

The Scottish Pottery Society

Glasgow Branch Newsletter

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As another season draws to its close I hope those who have attended our meetings have enjoyed them. Last season's committee has been re-elected and will be meeting soon to draw up a programme for next year. For those who cannot attend the next meeting on Monday 12 May, may you have a pleasant summer and manage to find pottery for our September meeting, 'Summer Finds'.

Suggestions of topics for next season's meetings will be welcomed.

1. Last meeting, Monday, 14 April, 2104: Branch AGM and bring along your money boxes.

The elected committee is:

Hon. Chairman Douglas Leishman

Hon. Secretary Anne Kerr

Hon. Treasurer Brian McCrossan

Hon. Archivist (no appointment)

Hon. Photographic Archivist Douglas Leishman

Members: David Allen, Douglas Bowie, Len Fisher, Hazel Mills, Jean MacKenzie, Hugh McIntyre, Morag Pettigrew, Crissie White,

Delegates to the Council are Anne Kerr, Douglas Leishman and Jean MacKenzie. Douglas Bowie and Hazel Mills are co-opted to the Council.

Delegates to the Publications Subcommittee are Douglas Leishman and Hazel Mills.

This year's accounts show a loss of £29.00. This is without the addition of Gift Aid which is yet to come from HMRC. Cash in the bank is £3600.72. The meeting reviewed subscription levels (currently £22 for single membership and £27 for family membership) and agreed there was no pressing reason to increase them. However, under any other competent business the meeting, after a brief discussion, agreed in principle that in future subscriptions for both the Glasgow and Edinburgh Branches should be set at the same rate. The new membership structure proposed by the Council was also agreed, which replaces family membership with a rate for students/additional members of a household that receives only one copy of SPS publications. Council proposes that this rate should be set at £6, with the rate for single membership being £22, which leaves the Glasgow single membership subscription unchanged.

Jean MacKenzie reported that there had been a poor response to her questionnaire sent to all members.

At the conclusion of the meeting Crissie White chaired the discussion on the money boxes brought along by members.

Just some are shown below.



Crissie white



These hens are now attributed to the Cumnock Pottery



Unknown potteries





Painted biscuit ware for the poor



2. Next Meeting, Monday, 12 May 2014. Port Dundas Pottery

I will be trying to shed some light on the complex life of the Port Dundas Pottery, Glasgow. There will be many photographs and pots to look at. Please bring along pieces from your own collection.

3. Bulletin 60

The next Bulletin should be available for picking up at the May Meeting.

4. **SPS AGM. Friday 9 May.** Remember to attend our AGM in the Edinburgh Branch's meeting place.

5. **Portobello Heritage Trust.** Celebratory event to mark the completed rebuild of the Buchan pottery kiln at 2.00pm Saturday 10 May at Bridge Street, Portobello. Go to our web site to see the official flier.

6. Some Forthcoming Fairs (May /June/ July, 2014)

Sunday	4 May/1 June/6 July	Meadowbank Stadium, London Road, Edinburgh
Saturday	3 May/7 June/5 July	Albert Halls, Dumbarton Road, Stirling
Sunday	18 May	Bellahouston Leisure Centre, Glasgow . June & July cancelled due to Commonwealth games.
Saturday	31 May/28 June/ 26July	The Citadel Leisure Centre, Ayr Baths, South Beach Road, Ayr
Sunday	31 May/14 June	Loch Leven Community Campus, the Muirs, Kinross KY13 8FQ
Sunday	27 July	The Carnegie Conference Centre, Halbeath Road, behind Holiday Inn, Dunfermline
Sat/Sun,	10/11May	Ingliston, Edinburgh