



The Caledonian Society of Oman

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A Note from the Publicity Officer - Muriel Manners

Well here we are heading for the end of December already and another two functions under our belts...

As you all know, we had the St Andrew's Ball on 29th November in the lovely surroundings of the InterContinental Gardens. We were delighted to host this event with over 400 guests in attendance. The meal was delicious, the RAFO pipes and drums were fabulous and the band, Craigellachie, were fantastic.... What more can you ask?

The money raised by the Society at this event will be distributed to the National Association for Cancer Awareness here in Oman and Children's Holiday Venture which is run by volunteers from Edinburgh University, they take underprivileged youngsters on trips away and are hoping to purchase a minibus for this purpose, your money will go towards this.

The Family Ceilidh was held on 30th November. A few die-hards from the night before turned up with their children all dressed in their best party frocks and a fair few in tartan – a wonderful sight! Everyone in attendance was up dancing, it was a great to see, young and old dancing the Dashing White Sergeant together. A great start for a new event on the Caledonian Social Calendar.

The Burns Supper will be held on Thursday 24th January, again in the Jabrin Ballroom of the InterContinental. For those of you who attended last year's Burns Supper, you may remember the band, "Skalder" (meaning "loud" in Gaelic); they will be visiting us again and rocking the rafters with Scottish music. **Please note there will be speeches and poetry recited at this function!**

Tickets will go on sale on Monday 7th January 8.00 – 9.30 am and again from 6.00 – 7.30 pm and Tuesday 8th January 8.00 – 9.30 am (if there are any left) in the downstairs entryway of the InterContinental Hotel. Tickets will be sold on a "first come first served" basis. Please note that there will be no email booking of tickets this time, this was a mammoth undertaking and proved not be efficient.

Again this will be a non-smoking event.

The next Family Ceilidh will be held the following day, on Friday 25th January when we promise to have the band playing this time. The venue for this popular event will be the Sinbad Ballroom of the Crowne Plaza Hotel and again will be from 2.00 – 4.00 pm.

Tickets will go on sale at the same time as the Burns Supper tickets (see timings above). These will be priced at 4 RO per head with tea/coffee and biscuits for the adults and a snack and juice supplied for the kids.

Following the huge success of last years event sponsored by internationally renowned architects – Wimberly, Allison, Tong & Goo, we are proud to announce the 3rd Annual WATG/ CALSOC Charity Golf Tournament 2007. The tournament has been held over to 2008 due to clashes with other events and national holidays. The event is a relaxed fun format with no restriction on handicap or gender.

The Date: Thursday 14th February 2008
The Venue: Ghallah Wentworth GC – Muscat
The Format: 9 holes, Stableford, full handicap.

Tee-Off: 3.00 / 3.30 pm (shotgun start)
Presentation: 6.30 / 7.00 pm
Buffet Dinner: 7.00 / 7.30 pm
Music / Dancing: 8.00 till late

Entry Fee: RO 2.000 - per player
RO 2.000 - per person taking dinner

Prizes to play for include:-

The CALSOC 'Quaich' (open) -	Open Champion	1 st Prize
	Runner up	2 nd Prize
The CALSOC 'Quaich' (members) -	Members Champion	1 st Prize
	Runner up	2 nd Prize
Nearest the Pin -	Open	1 st Prize
Most Golf -	Open	Last Prize

A charity raffle draw will be arranged on the night. Proceeds will be added to the CALSOC funds collected from events throughout the year and donated directly to various charities in Scotland and the Sultanate of Oman.

Important Notices:-

All entries must be in before Monday 11th February 2008. Entries may be made by signing the Registration Form posted at the Ghallah Wentworth GC Clubhouse, or by tel/text to : Tony Coyle – (gsm) 99356610 – (home) 24567460.

When registering please provide the following :-

1. Name of Player(s)
2. Handicap(s)
3. No. of players and guests attending dinner
4. Contact telephone number.

Look forward to seeing you all there. Good luck.

FORTHCOMING EVENT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2008

The Scottish Food night is in the Caledonian diary for Thursday 13th March although the details have yet to be confirmed.

The Spring Ceilidh will be held on Thursday 24th April when the band Laverock has agreed to come and entertain us again. We have had such great feedback for the band that this should be a great night, so get this date in your diary as well.

Global Scuba is offering members of the Caledonian Society discounts. Just mention us and you can SAVE.
marketing@global-scuba.com
Sophiya 99826725

Nomad Tours are offering our members 10% discount on game fishing, luxury yacht charters as well as Muscat sea adventures through 2008

The Caledonian Society of Oman

2007 – 2008 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

The Society organises social events to promote the Spirit of Scotland to its patrons in the Sultanate of Oman

NAME:

SPOUSE/PARTNER'S NAME:

COMPANY NAME:

POSTAL ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE (HOME): (OFFICE):

(GSM): EMAIL ADDRESS:

Full membership is open to you only if you are Scottish, or have Scottish parents or grandparents. Only full members may hold office in the Society. Other Nationalities may also join.

Please indicate as appropriate:

Full/Family membership	5 RO	
Single membership	3 RO	

New Member	
Renewal membership	

Note: Cheques should be made payable to The Caledonian Society of Oman. Please return this completed form, along with payment (cash or cheque) to: Sandra Durning, PO Box 558, PC 116 or to The Family Bookshop, MQ, where a Membership Box is situated.

What are your/your spouse's/partner's interests?

Would you be interested in serving on the committee? Yes / No

Would you be willing to help organise any events? Yes / No

I/We hereby apply for membership in The Caledonian Society of Oman as indicated above. Fee for the year/period ending 31st March 2008 is enclosed.

Signature: Date:

Membership Secretary: Sandra Durning Tel: 95909782 or Email: calsocoman@yahoo.com