

The Heraldry Society of Scotland

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The Heraldry Society of Scotland was founded in 1977 as a charity registered in Scotland with the objective of promoting the study of heraldry and encouraging its correct use in Scotland and Overseas.

The Society encourages people to join whether they have their own arms, intend to procure arms, or have a general interest in Scottish Heraldry. Our membership is made up of people from around the globe. Meetings are held several times during the year for lectures or visits to places of historic and heraldic interest, both in Scotland and in other countries.

The aims and objects of the Society are to encourage the study and practice in Scotland of heraldry and allied subjects, both indigenous and international, by arranging lectures, discussions, visits, publications and exhibitions, and by seeking to co-operate with other Societies devoted to the same or similar purposes

The Society is privileged to have members of Her Majesty's Officers of Arms between its members and a close liaison is maintained with The Court of the Lord Lyon. In fact the Office of President of the Society is held by the Lord Lyon King of Arms and first President was the late Sir Malcolm Rognvald Innes of Edingight, followed by Robin Orr Blair, the late William David Hamilton Sellar; and now by Joseph John Morrow.

Membership is open to any person interested in the study and practice of heraldry and allied subjects in Scotland and overseas. It is not necessary to possess a coat of arms to join the Society, but many members either are currently armigerous or intend to petition for a Grant or a Matriculation of Arms at some stage in the future.

Members of the Society are of all ages and scattered around the world. In fact the membership of the Society is more than 360 of which about 30 reside in either the United States of America or Canada. The Society members are interested in all aspects of armory, some being actively and professionally engaged in heraldic arts and crafts or in academic research. Membership is open to anyone professing an interest in Heraldry and allied subjects. For information on joining the Society, see <http://www.heraldry-scotland.co.uk/society-membership.html>

The Society runs various events throughout the year in Scotland, England UK and overseas. They range through illustrated talks, lectures, visits to heraldic locations and various other events and activities. During the 2020/2021 session the Society has held five lectures, using the virtual ZOOM platform, with an average attendance of 61.

Lectures and other articles of armorial interest are published in the Society's annual journal, *The Double Tressure*, which is distributed free to members along with newsletter *Tak Tent* four times a year. In addition to these publications, the Society regularly produces other illustrated booklets on heraldic and related matters. Here is a list of Heraldry books published

by the Society:

David M. Bertie, *Heraldry of the Bishops of Scotland*

David M. Bertie, *The Heraldry of the Ecclesiastical Deans of Scotland*

Charles Burnett and Leslie Hodgson, *Stall Plates*

Mark Donald Dennis, OStJ, *Scottish Heraldry : An Invitation*

Alex Maxwell Findlater, *Aspilogia Scoticana*

Alex Maxwell Findlater, *Lord Crawford's Armorial*

Alex Maxwell Findlater, *Lyndsay Armorial 1532-34*

Leslie Hodgson, *Dublin Armorial*

John and Eilean Malden, *The Dunvegan Armorial*

Eilean and John Malden and William G. Scott, *An Ordinary of Scottish Arms pre-1672*

For information on acquiring copies of these volumes see: <http://www.heraldry-scotland.co.uk/society-publications.html>

The Society has a website <http://www.heraldry-scotland.co.uk/members-arms.html>
Which displays the members armorial bearings, either Scottish or international.

Additionally the Society also has a presence on FaceBook
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/HeraldrySocietyofScotland>

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