

News Release

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BRIGADOON CEILIDH **Saturday 5 April 2014** *Tickets Selling Fast* *Get Yours Before They're All Gone*



The Ceilidh (phonetic transcription: kay / lee) - Loosely translated = a visit; a concert; a house party; a knees-up, kilts-up fling; and always generous hospitality shown to house visitors through the informal celebration of music, song & verse.

The ancient bards, as true communal custodians, repeated refrains, decrees and lyrics fused with musical tunes with the intent of binding village inhabitants.

Traditions and behaviour had to be passed to younger generations; the rituals and customs of bucolic life had to be preserved, and always encouragement was sought from the gods for strength of spirit and work ethic.

The scribes had songs for various tasks and this guaranteed that shared hard labour resulted in the basic triumph of everyone simple staying alive. Celebrations indeed were needed.

Fast track this many centuries later to the Ceilidh in Bundanoon Hall, where visitors and locals join the Chieftain of the Day for our celebration of this tradition.

And celebrate we do; with song and dance; with the Dashing White Sergeant and Strip the Willow; with noisy feet stamping and kilts a-flying; with poems by Robbie Burns; with whisky and haggis and shortbread; with bold and sassy ditties; with songs linked to the Scottish homeland; with the pipes, and finally Auld Lang Syne.



Finally, in the wee small hours, as the mists of time slowly cloak and reclaim the mythical village of “Brigadoon” we drift away; glowingly spent and full of warmth, whisky and promise; hoping to return next April, to again reconnect with those earliest bards and carry on the preservation of true Scottish heritage and celebration.

Tickets can only be purchased on a pre-booked – prepaid basis. Bookings and sales commence in January. Enquiries to: Helene Jessep, PO Box 3169 Exeter 2579 or Email: helenejessep@hotmail.com

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