

2006

February

Budapest: 'Singlish Folk' – RBIF Tuesday 7th Feb.
Office - Starts at 6 pm – FREE
TO ALL

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March – to be confirmed

Budapest and Regions: Local Various dates
Rounds – Venues to be
announced - Public Speaking
Competition

April – to be confirmed

Budapest: National Final – Friday 14th April
Venue to be announced - Public
Speaking Competition - 1pm to
4pm

ESU International Public Speaking Competition

It has been decided that the theme of the International
Public Speaking Competition 2006 will be ...

“Mapping the Global Future”

Preliminary Rounds – March 2006 TWO MINUTE SPEECHES

Although the Public Speaking Competition Final in
Budapest will be like the 'Real Thing' in the UK, the
events in the Regional Competitions will be as last year.

We wish to find those who are best at speaking 'off the
cuff' as we would say. Thus a 20 minute period of
preparation (with dictionaries) for a two minute speech
will achieve that result.

Those who get through to the final will then be able to
prepare their talk which will be entitled 'Mapping the
Global Future'. This topic you can interpret as you wish.

Final – 14th April 2006

Although we have fixed the date we are still discussing
the venue which will be announced in due course.
There will be a maximum of 12 participants who will
qualify from the Regional Competitions.

Entries and Venues

To enter you simply have to e-mail me with the name of
your school and how many competitors you intend to
enter. Please also say if you can offer a room for the
Regional Competition.

If you entered Chatangoljunk (Teamtalk) or the Public
Speaking Competition in 2005 I will already have your
details.



We already have our sponsors in place and include as
last year Develor, who will be providing the medals and
the trophy. This trophy will be displayed centrally in
Budapest with details of the winners for that year.



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Burns Supper **31st January 2006**

The Burns Supper has become a traditional event in the calendar of the New English Speaking Union.



L-R: Steve Jones, Jock MacKenzie, Magyar Zoltán, Stuart McAlister

Happily again we were able to run the event at the Scottish Mission on Vörösmarty utca but this time



Németh Miklós
pipes in the haggis

without the support of Ken Mackenzie, now back in the UK.

Despite that there was still a lively atmosphere with Steve Jones as MC and all of the usual elements of the traditional supper. The Selkirk Grace was given by Magyar Zoltán in Hungarian and Michael Currie in English. Michael, as last year, also addressed the haggis. The loyal toasts were given by Jock MacKenzie, Chairman of the Robert Burns International Foundation who also provided the haggis, cheese and

all of the drinks. The very short toast to the 'Lassies' (ladies) and the reply by the lassies were given by Alan Wilkinson (in a distinctly Liverpudlian accent) and Liana Andrews. The 'Immortal Memory', often in the past a wordy speech, was put together by Steve Jones and consisted of several Burns songs performed by himself, Tom Chilton and Nick Shovlin with very brief links.

No evening would be complete without the pipers and as usual on hand was Kéri György, this time however supported by Németh Miklós who played both the highland pipes and the 'small' pipes.

The dancing was led by Debbie Moss with Dagda providing the music and there was also a fine performance of Caledonian dancing by the Budapest Scottish Dance Society.

Scheduled to finish at 10 pm the last of the revellers left at 11.30 pm. As a result, the event has raised 60,000 HUF which will go to the Mission. Thank you to all who attended and please put the date **30th January 2007** for the Burns Est next year.



Kéri György