



## 2005

### January

**Budapest:** 'Singlish Folk' - Hauer - Tuesday 18th Jan.  
Starts at 6 pm – **FREE TO ALL**

**Budapest:** 'Dagda' – Benczúr Friday 21st Jan.  
Klúb (Benczúr u. 27.) Starts 8 pm  
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**Budapest:** 'English Tea Club' – Friday 28th Jan.  
Nytott műhely – Starts at 6 pm

### February

**Budapest:** Burns Supper 2005 – Tuesday 1st Feb.  
Scottish Mission, Vörösmarty u. 51  
– tickets 3000HUF

**Budapest:** 'Singlish Folk' - Hauer - Tuesday 22nd Feb.  
Starts at 6 pm – **FREE TO ALL**

## Burns Supper 1<sup>st</sup> Feb. 2005

### Senior Vice President attends...



This year we are greatly honoured as the Senior Vice President of the Robert Burns World Federation will both address the Haggis and give us the 'Immortal Memory'. You can find out more about Major (retired) John Paterson on their website

<http://www.worldburnsclub.com/index.htm> .

John Murphy from Edinburgh will pipe alongside our own Kéri György and there will be the launch of the new Robert Burns Whisky provided by the Scottish Corner <http://thescottishcorner.hu/> from the Arran Distillery.

### Hungarian Scottish Society...

Once again we have to thank the Hungarian Scottish Society for their support in providing the Haggis, cheese and their continued subsidy.

The price of 3000 Ft would be much higher if it were not for their wholehearted support. Also, thank you Ken MacKenzie and the Scottish Mission, the Budapest Scottish Dance Society, members of Dagda and Debbie Moss for their contribution to the night.

## The ESU Public Speaking Competition 2005

This is a competition for individual Hungarian students aged 16 to 20 years.

### 'Differences and Diversity' ...

... is the subject of the competition which gives plenty of scope for imagination. This year we have changed the format for practical reasons, so the regional competitions will be different. The format of the Final in Budapest will be the same as before, in line with the International Final in London.

### Regional Finals ...

... will need to take place **before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005**. Students are required to give a two minute speech on a subject chosen 20 minutes beforehand. There will be three different topics offered to each. Already sample topics have been put on the website [www.hunenglish.net](http://www.hunenglish.net) (click on diary dates). All of these topics relate to the theme of the competition.

We are looking for competitors who can prepare and speak 'off the cuff' rather than use previously prepared and practised material. This also means that the local competition will be much shorter and will avoid the need for an additional round.

### The National Final ...

... will take place on **15<sup>th</sup> April 2005** at the British Embassy in Budapest. Once again the British Ambassador, as patron of the ESU of Hungary has agreed to be our host.



The finalists will be asked to give a prepared five minute speech on the topic 'Difference and Diversity'. This will be followed by up to two minutes of questions from the judges. This can be interpreted in any way but competitors are not allowed any props and may use only brief notes from which to speak.

There will be a warning bell at 4 minutes 15 seconds and after 5 minutes 45 seconds they must stop.

### **Entry and Deadlines ...**

Deadline (General schools entry): **1<sup>st</sup> February 2005**

Deadline (Individual names): **1<sup>st</sup> March 2005**

**Please indicate your school's interest in participation by e-mailing or phoning Steve Jones [stevejones@axelero.hu](mailto:stevejones@axelero.hu)** with your school's information (name of school, contact person – with e-mail address, phone number etc.) or 06 30 261 7145. If you also took part in Chatangoljunk I will have details of the school but please identify yourself clearly.

We do not need students' names at this point. Please ensure you check students' details, as they must be between 16 and 20 years of age on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2005. They must be **full time students** and **native Hungarian speakers**. In the UK they will represent Hungary.

### **Assistance from schools...**

If your school can offer any of the following it would greatly assist us:

1. Native speakers for regional finals
2. Rooms and assistance for mounting the competition (which is very simple compared with Chatangoljunk!)
3. Other teachers who can help with the organisation.
4. Local sponsorship

### **Prizes ...**

... have been offered by Oxford University Press and Macmillan for the Regional Competitions. Two winners will go to the UK to take part in the International Final

on **12th May 2005**. We are looking for one winner in the 'open category' (no restriction on parenthood, education etc) and one winner in the 'home' category (educated in Hungary, native Hungarian speaking



parents, less than 1 month study abroad). There will only be one competition but we will ensure that the final contains the best of the 'home' category.

### **ESU London and ESU Essex ...**

The two winners are to be sponsored by the London and Essex branches of the ESU in Britain. Members of both branches have visited Budapest in the past and have met members of the ESU here. We are very grateful for their offer to cover the costs of our participants when in London (accommodation, fares, and meals). We have been very lucky to be offered two flights by British Airways also (as in previous years) to whom we are also indebted.



### **Further Sponsorship ...**



THEODORA

Kékkúti have again offered their support with water and some smaller prizes for the competition. We are grateful for their continued sponsorship. Jim

McGrath, Director of the British Council has also offered his support.

## **'Singlish Folk'**

Presents an  
**Evening of Songs in English**

at

**The HAUER Cukrászda**

**Rákóczi út 47-49**

(near Blaha Lujza tér)

on

**Tuesday 18th Jan.**

at 6 pm

**ENTRY FREE**

**Everybody is welcome**



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### **A Major New Sponsor ...**

We are hoping that there will be a major new sponsor coming 'on board' this year, to provide a trophy and medallions for the competition. I hope to be able to announce this sponsorship in our next edition.

### **Certificates ...**

... will be awarded to all competitors. First, second and third place certificates and certificates of merit will be given in the Regional Finals and National Final, where there will also be certificates in two categories (open and home). Schools may have internal competitions in which they will be allowed to use certificates with the competition design to award to their students.

### **Statements**

The following statements appear on the website and are only a suggestion as to what might be used in the competition. All of these could be used with the title 'Differences and Diversity'. They are not titles from which you should select a topic – they are simply suggestions.

Please use them with your students in the classroom to develop their skills. Remember, they have only twenty twenty minutes to prepare then they have to speak for two minutes with the notes they have made.

- 1. People are very much the same the world over.*
- 2. Schools try to abolish differences and stifle diversity.*
- 3. Government needs to recognise differing needs to create a more equal society*
- 4. Demonstrations by the public demonstrate a healthy attitude to differences in society*
- 5. Dogmatic people are essential in this society*
- 6. All sportsmen and women should have the 'killer' instinct and wish to win at all costs*
- 7. We should all have our 'hour of fame'*
- 8. One man's freedom is another man's slavery*
- 9. Everybody should have the same rights and responsibilities*
- 10. Fashion limits our ability to dress as we wish*

- 11. Laws which protect civil liberties are a threat to society*
- 12. Smokers should have less right to health care than non-smokers*
- 13. The only good music is classical music*
- 14. Women's rights have taken away the rights of men*
- 15. The TV contains too much of too little and too little of anything good*
- 16. All buildings should be designed to fit into a pattern and should not be so different*
- 17. Politicians should not be members of political parties*
- 18. All religions are much the same and have the same basic standards*
- 19. Soap operas create characters which conform to the prejudices of society*
- 20. Environmentalists are born not created*
- 21. All parents are the same*
- 22. Newspapers are controlled by large corporations and cannot provide 'objective' news reporting*
- 23. Most people would enjoy a climate with Spring all year round*
- 24. Men should share all the tasks normally carried out by women*
- 25. Animals and humans should be treated the same*
- 26. Uranium is just another atom, neither better nor worse than any other*
- 27. Lying is a good way to hide differences*
- 28. Advertising tries to make everyone think the same*
- 29. Technology prevents us doing things which are original and inventive*
- 30. A holiday for one person is torture for another*

#### **Contact details:**

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