



**BANGKOK ST ANDREW'S SOCIETY
ANNUAL BALL**



Saturday, 30th November 2024

Amari Watergate Hotel

Céud míle fáilte!

CHIEFTAIN'S WELCOME

Fellow Scots, friends and guests

A warm welcome to our celebration of our patron saint. It does not often fall on St Andrew's Day and so we hope this will be a memorable evening. On behalf of the Society, I extend our welcome to the representative of the British Embassy, Deputy Head of Mission, David Thomas.

We are delighted that the Gordon School of Dancing Montrose have returned to dazzle us with their dance displays. Whisky Kiss made their debut in Bangkok in 2023 and are back with another fun ceilidh for everyone to enjoy. No St Andrew's Ball would be complete without the pipes and drums of the British Club Pipe Band.

Committee member, Paul Phenix will keep things running as MC for the evening.

We are grateful to the Asean St Andrew's Society and The Rio Club who have sponsored the band's flights. We are happy to welcome Isle of Barra Distillers, Serenity Wines Asia, Alchemy Wines and Spirits, Flow Inter, Fah Mai Holdings and Bruichladdich tonight and appreciate their continued support at other events all through the year. Thank you to the donors of the fabulous prizes for our charity raffle. A special mention to Eva Air, Zeavola Resort and Jim Thomson for our top prizes. Proceeds will be donated to the Gift of Happiness in Thailand and Debra in Scotland.

We are delighted to be back at the Amari where the ball was held for several years. They have put together a delicious menu with a Scottish twist. A huge thank you to the Amari staff for their hospitality.

The Ball takes a lot of organisation to put together. I thank fellow members of the committee for their support and commitment to making it a success.

We look forward to a wonderful evening of celebration through music, dance, food, drink and friendship. I thank everyone who has made this possible.

Slàinte Mhath!

Karen Burr

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL SPONSORS THIS EVENING!





PROMOTING COLLABORATION BETWEEN ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETIES

The individual work of St. Andrew Societies in South-East Asia is diverse and highly significant. Each of these independent societies is run by a committed and hardworking committee who represent the best of Scotland in the countries in which they are located.

The ASEAN St. Andrew's Society was formed to help improve communication, collaboration and support between each of these societies. Much of the region has been negatively affected by the significant downturn in the oil industry. The repatriation of such workers has caused local society membership numbers to fall dramatically. This, in turn, reduces the possibility of hosting local society events such as the St Andrews Ball and the Burns Supper, both would be much missed by the members of the societies affected.

The ASEAN St. Andrews society can provide additional sponsorship to member societies. Importantly, it is a non-profit organisation, which seeks no financial reward.

www.aseanstandrewsociety.com

Programme

- 18.30 Cocktail Reception and Canapes
- 19.00 Bangkok British Club Pipe Band
- 19.10 Ballroom Entrance
- 19.20 Chieftain's Party Entrance
(led by the Chieftain's Piper, Keith Walker)
- 19.30 Anthems and Toasts
- 19.40 Gordon School of Dancing – Set 1
- 19.50 Chieftain's Address and Selkirk Grace
- 20.00 Dinner is served
- Gordon School of Dancing – Set 2
- Whisky Kiss – Gay Gordons
- Silent Auction
- i. *'Mull of Kintyre' signed by Paul McCartney*
 - ii. *James Bond 007 Montage*
- 21.00 Whisky Kiss - Ceilidh Set 1
- 22.00 Bangkok British Club Pipe Band
- 22.15 Whisky Kiss - Ceilidh Set 2
- 23.10 Raffle Draw
- 23.30 Whisky Kiss
- incl. Flower of Scotland, Auld Lang Syne*
- 01.00 Carriages & Hame

Bangkok St Andrew's Society
Menu, 30th November 2024

Appetizer

Beets salmon gravlax, marinated beets, sour cream, cherry tomato, Melba toast
Smoked beets salmon, beets slice, sour cream, salad leaves, ranch dressing, Melba toast

Or

Appetizer (Vegetarian)

Roasted honey pumpkin, beetroot and goat cheese with walnut salad

Or

Appetizer (Vegan)

Roasted honey pumpkin, beetroot, cherry tomato, lemon dressing

Haggis, bashed neeps and Champit tatties

Mashed potatoes, turnip and haggis

Or

Vegetarian haggis, bashed neeps and Champit tatties

Mashed potatoes, turnip and vegetarian haggis

Main dishes

Seared striploin with rosemary roasted root vegetables, caramelized onion and Brussels sprouts

Marinated seared beef striploin, slow cooked caramelized onion, roast vegetables, sautéed Brussels sprouts, red wine sauce

Or

Seared sea bass with morels, mushroom sauce and peppered honey roasted root vegetables

Sea bass, morel mushroom, wild mushroom sauce, mixed root vegetables

Main dish (Vegetarian)

Aubergine moussaka with feta cheese and roasted honey baby carrot

Aubergine stuffed layers, feta cheese, marinated honey baby carrot, spicy tomato sauce

Main dish (Vegan)

Vegan Aubergine moussaka, baby carrot, roast potato, spicy tomato sauce

Desserts

Cranachan cheesecake with chocolate Glenfiddich mousse

Or

Vegan chocolate cake, raspberry coulis, fresh berries, oat crumble

Selection of soft and hard cheeses, bread, dried fruits, and crackers

(Sharing, 2 plates per table)

Tea/Coffee/Shortbread



Whisky Kiss are a band from Scotland who concoct an exciting mix of the traditional & modern. Their mission is to breathe some 21st century life into the fabulous, ancient Highland tunes of Scotland, mixing bagpipes with hip-hop beats & violins with dance anthems...and it works!

The band hold two Guinness World Records and are grateful to perform at the biggest Scottish events (or 'Ceilidh') all over the world, including New York Tartan Week (11yrs), Edinburgh's Hogmanay (7yrs), Shanghai & Singapore Balls (10yrs), UK Embassy Ball in Berlin (5yrs). They are the go-to act for private parties for the rich & famous, all over the world, and are so excited to be returning to Thailand for the Bangkok St Andrew's Society Ball.



Introducing The Band:

Brogan Bauld – Fiddler / Dance Caller

Jack O'Rourke – Drums

Hamish Drennan – Bagpipes / Whistles

Sophie Joint – Piano (BBC Young Musician of the Year Finalist)

The British Club Pipe Band

The band was formed in 2008 and has been playing regularly at the Ball and other St Andrew's Society events since then. It is led by Pipe Major Keith Walker, former Pipe Major of the 42nd Highlanders (Black Watch Regiment) and Lead Drummer George Morgan, who has been drumming since he was a schoolboy at Fettes College, Edinburgh, where he was also Lead Drummer. They are ably assisted by Pipe Sergeant Nutt Ingavat, Pipers Jim Orr, Chatchan Tasanasiri & Sheldon Drover, along with Drummer Mark Dixon.

The Pipe Band is available to play in uniform at British Club functions, private parties, sporting events, weddings, etc.

Follow them at: <https://www.facebook.com/BritishClubBangkokPipeBand/>



The Gordon School of Dancing Montrose

The Gordon School of Dancing Montrose is very well known, not only in Scotland, but in many corners of the world with pupils having performed in France, Italy, Spain, Turkey, USA, Canada, Trinidad, China and, of course, the highlight of their year, the St Andrew's Ball here in Bangkok. The school was recognised by the Angus Council with it being awarded the much-coveted Angus Ambassadors Award.

Boys and girls from as young as 2 years are taught many forms of dance. "I like to think that my pupils breathe new life into traditional Scottish dancing while remaining true to a long and well-respected tradition. Robina, the leader and owner of the school, says. "My unique choreography and upbeat music prove very popular with audiences."

Follow them at: <https://www.facebook.com/gordonschoolofdancing>



PAST CHIEFTAINS OF OUR SOCIETY

GRACING THE 134 YEARS SINCE OUR FOUNDATION IN 1890

1890	R. Gordon	1951 - 1952	S.S. Marr
1890 - 1892	J.R. Smith	1952 - 1953	N.A. Richardson
1892 - 1894	F.D. Mitchell	1953 - 1955	R.W. Fothergill
1894 - 1901	J. Mackay	1956 - 1957	N.A. Richardson
1901 - 1903	J.M. Dunlop	1957 - 1958	J. Bate
1903 - 1905	A.E. Stiven	1958 - 1959	J.L. Kennedy
1905 - 1907	A.M. Bruce	1959 - 1960	R.A. Kennedy
1907 - 1910	W.S. Livingstone	1960 - 1961	C. Stewart
1910 - 1911	Dr. H. Cambell-Highet	1961 - 1962	J. Bate
1911 - 1912	A.A. Smith	1962 - 1963	G.A. Sommerfield
1912 - 1913	J. Keddie	1963 - 1964	R.A. Kennedy
1913 - 1914	I.S. Smart	1964 - 1965	A.W. Greenlees
1914 - 1918	W.A. Graham	1965 - 1966	C. Stewart
1918 - 1919	W.E. Adam	1966 - 1967	D.G. Frazer
1919 - 1920	W.A. Graham	1967 - 1968	I.M. Gibson
1920 - 1921	R.B.R. Mair	1968 - 1969	G.A. Sommerfield
1921 - 1922	G.C.S Forsyth	1969 - 1970	E.M. Macdonald
1922 - 1923	J.M. Sinclair	1970 - 1971	C. Stewart
1923 - 1924	J. Macdonald	1971 - 1972	R.E. Lynn &
1924 - 1925	D. Robertson		W.G.G. McKerron
1925 - 1927	A.R. Malcolm	1972 - 1973	J.R. Meoley
1927 - 1928	J. Dunn &	1973 - 1974	D.G. Frazer
	T. Fox	1974 - 1975	G.J. Faulos
1928 - 1929	J. Cairncross	1975 - 1976	A. Robertson
1929 - 1932	F. Cambell	1976 - 1977	D.G. Bruce
1932 - 1935	F. Cairncross	1977 - 1978	I.M. Gibson
1935 - 1936	W.S. Chapman	1978 - 1979	J.F. Watson
1936 - 1938	W.M. Cochrane	1979 - 1980	S.B. McCall
1939 - 1941	C.H.H. Monro	1980 - 1981	I Fleming
1941 - 1942	J.S. Loudon	1981 - 1982	E.J. Miller
1942 - 1945	<i>Far Eastern War</i>	1982 - 1983	J.B. Younger
1945 - 1948	Society in Abeyance	1983 - 1984	D.B. Murdoch
1948 - 1951	R.W. Fothergill	1984 - 1985	D. Niven

1985 – 1986	P.G.A. Buckland	2005 - 2007	A.M. McAllister
1986 – 1987	L.J.R. Currie	2007 - 2008	A. Sloan
1987 - 1988	J.L. Wood	2008 - 2009	J. MacTaggart
1989 – 1990	L.M. Gibson	2009 - 2010	W. Christie
1990 - 1991	L.M. Gibson	2010 - 2011	K. Hastie Smith
1991 - 1992	D.T.M. Forrest	2011 - 2013	P. Phenix
1992 - 1993	W.A. Barr	2013 - 2014	R.R. Thomas
1993 - 1994	E.M. Stewart	2014 - 2015	M.F. Brooks
1994 - 1995	A.N. Forbes	2015 - 2016	D. Riach
1995 - 1996	D.T. Nelson	2016 - 2018	D. Cumming
1996 - 1997	E. Evans	2018 - 2022	J.J. McLeary
1997 - 1998	W. Carruthers	2022 - 2023	D. Cumming
1998 - 1999	E. Cook	2023 - present	K.A. Burr
1999 - 2000	R. Henderson		
2000 - 2001	R.M. Imran		
2001 - 2002	J.P. Napier		
2002 - 2003	M. Henderson		
2003 - 2004	D. Fegan		
2004 – 2005	K.T. Gibson		

Bangkok St Andrew's Society Committee 2024 - 2025

Karen Burr	Chieftain
Jina Phenix	Vice-Chieftain
Paul Phenix	Communications
Kirsty Hastie Smith	Secretary
Len Johnstone	Treasurer
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Murray Lang	Committee Member
Machar Smith	Committee Member
Ron Small	Committee Member
John MacTaggart	Committee Member



Thank you very much for your support tonight.

Future Dates for your Diary

Burns Night

25th January 2025

St Andrew's Ball

29th November 2025

We very much look forward to
seeing you again in 2025.

Haste Ye Back!



St Andrew's Ball 2023 – Oh, What A Night!





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