mon 11th Jan** - New Year Party / Ceilidh
- Sat 23rd Jan** - Burns Night at the Masonic Hall, Willaston
- Sat 5th March** - Annual Ball with Alan Ross & His Band
- Mon 25th April** - AGM
- Mon 23rd May** - last dancing of the season

Plus countryside walks in Autumn and Spring, another Tea Party in the Spring and a Summer Treasure Hunt.



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**A Note From The Secretary**

Peter Marshall has asked me to give advance notice of a *very* important date for your Diaries.

Peter has a special birthday next year and to celebrate he has booked Nantwich Civic Hall on **Monday 4th July 2016**. Marian Anderson and Her Band will provide the music. There will be food and, of course, dancing and you are all invited!

There will be no charge, but a collection will be made for **MacMillan Nurses**.

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