

# The Guildry Incorporation of Dundee



## GAZETTE



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### Lord Dean's Welcome—First Edition

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### Stop Press: Ladies Dinner Announced.

Members of the Guildry and their wives or partners are invited to attend a dinner to be held in the Council Chambers. The date for your diaries is Friday 11th September at 7.00 for 7.30 and the renowned *Farmer's Wife*, Mrs Helen Gardiner of Forfar, who features in the Dundee Courier, is to be the guest speaker.

There will be great interest in this function and members are urged to reserve places as soon as possible after the booking forms are received.

#### *Dear Fellow Guild Brothers,*

I am delighted that with the help of Assessor Neil Cuthbert aided by other Assessors we are able to produce our first ( and last! ) Guildry Gazette during my tenure of office as your Lord Dean of Guild.

Your Assessorate have tried to be proactive and innovative during this current year to take this Ancient and Honourable Incorporation forward and to increase public

awareness of our organisation.

Whilst we have achieved a considerable amount, I think the School's Competition which is featured in this newsletter is an exemplary way of promoting us, not only in this year but in the years ahead.

We would welcome any comments or suggestions you have as to how we might make this Incorporation better for ourselves and



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for the people of the City of Dundee.

**Robert Burns**  
**Lord Dean of Guild**

### Dundee Schools Competition

The Guildry are inviting all primary 7 classes in Dundee to participate in an environmental studies based competition around the theme of

#### **"Trade and the growth and development of Dundee through the ages"**

The competition fits in ideally with the P6/7 environmental studied topic People in the Past - Local Study - Archives and Evidence and is suited to a study based on the principles of curriculum for excellence.

It is hoped that entries will look at one or more aspects of how trade has influenced the position Dundee find itself in today, and where it may be in the future.

This can be based around Dundee merchants, trading partners the city had/has, the influence of shipping, transport, Dundee industries past, present and in the future such as shipbuilding, whaling, jute and technology, and the Guildry itself and its influence over many years.

The pupils can present their findings in any way they wish, models, textease presentation, artwork, collage, written and or pictorial submissions, posters, leaflets etc.

Awards of prizes and certificates will be made at a civic reception on Monday 29th June.

### *Kirkin'*

The Annual Kirkin' of the Guildry (see photo above) took place on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2009 when the Lord Dean of Guild, his Assessors, Officials and Members assembled within the City Chambers, Dundee and processed along and into the Dundee Parish Church (St Mary's) for the Kirkin' Service. The Lord Provost kindly hosted a small reception after the Kirkin'.

### **Members Visit**

A members visit to D (Dundee) Squadron 205 (Scottish) Field Hospital (Volunteers) at Oliver Barracks, Rodd Road is being planned—look out for details to follow.

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## New Robes for a New Era

The Lord Dean's robes were quite literally "falling apart" and new robes have been purchased from Ede & Ravenscroft at a cost of £5,232 -50. They are quite splendid and an identical replacement for the original antique garments. The membership were invited to contribute towards meeting the cost of this enterprise and to date donations totalling £3,430 have been received,

All donations will qualify for tax relief under the Gift Aid Scheme and therefore the collector asks

each donor who has already donated to sign the enclosed Gift Aid Declaration Form and enter his name, address and tick the appropriate box. A refund of 25p in the £1 will be received in which should bring the current total collected to around £4,000 (gross), therefore the fund is only 80% subscribed.

However the appeal is still open and anyone still to contribute should send the donation and gift aid form to the collector.

## Court of Deans

Lord Dean Robert Burns is to take up the Presidency of the Court of Deans of Guild, Scotland in April of this year and until April 2010. Although demitting the office of Lord Dean in October, he has agreed to fulfil the national post for the full twelve months.

## THE CITY OF DISCOVERY CHARITY CONCERT



**CAIRD HALL**  
**Saturday 23rd May 2009**  
**7.30pm**  
**ALFIE BOE Tenor**  
**Royal Scottish National**  
**Orchestra**  
**Conductor David Danzmayr**

**The National Youth Choir of**  
**Scotland**  
**(Dundee Youth Choir)**  
**Christina Lawrie (Piano)**

## Golf Match

Panmure Golf Club hosted a field of seven teams in a hard fought competition organized by the Guildry of Dundee on 23rd April. Guildry Incorporations of Aberdeen, Arbroath, Brechin, Dundee and Perth competed with Arbroath running out as eventual winners. Thanks go to organisers Assessors David Comb, and David Adam and friend Ally Geddes.

## Win a bottle of Champagne!

Simply guess in years and months, the age of LDG old robes. Answers to

[neil@neilcuthbert.com](mailto:neil@neilcuthbert.com)

Sorry—Assessors and

archivists are banned  
from entry!



## New Members 2008/9

Richard Gillis, Joseph John Morrow, William A Spence, Dr Andrew Charles Hourd, Dr Harry Leadbitter, Ian Mathers and Brian Kidd were admitted during the current Guildry Year.

## Lord Dean of Guild and Assessors



### Lord Dean of Guild

Robert William Burns

### Clerk

Charles Fraser Scott Williamson

### Collector

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Graeme Wilson Spowart

George Brian Robertson Cram

David Stevenson Adam

John Stewart Robertson

David Anderson Comb

William Neil Cuthbert

Charles Fraser Scott Williamson

David Howard Price

Ian Bell Rae

Brian McKernie

## Duncan of Jordanstone

The Annual Awards ceremony conducted by the Lord Dean to those students on the European Conservation course will be made at Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art & Design on Thursday 29th May at 11.00am Guildry brothers are welcome to attend and should notify the Clerk of that intention.