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Many thanks to all our readers who completed the readership survey in the last edition of Avenue and on our website. The survey formed part of an ongoing review of our publications and we appreciated the feedback, positive comments and suggestions for future editions.

We have launched a new publication, Annual Review, which you will find enclosed with this edition of Avenue – this replaces News Review. Produced every year, the new publication showcases major University news and events over the previous 12 months and includes a summarised financial statement.

And, as part of our ongoing programme of improvements, we will be redesigning Avenue in time for the next edition – look out for it in December.

• One of our alumni from Suffolk was delighted to receive the framed print in the survey’s prize draw.

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Clubs, reunions and personal news, including a graduate who aims to become the fastest person to cycle round-the-world solo and more success for Glasgow’s student entrepreneurs.

General Council
The half-yearly report of the General Council, including notice of the next meeting on 23 June 2007.

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The Carbon Trust Low Carbon Building Award recognises Scottish buildings which showcase leading examples of energy efficiency and sustainability. One of the main contributing factors to the University’s success is the ground source heat pump installed in the Rowardennan building. The pump draws energy from the ground, providing a low carbon source of heat.

The picture shows Professor Angus Matheson (1912-1962)

Celebrating 50 years of Celtic

The Department of Celtic celebrated the 50th anniversary of the establishment of its Chair of Celtic last December. Much of the money to create the Chair was raised by alumni of the department, who formed an association called the Ossianic Club. The first professor, Angus Matheson, took up the post in 1956.

To mark the 50th anniversary, the department has established an annual lecture series – the Angus Matheson Memorial Lecture – the first of which was given by Professor Donald Meek, Professor of Gaelic & Scottish Studies at the University of Edinburgh and an alumnus of Glasgow.

Changing times

In 2008 the University is changing to a new academic year, consisting of two 11-week teaching periods. Teaching period 1 will start in the third week of September and will be followed by two weeks of revision and exams before the winter vacation. Teaching period 2 will fit in before the spring vacation and will be followed by five weeks of revision and exams after the vacation.

Our current academic year is a hybrid of terms and semesters, with overlapping teaching and exam periods. This creates particular difficulties for students on joint programmes, some of whom are required to attend lectures in one subject and take exams in another subject in the very same week. With the new system, the teaching and exam periods will be completely distinct.
Celebrating life with Scotland’s National Poet

University staff were amongst friends and fellow writers who gathered in February to celebrate the publication of the latest work by Edwin Morgan, Emeritus Professor of English Literature and Scotland’s first Makar, or National Poet, equivalent to the English Poet Laureate.

*A Book of Lives* contains the verses Professor Morgan wrote for the opening of the Scottish Parliament in 1999 and poems which look back on his past life as well as tackling current issues. His focus ranges from the global – the ‘war on terror’ – to the intensely personal – his battle with cancer.

Professor Alan Riach, head of the Department of Scottish Literature, said: “This is a hugely important book for Edwin, his reputation and also for Scotland. It is his first major book since becoming Makar. It is also a new work in a way, in that he writes about his personal life so openly.”

Graduate becomes first Scot on an English banknote

One of the University’s most famous graduates, Adam Smith, has become the first Scot to appear on a Bank of England note. The contribution of this world-renowned 18th century philosopher and economist has been acknowledged on a newly-designed £20 banknote introduced into circulation in March.

Adam Smith was aged 14 when he started as a student in Glasgow, returning later to work as a professor. His major work – *The Wealth of Nations* – established political economy as a subject of study and remains influential to the present day.

Bank of England Governor, Mervyn King, said: “It is such a pleasure to recognise Adam Smith’s contribution to the understanding of society and its development. His insight into human nature, the organisation of society, the division of labour and the advantages of specialisation remain at the heart of economics.

“The Bank of England acknowledges the enduring contribution of its most talented citizens over their lifetime to the advancement of society. Our choice of Adam Smith reflects the place of the notes themselves as a record of Britain’s heritage.”

The image of Adam Smith used on the £20 banknote is based on a likeness of the portrait of him by James Tassie, held in the Scottish National Portrait Gallery.

Book celebrates founder of Scotland’s oldest public museum

Lawrence Keppie, Emeritus Professor of Roman History and Archaeology, has published a book which describes the life and achievements of 18th century Scottish physician William Hunter and outlines the history of the museum named after him. The book utilises a wealth of unpublished source material to tell the story not only of the man himself but of his museum, in the context of the University’s history and development over the last two centuries.


This year, the Hunterian Museum celebrates 200 years since its foundation in 1807. To celebrate the bicentenary, a range of special exhibitions and events will take place from May 2007 – see the ‘what’s on’ section on the inside back cover for full details.
The Australian Ministry of Defence has commissioned Glasgow archaeologist Dr Tony Pollard to locate the graves of British and Australian troops killed at the Battle of Fromelles in France. The battle – which took place in 1916 on 19 and 20 July – was a decisive victory for the Germans.

Dr Pollard and a team of archaeologists from the University’s Centre for Battlefield Archaeology will use historical photographs along with modern satellite imagery to locate the graves.

Dr Pollard said: “More than 5355 Australians were killed, injured or taken prisoner in the attack. The remains of more than 160 of them were never found. The British lost 1468 men. The dead were left where they fell. There is new documentary evidence of German soldiers digging mass graves for the Allied dead and being ordered to show respect.”

In a separate project, Dr Pollard has been advising a Belgian team who have uncovered a giant World War I bunker in Flanders, which housed up to 300 Allied soldiers during the Battle of Ploegsteert. The underground complex of corridors, sleeping quarters and mess rooms was originally constructed by men from the 9th Battalion Highland Light Infantry.

Beds, weapons and even personal effects have been preserved by the water which flooded the tunnel system after the war.

Dr Pollard said: “This is a phenomenal discovery. Here we’ve found evidence that an entire element of the war was conducted underground and out of sight. Hopefully it will become a project that all nationalities involved can collaborate on.”

The photo is courtesy of the National Trust for Scotland and shows Tony Pollard on a dig at Culloden.
Launch of the Disability Equality Scheme

Over 100 years of Gifford scholarship now online

A team of researchers from the Department of Theology & Religious Studies is working on an ambitious project to publish, on the internet, all the Gifford Lectures delivered at Glasgow since their inception in 1888. This is part of a Scotland-wide project involving all the Gifford lectures delivered at Glasgow, Edinburgh, St Andrews and Aberdeen Universities. The website, when it is completed, will provide a detailed introduction to each series of lectures and their publication, biographies of lecturers as well as a great deal of material which will be invaluable for scholars worldwide.

Principal, Sir Muir Russell, said: “There is an emphasis away from minimum compliance towards building a positive culture change. This means increasing opportunities not only for disabled students but also for disabled people who want to work with us or engage with our community and facilities in other ways.”

In an eloquent and impassioned speech, Olivia inspired everyone present to “be all you can be, despite the hand that’s been dealt to you”.

Aye Write! sponsorship

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“Throughout our history we have nurtured a great number of Scottish authors and poets, most recently through our acclaimed Creative Writing Masters programme. I am particularly glad to see graduates and staff of this course taking part in the festival.”

Distinguished speakers

A number of eminent individuals have been welcomed to the campus over the last few months.

Among them, acclaimed authors Maggie O’Farrell (pictured) and Andrew O’Hagan, and poetry editor of the New Yorker Magazine Alice Quinn, took part in a series of talks organised by the School of English and Scottish Language & Literature.

Professor Gerald Feldman from the University of California, at Berkeley delivered this year’s Holocaust Memorial Lecture and International Women’s Day was marked with a talk by Nicola Sturgeon MSP (LLB 1992) on women in politics.

Baroness Onora O’Neill, President of the British Academy, lectured on whether an ethic of rules can be relaxing and renowned mathematician and former professional magician Professor Persi Diaconic delivered the inaugural Rankin Lecture.

Professors Wilson Sibbett and Jim Hough discussed lasers and the universe in their St Mungo Lecture and leading political theorist Professor Sir Bernard Crick considered the concept of Britishness in the opening lecture of the second citizenship series.

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Distinguished Gifford lecturers in Glasgow have included Edward Caird, John Macmurray, Carl Sagan, George Steiner and Simon Blackburn.
The student experience at Glasgow doesn’t necessarily have to happen in Glasgow – Kenneth Macdonald reports on the University’s Exploration Society.

An opportunity to explore the world

The sights I’ve seen. The steaming rainforests of South East Asia. The mighty Greenlandic glaciers. The high deserts of the American West. And all from about 30,000 feet while stuffing my face with complimentary peanuts and waiting for the in-flight movie to come on.

The University’s Exploration Society gets much closer. But what remains to be explored in this age of global travel? Plenty, according to Roger Downie, the University’s Professor of Zoological Education and a past chair of the society. “The students’ work does produce new knowledge,” he says. “It’s done under supervision and a lot of research papers have come from it.”

Dr Stewart White agrees. Another stalwart of the society, he’s Adviser of Studies at the University’s Institute of Biomedical & Life Sciences (IBLS). “Over the years we’ve had students in places like Kazakhstan, Cyprus, Canada, Iceland, Bolivia, Ecuador, Trinidad, Costa Rica, Gambia and Borneo – pretty much everywhere.”

And the discoveries? A new species of frog in Ecuador awaits confirmation. Professor Downie is himself credited with the discovery of a new species of fly, Megaelia nidanurae. He admits this came as something of a surprise to him, given that his main areas of interest are frogs and turtles.

“The tropics are full of undescribed species,” he says. “We had these flies that attack our frogs’ eggs and when we hatched them out to see what they were it turned out they’d never been described before.”

However the society’s emphasis is on helping students make their own discoveries – academic and personal. “It’s about you becoming yourself,” the professor says. “The students don’t get a cheap holiday out of it. Although the University and other bodies provide support, the students have to put in a fairly substantial personal contribution – and they also have to put in a lot of effort in fundraising.”

A fabric frog’s head hanging on the wall of Dr Jo Smith’s room in the Boyd Orr Building testifies to that. Part of a costume which transforms her into a giant frog, it’s been a part of her fundraising kit for some years now.

Dr Smith, who teaches at the IBLS Undergraduate School, went on her first expedition to Trinidad as an undergraduate. This year will see her embark on her tenth; she is vice-president of the Society and – like Professor Downie and Dr White, one of the core of staff members who accompany the students.

She says that first expedition changed her life: “It was amazing. I’d never seen so much detail about how the environment worked – practical examples of what I’d been learning about in class.”
“It’s a lot different from going on holiday and having everything laid out for you. You had to learn to be practical, to be diplomatic, to work with other people.”

It confirmed her ambition to become a zoologist – but there was more. She changed her area of interest from birds to Trinidad’s abundant frog population, the subject of her doctorate and post-doctoral work.

“It was great to see students ‘getting it’ for the first time – seeing things in a different way. That’s what made me want to become a university teacher.

“So the society has changed the course of my career.”

Long gone are the days of northern Europeans in pith helmets, ‘discovering’ lands and peoples already well known to the locals. These days the emphasis is on collaboration with local people.

“It’s not a question of people from the west of Scotland going and telling the ‘natives’ what to do,” says Professor Downie. “It’s much more about planning an expedition in collaboration with local people who want a particular thing done – and then working out how to do it.

“Almost all the successful expeditions have that element of interactivity.”

The society’s dominant disciplines are inevitably biology and zoology but the society is open to students from all faculties. Medicine and dentistry have been represented in the past, and in recent years there has been a growing attraction for anthropologists and linguists; this has been fuelled by the desire to work more closely with local communities.

Opening Trinidad to eco-tourism is one example. The summer – tourism primetime – coincides with Trinidad’s rainy season. The spectacularly attractive bird life makes itself scarce, leaving the field open to an equally colourful and noisy selection of frogs. A way to extend the tourist season, perhaps – but for one thing: Trinidadians are frightened of frogs.

“The frogs in breeding season are spectacular,” says Dr Smith. “They’re harmless – they are not poison arrow frogs. But if a frog comes into a house in Trinidad it’s likely to be killed or at the very least people will sweep it back outside.”

Elaine Dockery on the Society’s Ecuador Expedition 2006. She is pictured in the community of San José de Payamino, Orellana Province, Ecuador – a community situated in a remote part of the Amazonian rainforest and only accessible by canoe.

“We’re putting something in, and getting something in return”

For Elaine Dockery, it all began because she could speak Spanish.

“I’ve been at the University for five years,” she says. “I started as a part-time evening class student. I did a certificate in field archaeology that way.”

She’s now a full-timer, a Level-3 student aiming for Joint Honours in anthropology and sociology; she’s also studied Spanish. So when she saw a notice from the Exploration Society looking for someone who could combine Spanish and anthropology, she was intrigued.

“It was for a pilot project in Ecuador. The society had already been to there to do scientific work combined with teaching English to local people. They wanted to develop it in the direction of anthropology.”

But before work could begin in the Amazon rainforest in the far east of Ecuador there was work to be done in Glasgow. A £1000 Merchants’ House Travelling Scholarship helped but more had to be found.

“We had to raise £5000 working as a group. You get to know the whole team and that helps because there are no nasty surprises when the expedition proper begins.”

Teaching the local people English came at the request of the communities themselves.

“A lot of the assumptions about indigenous people are wrong,” she says. “They’re interested in the rest of the world. They just don’t live in the consumer society. Teaching them English provides our access – we’re putting something in and we get something in return.”

In Elaine’s case, the return was material for her studies in fair trade. But the learning curve was steep.

“Sometimes in the build-up I felt like chucking it in. But we made it through and I’m a stronger person for it. And it was all good preparation for things like being bitten by a bullet ant and finding a snake in my washing – although only after I’d boiled it up.”

Elaine is going back to Ecuador this year to add to her already impressive CV – all the more impressive when you consider she’s a mature student and the mother of five teenage children. One of them is a daughter studying zoology at the University.

“She was another of the students on the last expedition,” says Elaine.

“But it worked out – we’re still talking!”
Making a difference

Anna Harrison is about to embark on her third expedition – and she’s only in the third year of her zoology degree. The first two were to The Gambia; on the second of these she was the expedition leader, working on a mixture of zoological and community projects. So what did she learn?

“So much,” she says. “Although I loved the zoology side, the people are what made it. They’re welcoming even though they have nothing and it humbles you how much they will offer you.

“When we were building a library the whole community was involved. Certainly I feel – and the society feels – it’s very important to interlink community with any scientific work you do, and make sure that what you’re doing is what the local people want you to do.”

For this year’s trip she’ll be going to Ecuador for a year, spending the first six or so weeks of the formal society expedition, then on to a work placement which she hopes will provide the material for a Masters dissertation.

“I’m very passionate about it because the expeditions are a fantastic way of raising interest in the zoological community about the problems that are facing the world today.

“Often people live in a blinkered environment and don’t see the lives that people are leading and how hard it is for people other than us.”

Ultimately she hopes to work for a non-government organisation on sustainable development, or as she puts it, “to try and make a difference, I guess.”

You get the impression she will.

So at the same time as helping Trinidadians develop nature reserves, future expeditions will be trying to create a cultural shift. Anthropologists and other specialists from Glasgow will be going into schools to spread the good word about the benefits of amphibian conservation.

“Until seven or eight years ago, the community we work with in Ecuador wouldn’t let anyone onto their land – if anyone stumbled onto it they’d be faced with guys with spears and war paint,” Dr White says.

“Now we have an arrangement that we can do our research in their territory.”

Against the risks must be weighed the benefits, both in terms of science and students’ personal development.

“They get an incredible experience,” says Stewart White. “It’s really something money can’t buy.”

University bids to aid the developing world

An ambitious plan to channel the expertise of staff at the University into helping the developing world has been unveiled.

More than 40 academics are to pool their resources to create the University of Glasgow Centre for International Development – the first of its kind in Scotland.

The University already has well-established international development projects in Africa including Botswana, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, The Gambia, and Uganda. The Centre will identify and develop new programmes with other African countries and other continents.

The Centre will also promote cultural exchange and capacity building between low income countries and Scotland through shared collaborative research programmes, the provision of joint research training workshops and short courses, and the delivery of appropriate Masters degree programmes.

You can visit the Centre’s website at www.gla.ac.uk/gcid

Kenneth Macdonald (LLB 1978) is BBC Scotland’s Special Correspondent, broadcasting on a range of television and radio programmes.
Ken Symon reports on the University’s Business School joining the ranks of the world’s elite.

In the business of success

Professor Angus Laing, the head of the Business School and Department of Management, has a clear ambition for the school – he wants it to be among the top ten business schools in the UK and the best in Scotland.

He explains: “Our goal is to enhance our position as one of the premier centres of excellence for management and organisational studies in the UK and beyond.”

Professor Laing has set out a programme of objectives for the school to achieve within the next five years. A key step along the journey to achieving that goal came in January when the University announced that the school had gained accreditation from the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

In being awarded AACSB accreditation Glasgow joined an elite group made up of fewer than 10% of the world’s schools and one of only two in Scotland to receive this international recognition.

Another step in improving the reputation of the school will come in the autumn with the introduction of a new MBA programme, following a review of existing and continuing programmes by Dr Iain Docherty, the MBA director.

Dr Docherty says: “Both employers and students are becoming more discerning about what they expect from a modern MBA. Developing core technical skills is only one element of business success – MBA graduates are also now expected to understand the impact of a diverse range of issues, from international migration to technological innovation and climate change, on the performance of their organisations. The breadth of expertise at Glasgow means that our understanding and analysis of these key business challenges is second to none.”

Dr Docherty has also been seeking to improve links with the business school’s alumni as part of a move to address more closely the needs of the business community. He shares Professor Laing’s belief that the school is becoming closer to the business community and serving its needs better.

Dr Docherty says: “We take our role in contributing to the growth and success of the Scottish economy seriously. Part of Glasgow’s tradition is to apply the insight gained from our research to the benefit of the University’s local partners, and our work with businesses and public sector organisations in and around Glasgow, as well as further afield, is an important part of this.”

Another key element in developing the Business School has been increasing its international links. Professor Laing has travelled to countries in Asia and South America to develop partnerships with new universities and other elite institutions.
Business School

Debating the future

The school has been celebrating the 30th anniversary of its MBA programme with a series of events including, a debate over Scotland’s financial future in the run-up to the Scottish Parliament elections on 3 May.

The Question Time debate held in March provided a unique combination of academic research on fiscal autonomy by Professor Ronald MacDonald, Adam Smith Chair of Political Economy, along with economic spokespeople from the four main political parties.

Pictured left to right are Jim Mather (SNP), Murdo Fraser (Conservative), Robert Brown (Liberal Democrat) and Allan Wilson (Labour)

Institutions and strengthen existing links.

Earlier this year, he went to India where he visited the Globyn Business School in Kolkata to identify how the two schools would work together in delivering a new joint MSc programme in International Business.

He was also a principle speaker at an international conference Going Global: Unleashing People Potential hosted in Visakhapatnam by GITAM, which is developing into a long-term focused partner for the Glasgow school.

The development of such links around the joint delivery of programmes is complemented by initiatives aimed at developing research links with key players in the region such as the Indian Institute of Management in Ahmedabad and the Lahore University of Management Science.

The joint MSc programme in India is an extension of programmes already developed in China with Sichuan University. The MSc programme there was successfully launched in 2005 with an intake of 23 students, a figure that has almost doubled in the 2006-07 academic year. From the 2007-08 academic year this programme will be extended to Nanjing Normal University and Liaoning Normal University.

These partnerships have been followed by visits Professor Laing has made this spring to Mexico and Colombia. He says: “We want to develop the business school to be truly international in character, working in partnership with elite overseas institutions. We have much to learn from each other.”

The internationalisation drive at the school has also included the area of research. A Centre for Internationalisation & Enterprise Research (CIER) was launched in September 2006.

The centre, developed under the guidance of Professor Stephen Young and Dr Marian V Jones, is seeking to become recognised as internationally acclaimed centre for multidisciplinary research and allied teaching and executive programmes in internationalisation and enterprise.

CIER members are known for research in the internationalisation of high-technology small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), multinationals and entrepreneurship in these areas. New projects are being launched which integrate these streams of research, focusing on multinational/SME collaboration. These projects, which will be genuinely international in scope, will focus on poverty reduction in developing countries and innovation.

Professor Laing says: “All these objectives add up to one thing: we are seeking to become and be recognised as the top business school in Scotland, both for the quality of our teaching and of our research.”

Ken Symon is Business Editor of the Sunday Herald newspaper

Connecting for growth

One initiative for the Business School in improving its service to the Scottish business community was an innovative new programme ‘Connecting for Growth’ held jointly with the Clydesdale Bank.

The programme was aimed at allowing leaders from businesses across Scotland to work on growing their businesses with the input of leading academics from the school.

The first course, held at the end of October 2006, put business leaders from manufacturing, professional services and the public sector together with the Glasgow Business School and managers from the Clydesdale Bank.

Pictured above is Professor Luiz Moutinho at the ‘Connecting for Growth’ event

www.gla.ac.uk/schools/business
The University hopes to inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers with the launch of a new science festival this year.

Taking science to the people

The Glasgow Science Festival has been launched to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Lord Kelvin – a Glasgow graduate and one of the UK’s greatest scientists.

The festival began in March, when school groups were invited to take part in activities looking at everything from recycling glass to taming a tsunami.

An extensive public lecture series and a summer schools programme will continue until June and it is expected somewhere in the region of 25,000 people will have taken part in the festival by its conclusion.

And thanks to funding from the Science and Society budget of the Scottish Executive, the vast majority of the events are free.

Many of the activities that have been taking place during the four-month extravaganza, which ends on 28 June, are designed for schools and families and offer a fun and interactive look at the pioneering work of the University.

Making science accessible to everyone is a key aim of the festival. As Vice-Principal Professor John Coggins says: “For more than 500 years, the University of Glasgow has been at the forefront of scientific thought and this festival is a way of showing the country, and the world, that science is just as important now as it has ever been.

“Our scientists are continuing to make world-class breakthroughs and they want to share their new knowledge and their enthusiasm with as many people as possible.”

Family activities include making and racing a solar powered car, extracting DNA from fruit and vegetables, lying on a bed of nails, standing inside a giant bubble and seeing a glass smashed by sound.

The festival features contributions from bright sparks across the University – academics, graduate students and research fellows play a major role. The Chancellor, Professor Sir Kenneth Calman, will give a public lecture on science and ethics, while Scotland’s Astronomer Royal, Professor John Brown, will be using magic to illustrate the wonders of the universe.

Events for schools have included using forensic science to solve a crime, exploring the science of a tsunami with Dr Gordon Curry, who talked about his
The enduring fame of Lord Kelvin was demonstrated by his prominent inclusion in a display of the most important scientists in the world at a museum in Paris.

Lord Kelvin, who was born William Thomson, and his brother James, both graduates and professors of the University, appeared in a display entitled ‘Principaux Inventeurs et Fabricants’ at the Musée des Arts et Métiers last November.
Around the world . . . by pedal power

Recent graduate Mark Beaumont aims to become the fastest person to have ever circumnavigated the globe by bicycle – an 18,000 mile solo bike ride.

Mark, who graduated last year in Economics and Politics, has spent the last 12 years criss-crossing Europe on a number of endurance and charity adventures.

But now he is facing his greatest challenge yet: to break the Guinness World Record of just under 277 days for cycling around the world.

Mark’s challenge will see him start from Paris in September, taking in many countries including Poland, Bulgaria, Iran, India, Australia, New Zealand and the USA, before returning to western Europe for the last leg in the spring.

Sir Muir Russell, Principal, has given the full support of the University to this seven-month expedition. In addition, Dr Niall MacFarlane of the University’s Institute of Biomedical & Life Sciences has been helping Mark with sports science testing and training feedback and David Denton of the University’s sports association, GUSA, has been instrumental in the strategic planning.

Mark – known to most at Glasgow as Monty – spent his student days juggling the demands of academic life and sporting activities. He credits his involvement with sports clubs – including a stint as vice-president of GUSA – as helping to provide the experience necessary to be able to organise such a huge logistical expedition as the round-the-world challenge.

“The prospect of spending seven months almost entirely alone, pushing maximum mileage each day and living in a tent for the majority of the time will be more of a mental challenge than a physical one,” says Mark.

Mark aims to raise funds and awareness for Community Action Nepal – a charity which helps and supports remote Nepalese communities through education, health and community development programmes – through his challenge, as well as promoting enterprise, sustainability and global friendship amongst young people.

Mark is no stranger to cycling adventures. He has recently returned from chalk ing up nearly 3,000 solo bike miles through Scandinavia and the Baltic states, which involved sleeping rough for a month and travelling 300 miles north of the Arctic Circle.

To make his record official Mark will have to adhere to strict Guinness criteria including cycling 18,000 miles in a continuous direction and passing through two antipodal points of the globe – Madrid in Spain and Wellington in New Zealand – where the coordinates north and south of the equator are approximately the same. Having secured all the necessary equipment and logistical sponsorship, he is now working to raise £25,000 capital to survive seven months on the road.

Mark says: “The prospect of spending seven months almost entirely alone, pushing maximum mileage each day and living in a tent for the majority of the time will be more of a mental challenge than a physical one. Once you have a certain level of stamina and endurance it is more a case of keeping a frame of mind which keeps you motivated… and sane!”.

To find out more about the global expedition go to www.pedallingaround.com

You can also contact Mark at mark.worldcycle@googlemail.com
Updates . . .

Dental alumni achievements

Three graduates from the University’s Dental School held the most distinguished positions within the dental world in the same year, 2005-06. Dr John Craig (BDS 1966), Dr Ken Lumsden (BDS 1965) and Dr Hew Mathewson (BDS 1974) served as President of the British Dental Association, the British Orthodontic Society and the General Dental Council respectively.

Astronomical achievement

Professor Dr Michael Garrett (BSc 1986) has been appointed as Executive Director of Astron, the Netherlands Foundation for Research in Astronomy. He has published over 120 articles on astronomy and is a board member of various European and international astronomy projects. His expertise has been recognised further as he has been appointed to visiting professorships to both Leiden and Groningen Universities.

Graduate elected Fellow of the British Academy

James D G Dunn (MA 1961, BD 1964), Emeritus Lightfoot Professor of Divinity at the University of Durham, and author and editor of numerous books and papers, has recently been elected as a Fellow of the British Academy for the humanities and social sciences.

A Canadian honour

Dr Charles L Draper (MBChB 1961) has been awarded the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal for services to the province of Saskatchewan in Canada.

Dr Draper has lived in Canada for the past 40 years and has been active in many fields, including serving as mayor of the town of Gravelbourg for seven years. He has also stood in the Legislature of the province, equivalent to being a member of the Scottish Parliament. Dr Draper was also honoured in 1992 with the award of the Canada 125 medal.

Alumni awarded for work in medical education

Professor Ronald M Harden (MBChB 1960) has been awarded the 2006 Karolinska Institutet Prize for Research in Medical Education. He is currently the Director of Education with the International Virtual Medical School, an international not-for-profit partnership of medical schools and institutions working to develop the full potential of e-learning in medical education. Professor Harden has published more than 400 papers and pioneered ideas in his field which have been put into effect in medical schools around the world.

Graduate promotion

Susan Henson (BSc 1984) has taken on the prestigious role of Global Alliance Manager for Marketing & Strategy at Hewlett Packard’s base in California. Since joining the company she has worked in different departments, demonstrating her flexible skills and talents including appearing in promotional publications and travelling the world to speak at sales conferences.

New group for law graduates

In May the University’s Law School hosted the launch event of the new European Law Alumni Society. Academics met with former graduates and distinguished guests for a lunch to mark the establishment of the new society which seeks to bring together those who have a connection with the School of Law and EU legal affairs. If you are interested in joining, please contact Maria Fletcher in the School of Law at M.Fletcher@law.gla.ac.uk.
Alumni sporting event

Glasgow University Sports Association (GUSA) is planning to hold an alumni day in August/September. This will involve alumni playing current GUSA teams – with families and friends all invited to enjoy the day’s activities. You do not have to have been a member of a GUSA club or represented the University before – and there is no age limit – so why not get involved? If you are interested, please get in touch with the Development & Alumni Office as soon as possible (contact details appear below).

GUSA setting up new association

Did you play sport while you were at University? Would you like to be able to renew contact with your former team-mates? GUSA is setting up a new association that all former GUSA members are eligible to join. Visit: www.gla.ac.uk/alumni and follow the GU World links to let us know what clubs you were involved in, and to keep a look out for the launch of the GUSA association this year.

Deirdre Galbraith (BSc 1997, MBChB 1999) has been awarded a ‘Testimonial on Vellum’ by the Royal Humane Society for her involvement at the scene of an aviation accident at Everest Base Camp. The award is made to those who have put themselves in considerable danger to save, or attempt to save, someone else.

Dr Galbraith was honoured for her actions after witnessing a helicopter crash while trying to land on the glacial moraine. At the time she was working as an expedition doctor for a climbing team and, with the help of an expedition member, she entered the cockpit to make the scene safe by turning off the engine power. She then attended to the numerous casualties around the wreckage until a rescue helicopter arrived for their evacuation to Kathmandu.

Following periods working in both the Antarctic and Arctic, North America and New Zealand, Dr Galbraith is looking forward to starting a GP registrar post on the Isle of Skye later this year.

How to contact Alumni News

Send details of news and reunions to:
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The Kelvin Ensemble — celebrating 15 years

The Kelvin Ensemble was founded in 1991 by a group of enterprising students at the University to allow musicians from all faculties to perform challenging music to the highest level, and produce public performances led by professional conductors. This year the ensemble celebrates its 15th anniversary and the orchestra is looking forward to collaborating with the Choral Society and Chapel Choir, celebrating the bicentenary of the University’s Hunterian Museum. For more details visit: www.kelvin-ensemble.org.uk

Since we launched GU World – our new online community – in the last edition of Avenue, over 2,700 alumni have registered as members.

This is a great start, but we are keen to get more of our alumni involved so that GU World can really fulfil its potential as a major point of contact for our global alumni community. We would also like to hear your feedback on the site and the services it offers so that we can make improvements and attract even more alumni. Visit www.gla.ac.uk/alumni and follow the GU World links.

Thanks to feedback we’ve already received from members, we have made some changes to the layout of the pages and have added new content – targeted to different year groups and parts of the world.

If you are involved with or run an alumni group, why not get in touch and we can set up some pages for you? Contact details appear below.

Dr Galbraith at the scene of the crash

Alumni enjoy reception at the House of Commons

More than 130 alumni attended a special networking event at the Terrace Marquee in the House of Commons in March. The event was hosted by Dr Liam Fox MP (MBChB 1983) and was a great success. A number of alumni and guests who attended were lucky enough to get a guided tour of the magnificent building, led by Dr Fox. There are plans to hold similar events in London in the future.
Invitation to musical event

Haydn’s oratorio ‘The Creation’ will be performed in the Bute Hall on 2 December as part of the year-long celebrations commemorating the bicentenary of the Hunterian Museum. The work will be sung on this occasion to the words of Anne Hunter (wife of John and sister-in-law of Hunterian benefactor Dr William Hunter) by the University Choral Society, Chapel Choir, Kelvin Ensemble and alumni with Lorna Anderson (soprano), Nicholas Mulroy (tenor), Roland Wood (baritone), conducted by Professor Marjorie Rycroft of the Department of Music.

Tickets are priced £9 (£6) and will be available from early October from the Gilmorehill G12 box office. Tel: +44 (0)141 330 5522 or email: boxoffice@gilmorehillg12.co.uk

Music Club are invited to join the University Choral Society and Orchestra for this performance. Final rehearsals will be held in the Bute Hall on 1 and 2 December.

If you would like to join the choir or orchestra for this unique concert, please contact Ms Emily Wallace (giving details of your voice/instrument) by 31 August (contact details appear on page 15).

If you live locally, why not come and sing with the Choral Society on a more regular basis? New members – especially tenors and basses – are always welcome. For further details visit: www.gla.ac.uk/choralsociety

Medical volunteering in Peru

Dr Mary Duckworth, Assistant Medical Officer at the University Health Service, worked as a medical volunteer along the Peruvian Amazon for three months last summer.

Each month, teams of British volunteer doctors, dentists and helpers join a Peruvian team on board a medical aid boat, Amazon Hope, delivering primary care and health education to isolated communities. This is only one of several projects operated in Peru by the Vine Trust which has raised almost £1.5M in the past three years.

Dr Duckworth is looking for volunteers to join a team for two weeks in February 2008; opportunities are also available for both long and short-term volunteers for medical and dental student electives, Spanish/English translators and for research projects into water and sanitation, tropical diseases, public health and nutrition.

For more information, contact Mary Duckworth by email: m.duckworth@admin.gla.ac.uk

First get together for Tokyo alumni

Alumni living in Japan met for their first-ever formal gathering at a special Scottish universities joint event at the British Embassy in Tokyo in October. The evening was a great success with more than 80 alumni from Glasgow, Edinburgh and Stirling Universities in attendance – of which 33 were Glasgow alumni.

The programme started with a seminar on the theme Scottish Education’s Influence on Japan - Past and Future, and ended with a networking gathering at the Embassy’s bar with live bagpipe music and whisky tasting offered by one of Scotland’s whisky distillers.

After the joint event, the Glasgow group met for an inaugural gathering. More than 50 alumni living in Japan have expressed an interest in this group which looks forward to welcoming more members and holding a future event. For more information log in to GU World at: www.gla.ac.uk/alumni

Aberdeen alumni enjoy annual dinner

The annual dinner of the Aberdeen Club took place in November at the Royal Northern & University Club where 60 members and guests enjoyed presentations from speakers including The Very Rev David Lacy, former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, and Emeritus Professor David Green, Chairman of the Scottish Centre for Ecology & the Natural Environment (SCENE) Campaign Advisory Board, who brought the company up-to-date with events and advances at the University. The club meets three times per year and always welcomes new members. For further information contact Evelyn Dobson, tel: +44 (0)1224 868275.

Amazon support

In October the Development & Alumni Office launched a new initiative which allows alumni and friends who purchase items from Amazon, the online retailer, to support the University.

For each purchase which is made by following the link to Amazon from the alumni website, 5% of the purchase cost is donated to help the University’s fundraising efforts.

We would like to say thank you to everyone who contributed in this way in the last few months. If you are interested in helping your alma mater in this way, please bookmark the webpage for future use: www.gla.ac.uk/alumni/amazon

• The Managing Director of Amazon in the UK is Brian McBride who graduated from the University with an MA in 1977.
Student success at entrepreneurial awards

A group of students from the University and the Glasgow School of Art has won the top undergraduate prize in the Scottish Institute for Enterprise (SIE) National Student Business Plan competition 2007. The annual competition aims to help students in Scotland transform their business ideas into reality.

James Brown, Nicky Pang and Amanda Jones – known as Red Button Design – took top honours and a cheque for £16,000 for their product – *Clean Drinking Water for the World*, an innovative water sanitation, transport and storage device specifically tailored to suit tough conditions in developing countries. This product, which would enable individuals to collect water from the nearest source, contaminated or not, and sanitise for drinking or bathing use, could bring relief to the 1.2 billion people around the world who are still without clean water.

Glasgow student Sam Meheux took second place in the competition for his business idea, *Sounds Good Advertising*, a revolutionary new marketing medium transferring digital advertising content, such as music and video images, to mobile phones, PCs or i-Pods.

Greig Sinclair, student enterprise manager at the University, said: “It is wonderful both Red Button and Sounds Good have continued our outstanding level of success in the SIE awards. It is further proof the University of Glasgow develops the most innovative and entrepreneurial students in Scotland.”

Last year a joint team of students from the University and the Glasgow School of Art won the top prize in the undergraduate competition for their business plan, *Paper Filament*, a speculative design house; and in 2005 alumnus Michael Bowes (LLB 2004) won the top prize in the postgraduate competition for his invention, Barhand.

“The University of Glasgow develops the most innovative and entrepreneurial students in Scotland.”

Have you ever wanted to visit the University campus with friends or family to let them share in your memories of student life? From April to September you can take a guided tour of the University grounds, including the University Chapel and the Bute Hall. Tours are offered daily at 11am from Wednesday to Saturday and start from the Visitor Centre shop. The tower is included on Friday tours. For more information, visit the website at www.guheritage.com or tel: +44 (0)141 330 5511.

University shops

Our shops are now taking orders for tailor-made University of Glasgow tartan kilts. The tartan is inspired by the colours in the University coat of arms, and products are exclusively available from the Visitor Centre shop. Accessories such as bow ties, ties and hats are part of the range on offer.

We have introduced new ranges of University clothing lines including polo shirts, sweatshirts and new ladies’ lines. These – and many other University products – are available for mail order from our website at: www.guheritage.com. The website also offers unique products from the Hunterian Art Gallery shop including jewellery, books, prints and posters.

We are very happy to receive any enquiries, questions and suggestions you might have. Please email Hilda de Groot (General Manager) at h.degroot@admin.gla.ac.uk
Reunion notices & reports

1949–55 Delta Club reunion
The next reunion has been arranged at Peebles Hotel Hydro for 20–22 May 2008. To book, please contact the hotel direct (quoting ‘Glasgow 55 Medical Year’). For further information, email: c.mccrone31@tiscali.co.uk or telephone the McCrones at +44 (0)1383 852217.

1957–63 Beta Club reunion
The Beta Club is planning a reunion for 2008. If you are interested, send your email address to either Scott or John: rbtscottayr@aol.com or jjboyd@shaw.ca

1962–68 Beta Club reunion
The Beta Club 1968 is planning a 40th anniversary reunion in October 2008, provisionally planned at Turnberry Hotel. Contact Roddy or Stuart at roderickmacleod5@hotmail.com or stuart_holms@msn.com as soon as possible if you are interested. Please pass on this information to friends in the year who may not see Avenue.

1962–67 Apollonian Society reunion
The 1962–67 Apollonian Society of dental graduates is planning a 40th anniversary reunion on 7–9 September 2007 at De Vere Slaley Hall Hotel, Northumberland. If any year-mate has not yet received notification, contact Charlie Devennie, tel: +44 (0)1355 238294 or email: CDevennie@aol.com

1967 Notre Dame reunion
Mary Mulhern is coordinating plans for a 40th anniversary reunion, to be held on 28 September 2007 at the University. For more information email: mary.mulhern@cogeco.ca

1977 Beta Club reunion
A 30-year reunion is being planned for late 2007. For information, email: rona.henderson@beta77.org

1966 Engineers reunion
A dinner is being organised for 18 October 2008 to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the 1968 class of engineers. It will take place in the Randolph Hall at the University and wives and partners are welcome. There will be a supporting programme of events during the weekend. Please register your interest as soon as possible with George Leslie at: gleslie@georgeleslie.co.uk

1968 BSc Chemistry reunion
Jim Mooney is hoping to get the 1968 BSc Chemistry class together for a reunion in 2008. If you are interested, email: JamesMooney41@msn.com

1956 Dental reunion
The BDS graduating class of 1956 held a very successful dinner in the Melville Room at the University in October 2006. Some of the graduates and their wives then spent several enjoyable days together at the Crieff Hydro.

1983 Molecular Biology reunion
Anne Terry (née Wheeler) is organising a reunion in 2008 to mark the 25th anniversary of the 1983 Molecular Biology class. For more information email: a.terry@vet.gla.ac.uk

1977 Alpha Club — 30th anniversary reunion
Brenda Duthie (née Morris) is coordinating the reunion for the 1977 Alpha Club which will take place on 2–4 November 2007 at Peebles Hotel Hydro. Contact Brenda.duthie@ntlworld.com if you are interested in attending.

Reunion news
Send reunion notices and reports to Ms Emily Wallace, Alumni Manager, Development & Alumni Office, 2 The Square, University of Glasgow, Glasgow G12 8QO. Tel: +44 (0)141 330 4951, email: alumni@gla.ac.uk Visit the website at: www.gla.ac.uk/alumni
Celebrating 25 years of Nursing
Calling all graduates, current and previous staff of Nursing & Midwifery to a celebratory dinner on 23 November 2007. This will be held in the Hunter Hall at the University to celebrate the silver anniversary of the first graduations. Informal enquiries to the Head of the Department, Mrs Joan McDowell, email: J.R.McDowell@clinmed.gla.ac.uk

BVMS ‘02’ and ‘07’ alumni reunion
A reunion black tie dinner and ceilidh is being held on 3 November 2007 for all those who graduated from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in a year ending in either ‘02’ or ‘07’, and who are therefore celebrating a significant anniversary in 2007. Tickets will cost something in the region of £55. For more information, contact Louise Birrell, Alumni Officer (Vet Faculty) on +44 (0)141 330 2054 or email: l.birrell@vet.gla.ac.uk

1946 Medical reunion
The 60th anniversary reunion of the medical graduates of 1946 was held in the Hilton Hotel in Dunkeld in September 2006 and was attended by 22 people, seven of whom were partners. The occasion was a great success.

1993 MBA reunion
In September 2006 a 45th graduation anniversary reunion took place for the Modern Languages Honours class of 1961. Graduates and spouses from all over the UK, as well as from Germany and Canada, enjoyed dinner in the Marriott Hotel in Glasgow and a joyous evening renewing auld acquaintance. On the following day some of the group made an excursion together to the Falkirk Wheel (pictured). A big thank you from all who attended is due to the organisers of the event, Alan and Aileen Small.

1961 Modern Languages reunion

1947 Dental reunion

The 1947 Dental class enjoyed a reunion at the Lochgreen House Hotel in Troon in 2006. The event, organised by Dr James Stewart, was well attended, with members of the class and their partners travelling from distant parts of the UK. The event was a success and there was a universal clamour for a repeat in 2007.
Holiday offers for alumni

Braemar fly/cruises to Caribbean and Orinoco

Caribbean (direct from Scotland)
15 nights from 28 February 2008 • departs Edinburgh • from £1315
Sample itinerary: Bridgetown, Barbados ~ Castries, St Lucia ~ Roseau, Dominica ~ St John’s, Antigua ~ Road Town, Tortola ~ Samana, Dominican Republic ~ Santiago de Cuba ~ Porto Antonio, Jamaica ~ Willemstad, Curacao ~ St George’s, Grenada ~ Bridgetown, Barbados.

Orinoco (direct from Scotland)
15 nights from 22 November 2007 • departs Glasgow • from £1295
Itinerary: Bridgetown, Barbados ~ Castries, St Lucia ~ Fort de France, Martinique ~ St John’s, Antigua ~ Philipsburg, St Maarten ~ Road Town, Tortola ~ El Guanache, I. Margarita ~ Puerto Ordaz; Ca. Arauquito, Venezuela ~ Port Elizabeth, Bequia ~ Bridgetown, Barbados.

Price includes: return direct charter flight from Glasgow or Edinburgh • 14 nights’ accommodation in cabin category of your choice for duration of cruise • all meals and entertainment on board • all port taxes • porterage on board • private cocktail party (subject to numbers) • services of a Connoisseur escort (subject to numbers) • PLUS up to £130 per cabin on-board spend.

The Mekong Exploration
A 12-day visit to Vietnam and Cambodia flying from London, including an eight-day river journey aboard the RV Mekong Pandaw or RV Tonle Pandaw.
November 2007 & March 2008 • 11 nights from £2149
Price includes: Return economy class international flights from London, via gateway to Ho Chi Minh returning from Siam Reap • 1 night pre-cruise stay at the Renaissance Riverside Hotel in Ho Chi Minh • 7 nights’ cruise on the RV Mekong Pandaw or the RV Tonle Pandaw • 1 night post-cruise stay at the Angkor Century Hotel in Siem Reap • FB throughout • transfers to/from airport/hotel/ship • entrance fees during the cruise.

Connecting flights from Scotland can be arranged at a supplement.

The Boudicca offers five itineraries from/to Leith for 2008:
• France/Ireland: 7 nights – 15 June, from £559
• Baltic: 12 nights – 22 June, from £1329
• Spitsbergen: 14 nights – 4 July, from £1599
• Norway: 7 nights – 18 July, from £775
• Mini Cruise (Leith to Southampton): 4 nights – 25 July, from £319

Price includes: Cabin category of your choice for duration of cruise • all meals and snacks on board • all entertainment, sports and leisure facilities • all port taxes • porterage on board • coach transfers on selected itineraries (subject to minimum numbers) • private cocktail party (subject to numbers) • services of a Connoisseur escort (subject to numbers) • PLUS up to £120 per cabin on-board spend.

Special selection of Fred Olsen’s cruises for 2008
The Black Prince offers eight itineraries from/to Greenock in 2008:
• Canary Islands: 13 nights – 13 April, from £839
• Eastern Mediterranean: 21 nights – 26 April, from £1569
• Iberia: 7 nights – 17 May, from £499
• Norway: 8 nights – 24 May, from £659
• Western Mediterranean: 14 nights – 1 June, from £1155
• Norway/Iceland: 11 nights – 15 June, from £959
• Greenland: 14 nights – 26 June, from £1299
• Western Mediterranean: 14 nights – 12 October, from £949

Price includes:
- Cabin category of your choice for duration of cruise
- All meals and snacks on board
- All entertainment, sports and leisure facilities
- All port taxes
- Porterage on board
- Private cocktail party (subject to numbers)
- Services of a Connoisseur escort (subject to numbers)
- PLUS up to £120 per cabin on-board spend.

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**Papers for consideration at the Half-Yearly Meeting of the General Council Saturday, 23 June 2007**

1. Minutes of Meeting held on 27 January 2007 (see below).
2. **Paper A**: Report by the Principal on the work and activities of the University, including the Financial Statement for 2005-06.

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the General Council held on Saturday, 27 January 2007 at 11.00am in the Senate Room of the University**

The Chancellor, Professor Sir Kenneth Calman, took the chair and welcomed those present to the meeting.

1. **Election of Assessors**
The meeting was advised by the Clerk that two nominations, duly proposed and seconded, had been received for persons to be elected to serve as Assessors on the University Court. The nominees were Mr James Robertson Gibb (MA 1956), and Mr Kevin Sweeney (MA 1960, LLB 1962).

   If elected, Mr Gibb would serve on the Court for the period ending 31 July 2008 and Mr Sweeney would serve for the period ending 31 July 2010.

   The Council resolved to elect Mr James R Gibb and Mr Kevin Sweeney to be Assessors to serve on the University Court for the periods ending 31 July 2008 and 31 July 2010 respectively.

2. **Minutes of Meeting held on 24 June 2006**
The minutes of the meeting held on 24 June 2006, printed in *Avenue*, Issue 41 (January 2007) were approved. At the invitation of the Chancellor, the Alumni Relations Manager, Miss Emily Wallace, advised the meeting that attendance of members at the Half-Yearly Meetings of the General Council had been low and that it was now proposed to arrange for a future meeting to be held outwith Glasgow, probably in London in the first instance, in order that members living in the London area would have an opportunity to hear about the University’s activities. The Chancellor reminded the meeting that it had already approved in principle a proposal to hold meetings of the General Council outwith Glasgow, from time to time, and it was noted that the Business Committee would now take this matter forward.

The meeting was advised by the Convener, Mr Alistair Mack, that it was the unanimous recommendation of the Business Committee that Dr Frances Boyle be appointed by the General Council as Convener of the Business Committee with immediate effect for a period of four years in the first instance. Dr Boyle had formerly been a Senior Lecturer in Pharmacology in the University, a Senate Assessor on the Court and was currently Convener of the
Paper A: Report by the Principal

In this report I want to focus on recent developments with respect to five key strands of our Building on Excellence strategy which are illustrative of the ways we are progressing to achieve our ambitious targets.

Research

Two launches are worth highlighting. On the 26 January we launched the Adam Smith Research Foundation (ASRF). Bringing together academics from across a range of disciplines in law, business and social sciences, the foundation will provide resources and space to fuel quality research. It is already supporting eight PhD students, two research fellows, and over the next two months will welcome visiting fellows from Russia and China.

The second, saw the official opening on 22 March of the James Watt Nanofabrication Centre. This centre, interdisciplinarity in its approach, combines strength in theoretical research with practical application – it has for example the technology to contain the works of Burns on a chip smaller than a pin head. The centre has already attracted grants totalling around £8M and a bright future lies ahead.

Learning and teaching

In January, I was delighted to attend the launch of our new Learning & Teaching Centre (LTC). The LTC draws together four services and gives the University a coordinated and effective team, with the right skills to take our learning and teaching agenda forward.

We were also pleased to launch our new science festival in March. With more than 80 events, it was in part designed to attract schools and families and so enthuse and inspire the students of tomorrow and the next generation of scientists and engineers. It also commemorates the 100th anniversary of the death of Lord Kelvin, a man who did so much to promote the proud tradition of science and engineering at Glasgow.

We also seek to nurture the graduates of tomorrow, ensuring that they are better prepared for the workplace by embedding work-related learning in the curriculum. Glasgow has been given the lead role in a new three-year £2M project, principally supported by the Scottish Funding Council (SFC), to research these very issues. Enterprise and entrepreneurial skills are, of course, already encouraged. It was exciting to see, for example, that some of our students picked up 1st and 2nd prizes at the Scottish Institute for Enterprise Business Plan Competition in March, the third year in a row the University of Glasgow has taken a top prize in the competition. The winners, James Brown, Nicky Pang and Amanda Jones, received first prize for their innovative reverse osmosis sanitation system which has the potential to bring relief to the 1.2 billion people around the world who are still without clean water.

Staff and students

We want the University of Glasgow to be a place where staff and students are keen to be, a place that is enriching, fulfilling, exciting for ALL students, ALL staff.

To this end, in January we launched our new Disability Equality Scheme and, in tandem with this, we are addressing the Gender Equality Duty and our requirement to establish our Gender Equality Scheme. Both are about changing culture, embedding equality issues in our planning and activity, thus enabling all staff, students and visitors to participate in the rich life of the University.

The views of our staff and students are also important and we have participated once again in the National Student Survey and carried out a follow up to the 2004 staff survey. The findings of both will be an invaluable source of information and an indicator of how well we are succeeding in our efforts to create a fair and supportive campus.

Internationalisation

International recognition of what we do is important. That is why we celebrate the fact that our Business School has gained specialised international accreditation from the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International) to join the elite ranks of the world’s best, top 10%, business schools.

Though not exclusive to the international agenda, a considerable amount of work has been undertaken across the University to develop a coherent and coordinated set of scholarship schemes, which will provide an important recruiting tool for both home and overseas, and at undergraduate, postgraduate taught and postgraduate research levels. In addition to building our international profile, they will support our commitment to widening access and our aim to increase our postgraduate numbers, particularly postgraduate researchers.

Our international profile is also about harnessing the qualities of our staff to make a difference in other parts of the world. In January we announced our plan to establish a Centre for International Development, the first of its kind in Scotland, which will draw on our many well established development projects in Africa, involving some 40 academics in fields as diverse as medicine, vet medicine, bioscience, environmental management education and economics.

Sound financial basis

Under this strategic strand, two areas are worth noting: internal management of resources and our engagement in the Comprehensive Spending Review process.

With regard to the first, the pressure to control budgets to maintain the forward momentum realised in 2005-06 remains. It is against this background that the University has indicated its likely withdrawal or the reduction of its presence at the Crichton Campus. We have made a major investment in the campus over the years since its inception and are proud of the achievements of our students and staff. We believe we have contributed to the foundation of a valuable higher education provision in the region. Our continuing presence at Crichton, however, was predicated not on cross subsidy from existing funds, but on receiving additional funding from the SFC. Although the University has pressed for recurrent funding to support its work at Crichton since its inception, and following more formal consideration of our case by the SFC in November 2006 and January 2007, we learned that our request for additional funds was unsuccessful. It is for this reason that we took the decision not to admit any undergraduate students in 2007-08.

We have made it clear through our contact with colleagues and students at Crichton that we will do all that we can to support the current cohort of students through to their graduation. Discussions continue on managing the way forward.

Over the past few months, the sector has worked extremely hard through Universities Scotland to put together for the first time a strong, evidence-based case to the Comprehensive Spending Review for increased funding. It contends that not only does higher education give value for money, it argues that a well-resourced sector is essential for the future economic success and strength of Scotland. The University has played its full part in this exercise and I believe that the case that has been put together is strong and we can be proud of the huge contribution that higher education institutions make to Scotland.
Educational Policy Sub-Committee of the Business Committee.

The Council resolved to elect Dr Frances Boyle as Convener of the Committee with immediate effect.

The meeting was advised that Mr Christopher Anderson and Miss Emily Wallace would retire today from the Business Committee and the Convener thanked them for their contribution to the work of the Committee. However the Convener stated that he was pleased to note that Emily Wallace would still be attending meetings of the Committee in her capacity as Alumni Relations Manager.

The University Christmas Dinner on 8 December 2006 in the Bute Hall had been attended by 211 people. The occasion was greatly enjoyed by all those present, who had joined in singing Christmas carols led by the University Chapel Choir.

Mr Alistair Mack reminded the meeting that this was his last report in his capacity as Convener of the Business Committee. He stated that he had enjoyed his period of office as Convener, and he thanked the Committee and the Clerk for their support during his time in office.

The Chancellor thanked the Convener for his report.

4. Report of the Convener of the Educational Policy Sub-Committee

In the absence of the Convener, Dr Frances Boyle, Mr Alistair Mack presented the report on her behalf. The meeting was reminded that the Business Committee still played an important role in submitting observations on Draft Resolutions on behalf of the General Council to the University Court. Detailed consideration had been given to the contents of 12 Draft Resolutions and a report was submitted accordingly in the autumn of 2006. The Chancellor thanked the Convener for the report.

5. Address by the Principal

The Principal, Sir Muir Russell, presented his report as printed on page 26 of Avenue, Issue 41 (January 2007).

The meeting was reminded by the Principal of the University’s partnership with the BP Group (referred to in his Report in Avenue, Issue 41). Another initiative was the launch of the Adam Smith Research Foundation on 26 January 2007, which aimed to capture two important aspects of research strategy, namely encouraging interdisciplinarity and attracting research staff to spend time in the University. The foundation was supported by the University’s programme for post-doctoral fellowships – an investment which aimed to attract early-career research stars. Four Adam Smith post-doctoral fellows were to be housed in the foundation.

The University’s Learning & Teaching Centre (LTC) was launched on 26 January. The LTC drew together the Teaching & Learning Service, the Student Learning Service, Media Services and the Glasgow University Initiative in Distance Education. The new arrangement now provided a coordinated, effective and responsive service, properly resourced with staff who had the right skills and the necessary knowledge to take the LTC forward and play their part in delivering the Learning & Teaching Strategy.

The Principal made reference to the University’s Crichton Campus in Dumfries, into which the University had invested a great amount, not only in terms of financial resources but also in excellent academic staff and management effort. Additional financial support had been sought from the Scottish Higher Education Funding Council at the outset. However the Funding Council only gave the University an additional places earmarked for Crichton – which was equivalent to an intake of 22 students per academic year, well below a viable level of support.

The University had expected additional places to be funded as student numbers increased. Pressure on the Scottish Funding Council was maintained to increase the number of additional funded places but without success. The Principal stated that he found it difficult to understand the argument that the University actually received sufficient resources to fund the cost of Crichton Campus. The University was quite prepared to maintain what was now provided at Crichton but only if it was funded at a level which enabled the venture on the Crichton campus to “break even”. The University was now looking at a programme which would involve not admitting any undergraduate students in autumn 2007.

The Principal emphasised that he wanted the University to be a place where staff and students were really pleased to be – a place that was enriching, fulfilling and exciting. On 24 January the new Disability Equality Scheme had been launched. The scheme set out a vision that sought to create a campus which would enable all students, staff and visitors to participate fully in the rich life of the University. The aim was to do this through embedding disability equality into the University’s planning and decision making.

The University’s Business School had gained specialised international accreditation from the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AASB International). The school had now joined an elite group composed of fewer than 10% of the world’s business schools that had achieved the coveted designation. (See page 9 for feature article on the Business School).

With regard to international activity, Professor Andrea Nolan (Vice-Principal Learning & Teaching) was now coordinating the University’s internationalisation strategy which involved the creation of an Internationalisation Steering Group, reporting to the Senior Management Group. It was also planned to establish a pool of regional academic-based expertise to enable the University to develop an international presence in key regions and enhance international business. The individuals appointed would cover six areas: Europe; North America and Canada; the Far East.
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(China and SE Asia); India and Pakistan; the Middle East and Africa.

The Principal stated that the University community was about to lose Professor Anton Muscatelli (Vice-Principal, Strategy and Advancement) as he had been appointed Principal of Heriot-Watt University with effect from 1 February 2007. Anton Muscatelli had been a member of the Senate of this University for 18 years and he would be missed greatly, especially as he had played a significant role as Vice-Principal for Strategy and Advancement.

The Chancellor thanked the Principal for his report and invited questions from those present.

One member expressed the hope that the University’s Crichton Campus could continue and hoped that every avenue would be explored to save the situation. The Principal replied that the funding deficit was in the order of £800k per annum for Crichton and that the University could not continue to carry this deficit any longer.

6. Elections to the Business Committee

The meeting was advised by the Clerk that he had received the following nominations, duly proposed and seconded to serve on the Business Committee: Mrs Susan Dunsmore (MA 1977) and Mr Alexander Weatherhead (MA 1955, LLB). The meeting resolved to appoint Mrs Dunsmore and Mr Weatherhead to serve on the Committee with immediate effect.

The Clerk reported that in October 2006 the Business Committee had co-opted the undernoted members of the General Council to serve on the Committee to take up places which had remained unfilled for “Elected Members” – Mr David C Anderson, Mr Eric Clark, Dr Richard Dixon, Ms Roisin Donnelly, Dr David Fraser and Mr Kevin Sweeney.

The meeting resolved to confirm the action taken by the Business Committee and to elect the persons named to continue to serve on the Business Committee, noting that Mr Sweeney had been elected to serve as an Assessor on the University Court earlier in the meeting.

7. Other Competent Business

7.1 The University of Glasgow Trust

At the invitation of the Chancellor, the Chairman of the University of Glasgow Trust, Mr Andrew Primrose, addressed the meeting with regard to the necessity for amending the Deed relating to the University Trust.

The meeting was advised that the University Trust had been created in 1984 by the General Council and the University Court. In 1984 there were 14 trustees including the Lord Provost of Glasgow, the Convener of Strathclyde Regional Council and the President of Glasgow Chamber of Commerce. The Principal of the University had been specifically excluded. The Chancellor of the University was President of the Trust and the Chairman was elected by the trustees. In 1984 the Trust had no powers for fundraising nor for charging premiums for trustee indemnity insurance against trust funds.

During the past 22 years the role of the Trust had changed and expanded considerably. As a result, the trustees decided that the Trust Deed required amendment to deal with the changes required in the membership and to the operation of the Trust. The number of trustees would be reduced from 14 to 11. The Principal of the University would now be included as a trustee as there was an advantage in having the Principal as a trustee to improve relations with donors. Various other amendments were also required. The Chancellor thanked Mr Primrose for his address and invited the Clerk to submit a report.

The meeting was advised by the Clerk that the Business Committee, at its meeting earlier that day, had received the Draft Deed of Amendment, and, noting that various amendments were still required to be incorporated into the Draft Deed, had resolved to recommend to the General Council that it authorise the Convener of the Business Committee and the Clerk to the General Council to approve all further amendments to the Draft Deed and sign the document on behalf of the General Council once it was confirmed that the Draft Deed had been approved by the University Court at its meeting on 14 February 2007 or on a later occasion.

The meeting resolved to receive and approve the recommendations set out in the Clerk’s report.

7.2 Presentation to Mr Alistair Mack

The Chancellor, on behalf of the General Council, thanked Mr Alistair Mack for his contribution to the life and work of the University through his Convenership of the Business Committee over the last four years.

The Chancellor stated that he and Mr Mack had known each other since the 1960s and that link had been enhanced at the ceremony for the installation of the Chancellor in June 2006 when Alistair Mack had reported on the outcome of the election for the Chancellorship of the University and had requested that Sir Kenneth be installed in office as Chancellor. The University Court had also recognised Alistair Mack’s contribution by the award to him of an Honorary Fellowship of the University at Court on 14 December 2006.

The Chancellor gave Mr Mack a photograph showing a group of medical students presenting Alistair Mack with an apple, and he also presented Mr Mack with a print of the University Cloisters as a memento of his period of service. A bouquet of flowers was presented to Dr Alison Mack.

8. Closure of the Meeting

The Chancellor thanked all those present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed.
Deaths of Members of the General Council noted from April 2006 to March 2007

Listed alphabetically within each year of graduation decade

1930 – 1939

Brown, Katharine Rounsell (Dr Jones), MBChB 1926, DPh, Clergy House, 38 Vale Street, Denbigh, Denbighshire, LL16 3BW, died 17/10/2004

Cowan, Marion Minnie Frances (Mrs Coxon), MA 1925, 10 Eriskay Road, Inverness, IV2 3LX, died 03/09/2006

MacMillan, Helen Taylor, MA 1928, 20 Woodend Drive, Glasgow, G13 1Q8, died 30/01/2007

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Allardyce, Isobel C (Dr), MBChB 1937, 24 Weld Road, Southport, PR8 2DL, died 25/01/2007

Bailantine, Samuel (Rev), MA 1937, 26 Caimrcry Road, Aberdeen, AB16 5DF, died 24/07/2006

Boag, John Wilson (Professor), BSc 1932, 50 Gilliland Grove, 4 Gilliland Road, Edinburgh, EH10 5BW, died 30/02/2001

Bowman, John (Professor), MA 1938, formerly of Department of Semitic Studies, University of Melbourne, Parkville N.Z, Victoria, Australia, died 30/07/06

Brown, James Lamont, MA 1939, MEd, 1 Livilands Gate, Stirling, FK8 2AT, died 12/01/2006

Brown, Oswald Taylor, OBE (Dr), MBChB 1939, FRFPS, 20 Menzieshill Road, Dundee, Angus, DD2 1PW, died 26/03/2006

Brunlees, Dorothy Ada (Mrs Bullough), MA 1933, 24 Glencairn Drive, Glasgow, G41 4PW, died 15/02/2006

Cameron, Elspet Grant, MA 1935, formerly of 64 Woodcroft Avenue, Broomhill, Glasgow, died 30/07/06

Cathcart, Margeth Alice (Dr Lingwood), MBChB 1937, 20 High Park, Stafford, Staffordshire, ST17 0DG, died 28/01/2004

Crawford, Christina Aitkenhead (Dr Herron), MBChB 1933, 51 Craw Road, Paisley, PA2 6AE, died 07/05/2006

Dallas, John, MA 1931, formerly of Hazelbank Villa, St Catherines, Argyll, PA25 8BA, died 04/10/2006

Donald, William Alfred Jamieson (Dr), BSc 1938, 31 Signall Hill Place SW, Calgary, AB, Canada, T3H 2M5, died 14/12/2006

Dunbar, Jean Neil (Mrs Duncanson), MA 1932, Canniesburn Care Home, Glasgow, died 30/06/2006

Dunn, Mary Margaret (Dr), BSc 1938, 6A Abbotsford Grove, Darnick, Melrose, Roxburghshire, TD6 9AE, died 30/01/2007

Durkan, John (Dr), MA 1938, PhD, DD, Department of History, 9 University Gardens, Glasgow, G12 9QH, died 29/09/2006

Fee, Samuel Rutherford, OBE (Dr), MBChB 1932, formerly of 138 Sunniside Avenue, Turnstall, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 6DZ, died 24/07/2004

Galbraith, David Ower (Rev), MA 1931, Achnamachan, Taynuilt, Argyll & Bute, PA35 1JS, died 05/10/2000

Gibson, Agnes (Mrs Barbour), MA 1932, 57 South Biggar Road, Airdrie, Lanarkshire, ML6 9PA, died 05/09/2005

Graham, Mairidh Anna Macdonald Nicolson (Dr Gillatt), MBChB 1936, 31 Weeping Cross, Stafford, ST17 0DG, died 07/09/2003

Insh, Alice Margaret (Dr), MBChB 1938, Formerly of 5 Barriedale Avenue, Hamilton, Lanarkshire, ML3 9DB, died 17/02/2006

Jubb, Lawrence Gordon (Dr), BSc 1936, 33 Stell Park Road, Birmam, Dunkeld, Perthshire, PH8 0QA, died 27/02/2007

Kennedy, Helen Cullen (Mrs Mitchell), MA 1932, formerly of Abbeyfield House, 87 Newton Street, Greenock, PA16 8SE, died 2003

Macdougall, Annie Russell Brown (Mrs Clark), MA 1937, 2 Harlaw Place, Aberdeen, AB15 4YW, died 10/02/2005

Macfarlane, Ian, MA 1934, Braeside Luss, Alexandria, Dunbartonshire, died 2007

Mackenzie, Kenneth Murdo, MA 1937, 60 Endrick Drive, Paisley, PA1 3TX, died 28/01/2004

McQueen, Alexander, MA 1935, 15 Lennel Avenue, Edinburgh, EH12 6PW, died 2006

Marshall, John, MA 1935, 11 Hazeludene Road, Aberdeen, AB15 8LB, died 23/01/2007

Martin, Daniel (Dr), MA 1936, Cygnetbank, 27 Clyde Street, Carluke, Lanarkshire, ML8 5BA, died 15/09/2006

McCallum, Margaret Agnes Campbell (Mrs Shaw), MA 1938, 12/2 Whistlefield Court, 2 Canniesburn Road, Glasgow, G61 1PX, died 01/08/2006

McGeorge, Ronald Samuel (Dr), MBChB 1935, 2 St Annis Way, Burnley, Lancashire, BB7 9HL, died 22/08/2006

McGill, Mary Lumburn Logan (Mrs Macfarlane), MA 1931, Abbeyfield House, Cuthbert Place, Kilmaronock, Ayrshire, KA3 1DT, died 03/03/2006

McLean, Angus, BL 1935, 21 Ravelston Dykes, Edinburgh, EH4 3JE, died 13/04/2007

McPhail, Peter (Rev), MA 1936, 10 Campbell Street, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 8QJ, died 21/12/2006

Montgomery, George Alan, BSc 1939, 24 St Marks Road, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, CV3 2DL, died 2006

Muir, William Leslie Goudie, BSc 1931, 204 Penn Road, Hazlemere, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP15 7NU, died 2007

Neilson, John (Dr), MBChB 1937, 2 Park Street, Dumfries, Dumfriesshire, DG2 7PH, died 21/12/2006


Paterson, Dorothy Joan (Mrs Grant), DSc 1933, c/o Blackford Home Farm, Rothienorman, Aberdeenshire, AB51 8YL, died 28/02/2006

Preston, William Gun (Dr), BSc 1939, PhD, 57 Roseberry Road, Stokesley, Middlesbrough, Cleveland, TS9 5HF, died 2005

Reid, William (Dr), MA 1933, 3 Mount Road, Glasgow, G43 2AP, died 06/06/2006

Richardson, Robert, BSc 1933, 3 Mount Avenue, Kilmaronock, Ayrshire, KA1 1TZ, died 10/01/2006

Robertson, Peter, BL 1939, Fairfield House, 28GeorgeTown Road, Dumfries, DG1 4BL, died 27/08/2006

Rodger, Ian Barnet, OBE, MA 1936, LLB, 98 Downhill Street, Glasgow, G12 9EG, died 25/01/2007

Russell, Andrew Montgomery (Rev), MA 1935, BD, 3 Hill Place, Alloa, Clackmannanshire, FK10 2LP, died 26/02/2006

Scott, Olive (Dr Galbraith), MBChB 1934, Achnamachan, Taynuilt, Argyll & Bute, PA35 1JS, died 27/11/2005

Shepherd, John George, MA 1932, 3 Copppice Court, Granton-on-Spey, died 03/06/2006

Smeal, Hilda Morag (Mrs Fairlie), MA 1936, 82 Norwood Park, Bearsden, Glasgow, G61 2RF, died 04/03/2006

Sneddon, Mary Laing (Mrs Francis), MA 1936, Berkeley Lodge Nursing Home, 42 Shelley Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 4DA, died 04/05/2006

Urwin, Margaret Petrie (Mrs Rourke), MA 1930, 26 The Esplanade, Greenock, Renfrewshire, died 2000

Wapshaw, Henry (Dr), MBChB 1933, 5 Whittingham Drive, Glasgow, G12 0XS, died 07/2003

1940 – 1949

MacInness, Tom, Glasgow Vet College 1947, formerly of Lindeer, Manse Brae, Gargunnock, Stirlingshire, FK8 3AY, died 15/10/2006

Aiton, Sheina Doris (Mrs Thomson), BSc 1942, Abbeyfield Edinburgh Society, 8 Laverockbank Terrace, Edinburgh, EH5 3BJ, died 21/06/2005

Barclay, Thomas Hugh Crawford (Dr), MBChB 1940, 424 - 6880 Wallace Drive, Brentwood Bay, BC, V8N 1N8, Canada, died 12/01/2007

Brown, Alfred Lawson (Emeritus Professor), MA 1948, DPhil, 1 Queensborough Gardens, Glasgow, G12 2FW, died 28/08/2006
Brown, Harry Birrell (Dr), MBChB 1943, DPh, 25 Castlebay Court, Largs, Ayrshire, KA30 8DS, died 22/11/2005

Burton, Dorothy Violet (Mrs Marshall), MA 1943, Forest Hill, Connel, Oban, Argyll & Bute, PA37 1PT, died 26/11/2006

Caldow, Robert Grier, BSc 1947, 63 Southwold Road, Paisley, Renfrewshire, PA1 3AL, died 26/08/2006

Caron, Robert Andrew Glendinning (Dr), MA 1946, Unit 2, 2A Queens Parade, New Port, NSW 2106, Australia, died 24/03/2006

Crawford, Peter (Dr), MBChB 1948, Elleburn Bridge, of 8 Cyprus Avenue, Elderslie, Johnstone, Renfrewshire, died 02/10/2006

Cullen, Archibald Skinnider (Dr), MBChB 1947, 1 Beaconfield Road, Glasgow, G12 8DG, died 12/01/2007

Curran, Robert Crowe (Emeritus Professor), MBChB 1943, 34A Carpenter Road, Birmingham, B15 2JH, died 05/09/2006

Donaldson, Josephine Frances Helen Winifird (Mrs Smith), MA 1944, 11 Ravenswood Drive, Glasgow, G46 9LX, died 16/06/2006

Farmer, Victor Colin (Dr), BSc 1943, 10 Northcote Park, Aberdeen, AB15 7SX, died 18/18/2006

Faulds, Morag Cameron, OBE (Professor), MA 1944, 4D Brisbane Court, Braidpark Drive, Giffnock, Glasgow, G46 6LX, died 16/06/2006

Fleming, Andrew, BSc 1946, 2 Rubislaw Drive, Bearsden, Glasgow, G61 1PR, died 10/03/2006

French, Alexander Scott, MA 1944, formerly of 8 Cyrus Avenue, Elderslie, Johnstone, Renfrewshire, died 02/10/2006

Fulton, Rosamund Mary Hamilton (Dr Houston), MBChB 1947, West Manse, Greenfoot, Sebergham, Carlisle, Cumbria, CA5 7HP, died 28/05/2006

Gibb, Isabel Young (Dr Gibson), MBChB 1940, 25 Beaufort Drive, Kirkintilloch, Glasgow, G66 1AX, died 18/19/2006

Gilmour, Thomas Whiteleaf, BSc 1945, 34 Hamilton Avenue, Glasgow, G41 4JD, died 26/07/2006

Gillan, William, BSc 1945, 25 Beaufort Drive, Kirkintilloch, Glasgow, G66 1AX, died 18/19/2006

Gillies, John Henry Rolland, OBE (Dr), MA 1946, formerly of 16 Parkside South, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, SR3 3RA, died 21/07/2004

Glover, Emily (Mrs Balfour), MA 1947, formerly of 97 Swinton Crescent, Ballieston, South Humberside, DN15 7AZ, died 02/06/2006

Graham, Robert Andrew Glendinning (Dr), MA 1946, 2 Rubislaw Drive, Bearsden, Glasgow, G61 1PR, died 26/09/2005

Guthrie, Kenneth David, BSc 1945, 44 Middlemuir Road, Lenzie, Glasgow, G66 7AB, died 30/03/2006

Haslam, Robert John, BSc 1945, 46 Love Lane, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY8 2LD, died 07/02/2006

Holmes, John Stanley, BSc 1946, 1815 W 30th Avenue, Vancouver, BC, V6J 3A2, Canada, died 05/12/2006
Hood, George, MA 1951. The Cottage, Millburnbridge, Moffat, Dumfriesshire, DG10 9DZ, died 10/06
Hunter, Allan Ramsay, BVMs 1955, formerly of 20 Anderson Terrace, Ardrossan, Ayrshire, KA22 8JW, died 21/12/2005
Johnston, George Murray, BSc 1951, 4411 Stackton Blvd, Apt C331, Melbourne, Florida, USA, 32901-8823, died 13/01/2006
Kellie, Robert Turnbull, MA 1950, LLB, 109 Drumlanrig Street, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, DG3 5LX, died 09/2/2007
Kennedy, Joyce Mary Welch (Mrs Carlile), BSc 1955, 5/10 Morham Gait, Edinburgh, EH10 5GH, died 24/04/2006
Lawson, Norman Cameron (Professor), BSc 1953, PhD, 11163 Grisdale Blvd, RR One, Iroquois, ON, K0E 1K0, Canada, died 30/11/2006
MacCallum, Norman Ronald Low (Emeritus Professor), BSc 1952, Dsc, 43 Stewerton Drive, Cambusbarrang, Glasgow, G27 8DQ, died 27/02/2006
MacDonald, Bernard Russell, BSc 1954, 1 Meikle Avenue, Renfrew, PA4 0ST, died 02/06
Macdonald, Suzanne Margaret (Mrs Shara), MA 1953, PO Box 138, Raymond, ME 04072-0138, USA, died 08/1999
Mackenzie, Alexander, Mr 1950, 7 Doocot Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 8QP, died 26/12/2005
Mackie, William Wallace, BSc 1950, 72 Antonine Road, Bearsden, Glasgow, G61 4DR, died 03/12/2006
Macalrurin, Alexander BL 1951, CA, 4 Thorn Drive, Bearsden, Glasgow, G61 4NG, died 2006
Maclean, Elizabeth (Mrs Fleck), MA 1952, 11 Herefield Avenue, Sutton, Surrey, SM2 7ND, died 05/04/2006
MacLean, Hugh Archibald MacFadyen, OBE, BSc 1956, 20 Morven Road, Inverness, IV2 4BU, died 30/12/2006
MacLennan, Henrietta, MA 1951, Ballifeary House, 14 Ness Walk, Inverness, IV3 5SQ, died 24/04/2006
MacLeod, Roderick Dykes, MA 1957, 20 Calderwood Road, Glasgow, G43 2RP, died 17/10/2006
MacPhail, Patrick Norman, MA 1952, 216 Clashmore, Stuer, Lochinver, Sutherland, IV27 4JQ, died 09/11/2006
Maguire, John Mitchell (Dr), MBChB 1958, 2 Larch Road, Glasgow, G41 5DA, died 19/10/2006
Malone, John Peter (Dr), BSc 1958, 47 Queensberry Avenue, Hartlepool, Cleveland, TS26 9NW, died 25/03/2006
McAinsh, Thomas Forfar, BSc 1950, 8 Ascoig Road, Bearsden, Glasgow, G61 1BW, died 28/04/2006
McAllister, Joseph Vincent, MA 1950, 33 Kenilworth Road, Lanark, Lanarkshire, ML11 7BN, died 18/04/2006
McClery, George Michael Armstrong, MA 1950, 51 Partickhill Road, Glasgow, G11 5AB, died 26/12/2006
McEwan, Margaret Kerr (Mrs Smith), BSc 1950, 36 Urquhart Street, Currajong, QLD 4812, Australia, died 07/05/2000
McKissock, Marion Taylor (Dr Lunn), MBChB 1954, Woodleigh, Pitlochry Lane, Sheffield, Yorkshire, S10 3PL, died 30/06/2001
McNeil, Janet Cameron Nelson (Mrs McDonald), MA 1951, 15 Chesham Lane, Chalfont St. Peter, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire, SL9 0LW, died 24/01/2007
Mc Nicol, David Rollo, MA 1953, 40 Gordon Road, Edinburgh, EH12 6LU, died 26/01/2006
Miller, Alexander McKay Henderson, BSc 1951, Lower Acheninch, Achiltibuie, Ullapool, Ross-shire, IV26 2YL, died 23/10/2006
Morton, Robert Haddow (Captain), BVMs 1955, Rose Dene, Shipston Road, Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire, OX7 6TJ, died 14/02/2006
Morton, Thomas Craig (Dr), MBChB 1951, 33 Mount Stuart Road, Rotheslychibit, Rutherglen, G73 4ET, died 28/08/2004
Muir, James, MA 1957, 53 Aitken Road, Hamilton, ML3 7YA, died 28/11/2005
Nolan, Sheila (Mrs Evans), MA 1959, formerly of Apt. 203, 3952 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA, USA died 02/07/2006
Ongudii, Ekundare Olatunji, BSc 1955, 15 Park Road, Ebute Metta, Lagos, Nigeria, died 27/02/2002
Oram, Edmund George (Dr), MBChB 1953, 47 Rodney Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, Nottinghamshire, NG2 6HJ, died 14/06/2006
Papadopoulos, Aristocles John, BSc 1954, 5 The Murrays, Ashstead, Surrey, died 21/12/2006
Park, James Gordon, MA 1951, 1 Pleswals Place, South Queensferry, EH30 9NJ, died 01/06/2006
Peterson, Maxwell Haugh, MA 1951, 57 Oxsay Farm Grove, Edinburgh, EH13 9PF, died 03/06
Peacock, Alan Williamson, BSc 1950, formerly of Dun Foin, Denny, Stirlingshire, died 03/11/2006
Ramsay, Eric Guy (Dr), MBChB 1950, 5476 East River Road, Tucson, AZ 85718-7246, USA, died 20/02/2006
Renton, Charles James Crawford (Dr), MBChB 1953, 35 Hampton Park Road, Hereford, Herefordshire, HR1 1TH, died 02/07/2007
Robertson, John Thomson (Dr), MBChB 1954, Ailsa Craig View, Grangemuir Road, Prestwick, KA9 1GA, died 12/03/2006
Scott, Archibald Cunningham (Dr), MBChB 1955, MD, 22 Rocheid Park, Edinburgh, EH4 1RU, died 12/03/2007
Smith, George Burnett, MA 1951, formerly of 5 Essex Park, Barnston, Edinburgh, died 12/12/2006
Stevens, John Louden, BSc 1950, formerly of 64 Argyll Street, St Andrews, Fife, died 22/03/2007
Teras, David Keirs, BVMs 1957, formerly of 31 South Beach, Troon, Ayrshire, KA10 6EQ, died 08/09/2006
Thomson, Robert Young (Dr), BSc 1950, PhD, 74 Essex Drive, Glasgow, G14 9LU, died 03/04/2006
Train, George Charles, MA 1954, 45 Roseburn House, 5 Roseburn Drive, Edinburgh, EH12 5NS, died 2006
Warren, Alastair Kennedy, MA 1950, Rathen House, High Street, New Galloway, Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire, DG7 3RN, died 03/06/2006
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