

PRE TOURS

A Highland Adventure – will you see 'Nessie'?

Head to Inverness stopping on the way at Brodie Country Fare for a blend of Quality and Traditional Scottish shopping. An afternoon at leisure to include a visit to the Pringle Woollen Mill. Overnight stay in Inverness.

After breakfast enjoy the scenery on a Cruise along the Caledonian Canal and on to Loch Ness. Nessie sightings go back as far as St. Columba in 565AD so who knows, you might go home with a monster tale to tell. The most imposing site on Loch Ness is Urquhart Castle, which was a fortress in the Bronze Age.

A stop at 'Made in Scotland' before heading home is a must for the very best in Scottish Gifts, Crafts, Jewellery and more.

Price and further details on Application.

The Sights of Scotland's Capital

A three hour trip will be broken by a visit to Brechin Castle Centre where you will find a superb shopping experience and restaurant. Arriving in Edinburgh, the afternoon is at your leisure to explore the many highlights Edinburgh has.

Be well rested as the next morning we will do the City Tour and Castle. Edinburgh Castle is Scotland's top visitor attraction and stands high upon an extinct volcano. Listen for the one o'clock gun fired daily from Mills Mount Battery.

The Palace of Holyrood house will be the next visit – Official Residence of Her Majesty the Queen and once home to Mary Queen of Scots.

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Tours – Full Day

Delights of Grampian

We head off to Fyvie Castle with its 800 years of history. Famous for the 'Green Lady' this castle has been visited by Royal Guests. Leaving Fyvie we head for Turriff with its selection of small town shops where you can browse at your leisure. After lunch we will visit Haddo House, a building of Georgian Architecture with late Victorian Features.

Spirit of Speyside

Approaching Castle Fraser the granite walls rising up to the distinctive turrets make an imposing view. Venture through the castle to the round tower and enjoy panoramic views. We will then travel on the 'Spirit of Speyside' train from Keith to Dufftown, where we will visit Glenfiddich Distillery for a true taste of Scotland. (Dram and tour included).

Royal Deeside

If you enjoy the outdoors this is the tour for you. Explore and walk around Loch Kinord and Muir of Dinnet. At the edge of the Cairngorms National Park the area is steeped in local history and natural heritage. All walks are on paths and tracks, sturdy walking shoes/boots are recommended.

A Taste of Moray

Visit the oldest working distillery in the Highlands for a guided tour and 'dram'. Then onto Baxters, famous for their Soup, Jam and beetroot - discover a shopping experience with a real difference. Finish your day with a spiritual visit to Pluscarden Abbey, one of Scotland's few remaining Monasteries built in the 13th Century.

Tours – Half Day

Traditional Aberdeen

Explore Old Aberdeen, where the city has retained its sense of history and tradition, see Kings College with its domed crowned tower. Stand here and you will feel as if you have stepped back in time. Afterwards, in contrast you have the chance to shop till you drop!

Back in Time

Dunottar Castle is a spectacular ruined cliff top fortress with breathtaking views, home to the Earl of Marishal of Scotland. The Crown Jewels of Scotland were hidden at this site during the dark days of Cromwell's occupation. Back to the centre of Aberdeen to browse at your leisure.



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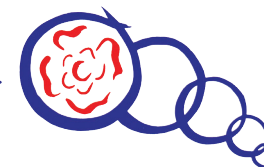
ABERDEEN

28th to 31st August, 2008



Come and Join 'Our Highland Fling'

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'Our Highland Fling'*



Dearest Circlers the World Over

We're going to Dance and maybe Sing,
Most certainly though - we shall Swing
Whilst we all perform the **Highland Fling!!!**

'Bon Accord' the motto of The Granite City,
A place in Scotland that's oh - So Pretty!

During the day you'll be allowed to flock,
To none other than a stunning Scottish loch.

If you'd like to see Britain in Bloom - Then
to the Winter Gardens you must zoom.

So hurry girls get out from under those quilts,
And get to Aberdeen - if need be on stilts!
As Men will be awaiting us in KILTS. . .
Oh no . . . please, don't wilt!!!!

This is where my term of Presidency will end,
With you this 'Special' occasion I'd like to spend.

We'll have a Colourful, Creative and Constructive time
Whilst we work, party, wine and dine.

'Con Calore' – with a passion. . .
With girls this is a fashion.

The Team and I look forward to welcoming you all
In 'The Flower of Scotland' to have a ball.

So hurry up before it's too late. . .
And book for Conference 2008!!!

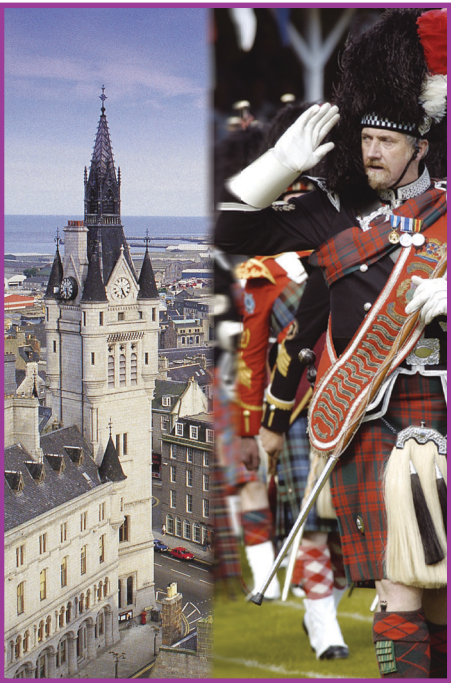
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. . . I just can't wait!

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Yours in our Circle of Friendship

Kathleen A Flynn
LCI Vice President 2006/2007

I take this opportunity to thank the Aberdeen Conference Team for bestowing upon me the honour of writing this Introduction in their brochure.



Destination

Aberdeen was founded in 1124 as a Royal Burgh and is situated in the North East of Scotland, U.K. It is known as the Granite City and has a long intriguing History.

Today it is a vibrant City, full of contrasts. It is full of colour and has won the 'Britain in Bloom' competition many times, yet the historic imposing buildings look majestic in the sunlight.

In Aberdeen there are a variety of art galleries, theatres, museums, parks, shops and restaurants.

Come and see it for yourself.

Getting to Aberdeen

By Air – Aberdeen (Dyce) International Airport is approx 6 miles from the Conference Centre.

By Rail - There are railway stations at both Dyce - 5 miles and Aberdeen City Centre - 3 miles

By Road – From the South, leave the motorway and take the A90 dual Carriageway to Aberdeen and the North East of Scotland. On reaching Aberdeen follow the signs for the Aberdeen Exhibition and Conference Centre.



PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Sunday 25th to Tuesday 27th

LCI Board Meetings

Pre Conference Tours

Wednesday 28th August

Registration of Councillors

Councillors Dinner
(Smart Dress and Regalia to be worn)

Thursday 28th August

Councillors Meeting
(Regalia to be worn)

Arrival and Registration of
Conference Participants

Opening Ceremony followed by
The Welcome Party
(National Costume and Regalia to be worn)

Friday 29th August

Annual General Meeting to be
held at the Aberdeen Exhibition
and Conference Centre.
(Formal Dress, hat and regalia to be worn)

Followed by A.G.M. Lunch

Friday 29th August contd.

Short Afternoon Tour

Join us for some Scottish
Hospitality as our local
members open their houses for
the 'Home Parties'
(dress smart casual)

Saturday 30th August

International Contact Meeting
followed by ICM Lunch

See more of Scotland during
your stay – a variety of full day
and half day tours are available
– see over for more details.

The Gala Dinner
(Dress -Formal Evening Wear and Regalia -
with a touch of colour!)

Sunday 31st August

Farewell Brunch
and time to go home.

"Haste ye Back!"

ACCOMMODATION

Aberdeen has a wide selection of hotels to suit everyone's needs. We have endeavoured to provide you with a varied assortment of accommodation as close as possible to the Aberdeen Exhibition and Conference Centre, where the majority of functions are to be held.

The Booking Form contains more details regarding these hotels.

Aberdeen 2008 Chairman's Welcome



Judith Scott - Conference Chairman

If you have never ventured to Scotland or haven't been for some time, you can be sure that there are many new things to captivate and inspire you and when you leave you will yearn to return.

The committee are working hard to bring you a Conference that will combine the best that both Scotland and Ladies Circle have

to offer. Scotland has a reputation for its excellent hospitality and we are fully intending to live up to that reputation. From the first words at the Opening Ceremony until the final notes of music at the glittering Gala dinner we will strive to produce for you the best conference ever.

Aberdeen offers the ideal base for our conference; large enough to offer city facilities but small enough for the personal touches.

Come along and enjoy with us the best of Scottish food, the best of Scottish drink, the best of Scottish entertainment and, of course, the best of International friendship. We can't promise you glorious weather but we can promise you the warmest welcome (and perhaps a glimpse of a man in a kilt to get you *hot* under the collar!).

I look forward to seeing you all in Aberdeen 28th -31st August 2008

The Partners Programme



Steven Henderson - Partners Convenor

We at Turriff and District Round Table look forward to welcoming the partners of delegates for a weekend of activity, Scottish culture and most of all fellowship. We hope you will come and join us and partake of the programme we have on offer. We look forward to keeping you entertained while the ladies are busy with the important business of the Conference.

FRIDAY AM Choice of an 18 hole round of golf at Turriff Golf Club or archery, air rifle and clay shooting at Kingscliffe Centre. Followed by tour of Glen Garioch Distillery with the opportunity to sample the water of life.

EVENING Informal meal in Aberdeen with a tour of the nightlife afterwards.

SATURDAY. PM If fixtures allow a trip to sample the delights of a Scottish football match.

EVENING Formal meal with entertainment in the form of a Burns supper.

