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Let the Games Begin!

NYCC AT THE 59TH ANNUAL LONG ISLAND SCOTTISH FESTIVAL & HIGHLAND GAMES

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HAIL TO THE CHIEF

Summer 2019 / Dear Members



84TH CHIEF
LORRAINE BELL

I am writing to you from a weathered dock in an area called the Muskokas which is north of Toronto. I have lived in Manhattan now for almost 13 years but am a Canadian (and British citizen), born in Winnipeg to a Scottish Mum and Dad, but who lived most of my adult life in Toronto. The Muskokas is a place where I have “paddled in the stream from the morning sun until dine” and I have taken advantage of every opportunity to canoe, read, eat wild blueberries and recharge. I hope that you have had the opportunity this summer to relax and reconnect with your families and friends.

We have already had two terrific social events in the summer, but September is fast approaching and your Board has planned many wonderful events for the 2019–2020 year.

Our Saint Andrew’s Day Dinner is on Saturday, November 30th, at The Tailor Pub. We have new things planned for that night so please make sure to attend. One of the highlights of the NYCC year is the Annual Robert Burns Night and we are returning to the beautiful and historic India House on Saturday, January 25th, 2020. So please mark your calendar and get planning your Tartan Table for the evening!

Our first event this autumn is a night hosted by [MacGregor MacDuff on September 19th at 7 pm](#). The talk is “The History of Highlandwear and its Latest Iterations”. The event is free and details are on our website, Facebook page and in your emails but we do ask you to RSVP. Guests are welcome. Our Gaelic Studies will be starting again along with other great Scottish programs in the works. Along with Pub Nights, Kilted Bowling and too many events to list here. Please take the time to follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Check our [website](#) regularly to see what fabulous activities we have planned for you.

Clubs reflect their members and we know that many of you have interesting stories, talents and time that you can share with us. The more involved you are, the better your experience will be and the stronger our Club will be as well.

I look forward to being the 84TH Chief of the New York Caledonian Club and to meeting all of you over the next year. Together, we make the NYCC a Club that is fun and enriching to belong to.

Slainte!

Lorraine Bell
84th Chief

New Membership Contest

The member, who brings in the most new members between now and our next AGM in June, will be given a wonderful bottle of Whisky, recognition at our AGM, and will be the recipient of the first NYCC Member for Member Medal. Our goal is to reach 400 members and we can only do that with your enthusiasm and promotion of your Club.

Donation Match

An anonymous member is launching a Match for Match for donations made by our membership and Board. The initial goal is to reach \$1,000 in donations by our membership.

Please make sure that your donation is listed as Match for Match donation. And thank you for considering a wee gift to the NYCC which doubles in value!

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BLASTA! TASTY TIDBITS!

RECIPE BY SARAH MACDONALD

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Sarah MacDonald, one of our New York Caledonian Club members and a native of South Uist now living in New York City, has sent us her recipe for **Irish soda bread**. Sarah was given the recipe many years ago by a colleague, who in turn got it from her grandmother in Ireland. *“I clearly remember her saying when she gave it to me, ‘this recipe never fails,’”* says Sarah, *“and having made it numerous times over the years, it never has”*.

Aran-sòda Èireannach

Grìtheidean:

- 1 ugh
- 1 spàin-tì faoineig
- 1 1/2 chupa blàthaich neo bainne àbhaisteach
- 3 cupan min-fhlùir
- 3/4 cupa siùcair
- 1 spàin-tì salainn
- 3 spàintean-tì pùdair-fuine
- 1/4 spàin-tì sòda-fuine
- 1 chupa rèusanan

Ro-theasaich an àmhainn gu 350°F Cuir ola agus min-fhlùir air pana cruinn meud 8 gu 9 òirlich no cuir pàipear-fuine air. Measgaich an t-ugh, am bainne agus an fhaoineag ann am bobhla. Measgaich an còrr dhe na grìtheidean ann am bobhla eile. Cuir na grìtheidean boga anns na grìtheidean tioram agus measgaich iad ri chèile. Bruich e san àmhainn aig 350°F fad uair a thìde no gus am bi e deiseil. (’S àbhaist dhomh sealltainn air an dèidh 50 mionaid gus am faic mi a bheil e deiseil.)

Irish Soda Bread

Ingredients:

- 1 egg
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1 1/2 cups buttermilk or regular milk
 - 3 cups flour
 - 3/4 cup sugar
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 3 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1 cup raisins
- Preheat oven to 350°F

Grease and flour one 8 to 9-inch round baking pan or line with parchment paper. Mix egg, buttermilk, and vanilla together in a bowl. Combine all other ingredients in a second bowl. Add wet ingredients to the dry and mix. Bake at 350°F for one hour or until done. (I usually check at 50 minutes to see if fully baked.)

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