

Caledonian Times



Newsletter of the Bournemouth Caledonian Society
"Ceud Mile Failte"

First Updates on Maisie

Messages from Ryan and Julie
Maisie's son & daughter in law.

22/09/24:

Hi everyone, we have just left Maisie... (in Poole Hospital) **She's off the ventilator & sedation.** They've washed her hair, she looks so much better. I think she knew we were there as she was moving her head when we were talking. They had put 2 big 'boxing' gloves on her to stop her pulling her drips out, and then she was trying to pull her gloves off. So this felt like a step forward tonight. Just waiting for her to wake up now, but **we felt more positive** tonight, than we have since Thursday. We've seen Maisie's fight shine through.

24.09.24 Note from Julie

We have been with Maisie today. She's **still not conscious**, but she was opening her eyes a bit more than yesterday. She is waiting to be moved to the **neuro-rehabilitation ward** ...but they are full at the moment, so she's still being looked after in **critical care**.

27.09.24 ... Note from Julie

Maisie is **sleeping most of the time** but the doctors say they are amazed at the progress she has made and think it is a good sign. *We do hope so.*

More updates on next page >>

Get your tickets now....

Alan and Jacquie have once again donated a lovely **HAMPER** to the club to be won by Raffle at **Christmas**.

Tickets are £1 each from Robin .
Many Thanks to you both

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At a Council meeting on Monday the 23rd September it was agreed that **Veronica**, our Vice President, will step up and take over the duties of **President** until May... or until Maisie is able to carry on herself.
May is when the Society vote in a new Council to run the events at the Hall

Oct 3rd Carrying on with our scheduled programme we had a Coffee morning with **POETRY** led by Wendy. Each of us bringing along a favourite poem to read. A very interesting and fun morning. *(Tho' our thoughts are still with Maisie)* >>>>

Our
Maisie
a
flower of
Scotland



Oct 10th The 'Ukelele Pups' came and entertained us with Country and Western music. Then joined in with us in Scottish Ceilidh dancing led by Irene... which was great fun and all could do. *It is a pity more people don't make the effort to come to the Hall when we have groups like this*

Oct 17th.... Baggio with Jacquie



A fun morning with everyone having a go. Robin won with the highest score.



Here we see **James** having his turn. >>>

23.10.24 NEWS on SAM from Charlie Sam Jolly was in Poole General with a suspected fractured spine after a fall. He was awaiting a bed in an intensive occupational therapy hospital as he is no longer able to walk . He **has** now been taken to **Alderney Hospital**, Jersey Ward , where he can now receive visitors.
Visiting hours 2-4 and 6-8pm..



<<< Fun & Fitness with Nicola on the 24th

She gave us some **sitting down exercises** to do this time with stretching. All very good for the joints and muscles. 😊 whew!

Farewell Dinner held by the Cornish Society on 19th Oct



Sadly, with the number of members dwindling, the **Cornish Soc** have decided to close. This Annual Dinner was their last and the Caledonians went along to give support

Paul and Jenny were away running in Scotland



MORE UPDATES ON MAISIE

02-10.24 ... from Paul

I've just been in touch with Julie. There's little change in our beloved Maisie, but it's good news that **she's trying to say things**, reaching out for her family, and that her brother has today arrived from Thailand to see her, which I'm sure will give her a great boost.

05.10.24 from Julie

There are ups and downs, but overall there's encouraging progress, Maisie is improving and **recognising her family**. The neuro-team are keeping a close watch on her and seeing her frequently. She is **so much better than she was two weeks ago**.

10.10.24 from Julie

Maisie is doing as well as can be expected. We've spoken to the doctor today and he has booked her in for an MRI to check her injury. She is responding to some commands, she opens her eyes and gives a thumbs up when asked, but anything more challenging is too hard for her at the moment.

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I know everyone is keen to visit but at the moment the doctor has requested family only due to it being too overstimulating for her, and she is just getting over an infection, so maybe another week and see how she is then.

26.10.24 from Paul....

Maisie is now in the **Neurological ward in Poole Hospital** and getting the best treatment for her. *Still no visitors*

PS... from the editor

I won't go on putting **every** update on Maisie here Her injuries are the kind that will take **time** to heal. **We all are thinking about her and looking forward to the day she is able to come back to us.**

PPS I have just received a lot more pics of our Ceilidh on 31st Oct. They will be in the next issue of the CT. Everyone is in them.

Pictured above with Charlie... the President of the Cornish Soc Bob Cooper and our good friends Aubrey Lane & Mike Mansfield



< After the Dinner **Iain** said a "Few Words" on behalf of the Caledonian Soc. There were replies from the Cornish... then a Raffle and finally a Singer came to entertain. **At the close** we all sang together the old Cornish song ..."**Trelawny**"

A really interesting **Heritage meeting** was held at James & Wendy's House on the **26th Oct**
I think Betsie their dog enjoys the company most... Especially as Fiona takes along treats for her.



> Only one Witch came

Autumn Ceilidh for Halloween. 31st Oct >>>

As this Ceilidh was held on Halloween night a lot of folk didn't come as they had other commitments or did not want to travel. So those of us who did come sat round one big table and had **one of the best evenings** we have had for a while. It was like an old traditional ceilidh where we all contributed to the entertainment.

There were not enough dancers with us so instead of dancing we had excellent refreshments with our drinks.



Just one table for all 16



▲ ...One of Iain's mini Pantos

All pictures were taken by **Paul** tonight for which many thanks. My phone was 'out of action' ...very low battery.



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A once a week Zoom quiz and chat. All welcome

Our Maisie

A few months ago >>>

