



THE SCOTTISH TEXT SOCIETY

Autumn 2023 Newsletter

Dear Member

Welcome to the latest edition of the Society's newsletter. May I take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new membership/administrative secretary and thank John Archer for all his support in what will hopefully be a smooth transition of roles.

We would be interested to hear your views on the newsletter and should you have any suggestions for content or events please do let me know. It is, after all, your newsletter and any suggestions will be welcomed.

The Society is keen to move towards a digital newsletter, this however will require you to "opt in" to receive it. You can find out more below.

Continuing with the digital theme, the Society's publishers, Boydell and Brewer, have requested that we have complete contact details for members, including a phone contact number and email address. This is in order to satisfy distributors' requirements, particularly those overseas. Ultimately it will aid the efficient distribution of your membership volume. To this end I am in the process of updating members' contact details and would greatly appreciate if you could take a few minutes to complete a [short form that you will find here](#). You will also be asked to "opt in" to receive the newsletter in digital format. Please be assured that your contact details will only be used for Scottish Text Society membership purposes and for distribution of your member volume.

All paid members should now have received their edition of *The Eneados, Volume 3* (ed Priscilla Bawcutt with Ian Cunningham). Please do get in touch if you have yet to receive it or would like to make payment for this year's subscription.

Forthcoming Publications

It is intended that the Society's 2023 volume will be *The Muses Threnodie* by Henry Adamson (ed David Parkinson). All being well, this should be published in January 2024 and available to members shortly thereafter.

The Poems of John Stewart of Baldynneis (ed Kate McClune) will be published towards the end of 2024, beginning of 2025.

Council Members

The Society is always keen to hear from members who may wish to offer their expertise as potential Council members. The role is not onerous, should you wish to discuss what Council



membership entails please do get in touch and we can arrange for a short discussion of the role and answer any questions you may have.

Forthcoming Events

Ye Fair Forflittin Flochter



PGR Students from the English Language and Linguistics Department at the University of Glasgow, with the support of STS Council member Professor Joanna Kopaczyk, are hosting an event for students and staff at The Mitchell Library on Sat, 11 Nov 2023 10:00 am–12:00 pm. **'Ye Fair Forflittin Flochter, or Fun with Flyting: A Fun Family-Friendly Activity learning about Older Scots'**. (Discover FLYTING, the playful, poetic tradition of creative insults!). This is a family-friendly event providing the chance to explore flyting, an Older Scots tradition brimming with potential for self-expression. You can find out more about the event [here](#).

It is part of the [Being Human Festival](#), the UK's national festival of the humanities, taking place 9–18 November 2023.



4th World Congress of Scottish Literatures, 3rd -7th July 2024

The School of English at the University of Nottingham is calling for papers, posters or presentations for the 4th World Congress of Scottish Literatures to be held next year. The deadline for abstracts is 31st October. You can find out more details about the Congress [here](#).

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