

Meetings of the Society 1997–8

Held in the Lecture Theatre of the Royal Museum of Scotland

Monday 8 December 1997, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

The summary Minutes of the Anniversary Meeting were read and approved. The President announced that, due to illness, the Lecture by Dr Katherine Forsyth on the Ogham Inscriptions of Scotland could not be delivered. He expressed the Society's gratitude to Dr Michael Spearman and Dr Sally Foster who, at an hour's notice, had agreed to lecture to Fellows.

The following communications were read:

'The Dupplin Cross and its inscription, some recent work' by Dr Michael Spearman
and

'The St Andrews Sarcophagus: an update' by Dr Sally Foster.

Monday 12 January 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

This being the annual Joint Lecture with the Friends of the National Museums of Scotland, the President welcomed all present to the Meeting. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'Tracking down Scottish export pottery in south-east Asia' by Graeme DR Cruickshank, MA, AMA, FSA Scot.

A vote of thanks was given by Sir Mark Russell, Chairman of the Friends of the National Museums.

Monday 9 February 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'Riding into history: Scotland's common ridings' by Kenneth Bogle, MA, PhD.

Monday 9 March 1998, Mr J B Stevenson, BA, FSA, MIFA, Vice-President, in the Chair.

This being the joint lecture with the Prehistoric Society, the Vice-President welcomed Fellows and members of both Societies to the joint meeting. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'A new investigation into the Clava Cairns' by Professor Richard Bradley.

A vote of thanks was then delivered by Dr Alison Sheridan on behalf of the Prehistoric Society.

Monday 13 April 1998, Mr Hugh Cheape, MA, Vice-President in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'Bodies, faces and teeth: insights into archaeological dentistry' by Dr Iain MacLeod, BDS, PhD, FDSRCS, DRRRCR.

Monday 11 May 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'The first Glasgow "Town House", 1737–1760' by Hugh Cheape, Vice-President.

Monday 8 June, 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

This being the annual Public Lecture, the President welcomed Fellows, their guests and members of the public to the Meeting.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'The Romantic interior: Sir Walter Scott and Abbotsford' by Professor Clive Wainwright.

Monday 12 October 1998, Professor Michael Lynch, MA, PhD, FRHistS, FRSE, FRSA, President, in the Chair.

The President welcomed Fellows to this, the opening Lecture of the Session.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The following communication was read:

'Pict's Knowe, a multiphased monument in Dumfriesshire: the archaeology of place', by Julian Thomas, BTech, MA, PhD.

Monday 9 November 1998, Mr J B Stevenson, BA, FSA, MIFA, Vice-President, in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved. The Director then intimated to Fellows the arrangements for the Fellows' preview of the Museum of Scotland; due to great demand, and necessary safety and security arrangements, regrettably, it would not be possible for all Fellows who had applied to receive tickets. The following communication was read:

'An archaeological overview of Finlaggan, Islay, from earliest times to the present day' by David H Caldwell, MA, PhD, FSA Scot, National Museums of Scotland.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING

Minutes of the Anniversary Meeting of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland held on the 30 November 1998 in the Department of Archaeology, University of Edinburgh. Professor Michael Lynch, President in the chair.

Fellows were welcomed by the President. He thanked Fellows for their generosity in donating to the Museum of Scotland Appeal; there had been an opportunity for 160 Fellows to enjoy a preview on 23 November and there would be further exclusive opportunities to view the collections. Visits to the Founder's Room to view the Stained Glass window, would also be arranged once this was installed.

The Minutes of the last Lecture meeting, on 9 November 1998, were read and approved. Major Patrick Cave Browne and Mr Patrick Ashmore having been appointed as Scrutineers, the ballots were closed.

The Director then read the following report.

DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT 1997-8

Membership

The Fellowship of the Society now stands at 3229. In the past year 202 Fellows have taken up election, or been reinstated; 26 names have been removed from the Roll due to death, and 63 through lapse of subscription or resignation. There are, at present, 22 Honorary Fellows.

Meetings

The Society has held the customary programme of activities through the year. Nine lecture meetings were held between December 1997 and November 1998: the session included our joint lecture with the Friends of the National Museums of Scotland *Tracking down Scottish export pottery in South-East Asia*, by Graeme Cruickshank, based on his work in the Far East, grant-aided by the Society, as well as three 'open' lectures: to mark the Edinburgh International Science Festival, Dr Iain MacLeod, delivered a well-attended lecture

Bodies, faces and teeth: insights into archaeological dentistry. In May our biennial joint Lecture with the Prehistoric Society, *A new investigation into the Clava Cairns* was delivered by Professor Richard Bradley, and in June, the Public Lecture, was *The Romantic interior: Sir Walter Scott and Abbotsford* delivered by Professor Clive Wainwright.

In addition to the thanks due to all those who delivered lectures to the Society, we owe a debt of gratitude to Drs Spearman and Foster who stepped in at an hour's notice to lecture in place of Dr Forsyth who, due to illness, was unable to deliver her promised Lecture in December.

The six Rhind Lectures *Scottish Royal Palaces: The Architecture of the Royal Residences during the Late Medieval and Early Renaissance Periods* were delivered over the weekend of 6–8 March 1998 by John Dunbar, MA FSA FSA Scot Hon FRIAS. These will be published by Tuckwell Press in 1999 and will be made available to Fellows at a considerable discount.

At the Recent Acquisitions Meeting in March Fellows were privileged to see the work of the Conservation and Analytical Research section, of the National Museums of Scotland and to tour the NMS Conservation laboratories. Our thanks are due to Dr Jim Tate and members of his staff for this opportunity to see some of their work behind the scenes.

Three Conferences were held during the 1997–8 session. As was reported previously, the Conference on *The St Andrews Sarcophagus* organized by the Society in conjunction with Historic Scotland, the National Museums of Scotland and the National Committee on Carved Stones in Scotland, was held in September 1998. The proceedings of this, edited by Dr Sally Foster, were published in September 1998 with grant-aid from the Society. In May, in Dumfries the *Archaeological Research in Progress Conference* under the joint auspices of the Society and CSA, and which was this year organized by CSA, highlighted work in the south-west of Scotland. Also in May a very successful Conference was held, jointly with Historic Scotland, on *The Stone of Destiny*. This will be published, with grant-aid from Historic Scotland, as a Society Monograph.

In June the Excursion *The Glasgow Villa, Town and Country* was guided by Michael Davis. This was an excursion with a difference and included a visit to the Tobacco Merchant's House, now the home of the Scottish Civic Trust and the inimitable and spectacular Lauriston House, currently under restoration by the Strathclyde Building Preservation Trust, as well as two National Trust for Scotland properties: Greenbank and, in advance of the public opening, the Alexander 'Greek' Thomson villa, Holmwood. The traditional excursion tea was enjoyed at Adelaide's, a formerly threatened building with a suitable new use.

The North-East Section Annual Report

The Section held eight meetings with the same programme as in Edinburgh, while Katherine Forsyth was able to deliver her paper in Aberdeen, as advertised. The Section's AGM was followed by a talk by Richard Welander and the showing of the historic Scotland video *The Return of the Stone of Destiny*. In conjunction with the University of Aberdeen, the Section co-organized a very successful one-day conference on current archaeological research in the North-East. A summer excursion was arranged to Inchtuthil and the Gordon Highlanders' Museum. The Lecture meetings continue to be held in Marischal Museum, University of Aberdeen, and were well attended. Membership of the Section stands at 301.

The Committee for 1996–7 was Paul Pillath (Chairman), Aidan Mulkerrin (Vice-Chairman), Neil Curtis (Secretary), John Cruse (Treasurer), Frank Donnelly, Alison Jaffray, Margaret Jubb, Peter Murray, Bill Nicolaisen and Graham Steele.

Research Grants

In accordance with Law 1 — '*The purpose of the Society shall be the Study of the ANTIQUITIES AND HISTORY OF SCOTLAND, more particularly by means of archaeological research*' — the grant-aiding of research remains one of the most important areas of the Society's activities. Reports on the work carried out are supplied by recipients at the end of the year and are held in the Society's office, or placed in the NMS Library, as appropriate. It is a condition of grant that there is full compliance with current Scottish Treasure

Trove legislation and that reports on fieldwork and related projects are presented for publication in *Discovery and Excavation in Scotland* (DES) published annually by the Council for Scottish Archaeology.

The following grants were approved from the Research Fund (including investment income from the Dorothy Marshall Bequest) for 1998: Dr P Z Dransart for the Scottish Episcopal Palaces Project (Fetternear); S T Farrell for the Inverness & Nairn Graveyard Survey Project; Dr E Grant for illustration, description & analysis of carved stone balls; A K Harris for the research into antiquarian recording of Early Historic sculptured stones in NE Scotland; G StJ Harris for research into techniques of structural design & construction in Medieval and Renaissance Scotland; E A le Bon & I Oxley for work on the Sea Caves of Fife Project: Caiplie Caves; J MacDonald, ACFA Raasay Project; Dr J P Northover & T Cowie for analyses of Scottish Late Bronze Age metalwork; E V W Proudfoot for Ambrisbeg Cairn, Bute: excavation Phase 2; A Saville for An Corran rockshelter, Skye: post-excavation project; A Saville for the dating of a barbed antler point from the Forth; V E Szabo for research into whale bone use in late Iron Age and Early Historic Orkney; I G Scott for work on the Visual Index of Early Medieval Carved Stones; M Taylor & D A McCullough for the underwater survey, Castle Tioram, Loch Moidart; Dr S Taylor for research into place-names in the Book of Deer; B R G Turner for the Ben Lawers Archaeological Field School; C L M Warsop for work on the Duddingston Loch Archaeological Survey and to Dr D J Woolliscroft for excavations at Huntingtower. A grant was made from the Angus Graham Bequest towards illustrations in the *Proceedings*. No applications were received from grants from the Gunning Jubilee Gift. No award was made from the George MacDonald Bequest. The 1998 Young Fellow's Bursary was awarded to Dr Rob Sands to enable him to deliver a paper on 'Crannogs, construction, collapse and conflation' at the WARP International Conference in Dublin.

Publications

Proceedings For the third year in succession the Society has published, again with significant grant-aid from Historic Scotland, a double volume of the *Proceedings*, Volume 127, which is the second volume to be produced under the Editorship of Mr Jerry O'Sullivan.

General Index The Society is currently organizing the compilation and publication of a *General Index* covering Volumes 106–25 of the *Proceedings*. Fellows will be advised of the publication date in due course.

Monograph Series Monograph 13, *Cleaven Dyke and Littleour: Monuments in the Neolithic of Tayside* by Gordon Barclay and Gordon Maxwell, was published in the late autumn.

Publication of an impressive array of further Monographs is expected over the next year. The Series Editor, Mrs Alexandra Shepherd, must be thanked for her devotion to her task; due to the increasing number of Monographs in production; she is now assisted by Dr Anna Ritchie. We again urge Fellows to support the series by taking advantage of their opportunity to purchase these at the special rate — the benefit will be theirs.

We would like to take this opportunity, again, to draw attention to the considerable grant-aid the Society receives towards publications from Historic Scotland.

Newsletter Two issues of this were produced and circulated in February and September 1998; the September issue being 12, instead of the usual eight pages, in length.

The Work of the Society

The Office moved in March 1998. The inevitable disruption caused by the move, in addition to the administration of the Society and Fellowship affairs, has been time consuming. We are now installed in our

new accommodation, have new direct dial phone numbers with voice-mail facilities and our own fax line and, having updated our office computer hardware, are now on e-mail.

As the President indicated in his September letter to Fellows, we have continued to expand our influence on matters in which we have an interest and expertise in the likely changed political circumstances of the Scottish Parliament and have organized a new range of specialist seminars for invited participants.

The Society remains active in the heritage field and we are, as Fellows will be aware, consulted on archaeological issues by a wide variety of organizations; we continue to be represented on a large number of bodies: The Ancient Monuments Board for Scotland; the National Trust for Scotland; the Council for British Archaeology; the Council for Scottish Archaeology; the Traprain Law Management Group; the British and Irish Archaeological Bibliography; the Scottish Field School; the Scottish Wildlife and Countryside Link; Scottish Archaeological Link; the Association for the Protection of Rural Scotland; the National Committee on Carved Stones; the Mouswald Trust; the Dalrymple Trust and the User Panel of The Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland and the Portable Antiquities Working Group.

As outlined in the last *Newsletter*, as well as the obvious public activities of the Society — publication of the *Proceedings*, the Monographs, the Lecture Programme and the various Day Conferences and other events — the Society does considerable work through its Committees. The Heritage Committee is one of the largest of these and consists of the Office Bearers, current Council members, and other Fellows selected by Council for their particular expertise from environmental issues to architectural history. The Committee has a broad remit, as its title would suggest, and members of the Committee advise the Society on, or represent us at, a large number of seminars as well as on the activities of other bodies or link groups, as listed above. Through this Committee the Society responds to relevant Government and other initiatives; over the last year we have been consulted on and responded to a wide range of issues including Development Strategy in Rural Scotland; Treasure Trove Allocation Criteria and Procedures; Archaeology and Heritage Lottery Funding; Scottish Culture and the Curriculum and the Review of the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland. Fellows will also be aware of the representations made by us to Scottish Office Ministers over the imposition of admission charges to the National Museums of Scotland.

The Heritage Committee this session initiated a new series of specialist seminars, jointly with the Board of Scottish Studies of Edinburgh University, with the aim both of clarifying our own views on certain issues and seeking to influence decision makers. The first of these, on National Parks and the Built Heritage, allowed open discussion in advance of the more formal events organized by Historic Scotland and SNH; we were delighted with the response to this and might perhaps take some small credit for initiating the new full acceptance by the Scottish Office of the importance of the cultural heritage in National Park designations. A second seminar was held on Towerhouses; another is to be held on the same topic.

As always, the Society remains grateful to the members of Council, the Committees, and the other representatives who are unstinting in their assistance to the Director in these matters; she is particularly grateful to the President and the Treasurer, the Vice-Presidents and Conveners of the Committees, Dr Ann MacSween of the Publications Committee, Mr Humphrey Holmes of the Finance and Administration Committee, and Mr Alan Saville who convenes the Research Committee as well as holding the office of Treasurer. Thanks are due as well, of course, to the representatives of the Society on various bodies; of these, particular thanks are due to our representative on the National Trust for Scotland, Dr Jane Murray; our representative on the Ancient Monuments Board, Mr W D H Sellar, and to Mr Robin Turner, our representative on the Scottish Wildlife and Countryside Link.

The Museum of Scotland

Appeal The stained glass window commissioned from Mr Crear McCartney, for the Founder's Room in the Museum of Scotland will shortly be installed and there will, in due course, be opportunities to view this. Those Fellows who were at the Preview of the displays in the new Museum of Scotland will have seen the Paolozzi figures.

The Society wishes to thank all those Fellows who responded so generously to the additional Appeal; the Society was delighted to be in a position to gift a Paolozzi Figure as our additional contribution to the Museum of Scotland. A number of Fellows have also bought commemorative links in their own, or others' names, in the Museum's own Chain Appeal.

Admission charges Fellows, of course, enjoy free entry to the National Museums of Scotland and the Society has pressed that free admission for the public be restored. Fellows will be aware from recent press announcements that the Government has promised increased funding for the National Museums to improve access and restore service levels; this should enable the NMS to remove admission charges at the Royal Museum and the Museum of Scotland by 2001/2002.

Administration

There has been the now customary continuity of office staff: Mrs Fionna Ashmore continues as Director, Mrs Maureen McLeod as Assistant Treasurer and Mrs June Rowan as Administrative Assistant; the monograph administration is dealt with in the office, mainly by Mrs Rowan, and Dr Rob Sands remains our computer adviser. Mr Jerry O'Sullivan, the Editor, carries out his task from the office. As always we would remind Fellows that all staff work part-time. Fellows are always welcome to visit the office, but we would ask them to ring ahead.

Aspects of the office work are eased by the voluntary help provided by Fellows, we would thank Mr Maurice Carmichael, who continues to help the Assistant Treasurer in dealing with Fellowship subscriptions when required.

Thanks are also due to the regular, dedicated, group of envelope fillers: Mr and Mrs Adamson; Major & Mrs Cave-Browne; Miss M E Doull; Mrs J Fleming; Mr H G Ford; Mrs S Grossmith; Miss M R Hilton; Mr G A Hutcheson; Mr D Jones; Mr Gordon Maxwell; Mrs R Meldrum, Mr R W & Dr J Munro; Dr B J Murray; Mr J C Parry; Professor M Smallwood, Miss C Sym and Mrs Warsop, in addition to those who come in for particular mailings.

Thanks are due, as ever, to the National Museums of Scotland: for their forbearance and help over our move, Alastair Cunningham and Alison Morrison-Lowe; for Programme events those members of the Museum staff who help with bookings and other arrangements behind the scenes, especially Wilma Henderson, and to the Elise Rowan and Andrew Martin and all the staff of the NMS Library. As ever, very particular thanks are due to Grant MacRae whose services as projectionist at our meetings, seminars and conferences, contributes so enormously to the smooth running of events. Finally I would like to thank the members of staff of the Archaeology Department of the National Museums who have all assisted the Society in very many ways this year, as both ordinary Fellows and Council members will be aware from the Newsletter, Programme and other Society productions and responses to consultation documents.

The Director's Annual Report was approved on the proposal of Miss Naomi Tarrant, seconded by Mr I Shepherd.

The Treasurer then read the following report.

TREASURER'S REPORT 1997-8

Once more I can report that the Society has experienced a satisfactory year in financial matters. Subscription income has risen in line with the increased number of Fellows and there have been increased returns from investments and bank interest.

The major area of expenditure from the General Fund continues to be publication of the *Proceedings*. The real cost of the *Proceedings* to the Society is offset by the grants received for many of the papers, and the proportion of grant-aided papers was slightly lower than the previous year. Expenditure overall has nevertheless remained similar to 1996-7, though there were some additional administration costs, largely

related, as anticipated, to the move of offices to Chambers Street in March 1998. These costs include the upgrading of computer equipment, which accounts for a rise in depreciation charges.

For these various reasons the annual surplus is down by over £10,000 to £17,074. This lower surplus is still relatively substantial and some Fellows may question the validity of this at a time when the general funds are healthy. This is a matter which has been discussed at Finance & Administration Committee during the year. Thus far caution has prevailed over any new expenditure options, for the good reason that several major outlay commitments, such as the Cumulative Index, have been on the horizon, with some uncertainty as to the year in which they would impact. The prediction is that this will now happen in the next financial year, when the Society's surplus is expected to be significantly lower.

The balance sheet shows that the net assets of the Society have increased from £696,619 to £848,285, which includes unrealized investment gains of £134,986. This growth is highly satisfactory, but, with worldwide markets in decline as I write this report, it is especially relevant to issue the usual caution that, as investments are included in the accounts at their market value, any future fall in share values will cause a diminution of the assets. The strength and breadth of the Society's portfolio should buffer these movements, but short-term volatility could result in a rather lower revaluation next year.

Total expenditure from Special Funds for research, including the Bursary Fund, amounted to £15,081, representing an increase on the previous year. Costs associated with the Rhind Lectures also showed a slight rise. Income from sales of Society monographs was down this year, reflecting the lack of new titles, and the balance in the Monograph Fund is now below £2000. It has been agreed by Council, however, that maintaining a separate Monograph Fund is no longer necessary and the Fund will be allowed to expire. Future financial transactions pertaining to monographs, of which there are several in production, will be handled through the General Fund, as with the *Proceedings*.

Once again the specialist guidance of the Bank of Scotland Investment Services, in particular the assistance of their adviser Mr Graham Miller, who has attended the F&A Committee meetings during the year, is acknowledged.

I thank the Convener of the Finance and Administration Committee, Mr Humphrey Holmes, and the Treasurer of the North-East Section, Mr John Cruse, for their work during the year, and I wish to acknowledge the contribution of our Assistant Treasurer, Mrs Maureen McLeod, who continues to administer the Society's financial affairs so effectively.

Copies of the full accounts of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland 1997-8 are available to any Fellow or other interested party on application to the Society's office, at a cost of £2.00 (in the UK and Europe; £4.00 elsewhere) to cover production and postage.

The Treasurer's report was approved on the proposal of Mr David Sellar, seconded by Mrs Edwina Proudfoot.

THE DOROTHY MARSHALL MEDAL 1998

The Dorothy Marshall Medal is awarded by the Society every three years to an individual, in recognition of an outstanding contribution, in a voluntary capacity, to Scottish archaeological, or related studies. The medal commemorates not only the high esteem with which Miss Dorothy Marshall was held for her own lifetime's achievement in archaeology, but also the Society's gratitude for her generous benefaction.

For 1998 the medal was awarded to Mr W F (Bill) Cormack for his outstanding service to archaeology for nearly half a century.

Mr Cormack's archaeological activities over many years are remarkable. He has been a guiding force in the Dumfriesshire and Galloway Natural History and Antiquarian Society, at the time of writing, for 48 years — having become a member in 1951. Through his work in that area he has been an inspiration to many many others both within and beyond that Society. He has been joint editor of the *Transactions* of the DGNHAS since 1964 and has acted as Editor of the Annhill Bequest Publications since their inception; in recognition of his work he was elected a Fellow of that Society in 1979.

His own publications and scholarship are of the highest standard; he has published widely on topics ranging from Mesolithic archaeology to 19th-century traditions. His work as an excavator is also renowned.

Rising to the challenge made by the late Raleigh Radford at the Dumfriesshire and Galloway Centenary Meeting in 1960 over the location of early church sites, he and colleagues turned their attention to local parish churches. There his local knowledge and research on landscape, artefacts and oral traditions lead to the discovery and subsequent excavation of the important early church site of Barhobble. The results of these excavations, carried out with the help of his wife and other dedicated members from 1984–94 were published in an exemplary fashion in the dedicated Volume 70 of the *Transactions*. Visitors to the excavations were always highly impressed with the immaculate presentation of the site and the information and welcome given to them.

Mr Cormack was on the Board of Trustees of the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland from 1972 until the establishment of the National Museums of Scotland in 1985. He has also been an active Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. He was elected a Fellow in 1961, served as a Council member from 1967 to 1970 and as Vice-President from 1970 to 1973.

THE ROBERT B K STEVENSON AWARD

The President was delighted to present the R B K Stevenson prize to Dr Rosalind Marshall for her paper ‘*Mary Queen of Scots and Bothwell’s Bracelets*’. In making this award, the Society seeks to recognize a paper which reflects R B K Stevenson’s own scholarship and interests and, furthermore, one which is exceptional in its originality, elegance, breadth of interest and structure. Dr Marshall’s paper which received the award was carefully researched and beautifully written. The subject offers an intimate glimpse of the claustrophobic world of the 16th-century court and casts some new light on an infamous episode in the history of the Crown. The paper is an excellent advertisement for the National Portrait Gallery, of which Dr Marshall is Assistant Keeper (though not all of the paintings cited are in that collection), and also reminds us that the wide range of the *Proceedings* encompasses all aspects of Scotland’s material culture, including art history, industry and architecture, as well as archaeology. Best of all, as a detailed study of one aspect of a particular artefact type, it would have won warm approval from Robert Stevenson himself.

THE BALLOTS

The President thanked the retiring Vice-President, Ian Shepherd and members of Council, Dr Collen Batey, Dr Thomas Clancy, Dr Brendan O’Connor and Mrs Twin Watkins for their work over the last three years. Miss Sarah Govan had resigned due to her relocation to York.

Result of the ballots

Miss Lizbeth Thoms was elected Vice-President and the following five as Council members; Dr I Cambell; Mr Mark Collard; Dr Bill Finlayson; Dr K Forsyth and Mrs Lorna Main.

Council for the year 1998–9 is as follows.

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ELECTION OF NEW FELLOWS

The result of the ballot was announced. The President was delighted to welcome 216 new Fellows to the Society. The Following were elected Fellows.

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