

# DUNFERMLINE STRATHSPEY & REEL SOCIETY



## AGENDA

FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF  
THE DUNFERMLINE STRATHSPEY AND REEL SOCIETY  
TO BE HELD ON 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
IN ABBEYVIEW BOWLING CLUB

1. APOLOGIES
2. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS
3. MINUTES OF AGM 2024
4. CONVENOR'S REPORT – DANIA WOOD
5. SECRETARY'S/CONDUCTOR'S REPORT – GWYNETH YOUNG
6. TREASURER'S REPORT – AMY DONALDSON
7. AOCB



Annual General Meeting

Abbeyview Bowling Club

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**PRESENT:** Ewan Archibald, Amy Donaldson, Ian Donaldson, , David Service, Dania Wood, Gwyneth Young, Jean Young, Molly Sinclair, Bill Sinclair, Heather McCallum, Lesley Kerr, Alan Chapman, Scott Morton, Anne Morrison, Helen Keeley, Alex Wilkie, Alex Miller-King

**Apologies for Absence:** Brian Mitchell, Stuart Fowell

**Election of Office Bearers:** Present Committee members all agreed to continue in office. Agreed at the AGM, proposed by Molly Sinclair, seconded by Jean Young.

Convenor : Dania Wood

Secretary : Gwyneth Young / Ian Donaldson

Treasurer : Amy Donaldson

Conductor : Gwyneth Young

Leader : Dania Wood

Ordinary committee members: David Service, Brian Mitchell, Alan Chapman

**Minutes of AGM 2024:** Minutes agreed, proposed by Alan Chapman, seconded by Amy Donaldson.

**Convenor's Report:**

Good evening & welcome to our AGM of 2025.

We continue to work hard in all our rehearsals throughout the year and Gwyneth as our conductor, continues to give us many challenges with the music, which I am sure will continue for the coming year.

Our annual rally was held in May and this was again a sell out in terms of ticket sales and was a great success. We are now looking forward to this year's annual event in the Carnegie Hall on the 10<sup>th</sup> May 2025 where along with our own society members we will be joined by players who we have invited from other societies across Scotland. The rally and other small concerts we provide allows us to perform what we have been rehearsing through the year at our weekly rehearsals.

We have had some new members join us this year again and we continue to rehearse here in Abbey View Bowling on a weekly basis.

Sadly, some of our members due to ill health have had to stop attending and we wish them well. Your committee continues to work well together and are always enthusiastic to support the activities of the society. We welcomed new members to the committee this past year, Alan Chapman and Brian Mitchell. Amy Donaldson continues in her role as treasurer and keeps the membership list up to date. Amy has continued to support both Gwyneth and myself with music arrangements and checking chords and ensuring that all of the music is sent out to everyone. A big thank you, Amy, for doing this.

I am pleased to report that we now have a new website which all member should be able to access. This was built by nephew Robert Jack and Robert is happy to support us in keeping it up to date. There is a member's area now where all the music for violin and accordions should be held for the current session. The area is password protected so members can request the password either from myself or Amy. If you can't find anything on it just ask. Plea from me is at events we are at if we can take photos/share videos etc we can put on website and show that we are an active group. So far, we have had positive feedback on the build. Any suggestions for anything you would like to see on the website just let me know.

Finally, one person who is important every week is Ian Donaldson who supports us behind the scenes and dishes out the "tea" every week at rehearsals which I know we all enjoy.

Dania Wood Convenor/Leader of the Orchestra 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

### **Secretary and Conductor's Report:**

First and foremost, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks, to each and every one of you, for your hard work and dedication. Your efforts have significantly improved our standards, and it is truly appreciated.

I am also pleased to welcome our new members. We are thrilled to have you join us and hope that you will stay with us for a long time, contributing to our continued success.

This past year, we have increased the number of concerts we perform, and I am excited about the prospect of even more concerts in the future. Your enthusiasm and commitment make this possible.

Reflecting on last year's rally, it was a tremendous success and enjoyed by all. It showcased our collective spirit and dedication, and I am confident that we can achieve even greater things in the coming year.

Thank you once again for your hard work and dedication. Let's continue to strive for excellence and make the upcoming year even more successful.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

This year, we made a profit of just over £280 as opposed to last year where the profit was only £66.47 despite including a donation of £300 from the Murphy's business.

When you compare this year's figures to those of last year and then look at the areas where we had made changes, you can see that there are three items that show a definite increase in revenue. We increased our subscriptions from £20 / £10 to £25 / £12.50 and gained three new members but unfortunately the anticipated increase was slightly negated by the loss of five members. We also increased the price of the rally tickets, and this did produce a significant increase in income, as did the playing for two ceilidhs (which brought in £250) and several concerts (which brought in a further £180).

Last year, I was unhappy that, without the very kind donation of £300, we would have been running at a loss; this year I am quite happy with our finances and so recommend no changes – as long as we keep looking for opportunities to provide concerts for others.

Amy Donaldson Treasurer

**A.O.C.B.:**

There being no further business, the meeting closed, and Dania thanked members for attending.

**I A Donaldson**



**26th April 2025**

**Approved by:**

**A. DONALDSON**



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