



New Brunswick Scottish Cultural Association Inc.

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"In the thistle's shadow, violets grow stronger."

2012 Saint Andrew's Day Message

Every November, Scots around the world are afforded a special opportunity to pay tribute to their culture and heritage on the Feast of their Patron, St. Andrew. This year will be no different for New Brunswickers of Scottish descent, who will be marking this special day on the calendar with events across the province.

Although Saint Andrew's Day has been celebrated around the world since the early 1800's, it is interesting to note that it wasn't until 2006 when Scotland actually recognized the date as an official day and holiday.

Besides Scotland, Saint Andrew's Day is recognized here in Canada, as well as Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Hong Kong, and the United States, just to mention a few. You will find Saint Andrew's Day celebrations just about anywhere Scots have gone and lived. To learn more about Saint Andrew's Day and the different events taking place around the world, I invite you to visit the following website: <http://www.scotland.org/standrewsday/around-the-world>

Here in New Brunswick, we also celebrate Saint Andrew's Day. As descendants of one of the world's oldest cultures and richest heritages, we have so much to celebrate: our language, our music, our customs and our spirit. Saint Andrew's Day will be celebrated in all corners of the province, in Restigouche County, Bathurst, Miramichi, Moncton, Saint John and Fredericton.

To find an event close to you please visit this link: <http://www.nbscots.com/calendar.asp>

Finally, on behalf of the Executive and Board of Directors of the New Brunswick Scottish-Cultural Association, I would like to wish our members, both individuals and Clubs, a very happy Saint Andrew's Day.

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