

# **LIBERAL/LIBERAL DEMOCRAT PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATES**

in

## **SCOTLAND 1945-2024**

### **SECTION ONE: LIBERAL AND LIBERAL DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES 1945-2024**

### **SECTION TWO: SDP CANDIDATES in the GENERAL ELECTIONS of 1983 and 1987**

#### **PREFACE**

The compilation of this Index has presented no special difficulty compared with some of the English Regions. Scotland has been traditionally a bastion of Liberalism though there was a bleak period, 1945-50, when there were no Scottish Liberal MPs. There were two for the brief interval Parliament of 1950-51 but over 1951-64, Jo Grimond remained the sole Scottish Liberal MP at Westminster. The position improved considerably in 1964 and until the catastrophe of May 2015, there was always a strong Scottish contingent on the Liberal/Liberal Democrat benches at Westminster, including a succession of five Party leaders.

Fortunately few candidates listed have contested parliamentary elections outside Scotland, of whom only one individual stood in more than one region. This has made the process of cross-checking straightforward. Changes of names of constituencies over the years have caused some confusion. A helpful factor has been that many candidates, including long standing MPs, have presented themselves for election on multiple occasions.

Liberal/Liberal Democrat strength in Scotland has always centred upon the Highlands, Islands and rural areas. It was only in the last two decades before 2015 that seats were won in urban areas. Many constituencies in Glasgow and the Lowlands were left uncontested, in some instances from the 1920s. They remained neglected until the mid-1970s when candidates were at last selected for these 'derelict' constituencies. Recognition is given in some entries to 'pioneer' candidates who were the first to contest such constituencies. Responsibility for selecting candidates was shared with the SDP in the General Elections of 1983 and 1987 on a roughly 50-50 basis. From 1992 in common with the other Federal parties of the UK, the Scottish Party has left no constituency unfought.

Numerous eminent men and women in fields outside politics have stood under the party banner. Scotland can boast among its candidates since 1945 an equivalent number of engaging characters, eccentrics and mavericks. The length of many of the entries is a reflection upon the contribution that these individuals have made to public life both in Scotland and south of the border.

Lionel King, August 2025

## THE MARTELL PLAN

The Martell Plan, mentioned in passing throughout the regional directories was an electoral strategy adopted by the Liberal Party for the General Election of 1950. It was named after Edward Martell qv (Greater London), a party 'grandee' of the immediate post-war years who advocated the nomination of over 150 additional candidates in constituencies which had little or no Liberal organization nor history of Liberal activity in recent years. Most were adopted only days before nominations closed, many at the eleventh hour. Martell's objective was to increase the Liberal challenge to a level at which the Party would be enabled to form a government, presuming enough MPs were elected. His supporters, among them enthusiastic younger Party members including Jeremy Thorpe, Isaac Hyam qqv, believed that a steadily growing number of adoptions being announced in the media would create a momentum of its own in the minds of the electorate.

The goal of fighting every mainland constituency in the UK was finally achieved appropriately under the leadership of Jeremy Thorpe at the General Election of October 1974. The broad front was reduced, marginally, at the following election of 1979. In both 1983 and 1987 the Liberals and their allies, the SDP, each contested roughly 50% of the UK parliamentary constituencies, avoiding contests against each other save in a handful of cases. Since 1992 the Liberal Democrats have contested every constituency in mainland UK, save for that held by The Speaker and a handful of other instances, at every successive general election. In recent times Party nominees who are nominated at the last minute in unpromising constituencies, simply to show the flag, have come to be termed 'paper candidates.' Virtually every candidate at recent general elections, however, has been approved by the Party's Parliamentary Candidates' Committee and adopted according to formal procedure.

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## KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

This key omits commonly used abbreviations.

b h s	boys high school
coll	college
comp s	comprehensive school
elem s	elementary school
g s	grammar school
g h s	girls high school
g-t	grammar-tech
h s	high school
j s	junior school
lect	lecturer
s	school
s s	schools/state school
sec s	secondary school
sen s	senior school
u s	upper school
FE	Further Education
HE	Higher Education
ILEA	Inner London Education Authority
LSE	London School of Economics
TTC	Teacher Training College
U	University
UMIST	University of Manchester Institute of Technology
appt	appointment/appointed
assn	association
asst	assistant
bus	business
Ch Acc	Chartered Accountant
Ch Eng	Chartered Engineer
co	company
comp	computer
cons	consultant/consultancy
corr	correspondent
cttee/s	committee/s
dir	director
dpty	deputy
dvpmt	development
eng	engineer/engineering
exec	executive
incl	including

ind	industry
ins	insurance
inst	institute/institution
int	international
IT	Information Technology
mark	marketing
mbr	member
PR	public relations
prog	programme
rep	representative
reg	region/regional
ret	retired
sec	secretary
t'nology	technology
ald	alderman
cand	candidate
C	Council
CC	County Council
cllr	councillor
DC	District Council
GLA	Greater London Assembly
GLC	Greater London Council
grp	group
ldr	leader
LBC	London Borough Council
LCC	London County Council
MBC	Metropolitan/Municipal Borough Council
PC	Parish Council/Privy Counsellor
RDC	Rural District Council
TC	Town Council
UA	Unitary Authority
UDC	Urban District Council
CB	Member of the Order of the Bath
CH	Companion of Honour
CMG	Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
DFC	Distinguished Flying Cross
FRCP	Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians
FRSE	Fellowship of the Royal Society of Edinburgh
GCMG	Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
KCMG	Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
OM	Order of Merit

ALDE	Alliance of Liberals & Democrats for Europe
ALTU	Association of Liberal Trade Unionists
AM	Member of the Welsh Assembly (up to 2020)
AMMA	Assistant Masters' & Mistresses' Association (Now Assoc of Teachers & Lecturers)
APNI	Alliance Party of Northern Ireland
BALF	Birmingham Area Liberal Federation
BLO	Birmingham Liberal Organisation
CAB	Citizens' Advice Bureau
CPRE	Campaign for Rural England
EETPU	Electrical Electronic Telecommunications & Plumbing Union
ELD	European Liberal Democrats
LA	Liberal Association
LDA	Liberal Democrat Association
LDN	Liberal Democrat News
LDV	Lib Dem Voice
LGBTQ+	lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender queer and others
LIB INT	Liberal International
MLA	Member of the Northern Ireland Legislative Assembly
MPA	Member of the Northern Ireland Assembly (1982-86 – Member of the Parliamentary Assembly)
MS	Member of the Senedd Cymru – Welsh Parliament (from 2020)
MSP	Member of the Scottish Parliament
NALGO	National Association of Local Government Officers (now UNISON)
NAS	National Association of Schoolmasters
NASUWT	National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers (since 2015 The Teachers' Union)
NATFHE	National Association of Teachers in Further/Higher Education
NCB	National Coal Board
NFU	National Farmers Union
NIA	Northern Ireland Assembly
NIF	Northern Ireland Forum
NLC	National Liberal Club
NUJ	National Union of Journalists
NUT	National Union of Teachers
PCA	Parliamentary Candidates Association
PCC	Police & Crime Commissioner
PFCC	Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner
PPC	Prospective Parliamentary Candidate
RAMC	Royal Army Medical Corps
RASC	Royal Army Service Corps
RNVR	Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve
SDP	Social Democratic Party
S of S	Secretary of State
TA	Territorial Army
TGWU	Transport & General Workers Union

ULP	Ulster Liberal Party
ULS	Union of Liberal Students
US	Under Secretary
USDAW	Union of Shop, Distributive & Allied Workers
WHO	World Health Organisation
WLD	Women Lib Dems
WMLF	West Midland(s) Liberal Federation
WMRP	West Midland Regional Party
YLS/YLDs	Young Liberals/Liberal Democrats

Party refers to the Liberal Party / Liberal Democrats, unless otherwise stated.

Parliamentary elections fought by a candidate in the Index of any individual region appear in bold type thus: **Glasgow, Pollock 1950**. Constituencies fought by a candidate in other regions appear in standard type. The names of constituencies have changed over the years as a result of parliamentary boundary changes.

Note: Dundee was a two-member constituency until 1950, when the city was divided into two constituencies. Dingle Foot qv was one of the two MPs for Dundee 1931-45, though the Party nominated only one candidate in general elections over that period, the other being held by a Conservative.

# BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORY OF CANDIDATES

## SECTION ONE

### LIBERAL AND LIBERAL DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES 1945-2024

ABERNETHY, Charles L. b 1933, ed George Watson's Coll, Edinburgh, Shore s, Sydney, Australia, Edinburgh U; civil eng; water eng in UAE 1959-62; the complex and sinister background to constituency politics in Dumfriesshire over the years before the by-election, from which Abernethy stood honourably aloof, and the difficulties encountered during his by-election campaign, are related in 'Nasty, Deplorable Little Incident,' *The Journal of Liberal History*, Issue 80, Spring 2013; **Dumfriesshire by-e 1963, Edinburgh, Pentlands 1964**

ACKLAND, Rodney, b 1945, ed Eastbourne Coll, Sussex U, Oxford U; micro comp lab manager, later comp/analyst, lect at Glasgow U; originally SDP (qv SDP section); indefatigable campaigner, fighting seven elections over 25 years; Scottish Party Exec; lives Kirkintilloch; **Glasgow, Springburn 1992, Greenock & Inverclyde 1997, Clydebank & Milngavie 2001, Coatbridge, Chryston & Bellshill 2005, Cumbernauld, Kilsyth & Kirkintilloch East 2010, Kilmarnock & Loudoun 2015, Cumbernauld, Kilsyth & Kirkintilloch East 2017**

ADAM, (Major) Tom, b Scotland, 1914, ed Rugby, Sandhurst; professional soldier 1934-47; farmed near Aberdeen, dir of local firm; originally a Conservative fighting Thurrock 1945 (Eastern Counties Region); after disputes over policy joined Liberals; strong advocate of co-partnership; d 1985; **Angus North & The Mearns 1950**

ADEBO, Gloria, of Nigerian parentage; lives locally; data analyst with financial institution; works with local community and environmental groups; strongly pro-Europe; left a positive impression in by-election; fought local elections; **Rutherglen & Hamilton West by-e 2023, Rutherglen 2024**

AITCHISON, Moira, **Glasgow, Queen's Park 1974 Oct**

AITKEN, Judith b 1939, ed Avonbournes g s; former nurse, later ran own small business; **Edinburgh East 1987**

AITKEN, Keith Graeme; he defied the national trend, as did many fellow Liberal candidates in Scotland in the General Election of 1979, almost doubling the Party percentage poll in a difficult year in Liberal fortunes. A high-profile Scottish Leader of the Liberals in David Steel would account in part for this phenomenon. **Edinburgh, Leith 1979**

ALEXANDER, Rt Hon Sir Daniel Grian (Danny), Kt, PC, b Edinburgh 1972, lived Colonsay, later South Uist, ed Colonsay p s, Lochaber h s, Fort William, Oxford U; 1995-96 Press Officer, Scottish Lib Dems, dir of Communications, European Movement 1996-2004; promoted by Charles Kennedy to junior Party spokesman on Work and Pensions; his rise to prominence and high office was rapid; heavily involved in discussions which brought about coalition government 2010; from 2010 Chief Secretary to the Treasury among his duties being to carry through George Osborne's controversial deficit reduction plans which have brought upon him much criticism; in 2012 entrusted by Nick Clegg with



studying alternatives to Trident; appeared regularly in the media as defender/interpreter of government economic and fiscal policies; not a dominant personality or forceful speaker but highly capable of standing his ground; his red hair has become unaccountably the butt of cruel comment by opponents, notably Harriet Harman, who later apologised; latterly spoken of as potential Lib Dem Leader; he could do no better than any of his colleagues in Scotland in efforts to save his seat in the extraordinary circumstance of the 2015 General Election; later declined Peerage; PC 2010, Kt 2015; **Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch & Strathspey 2005, 2010, 2015 MP 2005-15**

ALEXANDER, Jim, b 1959, ed Glasgow Poly; eng, sales/marketing manager; LD Friends of Israel; **Glasgow, Maryhill 1992, Glasgow, Springburn 1997**

ALEXANDER, Neil, b c 1994; lives and works in Elgin; games designer; plays rugby for Moray FC; local campaigner; **Moray West, Nairn & Strathspey 2024**

ANDERSEN, Mike, b South Africa, graduate in Law; practised in Edinburgh from 2022; interests incl NHS, cost of living, education, restoring faith in political system; **Edinburgh North & Leith 2024**

ANDERSON, Alexander, b 1899; with Rolls Royce aero engine firm in Glasgow; one of several likely Martell Plan candidates in Glasgow and Edinburgh in 1950, all of whom polled very poorly in constituencies uncontested by the Liberals for decades; deceased; **Glasgow Pollock 1950**

ANDERSON, Dr Eleanor, primary s head, cand for S A 1999, 2005; co-opted mbr Aberdeenshire CC; mbr Church of Scotland; **Banff & Buchan 2005**

ANGLES, David, instrumental eng, lived Falkirk; **Stirling, Falkirk & Grangemouth 1974 Oct**

ARRUNDALE, Steven Phillip, hails from Northeast England, ed De Montfort U, Warwick U; has lived in Scotland since 2000; works in financial services ind; supports action on climate emergency, improving local services; he took on a hopeless task in the by-election at a particularly difficult juncture for the Party; **Midlothian 2019, Airdrie and Shotts by-e 2021**

ASHLEY, Brian J., b 1927, ed Hull U; dir of school of community studies; later cons on educational research/training; Vice-Chair UNICEF Scotland, Committee of Racial equality; long sojourn in Sweden; originally SDP; **Motherwell South 1983, Cunninghame South 1992**

ATTWOOLL, Elspeth, b Chislehurst, Kent 1943, ed Tiffin g g s, Kingston-upon-Thames, St Andrew's U; Pres Liberal Club; lect in Law at Glasgow U; stalwart and courageous campaigner over many years, the first Party cand in Maryhill for 25 years; MEP 1999-2009, the first-ever elected for the Lib Dems from Scotland; was highly regarded at Strasburg; mbr various committees; main interests were fisheries and whaling; Scottish Party Exec; one of the outstanding Scottish women Liberal Democrats of her day; **Glasgow, Maryhill 1974 Oct, 1979, 1983, 1987, 1997**

BAILLIE, David S., b 1942, ed Uddington g s, Glasgow U, Strathclyde U; asst principal Cardonald Coll; **Glasgow, Rutherglen 1992**

BAILEY, Ian, lives New Pitsligo, Central Buchan, originally from Lancashire, lived Scotland since 2021; commercial cons in food industry; previously lived Teesside; served as town cllr; fought election for

Aberdeen MBC; considers his region of Scotland has been neglected by politicians; **Aberdeenshire North & Moray East 2024**

BAIN, Gordon, b 1977, raised Ardrossan; worked North Ayrshire over 30 years; IT professional; established his own web design co; supports regeneration of his hometown, Irvine; **Central Ayrshire 2015**

BANNERMAN, James, b 1935, ed Glasgow Acad, Strathclyde U; dir of family pharmacy; Strathclyde Reg Council; **Strathkelvin & Bearsden 1987, Paisley North by-e 1990**

BANNERMAN, John M., later Lord B. of Kildonan, b Glasgow 1901, ed Shawlands Acad, Glasgow h s, Glasgow U, Oxford U, Cornell U, USA; family from island of South Uist, Gaelic speaker; Scottish int rugby star 1921-29; crusading Liberal figure in Scotland for several decades and one of leading Scottish personalities of his day; interested in rural depopulation and economic decay of Highlands; joined Party 1930s; farm management, later landowner and farmer; Forestry Commissioner 1942-57; OBE 1952 for work on Festival of Britain; stalwart campaigner who fought eight parliamentary elections in nineteen years; originally adopted PPC Argyll 1938; after standing down from the previous election in 1951, he failed by just 1,331 votes to win the Inverness by-election in 1954 which would have been the first Liberal by-election gain since 1929; nevertheless his performance proved a tonic for the Liberals and signalled a mini revival in its fortunes; he went even closer in 1955, losing by just 966 votes; Pres of Scottish Libs 1954-56; later warned of growing threat of Scots Nats and mounting wrath of Scottish people over subservience to England within Union; Life Peer 1967; pub *Memoirs* 1972; father of Ray Michie qv; d Tidworth, Hants 1969; **Argyll 1945, Scottish Universities by-e 1946, Inverness 1950, by-e 1954, 1955, 1959, Paisley by-e 1961, 1964**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

BARNETT, John E., fought campaign in which he generated much positive media coverage; **Dundee West 2010**

BARRETT, John, b Hobart, Tasmania 1954, ed Forrester h s, Edinburgh, Telford Coll, Napier U, also attended Cornell U, USA; joined Party 1980; cllr Edinburgh City C, Chair, Lib Dem Group; election agent for Donald Gorrie MP qv; in Commons member Int Development Select Comm; 2005 Shadow Minister of State for Scotland; other interests include animal welfare, trade, Justice, involved with charities in developing world; founder of Beveridge Group; campaigner for renewable energy, opposed to nuclear fuels, member of advisory comm of Edinburgh International Film Festival; dir ABC productions; sat on Scottish and Lib Dem Fed Exec; did not seek re-election to Westminster 2010; **Edinburgh West 2001, 2005; MP 2001-2010**

BARRETT, Peter A., Perth & Kinross CC grp ldr, comm chair; cand Scottish Parliament; interests incl affordable housing, health, care of the elderly; **Perth & North Perthshire 2010, 2015, 2017, 2019**

BARRIE, David (or Derek?) A., b 1947, ed Coatbridge h s, Glasgow U, Pres of Union, officer of Glasgow U Liberal Club; teacher; North East Fife DC later Leader of Council; member of Party for 60 years; d 2021; **East Fife 1966, Kinross & West Perthshire 1974 Feb, Oct**

BARTON, Kenneth Alfred John, b 1914, ed Pontywaun g s, Monmouth, Rhadyr Agricultural Coll, U of Wales; farmer; deceased; **Angus North & The Mearns 1964, 1966**

BAXENDALE, Eileen Janet, Gladys, née Borgars, b Stockton on Tees 1945, ed London U, Columbia U; qualified social worker; Area Social Work Manager, Glasgow; committed Christian, Baptist Union of Scotland; South Lanarkshire DC; many interests; works with asylum seekers and refugees; her courageous persistence in one of the most barren areas for the Party has brought her only a disappointing return; **Glasgow North East by-e 2009, 2010, 2015**

BEAL, Alan, originally worked for various charities; latterly energy cons; interested in renewable energy/fuel sources; strongly pro-Europe; **Edinburgh South 2017, 2019**

BEGG, Dr Drummond, GP in Penicuik, lived Tweeddale 25 years; long career in medical and nursing education; cllr Scottish Borders; **Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale and Tweeddale 2024**

BELL, Charles, b 1937, ed Burton-on-Trent g s, Oxford U; area salesman; Scottish Party Exec; active with Clackmannan LDA; **Glasgow, Provan 1992**

BELL, Jacqueline Dianne (Jacquie), b Sheffield 1958, ed Athelstan p s, Sheffield, U of Wales, Bangor, U of Edinburgh; social worker, Midlothian 1987-2003, later Edinburgh; joined Party 1989, held office with Scottish Women LDs, Euro cand 2014; Dunbar & East Clinton DC; one of comparatively few Lib Dems to contest constituencies both north and south of the border; **Midlothian 2001**, Richmond 2005 (Yorkshire Region), Stockton South 2010 (Northeast Region), Skipton & Ripon 2015 (Yorkshire Region)

BELL, Rebecca, grew up London, South East, ed Manchester U, City U; works for Kingdom Fife FM as broadcast journalist; interests incl PR in elections, refugees, mental health; **Glenrothes 2017, Dunfermline & West Fife 2019**

BELL, Robert E., b 1930, ed Carlisle g s, Cambridge U, Dublin U, Edinburgh U; U lect; first Party cand locally for 20 years; **Clackmannan & East Stirlingshire 1970**, Harrow West 1974 Feb (Greater London)

BENNETT, Eric, b 1951, ed Eastbank Acad, Glasgow; estimator; mbr TGWU; improved Party percentage share in a difficult year, 1979, in unpromising territory; **Glasgow Central, 1974 Oct, Glasgow, Kelvingrove 1979**

BENNIE, David, b Bellshill, lived Lanarkshire from 2002; estate agent; interested in mental health, education; **Coatbridge, Chryston & Bellshill 2017**

BENNIE, Haley, impressed Scottish Lib Dem Conference with speech on Bereavement Counselling 2024; **Motherwell, Wishaw & Carluke 2024**

BHATIA, Catriona J. S., née Steel, b 1967, in Scottish Borders, daughter of Lord David Steel, former Party Ldr qv; dpty grp ldr Scottish Borders DC from 2003; was opposed to cuts in Nursery Education; removed from education post with Scottish Border Council; **Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale & Tweeddale 2010**

BIGGAM, John S., b 1948; career in computing; Scottish Conference delegate; election agent; church elder; carried the fight into very unpromising territory; **Cumbernauld & Kilsyth 1997**

BLACK, Malcolm, b 1936, ed Tobermory j s, Oban h s, Glasgow U, London U, Moray House, Jordan Hill colls; former sen lect in public sector ed; originally held office with SDP see SDP section; Euro cand 1989; **Perth & Kinross 1992**

BLAIN, Jenny, born/raised Dundee, ed h s of Dundee, Napier Coll, Moray House S of Ed, Dalhousie U, Canada; academic sociologist, one-time sub-editor with Thomsons, Dundee; later snr lect, Hallam U; interests are environment, conservation, climate change; **Dundee West 2017**

BLAIR, Alan J., b 1939, ed Greenock Acad, Glasgow U; Greenock TC, Inverclyde DC; **Greenwich & Port Glasgow 1983**

BLYTH, David, b 1914, ed Viewforth sec s, Fife; wine, spirit merchant; Kirkcaldy MBC; deceased; **Kirkcaldy 1959**

BONGARD, Helena, grew up in Essex and Paris, ed Edinburgh U; studied languages and history; worked with disabled children in Moldova; worked on Edinburgh U journal *Leviathan*; was a parliamentary researcher communications officer; strongly pro-Europe; interested in mental health service provision; **Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock 2019**

BOSS, John Alan, b 1940, ed Reading s, Trinity Coll, Dublin, LSE; personnel officer ICI formerly with SW Gas Board; **Cunninghame South 1983, 1987, Ayr 1992**

BOUSE, Desmond, ed Aberdeen U; community campaigner; interests incl solving inequality, antipoverty policies; **Aberdeen North 2024**

BOYD, John R., lives Paisley; deplores extremes as represented by Independence or Hard Brexit; **Cunninghame South 2001, Paisley & Renfrew North 2017**

BOYD, James Boyd, b 1920? ed Greenock h s, Provost of Greenock, Greenock C for many years; improved Party share of vote against trend by 8.8%; **Greenock & Port Glasgow 1979**

BRETT, Tim, lived locally from 1985; while at university led expedition to Afghanistan; VSO in Sierra Leone; hospital manager; Fife CC grp ldr; mbr Ministerial Advisory Group; elder of Church of Scotland; **North East Fife 2015**

BRIDGER, Sophie, b 1991, Pres Lib Dem Youth, Scotland; student Glasgow U; cand SP 2011; called for square deal for students, increased powers for Scottish A; **Inverclyde by-e 2011**

BRODIE, Alexander P., b 1916, ed Dunbarton Acad; officer with West Dunbarton LA, West Lothian LA; a local toast master; in his first contest, he was the first Liberal cand locally for 29 years; believed to have styled himself 'Radical Liberal' standing at Midlothian 1979, though not supported by the Scottish Party; deceased; **Glasgow Central 1974 Feb, North Lanarkshire 1974 Oct**

BRODIE, Charles Gilchrist (Chic), b 1944, ed Morgan Acad, Dundee, St Andrews U, Dundee Coll of T'nology; Church of Scotland background; businessman, dir in IT ind; dogged campaigner for Party over three decades, fighting seven elections; he was adopted PPC for Glasgow, Hillhead in 1982, but gave way to Roy Jenkins qv for the by-election that year which the latter won from the Conservatives, standing as an SDP cand; Vice-Chair Scottish Party; mbr Surrey Heath DC 1991-95; left to join SNP after 2001 for whom he fought Ayr, Carrick & Cumnock 2010; elected MSP (list) 2011-16

for South Scotland; as mbr of the Economy, Energy and Tourism Committee he was enthusiastic supporter of Donald Trump's investment schemes in Scotland; left SNP 2017 to found Scotia Future 2020; d 24/9/2022; **Dundee East 1974 Oct, 1979, Ayr 1983**, North West Surrey 1987 (Southeast Region), **Glasgow, Garscadden, 1992, Perth 1997, Greenock & Inverclyde 2001**

BRODIE, Richard John, b Dumbarton 1951, ed Bathgate Academy, Edinburgh U, Moray House Teaching Coll; teacher 1973-2007; joined Liberals 1970; Annandale & Eskdale DC 1983-1996; Dumfries & Galloway CC from 2007; Scottish Parliamentary cand. Dumfriesshire 2011, 2016, 2021; there was a 35-year gap between his two Westminster contests, possibly an unprecedented interval; at Shettleston he was the first-ever Liberal cand; **Glasgow, Shettleston 1974 Oct, Dumfries & Galloway 2010, Ayr, Carrick & Cumnock 2015**

BROWN, D., **West Renfrewshire 1974 Oct**

BROWN, Iain, **Motherwell & Wishaw 2001**

BROWN, James G., b 1946, ed Rutherglen Acad, Glasgow Coll of Building; surveyor; **East Dunbartonshire 1970**

BROWN, John, b 1960, ed Elgin Acad, Hinchin Coll; Robert Gordon U; mature law student, night club D-J, later local radio presenter; Grampian DC, Huntingdon DC 1991-92; **Aberdeen Central 1997**

BROWN, Robert E., b Newcastle-upon-Tyne 1947, ed The Gordon s s, Huntly, Aberdeen U; solicitor; Glasgow DC 1977-92, leader Lib Dem group; MSP 1999-2011 (Glasgow Regional List), dpty Minister for Education and Young People 2005-07; at Holyrood spokesperson on justice and civil liberties; dogged campaigner; virtually trebled Party percentage share in 1979, from 6.3% to 18.4%; **Rutherglen 1974 Oct, 1979, Glasgow, Rutherglen 1983, 1987, 1997, Rutherglen & Hamilton West 2017**

BRUCE, Rt Hon Sir Malcolm Gray, Kt, PC, later Lord B. of Bennachie, b Birkenhead 1944, ed Wrekin Coll, Dundee U, St Andrews U, Chair, U Liberal Society, Strathclyde U; various posts in journalism, industry, publishing later information and research officer with North East Scotland Development Agency; also qualified as barrister; Vice-Chair Scottish Liberal Democrats from 1975; became Liberal Scottish Affairs spokesman in Commons, later Energy, Environment, then Food and Rural Affairs etc; later Chair, Commons International Development Comm; PC 2006, Kt 2012; Pres of Scottish Lib Dems; married as his second wife Party activist Rosemary Vetterlein, herself a parliamentary cand (qv Greater London); has an active concern for victims of deafness; a highly capable though unspectacular performer in the media; good humoured and affable, liked and respected throughout Party; moderate in his views though strongly opposed to the muted coalition with Labour; considered by some as more of a technocrat than politician; campaigned determinedly over thirty years for Party; elected Deputy Leader of the Parliamentary Party in Jan 2014 by a margin of two votes over Lorely Burt qv (West Midland Region); retired from Commons 2015, Peerage 2015; **Angus North & The Mearns 1974 Oct, West Aberdeenshire 1979, Gordon 1983, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2001, 2005, 2010; MP 1983-2015**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

BRYCE, D., **West Lothian 1962 by-e**

BRYDEN, Dr John Stephen, b 1932, ed King's Park, Glasgow, Rothesay Acad, Us of Glasgow, Strathclyde and Edinburgh; community medical specialist; James **Glasgow, Central 1987**

BUCHANAN, Elspeth, b 1927, ed Glasgow g h s, Moray House Coll of Ed, Glasgow U; lect/curator at Central Coll of Comm, Glasgow; freelance journalist; former lect Us of Glasgow and Edinburgh; Euro cand 1984; **Paisley South 1983, Clydesdale 1992, Glasgow, Kelvin 1997**

BUCHANAN-QUIGLEY, Lauren, lives locally; ed Dunfermline Fife Coll; interests incl properly funded services, reliable public transport, improved NHS; **Dunfermline & Dollar 2024**

BURGESS, Caroline, b 1981? Lives Edinburgh; employed by NHS; **Berwickshire, Roxburgh & Selkirk 2017**

BURNETT, Michael R., b 1935, ed Morrison's Acad, Crief, Edinburgh U; farmer; lay preacher in Church of Scotland; Scottish Liberal Party spokesman on agriculture; Scottish Party Exec from 1969; active with NFU; mbr Agricultural Wages Board, Agricultural Training Board; Sutherland CC; **Caithness & Sutherland 1974 Feb, Oct, Moray 1983**

BURNS, Dr Kyle, b Glasgow, lives South Lanarkshire; ed Glasow U, MA Software Engineering, PhD Computing Science; **Hamilton & Clyde Valley 2024**

BUTLER, Chris A., lived Musselburgh from 1993; experienced election agent; local campaigner; **East Lothian 2005**

CALDER, James, born/raised Inverkeithing, ed Us of Glasgow, Aberystwyth; worked as intern for Jo Swinson MP qv; runs IT business; ldr Lib Dem group Fife Council health; his multiple interests incl cost of living, pensions, fuel poverty, sewage disposal, education; **Dunfermline & West Fife 2017, Glasgow West 2024**

CALDER, John Mackenzie, b Montreal, Canada 1927, raised Kinross, from Alloa brewing family; ed Britain, read economics, Zurich U; eminent publisher, founded Calder Publishing 1949; notable figure in literary world, writer, translator; published numerous translations of European authors' works; organiser International Writers' Conference at Edinburgh Festival 1962; sec Defence of Literature and Arts Society; wrote studies of Samuel Beckett of whom he was an associate; faced prosecution for obscenity initiated by Tory MP Sir Cyril Black 1966-67 with regard to the publication of William Burroughs's controversial novel *Last Exit to Brooklyn* by the American Hubert Selby jnr; originally found guilty, the verdict was shortly overturned by when it had sold 500,00 paperback copies and is now a cult classic; first British publisher of works of Burroughs; passionate advocate of proper funding of the arts; an incredibly energetic character noted for his hectic life style; on radical wing of party; investor in Partisan Coffee House, Soho, a noted venue for radicals; among his political publications figure *Liberal Politics in Britain* by Arthur Cyr, *Community Politics*, a collection of essays edited by Peter Hain during his days as a Liberal, and *No Shining Armour*, an expose of corruption in Labour- administered local government circles in the Northeast Region by Eddie Milne, former Labour MP; first Liberal cand at Hamilton since the former suffragette Helen Miller Fraser in 1923; he polled 4%; d 2018; **Kinross & West Perthshire 1970, Hamilton 1974 Oct**

CALLENDAR, R., **Edinburgh West 1979**

CALLISON, James Stuart, ed Glasgow U, Edinburgh U; dpty dir of local economic development co; formerly SDP; cand S P 1999; defected to Greens for whom he contested East Dunbartonshire 2005; **Glasgow, Maryhill 2001**

CAMERON, Jim E., b 1944, ed St Mungo Acad; training adviser; **East Dunbartonshire 1974 Feb, Central Dunbartonshire 1974 Oct**

CAMPBELL, David W., b 1905; master grocer; active with Glasgow Grocers' and Provision Merchants' Assn; first Liberal cand locally since 1918; deceased; **Glasgow, Springburn 1950**

CAMPBELL, Gordon G., **Perth & North Perthshire 2005**

CAMPBELL, Hilary C., b 1952, ed U of Western Ontario, Middlesex Poly; economist; Head of Policy, Scottish Sports Council; formerly SDP see SDP section; Euro cand 1994; **Edinburgh, Leith 1992, Edinburgh North & Leith 1997**

CAMPBELL, Rt Hon Sir Walter Menzies (Ming), Kt, CH, CBE, PC, KC, later Lord C. of Pittenweem, b Glasgow 1941, ed Hillhead h s, Glasgow U; scholarship to Stamford U, USA; lawyer QC 1982 specialising in planning and licensing law; Scottish International and Olympic athlete, UK 100m record holder 1967-74, mbr GB Team at the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo; Party spokesman on defence from 1992, a post in which he spoke authoritatively in the Commons; overcame cancer to return to duties; served successively on Commons Select Comms on Defence, Trade and Industry, members' interests; PC 1999, Kt 2004; Party Leader for 18 months 2006-07; his short tenure could be attributed in part to his perceived ineffectiveness at Prime Minister's Question Time, and to fears that his age would damage the Party image and thus render him a vulnerable leader at a general election; suspicions grew that he was victim of blatant ageism; widely respected across Party lines in Commons; relentless campaigner fighting ten elections; could be described as a 'moderate social liberal'; retired from Commons and made life peer 2015; Chancellor U of St Andrews 2006-25; d 2025; **Greenock & Port Glasgow 1974 Feb, Oct, East Fife 1979, North East Fife 1983, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2001, 2005, 2010; MP 1987-2015;** see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

CANNING, Colin James, b 1914, dir of confectionery firm; fought Bradford South (Yorkshire Region) by-election as an Ind Liberal Dec 1949; a last-minute Martell Plan candidate, he polled 1.86%; his successor in 1951, John Junor qv improved on this to 45.72%, though he benefited hugely from the absence of a Conservative opponent; d 1963; **Dundee West 1950**

CANT, David, b 1940, ed Trinity Coll, Dublin, Royal Naval Coll, Dartmouth; trout farmer; **West Stirlingshire 1979**

CARMICHAEL, Rt Hon Alexander Morrison (Alistair), PC, b Islay 1965, ed Port Ellen p s, Islay h s; Glasgow U, Pres U Liberal Club, Aberdeen U; worked in hotel management 1984-89; qualified as solicitor 1993; Proc Fiscal Depute for Edinburgh and Aberdeen; 1986-91 with legal firm; Elder of the Church of Scotland; briefly spokesman on Northern Ireland and Scotland; served on Select Comms and All-Party groups; Shadow Secretary of State for Transport 2006-07; PC 2010; Dpty Leader of Scottish Lib Dems from 2012-21; deputy, later Chief Whip; Sec of State for Scotland in Coalition Government 2013-15 ; the only Scottish Lib Dem MP to survive in the extraordinary circumstances

of the 2015 General Election; Lib Dem spokesperson at Westminster on Foreign Affairs and Brexit; Chair Environment, Food & Rural Affairs Select Committee 2024-; **Paisley South 1987, Orkney & Shetland 2001, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2024; MP 2001-**

CHAMBERLAIN, Andrew S., b Yorkshire 1982, lived locally since 1990 ed Greenock Academy, Glasgow U; Pres Lib Society; Kilwinny TC; **Central Ayrshire 2010, Glasgow North 2019**

CHAMBERLAIN, Wendy, b 1976, hails from Greenock, lived Fife since 2005; 12 years' service as police officer in Borders; lect in FE; lately capacity, dvpmnt manager for international co; joined Party 2015; active with Dunfermline & West Fife LDA; keen to foster aspiration in the young; appt Party spokesperson at Westminster on Political & Constitutional Reform, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, International Development; Depty Ldr Scottish Liberal Democrats 2021-, Chief Whip 2020-24, Spokesperson for Work and Pensions 2024-; in 2019 she raised her percentage poll by 10.22%, in 2024 by a further 15.1%; **Stirling 2017, North East Fife 2019, 2024; MP 2019-**

CHAPMAN, J., **Kinross & West Perthshire 1979**

CHAPMAN, Kristian T., Pres Lib Dem Youth, Scotland 2010-11; **Aberdeen North 2010**

CHOMCZUK, Callum, ed Strathclyde U, Glasgow U; public affairs manager, former acc; dir/manager; Scotland parliamentary officer; three times cand for S A; **Falkirk 2005**

CLARK, Amanda, lives Kinross; teacher for 30 years; cares full-time for disabled son; involved in community; charity fund raiser; interests incl caring services, cost of living; **Perth & Kinross-shire 2024**

CLARK, Jack, from the Borders, now lives Renfrewshire; ed West of Scotland U, degree in Economics; cand in local elections; concerned about environment and conservation; opposes fracking; firm believer in community action; **Paisley & Renfrewshire South 2019, 2024**

CLARK, Matthew James, has visual impairment; opposed to divisive Independence/Nationalism polemics; keen to provide proper funding for education, mental health services; **Glasgow East 2017, 2024**

CLARK, Simon James Clark, three times cand for Scottish Assembly; **Edinburgh South West 2005**

CLARKE, Donald, b 1926, ed Watford g s, LSE, Oxford U; athletics Blue; lect in economics and politics; **Edinburgh, Pentlands 1966, 1970**

CLARKE, Pauline, b 1922, ed Glasgow U, Strathclyde U, LSE, Jordanhill Coll, lect; deceased; **Glasgow, Shettleston 1987**

CLARKSON, Ian; North Ayrshire DC; **Central Ayrshire 1979**

COCHRANE, Robert P., b 1918, ed Eastbank Acad, Glasgow Tech U; teacher; Rothesay TC 1966; deceased; **Bute & North Ayrshire 1966**

COLE-HAMILTON, Alexander Geoffrey, b Hertfordshire 1977 into distinguished Liberal family (an ancestor Arthur C.-H. was MP for Enniskillen in the Irish Parliament before and after Union of 1801); moved to Scotland aged 6; ed Madras Coll, St Andrews, Aberdeen U; graduate in Politics and



International Affairs; Pres Students Representative Council 1999-2000; constituency organiser Edinburgh West; worked in Children's Voluntary Sector, with Youth organisations; mbr committee investigating complaints against Alex Salmond 2019-21; cand Scottish Ass at Stirling 2007, Edinburgh Central 2011, Kirkcaldy 2013; elected MSP for Edinburgh Western 2016; Scottish 'politician of the year 2016'; Leader Scottish Lib Dems since Aug 20 2021; strong personality, revels in controversy, with a flair for publicity; (husband of following); **Kirkcaldy & Cowdenbeath 2005**

COLE-HAMILTON, Gillian, from Dalkeith, ed Aberdeen U; as a student organised relief for Kosovo; lived in France and Germany; teacher 15 years; fought in 2015 on record of Party in Coalition 2010-15; (wife of the preceding); lives Edinburgh; **North Ayrshire & Arran 2010, Dunfermline & West Fife 2015, Kirkcaldy & Cowdenbeath 2019, North Ayrshire & Arran 2024**

COLEMAN, (Capt) Charles Jack, TD, OBE, b 1920, a Londoner, ed Chiswick Co g s, London U; service in Commandos WW II; moved to Northwest; later lived Glasgow; dir of pulping firm later economist in glass ind; Southport MBC; d 1977; **Central Ayrshire 1950, Southport 1964, 1966 (Northwest Region)**

COLEMAN, Daniel, lived all his life in Dundee, ed St Paul's RC Academy, graduate in Law, Dundee U; Dundee Youth Council; 2013 McManus Dundee Citizen of the Year; Scottish Youth Parliament; worked for a MSP in Scottish Assembly; now with Angus Council in Planning Section; **Dundee West 2015, 2019, Dundee Central 2024**

COUTTS, (Capt) J. Benjamin, b? service WWII; farmer; radio/TV presenter on farming affairs; chief exec Aberdeen Angus Cattle Society; **Perth & Kinross 1983**

COWAN, Elizabeth Taylor, ed Glasgow g h s, Glasgow U; tutor in adult education; first Liberal cand locally for more than 20 years; deceased; **Glasgow, Maryhill 1950**

COWIE, Graeme, b Glasgow, raised Kirkcaldy, Aberdeen; PhD student at Glasgow U; interests incl civil liberties, education reform; **East Renfrewshire 2015**

CRAIG, Moira, b 1929, ed Queen's Park s, Glasgow U, Jordanhill Coll; psychologist; vice convenor campaign for Scottish Parliament; see SDP section; **Eastwood 1992, Clydesdale 2001**

CRAIG, William G. A., b 1925, ed High School of Glasgow, Glasgow U, Pres U Liberal Club 1949-50; export manager; deceased; **East Renfrew 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979**

CRAWFORD, Iain Padruig, b Inverness 1922, ed Jordanhill Co s, Glasgow, Inverness Acad; author, broadcaster, journalist, specialising in theatre; naval service, WW II; involved with Edinburgh Festival as first Publicity Director 1973; d 2011; **Edinburgh North 1950, Stroud 1964 (Southwest Region)**

CRICHTON, Michael, ed Grove Acad, U student; strong supporter of Tay Cities Deal; opposed to Scottish Independence; seeks more support for local businesses; **Dundee East 2019**

CROCKART, Michael Bruce, b Perth 1966, ed Perth h s, Edinburgh U, graduate in social sciences; police officer for eight years, later systems developer; following election to Commons became PPS to Michael Moore, Secretary of State for Scotland; resigned over tuition fees issue later in year; made a spirited but unsuccessful attempt to retain his seat against the SNP onslaught; **Edinburgh North & Leith 2005, Edinburgh West 2010, 2015; MP 2010-15**

CROSSMAN, William, lives Edinburgh, career in financial services; seeks more investment in renewable energy, great resources for mental health patients; **Airdrie & Shotts 2019**

CRUDDAS, J. Wilfred, b 1940, ed West Hartlepool g s, Aberdeen U; university administrator; Chair, Aberdeen YLs; **Dundee West 1966**

CRUIKSHANK, William, ed Longside sec s, Aberdeenshire; farmer; Aberdeen CC; **East Aberdeenshire 1974 Feb**

CULLEN, Greg, b South Lanarkshire, lives East Kilbride; ed Glasgow Caledonian U; originally electronics eng, latterly assessor in apprentice training in hospitality and leisure ind; strong supporter of Smith Commission proposals on Scottish Devolution; **Lanark & Hamilton East 2015**

CUNNINGHAM, Ritchie, hails from Nairn; for many years head teacher Inverness h s; pledged to speak up for the Highlands; opposes Independence/centralisation; **Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch & Strathspey 2017**

DAICHES, Lionel Henry, b 1911, of Jewish background, son of a prominent Edinburgh rabbi, ed George Watson's, Edinburgh U; solicitor, later QC; author of studies of fascism and communism; d 1999; **Edinburgh South 1950**

DALY, Morag E., b 1950, ed Lanark g s, Glasgow U; acc; mother of five sons; active with Dumbarton & Clydebank LDA; interested in taxation; **Coatbridge & Chryston 1997**

DALZELL, G. N., **Edinburgh East 1974 Oct**

DANGERFIELD, Elma Tryphosa, CBE, née Birkett, b Liverpool 1907, ed Cheltenham Ladies Coll; spent childhood in Philippines, Hong Kong; her husband, a Royal Navy captain died 1941, leaving her a widow for 65 years, free to indulge her literary, political and business interests in London; said to have known 'everyone' and had contacts 'everywhere'; in WW II, worked for Admiralty and MI9, later journalist, writer, inveterate campaigner; wrote early exposes of holocaust of Jews and gypsies before the end of hostilities; later exposed gulags in USSR in *Beyond the Urals* (1946); associate of Duchess of Athol in British League for European Freedom; Exec Editor *European Review*; helped found Euro-Atlantic Group; expert at starting cross-party, extra parliamentary campaigns; later re-established Byron Society 1975; a somewhat eccentric personality, she claimed to be a reincarnation of a lover of Byron; her ties with the Party loosened, due to her opposition to Britain's membership of EEC ; strong speaker, she regularly fell foul of Party Assemblies in debate by putting rhetorical questions to the audience and receiving unexpected contrary answers which totally defeated her purpose; d 2006; subject of a monumental obituary in *The Independent*; **Aberdeen South 1959, Hitchin 1964 (East of England Region)**

DAVIDSON Euan, b 1994; co-Pres LDYLs of Scotland; experience as case worker for Alison McInnes MSP; support worker for adults with learning difficulties; volunteer with youth work in Aberdeen; **Aberdeen North 2015**

DAVIDSON, Isobel, ed U of Aberdeen; Aberdeenshire CC; Chair, Education, Leisure & Learning Comm; environmental cons; involved in wildlife research, surveys; **Aberdeen North 2017, 2019**

DAVIDSON, James Duncan Gordon, OBE, b 1927, ed Royal Naval Coll, Dartmouth, Cambridge U; farmer, former naval officer and naval attaché at British Embassy, Moscow; his victory gave a fillip to the Party in a year when expectations were low; shared much of the load of responsibility with Jo Grimond in the Commons for Scottish Affairs; said to have been reluctant to support nomination of Jeremy Thorpe qv (Devon & Cornwall) as Party Leader; spokesman on Foreign Affairs and Defence; during a very busy term in the Commons he campaigned for a Northeast Scotland Development Board, better roads in the Highlands, for referendum on Scottish/Welsh devolution; proved strong and popular local MP; said to have retired from politics to spend more time with family; did not defend his constituency in 1970 when he was replaced as candidate by Laura Grimond qv; Chief Exec 1970-91 Royal Highland Agricultural Society of Scotland; author *Scots and the Sea; A Nation's Lifeblood* (2003); d 2017; **West Aberdeenshire 1964, 1966; MP 1966-1970**

DAVIES, Ivor R. M., CBE, b Cardiganshire 1915; son of Congregational minister; ed West London, George Watson's Coll, Edinburgh U; Pres of Liberal Society; sometime journalist with *News Chronicle*, later United Nations Assn administrator; served in RAF WW II; had chaired political meetings in Oxford before the 1938 Munich crisis and the infamous Chamberlain agreement with Hitler; at the time he was a Party rising star (protégé of Lady Glen-Coats qv); already adopted as PPC for Central Aberdeenshire, when Oxford by-e was announced immediately made himself available for selection as party cand; subsequently persuaded to stand down (as was the Labour nominee, Patrick Gordon Walker) in favour of a University don, Robert Lindsey, who eventually stood as an Independent; an aloof academic with no political experience, no aptitude for campaigning and a poor public speaker, Lindsey proved a disaster as a cand, failing completely to harness wide-spread anti-Chamberlain feeling. Davies maintained for the rest of his life whenever questioned on subject that, had the Party stood its ground, he might well have beaten the Conservative, Quintin Hogg, in a straight fight; a powerful orator of the old school, using an impressive rolling motion of his whole body to emphasize a point; one of the great characters of the Party, of a breed no longer found; always on the radical wing; staunchly anti-nuclear; LPO Council in early 1960s; latterly much involved with politics of Oxford MBC; his son became a Labour MP, his daughter a Liberal cllr; d Scotland 1986; **Central Aberdeenshire 1945, West Aberdeenshire 1950, Oxford 1955, 1959, 1964 (South Central Region)**

DAVIS, Jean Mary Elizabeth, b Bradford 1954, ed Maghull g s, Manchester Medical S; occupational physician; lives Muir of Ord; **Na h-Eileanan an Iar, (Western Isles) 2005, 2010, Ross, Skye & Lochaber 2017**

DAWE, Dr Jenny, b 1945, ed Trinity Acad, Edinburgh, Aberdeen U, Edinburgh U; sen welfare rights officer; Edinburgh City C; editor Scottish Party official gazette; led SNP-Lib Dem ruling coalition 2007-12; mbr Amnesty, Charter 88; **Edinburgh, Pentlands 1997**

DELANEY, Steve, b 1963? Aberdeen CC, Chair, Lib Dem Grp; long career of community involvement; Grampian Housing Assn, Victim Support, Grampian Community Care; ran own comp software business; previously news editor for national comp magazines; cand for S P 2007; **Aberdeen North 2005**

DENTON-CARDEW, Ben, hails from Suffolk, student at U of Glasgow; mbr Youth Parliament, Mid-Suffolk; experienced debater; interested in mental health, transport; **Glasgow South West 2017, 2019**

DICK, George Callan, b 1957, ed Allan Glen's s, Glasgow U; company manager; mbr RSPB; **Glasgow, Cathcart 1992, 1997**

DICK, Dr Elizabeth G., b 1935, ed St Paul's g s, London, Oxford U, Edinburgh U; medical researcher with long experience of working abroad; see SDP section; joined Lib Dems after merger; mbr Greenpeace, Friends of the Earth; Church of Scotland; **Dundee West 1992, 1997, 2001**

DICKSON, Mark, ed Trinity Coll, Dublin U, St Andrews U, humanitarian aid worker; in Afghanistan for four years engaged on aid/dvlpmnt programmes; **Ayrshire North & Arran 2017**

DOBSON, Jamie, Ch Eng, has degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Theology; worked on nuclear submarines; director safety consultancy; elder of Church of Scotland; now crofter; passionate defender of Human rights legislation; advocates investment in fast fibre communications; man of many interests; **Na h-Eileanan an Iar 2024**

DOBSON, Ruadraidh, b Paisley 1991? ed U of Glasgow; said to have been youngest cand in UK in 2010; works for British Lung Foundation; advocate of electoral reform; **Paisley & Renfrewshire North 2010**

DOCHERTY, D. W. C., **East Fife 1974 Oct**

DONALD, (Major) Norman A., service WW II with 51<sup>st</sup> Highland Division; deceased; **Edinburgh Central 1945**

DONALDSON, Daniel, lives Dennistoun; solicitor; established a legal centre as a social enterprise; interested in equal rights, investment in mental health, education services; **Glasgow North East 2017**

DONALDSON, Jim, cand for S P 1999; **Aberdeen North 2001**

DONALDSON, Stewart, b 1953, ed Morrison's Acad, Crieff, Edinburgh U, Scottish Business School; investment analyst; Chair, Scottish YLs; campaigner for Scottish Assembly; **Edinburgh Central 1979, Hamilton 1983, Perth & Kinross 1987**

DOUGLAS, Gerald, b 1925, ed Dalbeattie h s, Dumfries Acad; sec of council of social services; **Galloway & Upper Nithsdale 1983**

DOUGLAS, Stuart, cand for SP 2007; **Motherwell & Wishaw 2010**

DOUGLAS-HOME, Hon William, b 1912, 3<sup>rd</sup> son of the 13<sup>th</sup> Earl of Home, younger brother of Alexander, later Conservative Prime Minister 1963-64; ed Eton, Oxford U; an enigmatic and somewhat unpredictable character; fought three by-elections during WW II, in opposition to Churchill's unconditional surrender policy towards Germany which he contended was prolonging the war needlessly; service WW II as army officer in tank regiment; in 1944-45 refused to take part in assaults on beleaguered Channel ports held by Nazis protesting that numerous French civilians would be killed, offering to negotiate surrender; wrote a letter to the *Maidenhead Observer* in which he detailed in defiance of protocol, how the port of Le Havre had been taken without a shot being fired; court-martialled, cashiered and imprisoned; never pardoned; post-war briefly a Conservative; joined Liberals; his brother who seems to have been out-of-touch, with day to day affairs, informed him that he had been the previous evening speaking at a meeting against 'some bloody Liberal' not

realising that this was his younger brother; author of film screen plays and some fifty stage plays, many of which were successful in their day, *The Chiltern Hundreds*, *The Reluctant Debutante*, *Lloyd George Knew My Father* etc but have not held the stage; said to have left the Party because he was not called to speak in a debate on United Nations at the Assembly 1960; d 1992; **Edinburgh South by-e 1957, 1959**

DOW, C. Alistair, b 1945, ed Perth h s., Breadalbane Acad, St Andrew's U; Ch Acc, finance controller; Treasurer Scottish YLs; later moved to West Midlands where he resumed contesting parliamentary elections after an interval of 23 years; cllr Birmingham MBC Cabinet member; **Edinburgh North 1970, East Aberdeenshire 1974 Oct**, Birmingham, Hall Green 1997, Birmingham, Hodge Hill 2001 (both West Midland Region)

DUNCAN, Andrew, b 1958, ed Edinburgh Acad, St Andrews U, Stirling U; Ch Acc, co sec; campaigned for Scottish Parliament; mbr Friends of the Earth; **Linlithgow, 1997**

DUNCAN, Craig, b Dundee ed at s s in Monifieth, Carnoustie, Heriot-Watt U; professional co sec/gen administrator; convenor Dundee LDA; opposed to increasingly centralist drift of Scottish government; **Dundee East 2015**

DUNCAN, John, b 1970? Shetland Islands; later lived Aberdeen, Glasgow; respiratory nurse at Glasgow Royal Infirmary; **Cumbernauld, Kilsyth & Kirkintilloch East 2015**

DUNCAN, R., **Perth & East Perthshire 1974 Oct**

DUNDAS, Charles C., hails from West Lothian, ed Falla Hill p s, Whitburn Acad, Glasgow U; accountant; formerly with National Australia Bank, cons for P/A firm, latterly advocate for national environmental agency; chief executive for a Scottish conservation charity; joined Party 1980s, researcher at Scottish Parliament; Edinburgh MBC 2007-12; convenor of Scottish Green Libs; persistent campaigner; interests incl housing, NHS; **Glasgow, Ballieston 2001, Livingston by-e 2005, Livingston 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017, 2019, Edinburgh East & Musselburgh 2024**

DUNLOP, Duncan, b Kinloch Rannoch, ed Edinburgh U; returned to Scotland 2008 after working in various places throughout the world; lived since 2019 at Dunbar; qualified youth worker for 25 years; worked for Who Cares? Scotland for 10 years as chief advocate; specialises in the care system for which he calls for reform as a political priority; **Lothian East 2024**

EDIE, Paul, Edinburgh City C; cand for 'top up' list for S P; interested in health, social care; **Ochil 2001**

ELDER, Kenneth C., Ch Acc; cand for S A 2011, Glasgow CC; he fought on tax issues and in support of green t'nology; **Coatbridge, Chryston & Bellshill 2010**

EVANS, David, ed Ellon, Aberdeen; works for NHS Grampian; has worked in public/private sector in health care and energy; interests incl devolution, energy transition, human rights; advocate of federal solution for UK; opposes centralisation; **Banff & Buchan 2015, Gordon 2017, Arbroath & Broughty Ferry 2024**

FALCHIKOV, Mike G., b 1937, ed Welwyn Garden City g s, Oxford U; lect in Russian, Edinburgh U; active with Edinburgh LDA; mbr Party policy panels; **Linlithgow 1992**

FARTHING-SYKES, Daniel, ed comp s, Lancaster U; works for charity aiding people with rare conditions; formerly with NHS, local government; interests incl devolution, engaging people in government; **Edinburgh South West 2015** (husband of the following)

FARTHING-SYKES, Emma Florence, grew up in Cumbria, ed Glasgow U, Queen Margaret U; varied career as organiser, worked for ETU, communications officer, campaigner, sometime Party employee latterly business change cons with Edinburgh Napier U; National Party Exec 2011-16; candidate for Scottish Assembly; interests incl education, fairer economy; (wife of the preceding); **Central Ayrshire 2019, Coatbridge & Bellshill 2024**

FERGUSON, Ruairidh, cand for Scottish Assembly, campaigner in Western Isles; advocate of greater autonomy for Scottish Lib Dems from Federal Party organisation; **Na h-Eileanan an Iar 2015**

FERGUSON, (Major) William b 1910? former merchant navy officer, army service in India WW II; deceased; **Glasgow, Scotstoun 1950**

FERRY, John, b 1977? ed St Andrews U; previously oil/gas analyst; now runs media, marketing, editorial cons; Chair, Midlothian Sth LDA, chair Border Policy Forum; stands for tolerance and internationalism; **Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale & Tweeddale 2017, 2019**

FINLAYSON, Yvonne, grew up at Wishaw, ed Strathclyde U; worked in electronics ind, now cons in business dvlpmnt; interests incl the economy, transparency, accountability; **Motherwell & Wishaw 2017, Glasgow East 2019**

FINNIE, James Ross, b Greenock, 1947, ed Greenock Acad; Ch acc; long career in business management, latterly banking; cllr Inverclyde DC 1977-99; exec mbr Scottish Council for Development & Ind, Chair, Scottish Party 1982-86; MSP West of Scotland 1999-2011; Minister for Rural Development 1999-2007; Shadow Secretary for Health; cand ldr Scottish LDs lost to Tavish Scott; used intemperate language on a notable occasion; involved in controversy over grazing sheep and pollution of Scottish lochs; **West Renfrewshire 1979, Stirling 1983**

FLETCHER, Neil, b 1974? ed Chell h s, Stoke-on-Trent, Aberdeen U, Pres Union; acc; **Banff & Buchan 1997**

FOOT, Rt Hon Sir Dingle Mackintosh, Kt, PC, b Plymouth 1905, son of Isaac Foot qv (Devon & Cornwall Region); his brothers were John qv (Devon & Cornwall), Michael, one time Labour Leader and Hugh, later Lord Cardon; ed Bembridge s, Isle of Wight, Oxford U, Pres Union 1928; called to Bar 1930; first entered parliament for Dundee (a dual member constituency) in 1931 in tandem with a Conservative – this arrangement lasting until 1945 when both were defeated; Parliamentary Sec to Ministry of Economic Warfare 1940-45 in wartime Coalition Government; defected to Labour 1956; for Labour he contested Ipswich by-e 1957, 1959, 1964, 1966, 1970; MP 1957-70; Solicitor General in Labour Government of Harold Wilson, 1964-67; knighted 1964 and made PC; an early BBC TV personality engaged on *In the News*; wrote *Despotism in Disguise* (1937), *British Political Crises* (1976); died in tragic accident in Hong Kong 1978; **Dundee 1945**, North Cornwall 1950, 1951 (Devon & Cornwall Region); see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

FORD, Carole, b Glasgow where she has lived most of her life; former sec s headteacher; supported call of former Party Ldr Jo Swinson qv to revoke Article 50; mbr Scottish Party Exec, national policy comm; spokesperson on children, young people; interests incl health social care, affordable housing; **Glasgow South 2019**

FORD, Elaine, b c 1970, has lived in Scotland for 30 years; joined party 2022; previously student welfare manager; with national heritage charity; Open U student; favours improved mental health services for young, more social and affordable housing; **Central Ayrshire 2024**

FORD, Dr Martin A., b 1959, ed Hele's s, Exeter, Newcastle-upon-Tyne U, U Coll, Swansea; research scientist, plant ecologist; Scottish Party Exec; Scottish Assn of LD cllrs; **Aberdeen North 1992**

FORRESTER, Charles Edward, b 1894; boilermaker in steel ind at Clydebridge; active in Boilermakers' U serving as shop steward; former mbr Glasgow Corporation; deceased; **East Dunbartonshire 1950**

FOTHERGILL, Charles Philip, b Dewsbury 1906, ed Wheelwright's s, Dewsbury; family were woollen manufacturers, radical nonconformists and strong supporters of Temperance; first elected to Party Executive in 1920s; supported Radical Action in closing years of WW II; LPO Chair 1946-49 and 1952; joint LPO Treasurer 1954-59; more than that of any other individual, his work in Liberal Party organisation and finance ensured the survival of Liberalism in its darkest hour; generally accepted to have had an acute mind for politics and the importance of organisation, on a par with his counterpart, Herbert Morrison, the Labour Minister; said to have entertained hope of becoming PPC for Orkney & Shetland but gave way to Jo Grimond qv; his later years were marred by chronic ill health; d 1959; **Forfarshire 1945**, Middlesbrough West 1950 (Northeast Region), Oldham West 1951 (Northwest Region); see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*.

FRASER, Thomas Ronald Leslie, b 1929, ed McLaren h s, Strathallan s, Perthshire, Glasgow U, Sec U Liberal Club, Pres Scottish YLs; later lect Durham U in agriculture; on staff of US Embassy, London; writer/broadcaster; involved with New Orbits group publishing *High Time for Radicals*; probably the youngest cand in 1950 of any party; ineligible to vote himself; a staunch advocate of a Scottish devolution, he was involved in the purloining of The Stone of Scone from Westminster Abbey, Dec 1950, a student prank which appealed to the imagination of many people in Scotland and drew attention to demands for Scottish Home Rule; fdr, later President, of Scottish Branch of Liberal Int; Euro cand 1979; later became writer and broadcaster; d 2010; **Glasgow, Govan 1950, West Aberdeenshire 1955, Banffshire 1970, 1974 Feb**

FREEL, Karen, b 1969, ed St Mirin's and St Marin's h s, Paisley, Clydebank Coll, Glasgow; sec at Glasgow Caledonian U; Scottish Exec, Conference Comm, WLDs Exec; **Cunninghame North 1997**

FREEMAN, Clive Edward, **Stirling 2001**

FREEMAN, David Alexander, b 1928, of Jewish background, ed London and Montreal, later St Andrew's U, Pres U Liberal Club; lived Hampstead, London; among the very youngest cands in 1950, he was involved in an acrimonious campaign with the successful National Liberal cand, Sir James Henderson-Stewart; mbr General Council Scottish Liberals; d 2003; **East Fife 1950**

FREW, (Lieut) Thomas McGill, b 1914, eleventh of a family of fourteen, all working in shipbuilding ind; ed Newhaven, Leith Academy; interested in youth welfare; army commission in WW II; was evacuated from Dunkirk; owner of drapery business; d 1988; **Edinburgh, Leith 1950**

GALLAGHER, Stephen, b 1967, ed St Columba of Iona sec s, Glasgow, Glasgow U, Pres of Union, Gregorian U, Rome; health trust manager; **Monklands East by-e 1994, Inverness East Nairn & Lochaber 1997**

GAMMON, Richard J., b 1916, ed Allen Glen's s, Glasgow; ret army officer, parachute reg; military adviser to Foreign Office; to Embassy in Jordan; service in Aden, Yemen; first Liberal cand locally for over 20 years; deceased; **Bute & North Ayrshire 1964**

GARRY Nykoma, b Dunfermline ed Dundee U; later nursing student; Royal Coll of Nursing student exec; campaigned vigorously on local issues; advocated local income tax, higher Old Age pensions; lives locally; **Dundee West 2005**

GELLATLY, (Capt) Leonard, b Peterhead, Aberdeenshire, 1891; career soldier for 21 years, serving throughout WW II; later farmer near Edinburgh; deceased; **Peebles & South Midlothian 1945, Edinburgh Central 1950**

GEORGESON, Ray, MBE, cllr, Otley, Yorkshire TC 2015-19, lives Duns; Berwickshire, farmer; senior manager of environmental organisation; figured prominently over many years in recycling and resource management; has held offices in party; Chair, Leeds North West LDA, organised campaign of Greg Mulholland MP in 2010 (qv Yorkshire Region); mbr Liberal Humanists and Secularists; interests incl rural public transport, NHS, economic development, sustainable future for agriculture; **Berwickshire, Roxburgh & Selkirk 2024**

GHAJ, Ashay, of Asian background, raised Bearsden, lives Milngavie; ed local p/s, Edinburgh U; charity worker; cllr East Dunbartonshire DC ldr grp; S P cand 2007; interested in equality issues; sec Scottish Parliamentary cross-party grp for Racial Equality; **Paisley & Renfrewshire South 2010**

GIBSON, Pamela, b 1926? ed Glasgow U, economist; naval service WW II as petty officer in Intelligence with SHAEF; **Glasgow, Hillhead 1950**

GIFFNEY, B (P?), **Bute & North Ayrshire 1979**

GILMOUR, William Weir, b Lanarkshire 1905; originally a miner, later mining surveyor, Inst of Mining Engineers; a political maverick of the highest order, being a member of five, possibly six parties, in turn; firstly of the Ind Labour Party in Glasgow in the 1920s, where he was a member of the Trades Council then organizer for Co-op Party in Dumfriesshire; joined Sir Oswald Mosley's New Party 1930, contesting Coatbridge 1931; subsequently became a leading figure in the Scottish Democratic Fascist Party 1931-33, calling for a ban on Irish Catholic migration to Scotland and other extreme measures; from 1945 he was briefly involved with Labour in Dumfriesshire; meanwhile he had been elected to Peebles TC in 1937, serving for over 20 years; his adoption at Midlothian & Peebles, (possibly engineered through the Martell Plan qv), was disputed and his candidature was not recognised by



several senior officers of the local Liberal organisation; he polled 8.54%; author *Famous Scots*, 1980; d 1998; **Midlothian & Peebles 1950**

GLASGOW, S., **Glasgow, Kelvingrove 1974 Oct**

GLEN, (Major) Norman MacLeod, b 1912; WW II service in anti-V1 battery; dir of John Glen Ltd; first Liberal cand locally for over 20 years; deceased; **Glasgow, Central 1945**

GLEN, Tam, **Ross & Cromarty 1974 Oct, Berwick & East Lothian by-e 1978, 1979**

GLEN-COATS, Lady Louise, née Hugon; b c1885; daughter-in-law of Sir T. G-C. (Liberal MP, West Renfrewshire 1906-10); m 2<sup>nd</sup> Baronet; from family with major interests in Glasgow industry, she was a patroness of the Party and many charitable causes; of considerable influence in Liberal circles, she promoted the political ambitions of her proteges, Jo Grimond, Sir William Beveridge, John Junor, Ivor Davies qqv, among others; originally selected as PPC for Orkney after 1935, she later gave way to Grimond, having found island to island campaigning over a long period, too much for her; Chair Scottish LP 1946-48; Pres Scottish Women Liberals; d Jersey, Channel Islands 1967; **Paisley 1945**

GLENN, Stephen P., b Bangor, Northern Ireland, ed Regent House g s, Newtownards, Kingston U; Northern Ireland Civil Service, Dept of Enterprise, Trade and Investment, Global Reporting Services; joined Party as a student 1988; long experience as organiser, Party campaigner; Northern Ireland L P officer 2011; with Northern Ireland Alliance Party; co-opted to Exec; PA to Alistair Carmichael MP qv at Westminster; mbr Yes To Fairer Votes campaign; **Linlithgow & East Falkirk 2005, 2010**, Sedgefield 2015 (Northeast Region)

GOODFELLOW, Christian Beveridge, b Little Scotland, Midlothian 1887; Chair, Glasgow Women Liberals; d 1970; (wife of the following); **Rutherglen 1950**

GOODFELLOW, E. Roger; ins broker, co sec; sec Homebuilders Co-op Society; called upon to show the flag at possibly the lowest ebb in Liberal fortunes, his percentage return at the by-e was for long regarded the worst-ever by a Liberal Party cand, his brave effort yielding just 312 votes, 1.2%; he finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place behind the notorious anarchist, Guy Aldred; deceased; (husband of the preceding); Orpington 1945 (Greater London), **Glasgow, Camlachie by-e 1948**

GOODHALL, Jeff, lives Oldmeldrum; worked in retail and engineering; Aberdeen City C; involved in community affairs; **Aberdeen South 2024**

GORDON, Katy, ed U of Aberdeen, Napier U; project manager in skills development, later Head of Careers Service, U of Strathclyde; former Party organiser for Glasgow region 2007-11; **Glasgow South West 2005, Glasgow North 2010**

GORDON, Nathaniel L., b 1944, of Jewish background, ed James Gillespie's s, George Heriot's, U of Strathclyde; personnel manager; Chair, Scottish YLs, Scottish Party Exec, Edinburgh City C; **Dundee East by-e 1973, Edinburgh South 1974 Feb, Oct**

GORN, Linda J., chair/managing dir, course organiser of Kilt Centre, specialist in traditional crafts; Keith TC; twice cand for S A; voiced condemnation of Lidl 'affordable kilts'; **Moray 2001, 2005**

GORRIE, Donald Cameron Easterbrook, b India 1933, ed Hurst Grange s, Stirling, Oundle s, Oxford U; teacher; secretary, research dir for Scottish Liberal Party; long service in local government; Edinburgh City C 1971-76, Lothian Regional C 1976-96, Edinburgh DC 1978-96, new Edinburgh City C 1995-97; MSP Central Scotland 1999-2007; passionately wedded to idea of a Scottish Parliament, though critical of expense of Holyrood site; deeply suspicious of Labour Party which he saw as corrupt; eye for publicity, something of a loose cannon; favoured full scale political reform; campaigned against sectarianism of Scottish life; described as 'feisty and independent minded' nevertheless greatly respected; fierce loyalty to Party and beliefs; doggedly determined campaigner over 30 years; former athlete and holder of Scottish 880 yards record; d 2012; his son David served as a Lib Dem cllr on Haringey LBC 2006-14; **Edinburgh West 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct, 1992, 1997; MP 1997-2001**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

GOUDIE, Britton, b 1914, ed King Edward's s, Birmingham, London U; registered legal indexer; Methodist lay preacher; deceased; **Perth & East Perthshire 1979**

GRACIE, David C. P., b 1934, ed Edinburgh Academy, Oxford U; comp cons; Canterbury (Southeast Region) 1970; **West Aberdeenshire 1974 Feb, Oct**

GRAHAM, Fraser, grew up in Fife, Ch Architect; interests incl social justice, economic development, environmental sustainability; **Cowdenbeath & Kirkcaldy 2024**

GRAHAM, Paul, b Leighton Buzzard, Buckinghamshire; lived 20 years in Scotland, lect at Glasgow U; studied in France, German; latterly lect at U of Buckingham; strongly pro-Europe; S A cand 2003; advocated provision of more apprenticeships, need to maintain high levels of excellence at UK universities by attracting the best possible academics from overseas; **Glasgow North West 2005**, Milton Keynes North 2015 (South Central Region)

GRAHAM, Stanley E., b 1916; deceased; **Roxburgh, Selkirk & Peebles 1955**

GRANT, Alan, ed Stirling U, graduated in communications; worked in USA; runs own PR service, writer, columnist; interests incl care services, education; **East Renfrewshire 2024**

GRAY, Tristan, b Jersey, ed Us of Durham, Bristol; lives Edinburgh; has held managerial posts in finance; joined Lib Dems 2013; **Edinburgh East 2017**

GRIEVE, Fraser J., former teacher; mbr Ch Institute of Public Relations; conference and communications manager for Scottish Party; worked for Danny Alexander MP qv 2005-11; Regional Dir Scottish Council for Development & Ind; many interests incl science and t'nology; eco empowerment; **Lanark & Hamilton East 2005**

GRIEVE, Sandra May, b 1954, ed Uddington g s, Bell Coll, Hamilton; Scottish development officer of national charity organisation, training cons; Chair, Strathclyde Regional Children's Panel; Federal Policy Comm; Scottish Party policy convenor; **Monklands East 1987, East Kilbride 1992, Clydesdale 1997**

GRIEVE, Terry A., b 1934; solicitor; **Bothwell 1974 Oct, 1979**

GRIMOND, John Jasper (Johnny), b 1946, ed Eton, Oxford U; journalist, sometime Foreign Editor, *The Economist*, later writer-at-large with that publication; author *Economist Style Guide*; feature contributor for *The Oldie*; (son of the following); **Angus North & The Mearns 1970**

GRIMOND, Rt Hon (Major) Joseph (Jo), CH, CBE, PC, TD, later Lord Grimond of Firth, b St Andrew's, Fife 1913; son of a jute manufacturer; ed Eton, Oxford U; trained as barrister, m Laura Bonham-Carter qv below 1938; service WW II, latterly with UNRA in Hamburg working for war refugees; in late 1930s a protégé of Lady Glen-Coats qv; narrowly missed winning Orkney & Shetland 1945; later National Trust Secretary for Scotland, followed by short spell with publishing firm; his victory in the General Election of 1950, the final result to be announced, provided a glint of hope under the pall of gloom after the electoral disaster of that year; Party Leader 1956-66; first leader of any party to call for and openly support Britain's entry to the EEC; leading role in campaign that secured a Yes vote in the referendum on the Common Market 1975; one of the very first of advocates of Scottish Home Rule; author of several political treatises of note, among them *Liberal Future* (1959), *Liberal Challenge* (1963) and numerous pamphlets; since his death he has been the subject of scholarly biographies and articles; assiduous MP for the remotest constituency in British Isles; some critics accused him of being dismissive and distant; others praised him for his personable manner and skilful use of radio and TV; Ed Murrow described his final TV appeal before the 1959 General Election as an outstandingly effective political broadcast; immediately after this election, convinced Labour could not win another election, he began to expand on his 'realignment of the left' theory, more than 25 years ahead of its time; excelled himself during Parliament of 1959-64 when he became a national figure at a time of burgeoning Party fortunes; PC 1961; during this period numerous young graduates were recruited to the Party thanks to the appeal of Grimond's personality; though described by a hostile leading journalist of the day as 'the most boring speaker in the Commons, who can empty the House in seconds when he rises to speak,' he became a widely respected TV/radio broadcaster; some of his speeches to the Party Assembly are said to be among the best ever heard there; occasionally revealing a subtle sense of humour; resigned Leadership in 1966, disillusioned by the turn of events which had shattered his realignment theories; successively Rector, Edinburgh U, Aberdeen U, Chancellor U of Kent 1970; further books included *My Oxford* (1977), *The Common Welfare* (1979); his autobiography *Memoirs* (1979) is digressive and a shade disappointing; *A Personal Manifesto* (1983); became interim Party Leader during the interregnum after the Jeremy Thorpe episode, when it was rumoured that he was tempted to resume the Leadership; dismissive of the Lib-Lab entente of 1977-78; welcomed merger of SDP-Liberals 1989; though not a dominant Commons figure, greatly respected by public across party lines; raised to Peerage 1983; in the Lords continued to speak with great authority; the foremost intellectual of the Liberal leaders in modern times; a *Guardian* obituary described him as 'the most stylish and attractive figure in post-war British politics;' some rank and file members found him somewhat aloof and shy; much loved by his Orkney and Shetland constituents whose self-sufficient, independent life-style he greatly admired; (father of the preceding, husband of the following); d Glasgow 1993; **Orkney & Shetland 1945, 1950, 1951, 1955, 1959, 1964, 1966, 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979; MP 1950-83** see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*; biographies by P. Barberis *Liberal Lion* (2005), M. McManus *Towards the Sound of Gunfire* (2001)

GRIMOND, Laura Miranda, née Bonham-Carter, b 1918; m Jo G. qv above, daughter of Lady Violet Bonham-Carter, grand-daughter of H. H. Asquith, Liberal Premier 1908-16, mother of John G. qv above; ed privately and France, Austria; capable platform performer with considerable experience

over the years in support of her husband (above); appeared on BBC TV Question Time; there was little prospect with Party fortunes ebbing of her holding the seat made vacant upon the sudden retirement of James Davidson qv, who had been a strong and widely popular MP; criticised as being aloof, humourless, remote and out of touch with realities of living, she was however widely popular with people of all backgrounds in her native Orkney & Shetland; cllr for Firth & Harray, Chair, Orkney CC Housing Comm, chair Orkney Women's L A, Exec WLF 1957-67, later President, continued to appear on platforms until mid-1980s; figures in *Mothers of Liberty* pub 2012, Lib Dem History Group; d London 1994; **West Aberdeenshire 1970**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*, obituary by Elizabeth Sidney

GUILD, Ronald H., b 1921, ed Trinity Coll, Glenalmond s, Oxford U, St Andrew's U; taught at Fettes Coll; one of the full muster of above average Liberal cand's in the Scottish capital in 1970, none of whom could buck the anti-Liberal swing; he was to fare better in 1979; **Edinburgh South 1964, 1970, Edinburgh North by-e 1973, 1974 Feb, 1979**

HADDOW, Jean M., b 1930, ed Edinburgh U; training cons; Kirkcaldy DC; **Cumbernauld & Kilsyth 1992**

HALL, John C., b 1925, ed King Edward's s, Bruton, Oxford U; writer FE lect; ubiquitous campaigner; Chippenham 1959 (Southwest Region), Worcestershire South 1970 (West Midland Region), **Angus North & The Mearns 1974 Feb**

HAMBLIN, Clare A., b 1971 ed Bearsden Acad, Glasgow Caledonian U; staff nurse; Scottish YLs sec 1990-96; East Dunbartonshire DC; **Ayr 1997, West Renfrewshire 2001**

HAMILTON, Shiona, b 1966, ed Uddingston g s; **Monklands West 1992**

HANNAY, Dr David R., b 1939, ed Winchester Coll, Cambridge U, St George's Hospital, London; lect; ran hill farm in Galloway; Scottish Party Exec; **Galloway 1974 Feb**

HARCUS, David, b 1939, ed Nairn Primary s, George Watson's Boys' Coll, Edinburgh U; solicitor, co dir; was runner-up to Dr Gordon Brown though 31.4% behind; **Dunfermline East 1983**

HARLEY, Adam, grew up in Cumbernauld; trained at RADA, worked in theatre and arts; worked with charities, disadvantaged children, community groups; worked at S A for Ian Cole-Hamilton qv; **Cumbernauld & Kirkintilloch 2024**

HARRIS, Elizabeth Bruce Anderson, b 1957, ed Beath sen h s, Open U, Dundee Coll of Education; teacher; Dunfermline DC; mbr Scottish Party Exec serving on housing, environment and education policy panels; cand S P 1999; **Dunfermline East 1987, Dunfermline West 1992, 1997**

HARRIS, Marshall J., b 1928, ed Armadale sec s, Lindsay h s, Bathgate, Glasgow U; dir Scottish Trust for UN and Int Affairs, formerly Scottish UNA 1955-86; **Glasgow, Hillhead 1979, Falkirk West 1983, 1987**

HARRIS, Vicki S, b Ealing, W London 1967; worked for int development charities in London, with Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations in Edinburgh; she was just 1,348 votes short of a sensational victory at Aberdeen South; she married her former agent, Mark Law, only a week before her tragically early death from skin cancer, Dec 2008; **Perth 2001, Aberdeen South 2005**

HARRISON, James, b S E London, moving later to Scottish Borders, ed U of Glasgow, Pres of Union; worked for Scottish Universities Quality Assurance Agency; lives Partick; interested in education, environment, equal rights, climate change; **Glasgow North West 2015**

HARROW, Craig Thomas Alexander, b 1969, ed Kirkcaldy h s, Glasgow U, Edinburgh U; ran own PR cos of seven years, PR manager ASDA, account dir, Citigate; joined Party 1984; parliamentary assistant to Ray Michie MP qv; worked at ALDC Centre, Hebden Bridge; acted as agent in several key constituencies; Chair, Kirkcaldy LD; cand SP 2007; **Fife Central 1992, Ross, Skye & Lochaber 2019**

HARVEY, Colin, b 1931, ed Edinburgh U, Oxford U, LSE, Glasgow U; teacher, author, social worker; **Dumbarton Central 1974 Feb**

HAWTHORN, Ewan Gordon, b 1962, ed Jordanhill Coll s, Edinburgh U, Heriot-Watt U; investment analyst; **Livingston 1997, East Kilbride 2001**

HAYMAN, Judy, ed Nottingham U, London U, Edinburgh U; lives Long Newton; teacher; thrice cand for S A 1999-2007; Vice-Pres UK Party; Amnesty, Charter 88, Friends of the Earth, Oxfam; **East Lothian 2001**

HENDERSON, Alexander, b 1945, ed Dunoon g s; life assurance salesman; **Coatbridge & Airdrie by-e 1982, Livingston 1983**

HENERY, Tom, S P cand 2003; left Party c 2011; **Glasgow, Cathcart 2001**

HERBERT, David W., b 1941; ret lect Stirling U, Fellow, Ch Quality Instit; Fife DC; d March 2012; **Dunfermline & West Fife 2005**

HERBISON, Douglas, b 1951, ed London U; persistent campaigner at six elections over 30 years; formerly SDP (see SDP section), Euro cand 1984, 1989; Sec-Gen European Confed of Retailers 1978-85; **Cunninghame North 1992, Banff & Buchan 2001, Inverclyde 2005, Lanark & Hamilton East 2010**

HEWETT, R., **Dundee West 1974 Oct**

HILES, Kerry, b 1972, ed St Joseph's Academy, Kilmarnock, Edinburgh U; solicitor; Treasurer Scottish YLDs; **Glasgow, Shettleston 1997**

HOLDSWORTH, Very Rev Kelvin, b Leeds 1966, ed Bearsden Acad, Glasgow, Ossett s, Yorkshire, Manchester Poly, U of St Andrews (Batchelor of Divinity); ordained Scottish Episcopal Church 1997; Rector & Provost of the Cathedral Church of St Mary the Virgin, Glasgow 2006-; no stranger to controversy; LGBTQ+ activist; **Stirling 2005**

HONEYMAN, George Gordon, b 1898; one of the handful of Liberal cands in Scotland of the 1930s who stayed on to fight again after WW II; d 1972; Clackmannan & East Stirlingshire 1935, **Greenock 1945**

HOOK, Jane, S A cand 1999; **Paisley North 2001**

HOPE, Beverley, b Edinburgh, where she has lived all her life save for absences at University; worked for John Barrett MP qv; cand for S P 2011; interests incl Europe, international affairs; **Edinburgh East 2010**

HOPE, John, b 1916? Edinburgh; journalist with Scottish newspapers before moving south; service RAF WWII; later with BBC News staff; became PR officer, Ministry of Supply; m Charlotte Frances H., a producer and dramatist, active with Repertory in Scotland; deceased; **Edinburgh East 1950**

HORNE, John, **Western Isles 2001**

HOUSE, (John) Jack, b Glasgow 1906, ed Whitehill sec s; began training as accountant; later entered journalism where he excelled on *Glasgow Evening Citizen* etc; became radio broadcaster, TV writer and personality; service as captain, WW II in cine unit with David Niven, Peter Ustinov; author of over 50 books many of them dealing with aspects of Glaswegian history and culture; restaurant critic of note; opposed to destruction of inner city communities and peripheral development; opposed Inner Ring Road; his percentage poll in the by-election was the highest for the Liberals on Clydeside for generations; throughout his life wholly identified with Glasgow; received City's top honour 1988, St Mungo's Award; d 1991; **Glasgow, Woodside by-e 1962, 1964**

HOUSTON, Derek, b 1967, ed Mark Rutherford Upper s, St Andrews U, Pres of Union; Scottish Party Exec, Policy Comm; former Party employee; **Falkirk West 1997**

HOYER-MILLAR, Gurth C., b 1928, of a distinguished Scottish family of Perthshire origins; ed Harrow, Oxford U, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA; Scottish R. U. international; played first-class cricket for University; military career 1950-58; joined Party late 1950s attracted by personality and progressive ideas of Jo Grimond qv; called to Bar, later businessman, chair/ dir of many cos incl J. Sainsbury, Homebase of which he was a co-fdr; long obituary in *The Daily Telegraph*, d 2014; Kensington West 1959 (Greater London), Southend West 1964, 1966 (East of England Region) **East Aberdeenshire 1970**

HOYLE, Ewan, b/raised South Glasgow; ed Sunderland Academy, Glasgow U, Inst of Psychiatry London; joined Party 2008; while suffering from ME/chronic fatigue syndrome, he became aware of serious deficiencies in the treatments available from the NHS and shortcomings in the benefits system; **Glasgow South 2015, Glasgow Central 2019**

HUGHES, Tony, raised/ed South of England, ed Imperial Coll; ret civil eng; worked abroad and later for Glasgow City C; joined Party 1979; mbr Episcopal Church; interests incl NHS and Scotland-Europe rail services; opposed to centralisation of public services; **Rutherglen & Hamilton West 2015**

HUTTON, Lewis, b Glasgow ed locally works in IT sector, formerly in Southampton, Aberdeen; joined Party 1997; S P cand 2003; **Glasgow, Shettleston 2001, Paisley & Renfrew North 2005**

HUTTON, Simon, Treasurer, Assn of Scottish Lib Dem Cllrs/campaigners; Chair, Inverclyde LDA; **Inverclyde 2010**

INGLIS, Tom, raised Nottinghamshire, ed Oxford, Napier, Edinburgh U; is engaged on developing websites, mobile applications; interests incl Federal UK, fairer economy, Scottish technological growth; **Central Ayrshire 2017, Edinburgh South West 2019**

JACKSON, David M., cand for S P 2003, 2007; **Glasgow, Rutherglen 2001, Glasgow East 2005**

JAGO, David M., b 1938, ed Royal g s, High Wycombe, Cambridge U, Leicester U; snr lect, Strathclyde U; showed the flag in a traditionally barren area for the Party; **Glasgow, Pollok, 1992, 1997**

JARDINE, Christine Anne, b Glasgow 1960, ed Bradfield h s, Glasgow U; journalist, broadcaster, U teacher; Scottish media advisor in Downing St during Coalition; Party spokesperson successively at Westminster for Home Affairs, Women and Equalities 2019-20, also Justice 2019-20, later Trade, Treasury and Brexit, mbr Scottish Affairs Cttee 2017-19, 2023-24, Women & Equalities Select Cttee 2024-, Panel of Chairs 2024-; S P cand 2016; she won her seat in 2017 on a 12.6% swing; **Gordon 2015, Edinburgh West 2017, 2019, 2024; MP 2017-**

JELFS, Alan, b 1961, ed Prince Henry's h s, Evesham, Reading U; information tech officer; mbr Scottish Party policy comm; **Paisley North 1997**

JENKINS, John George CBE b 1919, ed Winchester, Edinburgh U; farmer in Dumfriesshire; active with Young Farmers, Cattle Breeders Assn, Pres Scottish NFU, Chair, Scottish Agricultural Marketing Development Board; compere TV programme *Farming Today*; d 2007; **Angus South 1950**

JOHNSTON, (Capt) Charles Hampton, b Edinburgh 1919, ed Royal High s, Edinburgh, Edinburgh U; service WW II; called to Scottish Bar 1947, QC 1959; Sheriff of Glasgow, later Dumfries & Galloway; Scottish Party Exec; d 1981; **Edinburgh North 1945, Clackmannan & East Stirlingshire 1950**

JOHNSTON, (David) Russell, later Baron R.-J. of Minginnis, b Edinburgh 1932, ed Portree h s, Skye, Edinburgh U, Moray House Coll of Education; worked as teacher; on his election in 1964, together with A. R. Mackenzie and George Mackie qqv, Johnston became Party leader Grimond's first Scottish Liberal colleagues for 13 years; Life Peerage 1997; long spokesman on Scottish affairs in Commons; later defence, foreign and Commonwealth affairs, subsequently European Comm matters; mbr Exec Scottish Party 1961-94; Pres 1988-94; was a mbr from 1973 of British delegation to Europe; unsuccessful Euro cand 1979 and 1984; universally esteemed figure in Party; approachable, good humoured with sharp wit; held seat in 1992 with just 26% of poll thought to be the lowest ever for a successful cand in Westminster election; Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly 1985-2008, Pres 1999-2002; collapsed and died on street in Paris 2008; his two volumes of collected *Conference Speeches* 1979 and 1987 reveal a perceptive intellect and comprise a major contribution to Liberal thinking; wrote several influential pamphlets incl *To Be A Liberal* 1972; **Inverness 1964, 1966, 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979, Inverness, Nairn & Lochaber 1983, 1987, 1992 MP 1964-97; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography***

JOHNSTON, Robert Tordiff, b 1899, ed St Bee's s, Oxford U; farms 600 acres in Dumfriesshire; army service as commissioned officer WW I; later in Sudan political service; he fought a constituency, surprisingly neglected by the Liberals for many years, and not contested in 1950; just failed to save deposit; (qv Bruce Abernethy above); deceased; **Kirkcudbright & Wigtown 1951**

JUNOR, Sir John Donald Brown, b Glasgow 1919, in a tenement, son of alcoholic father; ed Glasgow U; Pres of U Liberal Club; protégé of Lady Glen-Coats qv with whom he toured Hitler's Germany in fact-finding mission in 1939, narrowly escaping on one of the last trains before war was declared; service with Fleet Air Arm in WW II; employed by Lord Beaverbrook, who thought very highly of him; journalist with an aggressive disposition; editor of *The Sunday Express* for 32 years later transferred his column to *The Mail on Sunday* where he continued to give free vent to his prejudices, chauvinism and homophobia; described as 'an irascible bully,' 'a legendary Fleet Street brute' etc; a supporter of Margaret Thatcher's brand of conservatism as she represented reaction against traditional English public school, southern aristocratic, landowning classes; Kt 1980; in 1957, was the last non-politician to be called to the Bar of the Commons to apologise for contempt of Parliament; his column later became steadily more vitriolic; censured by Press Council for racist opinions; failed by just 642 votes in 1945 to win in a straight fight with a Conservative at his first attempt; at Dundee West he raised the Liberal percentage poll by 43.86%, thanks to the Conservatives not standing a candidate (qv Canning C. J.); the nature of his liberalism is said to have always been unfathomable; d 1997; father of Penny Junor, a noted journalist and biographer; see her illuminating *Home Truths – Life Around My Father* (2002); **Aberdeenshire West & Kincardine 1945, Edinburgh East by-e 1947, Dundee West 1951**; see Dictionary of National Biography

KEITH, Irene, b 1954, ed Camphill h s, Paisley; legal asst, Aberdeen; **Aberdeen South 1992**

KELLY, James, b 1943; eng; active with Maryhill CAB; **Glasgow, Springburn 1983**

KEMP, Rhona C., b 1939, ed Morgan Acad; in management; Grampian Regional Council, Chair Finance; Grampian Health Board; **Banff & Buchan 1992**

KENNEDY, Rt Hon Charles Peter, PC, b 1959 in a highland croft in Inverness, of Roman Catholic background, ed Lochaber h s, Fort William, Glasgow U, Indiana U as a Fulbright scholar. Briefly a journalist with BBC Scotland, he joined the SDP from Labour (see SDP section) at university, where he was well-known known as an outstanding debater. He was the youngest member of the Commons on his surprise election at 23. Charles became a Lib Dem on the merger of the two parties in 1988 and later served as a Front Bench spokesman on social security, agricultural and rural affairs. He showed himself to be ambitious and he rapidly became a popular figure. Elected President of the Party 1994 he served until 1998, quickly coming to be regarded as a leadership contender. He succeeded Paddy Ashdown in 1999 and was appointed a Privy Councillor in 1999. His laid-back style, informality and willingness to court controversy sharply contrasted with the image of his predecessor. From the outset he aspired to make the Party the official opposition. His principled, uncompromising opposition to Britain's involvement with the Iraq War, besides raising the stature of the Lib Dems generally, won over numerous voters of Muslim background.

The Party reached the pinnacle of its fortunes in the modern era in 2005 with more MPs being elected than at any time since 1923. His regular appearances in the media on many popular programmes, most notably *Have I Got New For You?* led to critics dubbing him 'Chat Show Charlie.'

His drink problem, long known in Party circles, of which supporters and the general public had only slowly become aware, now became an increasingly serious handicap in his performance of Party and



public commitments. During the 2005 General Election campaign he made a number of gaffes at press conferences which embarrassed colleagues. Rumblings of concern over his Leadership emerged soon after the 2005 General Election at which it had been widely forecast the Party might win as many as 100 seats. Kennedy was seen, perhaps unjustly, as responsible for the apparent failure to achieve this breakthrough. Critics within the Lib Dems suggested he had moved to the right in his haste to pick up Conservative votes. He was still well-liked by the Liberal Democrat rank and file but his principal personality failing had begun to frustrate his parliamentary colleagues. Eventually, after an anxious period of hesitation deeply unsettling for his colleagues and the Party, and the breakdown of his marriage soon after the birth of his son, he abruptly retired from the Leadership in 2006 at the early age of 47. He continued to campaign on behalf of the Lib Dems, not wholly ruling out a possible return to the Leadership. President of the European Movement 2007, Rector of Edinburgh U 2008; voted against the Party joining the coalition with the Conservatives in 2010; had a leading role with *Better Together*, the anti-independent Scotland campaign group for the Scottish Referendum; meanwhile he received virulent abuse on line by Nationalist opponents until the eve of his death; his thirty year association with his constituency and prominence in Scotland and at Westminster counted for nothing in the extraordinary circumstances of the 2015 General Election; intimated shortly after that he would consider standing in the Scottish Parliamentary Election in 2016; believed to have been nominated for a Life Peerage in the 2015 Dissolution Honours List; his untimely death was universally regretted. He was the subject of many expansive obituaries in the press and unprecedented tributes in the House of Commons; he made a timely and thought provoking re-statement of Liberal philosophy and policies in *The Future of Politics* (2000); his death in 2015 only days after his defeat in the General Election was widely mourned across party lines; a biography by Greg Hurst, *A Fatal Flaw* was re-published (2016), with additional material; **Ross, Cromarty & Skye 1983, 1987, 1992, Ross, Skye & Inverness West, 1997, 2001, Ross, Skye & Lochaber 2005, 2010, 2015; MP 1983-2015**; see SDP section; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

KENNEDY, Iain, **Central Ayrshire 2005**

KENNEDY, Paul, family from South Ayrshire, lives Great Bookham; science graduate; former barrister, accountant, actuary; has worked at Westminster, HM Treasurers, UK financial regulators; man of very wide experience in public and private sectors; cllr Mole Valley DC, Surrey, representative on Surrey Police and Crime Panel; Mole Valley 2015, 2017, 2019 (South East Region) **Ayr, Carrick & Cumnock 2024**

KENNEDY, Paul Donald, Argyll & Bute cllr 2022-; **West Dunbartonshire 2024**

KENTON, Patsy Margaret, b 1954; registered nurse later managing dir; fdr mbr Scottish Council on Ageing, British Assn of Women Entrepreneurs; three times cand for S P; Euro cand; interests incl age issues, health, rural affairs; **Inverness East, Nairn & Lochaber 2001, Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale & Tweeddale 2005**

KIBBY, Dr Michael R., b 1938, ed Whitgift s, Croydon, Cambridge U, St Mary's Hospital Med School, London; sen lect in biochemistry; Glasgow DC; **Glasgow, Garscadden 1974 Oct, East Lothian 1983**

KING, Derek G., b 1949, ed Harrow Co g s, Lancaster U; manager with Housing Corp; Scottish Party Exec; Edinburgh DC; **Edinburgh West 1983, 1987**

KING, Norman W., b 1928, ed Ellon Academy, Aberdeen, Aberdeen U, London U; teacher; mbr Scottish Party Council; **East Aberdeenshire 1964, Aberdeen South 1966**

KIRKWOOD, Rt Hon Sir Archibald Johnstone, (Archy), Kt, PC, later Lord K. of Kirkhope, b 1946, ed Cranhill s, Glasgow, Heriot-Watt U; originally a pharmacist, later qualified as solicitor; with Simon Hughes qv (Greater London), Michael Meadowcroft (Yorkshire) wrote *Across the Divide, Liberal Values on Defence and Disarmament* (1986); In Commons: mbr Finance & Services Select Cttee 1992-97, Liaison Cttee 1992-2005, Chair Social Security Select Cttee 1997-2001, Work & Pensions Select Cttee 2001-05, Chief Whip 1992-97, Lords: mbr Information Cttee 2009-14 Chair 2010-14; sponsored Private Members Bills, Access to Personal Files, Access to Medical Reports; drafted resolution on issue of independent nuclear deterrent, which with NLYS support, defeated the official Party line at the Assembly; not a dominant figure, but a stalwart campaigner, committed constituency MP; PC 2000, Kt 2003, Life Peer 2005, ret House of Lords 2020; **Roxburgh & Berwickshire 1983, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2001; MP 1983-2005**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

KIRKWOOD, Ruby, b Cumbria 1974, ed Irvine Road Acad, Kilmarnock Coll; joined Lib Dems 2004, Irvine TC; local campaigner; **Ayrshire North & Arran 2015**

KUBIE, Amanda, ed U of Bath, biochemist; in pharmaceutical ind, later lect Middlesex U; lived locally from 1988; Peebles Community Council; local activist; calls for improvements in rural services; **Dumfriesshire, Clydesdale & Tweeddale 2015**

LAIRD, Ross, b 1972? hails from Glenrothes; ed Glasgow U; one-time political researcher; formerly activist in North London; Haringey LBC, grp ldr, succeeding Lynne Featherstone qv (Greater London); worked with community centres; returned to Scotland, worked with national charities; advocate of healthier Scotland, better health facilities, sporting activities; **Fife Central 1997, Midlothian 2010, Motherwell & Wishaw 2015, Midlothian 2017, 2024**

LAMBERT, Chris N. D., b 1956, ed Dunoon g s; dpty project manager, Key Housing Assn; Argyll & Bute DC gr ldr; **Greenock & Port Glasgow 1992**

LANG, Irene, ret office manager for firm of architects; a grandmother; life-long Lib Dem; **Kilmarnock & Loudoun 2017**

LANG, Jennifer Ann Strachen, ed U of Edinburgh; marketing manager for Scottish Lib Dems 2000-01; head of communications, People's Energy, previously with Centrica, PricewaterhouseCoopers; **West Dunbartonshire 2019**

LANG, Kevin R., in his second contest he was 1,724 votes, 3.6% short of victory; asst to John Barrett MP qv; **Kilmarnock & Loudoun 2005, Edinburgh North & Leith 2010**

LAURIE, McNabb, b 1981; grew up near Dalbeattie, farming background, returned to area 2013 territorial army service; graduate in environmental management; worked previously for multi-million-pound lottery; firm believer in benefits of E U membership Dumfries & Galloway; **Dumfries & Galloway 2019**

LAWRIE, Ben, b Dundee, raised, ed at Monifieth, later Dundee & Angus Coll, U of St Andrews; cllr in Angus; long-term mental health campaigner; works for mental health charity; deplores fact that

Brexit debate has distracted attention from major issues such as mental health provision, the climate emergency; **Angus 2019**

LAWRIE, Raymond Alexander, chief exec of charity organisation; local activist, convenor Dundee LDA; cand for Scottish Parliament; **Dundee East 2001**

LAWSON, C. F., **Berwick & East Lothian 1974 Oct**

LEACH, (Professor) Donald Frederick, CBE b Croydon, Surrey 1931, ed John Ruskin g s, Croydon Poly, Norwood Tech, Dundee Coll of T'nology; mathematician, physicist; later academic, Principal, Queen Margaret Coll 1985-96; Scottish Liberal Party Exec; defected to Labour 1964 for whom he contested Perthshire West 1970; d Edinburgh 2009; **Edinburgh West 1959, Fife East by-e 1961**

LEACH, Kieran A., student of computing; local activist; Liberal Youth Scotland; associated with anti-homophobic campaigning and supporter of minimum income guarantee for students; **Falkirk 2010**

LEGG, Keith M., b 1973, ed Dundee U; political organiser; convenor, Scottish YLDs; mbr Charter 88; cand SP 2003; **Hamilton North & Bellshill 1997, 2001, Dumfries & Galloway 2005**

LESLIE, Callum, b/raised Kirkcaldy, ed Balwearie h s, U of Edinburgh; local campaigner; opposed to centralisation policies of SNP; supports higher tax threshold; cand SP 2011; **Kirkcaldy & Cowdenbeath 2015, Ayr, Carrick & Cumnock 2017**

LESLIE, Sue, b 1961, ed Edinburgh U, Moray Coll of Ed, Edinburgh; teacher exec mbr PAT; **Kirkcaldy 1992**

LETHEM, Sir Gordon James, KCMG, b 1886, ed Edinburgh, Paris U and Grenoble U; farmer in Dumfriesshire and barrister; originally in colonial service; administrator of allied-occupied German Cameroons 1914-18, governor successively of Seychelles, Leeward Islands, British Guiana; also service in Nigeria; Vice-Pres Scottish Party; d 1962; **Banffshire 1950**

LINDSAY, Caron, lived in Livingston 24 years; has fought local elections; S P cand; advisor on health care, social security and housing; Lib Dem spokesperson on Scottish government's Minimum Income Guarantee Group; **Livingston 2024**

LINKLATER, Alex, activist Perth/Kinross LDA; interests, mental health, education; **Moray 2017**

LINKLATER, Veronica, née Lyle, later Baroness L. of Butterstone, b Dunkeld 1943, ed Cranbourne Chase s, Sussex U, London U, grand-daughter of Sir Archibald Sinclair, Lib Leader 1935-45 qv; m Magnus L, journalist; childcare officer, Tower Hamlets, London 1970-85; Life Peerage 1997; among her many interests were prison reform and welfare; d 2022; **Perth & Kinross by-e 1995**

LISTON, Jane Ann, lived in Fife since 1980; background in IT; Fife CC; convenor of Starlink campaign for railway main line restoration; interested in safeguarding the environment, renewable energy, public transport; of striking appearance; **Glenrothes 2015, 2019**

LITTLE, Teresa M., b 1949, ed St Joseph's Convent Girvan, Edinburgh U, Craiglockart Coll of Ed; teacher; Fife Regional Council; **Fife Central 1983, 1987, Dunfermline East 1992**

LITTLEJOHN, Graeme, raised Pool of Muckhart, ed Alva Acad, U of St Andrews; lives Edinburgh; former dir of communications Scottish Party, later aide to Danny Alexander MP qv; media/campaign officer Euro Parliament, aide to George Lyon Scottish MEP; spent a year in Uganda as volunteer; later external relations dir, Scottish Whisky Assn; favours raising tax thresholds, cleaning up politics, tackling banking abuses; **Ochil & South Perthshire 2010**

LIVSEY, Richard Arthur Lloyd, CBE, later Lord L. of Talgarth, b 1935, ed Talgarth co p s, Bedales s, Seale-Hayne Agricultural Coll, Reading U; agricultural development officer with ICI 1961-67; farm manager Perthshire, later sen lect Welsh Agricultural Coll 1971-85; joined Liberals 1960; long-time advocate of Welsh devolution; in Commons joined parliamentary Select Comm for Agriculture; spokesman on Wales 1987, Leader Welsh Party 1988-92, OBE 1994, ret from Commons 2001, Life Peerage 2001; assiduous constituency MP; Chair, Brecon Jazz Festival, Hay-on-Wye Festival; regained seat in 1997 after losing it five years earlier, a very rare occurrence for the Party in the post-war era; d 2010; **Perth & East Perthshire 1970**, Pembroke 1979, Brecon & Radnor 1983, by-e 1985, 1987, 1992, 1997 (both Wales); MP 1983-1992, 1997-2001 see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

LOUGHTON, John, b 1987, hails from North Edinburgh ed Inchview p s, Craigroyston Community h s, Stirling U; youth leader; fdr of leadership movement Dare2Lead; important and influential figure in world youth organisations, incl Commonwealth Youth Forum; Chair, Scottish Youth Parliament; appeared in ITV *Big Brother* and BBC TV *Question Time*; joined Lib Dems 2009; has been mbr of several Party committees; worked with Danny Alexander MP qv on policy research; **East Kilbride, Strathaven & Lesmahagow 2010**

LOVE, John, North Lanarkshire C; mbr Airdrie Local Area Partnership; interested in transport; tenacious campaigner; **Airdrie & Shotts 2001, 2010, 2015**

LOVELL, J. P. Bryan, b 1942, ed Oxford U, Harvard U; lect at Edinburgh U; **Edinburgh South 1979**

LUCKHURST, Colin, b 1938, ed at g s, S E London, Cambridge U; country diary writer for over 40 years for *The Guardian*; author, educationist, Open U; Bath DC; **Pentlands 1979**

MABON, Richard, b 1927, ed Leith Academy, Heriot-Watt U; sen scientific officer; d 2015? **Ayrshire South 1974 Oct, Ayr 1979**

McCALLUM, Forbes W., ed Aberdeen g s, Aberdeen U, Robert Gordon's Inst of T'nology; gen sec Scottish YLs; **Aberdeen North 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct**

McCARTIN, Eileen, b 1952, ed Notre Dame h s, Queen's Coll, Jordanhill Coll, Glasgow Tech Coll; home economist with Strathclyde Regional Council; originally SDP, see SDP section; West Renfrewshire DC; Scottish Party Exec; **Paisley North 1992, Paisley South 1997, by-e 1997, Paisley & Renfrewshire South 2005, 2015, 2017**

MACASKILL, Alison, b 1968, ed Isle of Wight Tech Coll, Manchester Metro U; Edinburgh U; Scottish co-ordinator of Meningitis Research Foundation; has campaigned for Party since age of 16; **East Lothian 1997**

MacAULAY, Hector, **West Lothian 1974 Oct**

McCOLL, (Flying Officer) Ian, CBE, b 1915, ed Hillhead h s, Glasgow, service with RAF WW II 1940-46; journalist, later newspaper editor; joined Liberals 1931, aged 16; Scottish Liberal Federation from 1933, sec from 1938; service WW II with Coastal Command; journalist with *Scottish Daily Express* 1933, Editor 1961-71; Editor *Daily Express* 1971-74; dir Express newspapers 1971-82, Chair, 1975-82; CBE 1983; Press Council 1975-78; in his second contest the Unionists (Conservatives) withdrew their cand and he finished in second place to Labour, polling over 11,000 votes; d 2005; **Dumfriesshire 1945, Greenock 1950**

MacCORMICK, Dr John Macdonald, b Glasgow 1904, ed Woodside s, Glasgow U; active with University Labour Club; lawyer; was a very early convert to cause of Scottish Home Rule, earning nickname 'King John'; fought Glasgow, Camlachie 1929, later after defecting, Inverness 1931, for National Party of Scotland, and again there for the Scottish Nationalist Party in 1935 and later the Glasgow, Hillhead by-e in 1937; he resigned from the Scottish Nationalists in 1942, favouring devolution rather than independence; his formal association with the Liberals at this time appears to have been brief; in 1948 assuming he had Conservative, Nationalist and Liberal support, he contested the Paisley by-e under the Scottish Convention Assn banner, losing in a straight fight with Labour by 6,545 votes; Rector of Glasgow U 1950-53, he was involved in 1950 in the sequestration of the Coronation Stone of Scone from Westminster Abbey; in 1951 founded the Scottish Covenant Assembly calling for devolution; again briefly associated with Liberals in 1959; a colourful and controversial figure all his life; unquestionably a founding father of the Scottish devolutionary movement; pub 1955 semi-autobiographical *Flag in the Wind*; his elder son Iain (1939-2014) was SNP MP for Argyll 1974-79 and his younger son Neil (1941-2009) SNP Euro MP 1999-2004; d 1961; **Inverness 1945, Roxburgh, Selkirk & Peebles 1959**

McCREADIE, L., **Dunbartonshire Central 1979**

McCREADIE, Dr Robert b 1948, ed Madras Coll, St Andrews, Edinburgh U, Cambridge U; formerly Labour he contested Edinburgh South for that party 1983; in the by-election, 1989, he was one of the very few cands ever officially described as 'Social & Liberal Democrat;' the temporary title used at a very difficult time in the new merged Party's fortunes; he polled only 1.5%; Vice-Chair Scottish Party; **Livingston 1987, Glasgow Central by-e 1989, Edinburgh South 1992**

McDERMID, Frederick, b 1924, ed Hyndland s; army service WWII quantity surveyor; activist with Congregational Union of Scotland; 1967 Hamilton DC; later Chair, President Scottish Liberal Party; an expert on the works of Robert Burns; **Lanark 1974 Oct, Hamilton by-e 1978 Lanark 1979**

MacDONALD, Angus Francis, OBE, b London 1962, grew up in Glencoe area ed Ampleforth Coll, Edinburgh Acad; after RMA, Sandhurst, had short army career, served in Falklands and N Ireland; joined stockbrokers, later ran publishing business; moved interest to renewable energy, waste management; cllr Highland Council 2022-; mbr Scottish Affairs Select Cttee 2024-; former Conservative supporter and major donor; has promoted several large scale fund raising events on behalf of charities incl Foundation Scotland; he won his seat on a swing to the party of 22.7%; **Inverness, Skye & West Ross-shire 2024; MP 2024-**

MacDONALD, Archibald James Florence (Archie), b Western Cape, South Africa 1904, ed Chatswood g s, Sydney, New South Wales, Royal Australian Naval Coll; became wool merchant, later dir of paint cos; chaired Liberal comm studying co-partnership in industry; encouraged to stand by George Grey,

Liberal MP for Berwick-upon Tweed 1941-44 (Northeast Region); his surprise victory, at his second attempt, relieved, if only for a moment on the day after the poll, the gloom which had fallen upon the Liberals overnight as the dismal results of the 1950 General Election flooded in; both Jo Grimond and he in their maiden speeches in the Commons, called for devolution for Scotland, the first MPs to do so; in Commons spoke on economic affairs, showing promise of being a well above average MP; after his defeat, he opposed the rightward drift of the Liberals on economic matters, joining the Radical Reform Group; after a long interval, he turned his attention towards local government activity; cllr Hampstead MBC 1962-65, group leader; LPO Council in early 1960s by when he had adopted an anti-Europe stance; defected to Conservatives; Camden LBC; said by David Steel to have been deeply religious; d 1983; subject of an essay in JLH, Issue 41 (Winter 2003); **Roxburgh & Selkirk 1945, 1950, 1951; MP 1950-51**

MacDONALD, Donald C., b 1931, ed Elgin Acad., U of Aberdeen; gen sec Scottish Union of Students; **Moray & Nairn 1959**

MACDONALD, Dr Gordon Finlay, b 1968, ed Douglas Academy, Milngarrie, Strathclyde, Glasgow U; lect; Coventry South (West Midland Region) 1997; **Strathkelvin & Bearsden 2001, East Renfrewshire 2005, 2010**

McDONALD, Iain, from local business family at Castle Douglas where he lives; solicitor; involved with local charities and community groups; **Dumfries & Galloway 2024**

MACDONALD, Murdoch, **Edinburgh North 1974 Oct**

McEWAN, Peter J. M., b 1924, ed Highgate s, Edinburgh U, sen Pres U Student Council 1948-49; gen sec of government –sponsored Berlin Marketing Council; succeeded Sir Archibald Sinclair, former Party Leader previously MP and cand for constituency for 30 years; d 2013; **Caithness & Sutherland 1951**

McFADYEAN, Gavin E., b 1934, ed Glasgow h s, Glasgow U; in 1954 Pres University Scottish Nationalist Assn; **West Renfrewshire 1964**

MacFARLANE, Iain, B., b 1942, King's Park p & s s, Glasgow, Glasgow U; Central Scotland Reg C; lect in psychology; **West Stirlingshire 1974 Oct, Stirling 1987**

McGARRY, Paul, raised on Cornish council estate; intern youth worker on estates in Manchester, USA, Glasgow; now marketing manager for national charity; interested in job opportunities, housing; addressed Scottish Assembly on homelessness; **East Kilbride, Strathaven & Lesmahagow 2015, 2017, Glasgow South West 2024**

McGEEVER, Mark, grew up in Clydebank, ed Open U, U of Paisley, Strathclyde U; now lives South Lanarkshire; worked for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; a local cllr, he fought East Kilbride for the Conservatives 2017; objecting to the perceived racist, homophobic utterances of the Party Ldr, Boris Johnson, he defected to Lib Dems in July 2019; South Lanarkshire DC, dpty Ldr Party group; **Rutherglen & Hamilton West 2019**

McGINTY, Christopher, b 1961, ed Bedford s, Goldsmith's Coll, London; investment manager; Eltham (Greater London) 1992, **Glasgow, Anniesland 1997, by-e 2000, 2001**

McGLYNN, Andrew, from Liberal family; ed U of Strathclyde; acc.; joined Party 2016; policy officer Scottish YLs; deplores increasing polarisation of politics; interests incl mental health, childcare, mental health provision for young people; **East Renfrewshire 2019**

McHARDY, James W., b 1922, ed Hermitage s, Glasgow U; teacher; Cumnock MBC; **East Renfrewshire 1966**

McINTYRE, Christopher, b 1995? hails from Gateshead, ed U of Dundee; now lives Dundee; earlier trained to be paramedic; **Dundee East 2017**

McINTYRE, Robert, **Glasgow, Craigtown 1974 Oct**

MacKAY, Rt Hon John Jackson, PC, DL, later Lord M. of Ardbrecknish, b 1938, ed Dunron, Cambleton g s, Glasgow U; Pres of Union; sen maths teacher, Oban h s; defected to Conservatives after 1966 for whom he contested the Western isles Feb 1974, Argyll Oct 1974 where he was successful; defended seat 1979, 1983, but was defeated by Lib Dem Ray Michie qv in 1987; Under Sec of State for Scotland 1983-87; Peerage 1993, PC 1996, held minor government offices in the Lords until 1997; he steered through legislation against solvent abuse; contributed to reform of mental health provision; highly respected across Party lines; d Wandsworth, London 2001; **Argyll 1964, 1966**

MACKAY, Hon Simon Brooke, 3<sup>rd</sup> son of 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Incape b 1934, later Baron Tanlaw of Tanlawhill, ed Eton, Cambridge U; military service in Malayan emergency; began career as trainee in merchant bank; joint Treasurer Scottish Liberal Party in 1960s; peerage 1971; willing traveller for Party appearing at by-elections, walkabouts etc; many business interests in Malaysia and South East Asia; Chancellor of University of Buckingham; speaks authoritatively on energy conservation, global warming and the environment; latterly sat as a cross bencher; astronomer and horologist, an advocate of changes to Britain's time zones; **Galloway by-e 1959, 1959**

McKAY, Tim C., b 1957, ed St Andrews U; Ch Acc, investment analyst; convenor Scottish Enterprise Comm from 1990; **Hamilton 1987, East Lothian 1992, Edinburgh South West 2010, Falkirk 2024**

McKEAN, William D., **Argyll by-e 1958**

McKEE, Natalie, optometrist; **Glasgow North West 2010**

McKELL, George, b 1939, ed The Abbey, Birmingham, St Joseph's, Shropshire; family greengrocer; fought local elections; **Glasgow, Pollok 1979, 1983**

MACKELLAR, Dr Callum, b 1964, ed Heriot-Watt U, EHIC, Strasbourg, Stuttgart U; research biochemist, joined Party 1991; mbr Democracy for Scotland; **Edinburgh East & Musselburgh 1997**

MACKENZIE, Alasdair Roderick, b Fearn, Ross-shire 1903, ed Bradford j s, Isle of Skye; Gaelic speaker; farmer; member Rossshire CC from 1935, later member Crofters' Commission; in Commons spokesman on Agriculture and Fisheries, Posts and Communications; opposed to entry to EEC; opposed to abolition of death penalty, advocating retention for murder of a police or prison officer; after defeat appointed to Scottish Agriculture Advisory Panel; it has been alleged that he rarely spoke other than Gaelic before his election to Westminster and that Jeremy Thorpe qv (Devon & Cornwall Region) arranged a crash course in English for him; d 8/11/1970; **Ross & Cromarty 1964, 1966, 1970; MP 1964-70**

MACKENZIE, Gordon, Edinburgh CC; involved with Cllr Jenny Dawe in the capital's controversial tram project; **Livingston 2001, Edinburgh East 2005**

McKERCHAR, John, b 1947, ed Burnage g s, Salford U; managing dir of his own health care products firm; Borders Reg. Council; Euro cand 1989; **Galloway & Upper Nithsdale 1987, 1992, 1997**

MACKIE, Alex G., b 1937, ed Eastwood sec s, Clarkston, Glasgow; insolvency practitioner; East Renfrew Unitary Authority; **Motherwell South 1992, Motherwell & Wishaw 1997**

MACKIE, George Yull, b 10/7/1919, later Lord Mackie of Benshie, CBE, DSO, DFC, brother of the following; family owners of Scotland's best-known ice-cream man co; ed Aberdeen g s, Aberdeen U; distinguished career in RAF WW II in Bomber Command winning DSO, DFC; a farmer 1945-89 he also developed many business interests; joined Liberals 1949; he was defeated in 1966 by 64 votes by Robert MacLennan qv (who was then a member of the Labour Party); Chair, Scottish Party to 1970, later President 1983-88; long an advocate of a Scottish parliament; Council of Europe 1986-97; in Lords spokesman on Scottish affairs, the economy and agriculture 1975-2000; once claimed that farm statistics in England had been compiled more efficiently under William the Conqueror; lost to Nancy Seear in contest for Party Leadership in Lords in 1984; d 17/2/2015; he received a comprehensive obituary in *The Daily Telegraph*; **Angus South 1959, Caithness & Sutherland 1964, 1966, 1970; MP 1964-66**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

MACKIE, Maitland (Mike), CBE, b 1912, ed Aberdeen g s, Aberdeen U; brother of the above; (another brother was Labour MP for Enfield East 1959-74, later Life Peer); farmer, pioneer in use of silage in dairying industry; later Lord Lieutenant Aberdeenshire; for fifteen years chairman of education comm, showing himself to be an innovator; toured USA on behalf of British Information services; involved in youth work; district scout comm; Chair, North East Scotland Development Authority; strongly favoured development of off-shore oil ind; autobiography *A Lucky Chap* pub 1993; in 1951 he was one of only two or three Liberal candidates to raise the Party share of the vote over 1950, in his case by 0.82%; d 1996; **West Aberdeenshire 1951, East Aberdeenshire by-e 1958**

MACKINTOSH, H. Fred D., b 1970, ed Dulwich Coll, London, Edinburgh U; student; Vice-Chair Scottish YLDs, Scottish policy comm; one of very youngest cands at 1992 election; **Livingston 1992, Midlothian 2005, Edinburgh South 2010**

McLAREN, Claire, from agricultural background, raised on a dairy farm; Perth and Kinross cllr; an agricultural spokesperson for Scottish Lib Dems; has managed her own property and retail businesses; **Angus & Perthshire Glens 2024**

MacLAREN, Marilynne, A., Edinburgh City C; convenor for education; flair for making press headlines; three times reported to standards commission; champion of diversity, creativity in schools, supported foundation of Gaelic School; **Hamilton South by-e 1999, Edinburgh South 2001, 2005**

McLAUGHLIN, George Vincent, b 1923, ed Glasgow U; sen partner solicitors; **Glasgow, Woodside 1959**

McLAUGHLIN, Peter, from Derry, Northern Ireland, ed Cambridge U; lives Glasgow, vice-convenor of Glasgow Lib Dems; interests incl nutrition, cost of living, rental crisis, cost of living; **Glasgow South 2024**



McLELLAND, Gary; raised in the Highlands; graduate in psychology, diploma in child/youth studies; with Humanist Society, Scotland; interests incl human rights, education; his percentage poll 0.75% was the lowest for the Lib Dems in the city, **Glasgow East 2015**

MACLENNAN, Rt Hon Robert Adam Ross (Bob), PC, later Lord M. of Rogart, b Glasgow 1936, ed Glasgow Acad, Oxford U, Cambridge U, Columbia U, USA; (for early career see SDP section); called to the Bar 1962; entered Parliament 1966 as Labour MP; strongly pro-Europe; 1974-79 Junior Minister in Dept of Prices and Consumer protection; prominent in merger negotiations between Liberal and SDP; on merger joined Lib-Dems; becoming spokesman successively on Home Affairs, National Heritage 1988-94, Constitutional Affairs, Culture; Party Pres 1994-98; joint Chair, 1997-2001 on Consultative Comm on Constitutional Reform; front bench spokesman for Party 1989-2001; PC 1997, Life Peer 2001; in Lords, Cabinet Office spokesman; though widely respected throughout the Party, he was seen by some as ineffectual and lacking the energy, ambition or appetite required for leadership; d 2020; MP 1966-2001; **Caithness & Sutherland 1992, Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross 1997; MP 1987-2001**; see SDP section, *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

McLEOD, C., **Banffshire 1974 Oct**

McLEOD, Callum A., b 1960, ed Dollar Acad, St Andrews U; teacher; active in St Andrews community affairs, Chair, LDA; **Angus East 1992**

MACLEOD, Donald B. (Donny), b Stornoway, Isle of Lewes 1932, ed Nicholson Inst, Stornoway, Royal Coll of Commerce, Glasgow, Gray's School of Art, Aberdeen; teacher later journalist; styled as a 'Liberal National' in a straight fight with Labour in 1959 – a contest described as 'one of the most charismatic in island memory' he polled over 40%; fought again in 1964 with Conservative opposition; Stornoway TC; popular TV presenter/interviewer, later associated for many years with BBC TV *Pebble Mill At One, Nationwide*; career marred by weight problems; d 1984, tragically early, of heart attack while suffering from bowel cancer; affable personality; **Western Isles 1964**

MacLEOD, John Francis Matheson, b 1932, ed Inverness Acad, George Watson's Coll, Edinburgh U; solicitor, co dir; **Moray & Nairn 1964, Western Isles 1966**

MacLEOD, Kenneth J. B. S., b 1936, ins broker; Scottish Party Exec; Inverness TC; **Aberdeen South 1970**

MacLEOD, Neil M., b 1933, ed Nicolson Inst, Stornoway, Robert Gordon's Inst of T'ology, Aberdeen; teacher; **Western Isles 1979, 1983**

MACLEOD, Roderick, b 1952, ed Portree h s, Edinburgh U; solicitor; **Edinburgh East 1983**

MacMILLAN, Lindsay Jane (Lin), b 1955, ed Leeds g h s, Aberdeen U; personnel manager in oil ind, retail manager, British Home Stores, manager of primary care centre, Newark, Nottinghamshire; Sec to Church of Scotland Housing and Loan Fund; now retired; member Scottish Liberal Club, Scottish Lib Dem Policy Committee; in common with many other cand's in Scotland in 1979, her percentage share of the poll was up on the previous General Election, while Party fortunes declined south of the border; **Aberdeen North 1979**

MacMILLAN, Neil, **Western Isles 1974 Oct**

McMILLAN, Peter, b 1929; club manager; Chair, Kilmarnock L A; joined Liberals 1960; Kilmarnock MBC; the first Liberal cand anywhere in Glasgow after a six-year lapse; **Glasgow, Govan by-e 1973, 1974 Feb**

MCNAIR, Thomas A., b 1904, ed George Heriot s, Edinburgh; ret export manager; formerly mbr Labour party for whom he contested Montrose Burghs 1945, Glasgow, Hillhead by-e 1948, Edinburgh, Pentlands 1950, Invernessshire 1951; then joined the Scottish Liberals; **Banffshire 1964, Moray & Nairn 1966**

McNEE, Charlotte Reid, née Anderson, b Perthshire 1905, ed Stirling h s, Edinburgh U; during WW II dir of studies Army education centre Edinburgh; broadcaster and writer; joined Party 1946; wife of sheep farmer; subsequently joined National Liberals contesting Dumfermline 1955; deceased; **Edinburgh, Pentlands 1950**

McPAKE, Richard; the result of the by-election which he contested in erstwhile barren territory was considered something of a breakthrough at the time, though his percentage poll was modest; **Edinburgh North by-e 1960**

McPHATE, Russell, b 1952? ed Strathclyde U; solicitor; in legal practice in Shetlands, moved to Fife, later Dunfermline; active Christian; **Dunfermline West 2001**

MacPHERSON, Bruce J. S., b 1966, ed George Watson's Coll, Edinburgh, Durham U; dpty dir political affairs, former researcher for David Steel; mbr British Field Sports Society; **West Renfrewshire 1997**

McPHERSON, Doreen b 1917, ed Ferryhill and Central ss, Aberdeen; housewife, former teacher; Scottish Party Exec; deceased; **Aberdeen North 1966**

McROBERT, Ewan, ed U of Dundee; computer technologist previously worked for Hilton hotels, Herald newspapers; joined Party after Iraq War, impressed by Lib Dem stance on that conflict; **Airdrie & Shotts 2017, East Kilbride, Strathaven & Lesmahagow 2019**

MAINLAND, John M., b 1972, ed Kirkcaldy h s, Dundee U; with management training co; former mbr policy/campaigns comm of Scottish Party; **Kirkcaldy 1997, Dunfermline East 2001, Kirkcaldy & Cowdenbeath 2010**

MAITLAND, Lawrence Lauderdale, b Ecclesall, Sheffield, 1905, ed Ackworth s, Pontefract, Sheffield U; commercial eng; interested in farming; service WW II partly at War Office with Mechanical Equipment control; in 1951 he fought one of a handful of Scottish constituencies not contested by the Party in the previous General Election; the reason for intervening in this constituency with no Liberal tradition is not known; he polled 3.3%; d 1992; Knutsford 1945, 1950 (Northwest Region), **West Dunbartonshire 1951**

MARR, Jenny, raised Selkirk, ed Selkirk h s, U of Aberdeen; fund-raising assistant for Marie Curie charity; later with staff of Sir Robert Smith MP, Mike Rumbles MSP, Christine Jardine, Alex Cole-Hamilton qqv; **Berwickshire, Roxburgh & Selkirk 2019**

MARSHALL, T., first Liberal cand locally for over 20 years; **Glasgow, Springburn 1974 Oct**

MASON, Dr Christopher M., ed Marlborough Coll, Cambridge U; U lect; Strathclyde Regional Council, Chair, Scottish Party 1987-88; Euro cand 1984; Glasgow City C; **Glasgow, Hillhead 1992, Eastwood 1997**

MASON, E., **Glasgow, Govan 1974 Oct**

MAY, Adrian, joined party 2019 after Brexit; worked in IT for 30 years; now freelance cons; internationalist by conviction; interests incl living standards, public services and human rights; **Alloa & Grangemouth 2024**

MAYBERRY, Dr Tamsin, cand for Scottish Assembly 1999; **Glasgow, Kelvin 2001**

MELLINGS, John Maitland, b 1934, ed Bootham s, York; ret nursing administrator; mbr Scottish Party transport comm; first Liberal cand in the Edinburgh constituency for 24 years; interests incl Charter 88, European Movement; there was an interval of 23 years between his 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> contests; Hertford 1970 (East of England Region), **Edinburgh East 1974 Feb**, Beverley & Holderness 1997 (Yorkshire Region)

METCALFE, Andrew, b nr Kirkby Lonsdale, Cumbria; army career curtailed by serious injury; moved to Dumfries area; became dir of cos, incl one concerned with renewable energy; deeply involved in local affairs; Chair, Carsphairn Community Council; **Dumfries & Galloway 2015**

MICHIE, Janet Ray, née Bannerman, later Baroness M. of Gallanach, b Balmaha, Stirlingshire 1934, on banks of Loch Lomond, daughter of John B. qv; ed Aberdeen g h s. Edinburgh Coll of Speech Therapy; speech therapist; Chair, Scottish Lib Dems 1991-93; member Scottish Broadcasting Corporation; Life Peer 2001; first Peer to take Oath in Gaelic; spokesman in Commons, later Lords, on Transport and Rural Development 1987-88, Women's Issues 1988-94; Scotland 1997-2005; 1993-97 mbr of Speaker's Panel of Chairmen; ret from Commons 2001; from 2007 mbr Scottish Broadcasting Comm; d of cancer, Oban, 2008; included in *Mothers of Liberty* (Lib Dem History Group, 2012); the leading Scottish woman Liberal Democrat of her day; **Argyll 1979, Argyll & Bute 1983, 1987, 1992, 1997; MP 1987-2001**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

MILLAR, (Major) Ian Alistair Duncan, MC, b Alloa 1914, son of Sir James M. (1871- 1932 former Liberal MP, latterly National Lib); ed Cambridge U; Ch Civil Eng; engaged on hydroelectric schemes; service WW II, awarded MC; d 1997; **Banffshire 1945, Kinross & West Perthshire 1950, by-e 1963**

MILLER, David, **East Kilbride 1974 Oct**

MILLER, I. D., **Glasgow, Pollok 1967 by-e**

MILNE, Galen, b Aberdeenshire; originally lab technician; established own co at Uddington; many years' experience in scientific inds; joined Liberals in 1970s; Scottish Party Exec; **Banff & Buchan 2010, Falkirk 2015, Banff & Buchan 2017**

MILNE, John (James?) Logie b 1886, Ch Surveyor; during WW II worked on leasing bases in West Indies to USA; d 1958; **Aberdeen South 1945**

MIR, Aisha, of Asian background; runs family business; fought on Party record in Coalition Government 2010-15; warned of threats to civil liberties, human rights; **Midlothian 2015, Edinburgh South West 2017, East Kilbride & Strathaven 2024**

MITCHISON, Neil; worked for 25 years with Euro Commission; Euro cand; broadcaster on Gaelic Radio; he contested a constituency which had been barren ground for the Lib Dems for some years; **Western Isles (Na h-Eileanan an Iar) 1992, 1997, 2019**

MITCHELL, Dr Joan b 1942, ed U of Edinburgh, U of Glasgow; working partner in managing farm; life-long Lib Dem stalwart; convenor Galloway LDA; served thirteen years Dumfries/Galloway DC, grp ldr, dpty ldr of council; opposes hard Brexit and 2<sup>nd</sup> Referendum on Scottish Independence; concerned for the future of the rural economy in her region; has rendered long and meritorious service to public life; **Dumfries & Galloway 2017**

MOODY, John H., b 1953, ed Redby s m s, Edinburgh Coll of Comm, Sunderland Poly; art teacher; Inverclyde DC; **Greenock & Port Glasgow 1987**

MOODY, Keith W., b 1934, ed King Edwards g s, Birmingham; ret transport manager; East Dunbartonshire DC, opposition ldr; **Ayr 1987, Clydebank & Milngavie 1997**

MOOHAN, Nicholas, b Govan, Glasgow, 1971, lived Paisley until 1991; sales dir for family tyre co; runs in half marathons; disturbed by the rise of populism; interests incl public transport, homelessness, quality of social housing; **Glasgow North East 2019**

MOORE, Rt Hon Michael Kevin, PC, b Dundonald, Northern Ireland 1965, later moved to Wishaw, Scotland, later to the Borders; ed Strathallan s, Jedburgh g s, Edinburgh U; Ch Acc with Coopers Lybrand, later researcher to Archy Kirkwood and David Steel; in Commons, Party spokesman on Transport, dpty spokesman on Foreign Affairs, later Defence; PC 2010; appointed Scottish Secretary in Coalition Government 2010-13, losing the post in cabinet reshuffle after overseeing implementation of Scotland Act 2012, which gave further measures of responsibility to Scottish Parliament over finance etc; was a leading figure in debate running up to Referendum in 2015; of imposing appearance, dour personality, tall, strongly built with a slight air of menace; remains an influential figure in Party; faced a dissident 'Liberal' opponent in 2005 who polled 2%; he shared the fate of all but one of his Scottish colleagues at Westminster in the extraordinary circumstances of the General Election of 2015; **Tweeddale, Ettrick & Lauderdale 1997, 2001, Berwickshire, Roxburgh & Selkirk 2005, 2010, 2015; MP 1997-2015**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

MORGAN, (Capt) Charles John Edwin, b 1897; service WW II; d 1958; **Glasgow, Kelvingrove 1945**

MORRISON, Hamish, b 1944, ed Kilmarnock Acad, Royal Naval Coll, Dartmouth; policy dir for Scottish Council for Development and Industry; **Ross & Cromarty 1979**

MORRISON, John, b 1962, ed North Kelvinside sec, Glasgow U; Euro cand, Glasgow, 1989; **Dumbarton 1992, Strathkelvin & Bearsden 1997**

MORTON, Aileen, b Vale of Leven, raised Clydebank, Helensburgh, ed Glasgow U; professional background in IT; Argyll & Bute C; West Dunbartonshire CAB, Argyll & Bute Children's Panel; **West Dunbartonshire 2015, East Renfrewshire 2017**

MOWATT, John Stuart, b 1923, d 2001; **Caithness & Sutherland 1955**

MURCHISON, Colin, b 1903, ed Arnonisdale h s, Glasgow U; headmaster; deceased; **Ross & Cromarty 1959**

MURRAY, Sir Andrew Hunter Arbuthnot, OBE, b 1903; ed Daniel Stewart's Coll, George Heriot's s; Kt 1949; prominent in Scottish business circles; Lord Lieut City of Edinburgh; Edinburgh City C from 1929; Lord Provost of Edinburgh 1947-51; originally a follower of Sir John Simon after Liberal Party split in 1932 but returned to Liberals under Grimond in 1950s; Pres Scottish Liberal Party 1961-65; LPO Treasurer in early 1960s; criticised for relying too heavily on traditional sources of income; powerful speaker with deep, resonant voice, impressive figure with mane of silver hair; d 1977; Edinburgh, Leith (as Ind Liberal National) 1955, **Edinburgh, Leith 1959**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

MURRAY, David, b 1900, ed Glasgow U; formerly eng in Australia, steel salesman in USA, industrial journalist; mbr Scottish Convention, having signed the Covenant; fought the Western Isles as a Scottish Home Rule cand in 1950 polling 425 votes; with a Conservative cand in the field in 1951, the Liberal vote declined from 6,950 to 916; he fought Kelvingrove by-e as an Ind Liberal, Motherwell 1959; deceased; **Western Isles 1951**

MURRAY, Susan Catherine, b Aberdeen 1957, ed Edinburgh U Business S; business woman; worked in medical marketing, travelling widely in Europe and across the world; community volunteer, worked for charities; strong believer in community consultation, community action; interests incl climate change; recycling, health, social care; cllr East Dunbartonshire C 2017- ; she won her constituency from the Scottish Nationalists by a majority of 9,673; **Cumbernauld, Kilsyth & Kirkintilloch East 2019, Mid Dunbartonshire 2024; MP 2024-**

MURRICANE, J. D. (possible identification - Lt Cmdr James D. Murrice RN. MBE, D.S.C); **West Dunbartonshire 1974 Oct**

MUSTAPHA, Shabnum, of Asian background; special adviser to Nick Clegg MP qv (Yorkshire Region); Amnesty, mbr racial equality & rights group; vice-convenor Scottish Party, Scottish Conference Cttee; **Glasgow South 2010**

MYLES, Andrew B., b 1957, ed Oxfgangs prim s, Edinburgh, Holt s, East Lothian, Dundee U, Pres Students U; health service administrator; Party Organiser, Dundee 1983-86; Scottish Party Chief Exec 1992-97; adviser to Nicol Stephen qv; subsequently espoused the cause of Scottish Independence, campaigning for a Yes vote in 2014; **Edinburgh Central 1987, 1992, 2001**

NIELD, Peter Joseph, ed Open U; teacher; worked for Scottish Party HQ; Arbroath C; reported to have adopted Ind label in later years; **Angus 2001**

NELSON, Isabel, Glasgow born/raised, lives locally at Cardonald, ed Glasgow U; worked at Strathclyde U Dept of Architecture, latterly for energy conservation co; gave evidence to government enquiry on fuel poverty; resolute campaigner over 30 years; fought on Party record in

Coalition Government 2005-15; she polled 406 votes, just 1%; **Glasgow Central 1983, Glasgow Pollok 2001, Glasgow Central 2005, Glasgow South West 2010, 2015, Glasgow Central 2017**

NELSON, Robert Frank Brian, b 1928? b Barton, Lancashire, ed Arnold s, Blackpool; printer; post in management in Glasgow; he was below voting age; **North Lanarkshire 1950**

NIMMO, Sandy Alexander, b 1934, ed Dunbar sen sec s; ret police officer; former exec officer Scottish Police Fed; co-ordinator with family and child trust; Inverclyde DC; **Renfrew West & Inverclyde 1992**

NOEL, Gerald Eyre Wriothsley, b 1926, son of 4<sup>th</sup> Earl, brother of 5<sup>th</sup> Earl W. ed St Phillip's, London, Georgetown, USA, Oxford U; barrister, partner in publishing firm; Roman Catholic; Editor, Catholic Herald 1971-76; author 20 books incl biographies of Harold Wilson, Senator Barry Goldwater; d 2016; **Argyll 1959**

OATES, James, b 1966, ed Aberdeen U; nephew of Malcolm Bruce MP qv; campaigner for human rights, Central and Eastern Europe; multi-lingual; later worked for investment firm J. P. Morgan; for the past 10 years has worked with tech business in Baltic States; among his many interests are air services, railways, renewal of democracy; Wycombe 2005 (South Central Region), **Gordon 2019**

O'DONNELL, Hugh B. B., b 1952, ed Falkirk C of FE, Queen Margaret's Coll; college lect later assistant to Donald Gorrie MP qv; MSP 2007-11; former mbr Scottish and Federal Policy Comms; broke with Party 2011 over the entry into Coalition; had previously been at odds with Scottish Party ldr Tavish Scott over policy issues; **Falkirk West 1997, by-e 2000, 2001, Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East 2005**

O'DONNELL, John; **Cumbernauld & Kilsyth 2001**

OLIVER, (Surgeon Lt) Dr Anthony, b 1940, ed St Marylebone g s, Edinburgh U, California U; first Liberal cand locally for 25 years; resigned from post to fight election; **Edinburgh, Central 1970**

OLIVER, Laurence W., b 1936, ed Eastbank sen s, Glasgow, Paisley Coll of T'nology; Scottish Party Exec; **Edinburgh, North 1966**

OLIVER, Martin; **Linlithgow 2001**

O'MALLEY, Brian, S P cand 2003; **Paisley South 2001**

O'MALLEY, Daniel, ed Aberdeen U, Glasgow U; later researcher, political activist; worked at John Smith Centre; now works for the interests of diabetics; **Glasgow North 2024**

O'NEIL, Jade, nee Holden, born Lancashire, ed at international school in Spain; lived Renfrew since she was 18; Euro cand, SP cand; strong Europhile, supports Federal UK structure; with 2.74% she recorded the highest Lib Dem vote in the city; **Glasgow North 2015**

O'RIORDAN, Robert, b Malta 1957, attended school in Scotland; U of Kent; lives locally at Gullane; ret investment professional in Edinburgh; joined Party 2010; opposed to adversarial politics; internationalist; interests incl housing, education, social care, health; **East Lothian 2019**

ORSKOV, Joan L., b 1938, ed Bristol U; art teacher; Grampian Regional Council; Gordon LDA Exec; **Glasgow, Shettleston, 1992**

OSWALD, John, b 1954, self-employed landscape gardener; S P cand 1999, 2003, 2007; persistent campaigner in difficult area for Lib Dems; **Hamilton 1992, Hamilton South 2001, East Kilbride, Strathaven & Lesmahagow 2005**

PARIS, Mary C., b 1942, ed Us of Oxford, London, Glasgow, Strathclyde; sen counsellor Open U; Chair, Glasgow, Hillhead LDA; **Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley 1992**

PARK, James, b 1948, ed Dalziel h s, Motherwell, Strathclyde U; careers officer; first Liberal cand locally for 50 years; **Bothwell 1974 Feb**

PATERSON, James, b 1972, raised in Highlands; has worked in London, Austria, USA; worked for two Highlands MSPs; favours 2<sup>nd</sup> Referendum on Brexit, against 2<sup>nd</sup> Scottish Independence Referendum; **Moray 2010, 2015, Na h-Eileanan an Iar 2017**

PATTLE, Sally, lives and works locally; manager of independent bookshop; fdr West Lothian Schools Festival; seeks reform of business rates system; interests incl climate emergency, childcare, mental health; **Linlithgow & East Falkirk 2019, Bathgate & Linlithgow 2024**

PEACOCK, Gary, b Edinburgh, raised Glasgow ed Woodfarm h s, Glasgow U, Aberdeen U where he read Divinity; career in social care; lives Leith Edinburgh CC; cand for SP; **Edinburgh East & Musselburgh 2001**

PHILBRICK, Kate H. R., b 1954? part time worker in voluntary sector; Commons Party Information Officer; Newcastle City C; interested in impact upon children by the imprisonment of a parent; **Kilmarnock & Loudoun 1992, East Kilbride 2001**

PICKARD, Jane, ed Edinburgh U, grad in Law and Politics; started career in financial services; lived/worked overseas; mental health counsellor in private practice; advocates counselling services being available to all, with qualified staff, properly funded; **Lanark & Hamilton East 2019**

PICKARD, Dr Willis Ritchie Sturrock, b 1941, ed Daniel Stewart's Coll, Edinburgh, St Andrew's U; Scottish Party Exec; journalist; Editor *Times Educational Supplement*, Scotland 1979-2001, features editor *The Scotsman*; broadcaster, mbr Scottish Arts Council; Rector Aberdeen U; numerous public appts; co- author *Political Context of Education After Devolution* (2003); **East Fife 1970, 1974 Feb**

PINNOCK, Richard F., b 1973, ed Leeds g s, Edinburgh U; bank registrar in Edinburgh; his mother, Kathryn P. contested Batley & Spen (Yorkshire Region) at the same election; **Midlothian 1997**

PIRIE, Richard Thomas, b 1922, ed Aberdeen U; active in student affairs; WW II service in RAF as fighter pilot; Pres Scottish U of Students; d 2008; **Aberdeen South 1950**

PITT-WATSON, Helen, b 1921, ed primary s, Dumfries Acad, Edinburgh U; teacher; active with senior responsibilities with Church of Scotland; deceased; **Aberdeen South 1979**

PITTS, Richard, b 1973, ed Bearsden Acad, Glasgow U, Strathclyde U; marketing exec; **Hamilton South, 1997**

PLENDERLEITH, Rebecca, b Aberdeen, student Highlands & Islands U; interests incl health, education; **West Dunbartonshire 2017**

PONSONBY, Bernard, b Castlemilk, Glasgow, ed Trinity h s, Rutherglen, Strathclyde U; originally SDP; 1988 press officer for Scottish Lib Dems; researcher for Dr Dickson Mabon MP; broadcast journalist from 1990; from 2019 special correspondent for STV News; **Glasgow, Govan by-e 1988**

PRINGLE, Mike Stanley Robert, b Northern Rhodesia (now Zambia) 1945, ed Edinburgh Acad., entered banking, later Flour Power bakeries; joined SDP 1982; Edinburgh City C 1992-2003; MSP Edinburgh South 2003-11; mbr SP Justice Cttee; Scottish Party spokesman on arts, leisure, sport; **Edinburgh South 1997**

PURCELL, Kevin, first Liberal cand locally for 24 years; **Kilmarnock 1974 Oct**

RAINER, Sheila, took on a challenging role in a locality notoriously difficult for the Lib Dems, polling 3.8%; **Glasgow, Ballieston 1997**

RANGER, Sydney John Holliss, b Wandsworth, London 1923, ed Frays Coll, Uxbridge; naval service WWII; local businessman with close interest in Glasgow politics; **Glasgow, Kelvingrove 1950**

REED, Graham R., b Southampton; originally apprentice scientific glass blower; Stirling U; after working in sales and Australia, set up own business Scotia Glass T'ology; Stirling C; interested in waste reclamation; trustee of several organisations; other interests incl women's rights, child welfare, disabled groups; **Stirling 2010**

REGENT, Peter F., b 1929, ed Thetford h s, Oxford U; sculptor/writer; North East Fife DC; **North Tayside 1987, 1997**

REHMAN, Fayzan, raised in England, ed U of Wales; family now settled near Stirling; supports disability charities, calls for greater investment in vital public services; his concerns incl high drug death rates, poverty, mental health; **Stirling 2019**

REID, Alan, b Ayr 1954, ed Ayr Acad, Strathclyde U, Bell Coll; computer project manager at Glasgow U; Renfrew DC 1988-96; in Commons served as Spokesman for Northern Ireland Office and Scottish Affairs; said to be most accomplished chess player at Westminster; determined campaigner who succeeded in winning his seat at fourth attempt; mbr Scottish Party Exec; in Commons junior whip 2001-05; mbr Broadcasting Select Comms 2001-05, spokesman Common Fisheries Policy Reform; Shadow Northern Ireland and Scotland Minister 2007-10; cllr East Dunbartonshire C 2022-; **Paisley South by-e 1990, 1992, Dumbarton 1997, Argyll & Bute 2001, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017, 2019, Argyll, Bute & South Lochaber 2024; MP 2001-2015**



REID, Austin, raised in Northern Ireland; fdr mbr of ULS during sectarian troubles; long and distinguished career in the development of higher education institutions, Queen Mary Coll, Edinburgh, Zambia, Bhutan, Hong Kong, Mexico, Malawi; has also worked for international charities; **Falkirk 2017, 2019**

REILLY, Jill, ed Glasgow U; has MSc in Information T'nology; project manager; has worked in public/private sector; volunteer with community groups; worked with AIDS victims in Uganda, conservation projects Namibia and Cameroon; **Edinburgh East 2019, Glenrothes & Mid Fife 2024**

REILLY, Martin, b 1970, ed Edinburgh U; student; Pres U L S; Exec Scottish students/YLDs; one of very youngest Party candd 1992; **Falkirk West 1992**

REIVE, Duncan H., b 1919, ed Cumnock Acad, Edinburgh U, Glasgow U; dir of child guidance and education officer; active with Free Church; deceased; **Dumfries 1974 Feb**

RENNIE, Dr Alan N., b 1940, ed Moray s, Glasgow, Glasgow Acad, Glasgow U; medical practitioner; Mearns Comm C; Eastwood DC; **Glasgow, Hillhead 1974 Oct, Monklands East 1983, Glasgow Central 1992**

RENNIE, David, b 1966, ed Bannerman h s, Glasgow U, Pres Liberal Club; student; Scottish Party Exec; **Glasgow, Springburn 1987**

RENNIE, Rev Scott M. b Aberdeen 1972, ed U of Aberdeen, Christ's Coll, Aberdeen, Pittsburgh and New York, USA; minister of Brechin Cathedral, Church of Scotland 1999-2009, now Queen's Cross, Aberdeen; campaigner for place for gay people in the ministry; he was involved in a long dispute with his Church on this principle, now happily resolved; divorced from his wife, he is now in a relationship with Dr David Smith, a religious scholar; **Angus 2005**

RENNIE, William Cowan (Willie), b Fife 1967, ed Bell Buxton h s, Coupar, Glasgow Coll, Paisley Coll of Tech; joined Liberal Youth Scotland; worked for Party as agent in Cornwall and Dorset; agent at by-elections; highly successful campaign manager in South West Region General Election 1997; 1997-99 Chief Exec Scottish Liberal Democrats; Party Chief of Staff Scottish Parliament 1999-2001; 2001-2006 worked for communications co; his by-election victory on hitherto unpromising territory in the Labour heartlands raised morale in Party at the beginning of a new Parliament; an energetic MP, member of Party Shadow Defence team, Commons Defence select comm; 2010-11 worked as special advisor to Michael Moore MP qv, Scottish Secretary in Coalition Government; 2011-21 MSP (list member) Mid Scotland & Fife 2011-16, North East Fife 2016-; Party Leader in Scottish Parliament 2011-21; favours full self-government incl full fiscal freedom short of independence; had a key role in the run up to the Referendum on Scottish Independence 2014; resigned from Leadership 2021; **Dunfermline & West Fife by-e 2006, 2010; MP 2006-10**

RICHES, Elizabeth, teacher, worked for three years in Canada with Inuit people; lives Anstruther; Fife CC since 1990, ldr of opposition; interested in sources of energy; interested in education, development of fisheries; part-owner of organic herb growing business; she failed to win in 2017 by just two votes, the lowest margin in a UK election in modern times, certainly since Ilkeston 1931 (East Midlands); **Fife Central 2001, Glenrothes 2005, North East Fife 2017**

RIDDLE, William b 1927, ed Fettes Coll, Camb U; dir of marine eng co; Scottish Party Exec; **Greenock 1959**

RITCHIE, Stuart D., ed Dunbar g s, Paisley U; PR adviser; Scottish Ass cand; **Ayr 2001, East Lothian 2010**

RIXSON, Denis, raised/ed at series of RAF camps due to his father's service career; U in England later Moray House TTC; over 30 years teaching in Highlands now ret; owns bookshop; author of books on Highlands; cllr Highland C 2018; committed to concept of diffusion of power; **Aberdeen South 2015, Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch & Strathspey 2019**

ROBB, Colin, Lanarkshire born/raised, ed Open U; 15-year career as projects manager; pro-Union, pro-Europe; **Lanark & Hamilton East 2017**

ROBBIE, Angus Abercrombie, b 1937, ed Robert Gordon's Coll, Aberdeen, Aberdeen U; youth employment officer, Birmingham late 1960s, active there with Erdington Libs (Sutton Coldfield L A), later careers officer at Aberdeen U; witty, enthusiastic, engaging personality, did not mince words; organised highly popular Burns Night fund raisers; hard-working campaigner; experienced agent; d in tragic circumstances c 2000; **Aberdeen South 1974 Feb, Oct**

ROBERTSON, Ian, born/raised Glasgow; teacher; left Party 2011 over perceived 'drift to the right'; **Rutherglen & Hamilton West 2005, Glasgow East by-e 2008, Rutherglen & Hamilton West 2010**

ROBERTSON, John C., b 1932, ed Merchiston Castle s, Cambridge U; farmer; Ross and Cromarty CC; Chair, Liberal Highland Regional Council; **Ross & Cromarty 1974 Feb**

ROBERTSON, Julia Margaret, S P cand; **North Tayside 2001**

ROBERTSON, Willie Brewster, b 1949, ed Kinross h s, Perth h s, Edinburgh Coll of Commerce; owner agricultural supply co; Vice-Chair, Perth & Kinross LDA; **Stirling 1992**

ROBINSON, Andrew, b 1945, ed Manchester g s, Ch Town Planner, cons; Scottish Party Planning, Environment, Forestry panels; **East Lothian 1987**

RODAN, Steve, b 1954, ed Glasgow h s, Heriot Watt U; pharmacist; Chair, Scottish YLs; **Moray & Nairn 1979**

RODGER, Rebecca Amy, b 1977? S P cand; activist South Ayrshire; Scottish dir of ERS; **Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley 2001, Glasgow North 2005**

ROSS, Dr Philip W., b 1936, ed Robert Gordon's Coll, Aberdeen U; hospital cons, reader at Edinburgh U; **Monklands East 1992**

ROSS-SCOTT, John A., b Hawick, left formal education at 15; lived on Israeli Kibbutz for a year; journalist; Roxburgh DC; ldr Scottish Borders C; cand SP; backed 'Yes' campaign on Scottish Referendum; subsequently joined SNP; later moved to Orkney; Chair, Orkney NHS Board; **Dumfries 2001**

ROSS-SMITH, Stanley R., b 1919, ed Edinburgh Academy, Edinburgh Coll of Art; architect; interested in waterways; deceased; **Edinburgh, Pentlands 1974 Feb, Oct**

ROTTGER, Stephen William, b 1950, ed Royal Belfast Acad Inst, City of London Poly; U of Dundee housing officer; **Dundee East 1983**

RUMBLES, Mike, b South Shields 1956, ed St James s, Hebburn, U of Wales, Royal Military Acad, Sandhurst, Sunderland Poly; worked in education and training for Army 1979-94; business manager at Aberdeen U, fellow of Inst of Personnel and Development; joined Party 1974; acted as agent; local Party offices; MSP West Aberdeenshire & Kincardine 1999-2011, North East Scotland 2016-21, spokesman on Rural Affairs, Rural Development, spokesperson on Health, Transport and Environment; convenor Standards Comm., mbr Parliamentary Comms; defeated in election of Leader of Scottish Party by Nicol Stephen 2005, by Tavish Scott 2008; **Aberdeen North 1997**

SALUJA, Dr Gurudeo, b 1935? sen lect U of Abertay; of Asian background; activist in West Aberdeenshire; Scottish Party Exec, Policy Comm; his brave effort in a tough constituency yielded 4.1% of the poll; **Dundee East 1997**

SAMANI, Sanjay R., of Asian background; IT project manager; lives Alyth; Alyth community; SP cand; interests incl children's welfare, NHS, mental health; **Angus 2010, 2015**

SANDERSON, Arthur, b 1943, ed Fettes Coll, Glasgow Academy, Oxford U; pursued varied career in education, with posts overseas; long spell as programmes officer for British Council Education; SP cand 2005; associated with Citizens' Theatre, Glasgow; **Glasgow South 2005**

SCHELLENBERG, Clifford Keith Waine, b 1929, of Liechtenstein background, with Yorkshire connections, ed Giggleswick; an Olympic bobsleigh champion; businessman with considerable personal wealth, he bought the island of Eigg and raised hopes of its inhabitants with regeneration plans; very soon began to exhibit eccentricities of behaviour e.g. driving round the island in a vintage Rolls Royce to the peril of everyone; developed rapidly into an arbitrary feudal landlord, breaking promises, abandoning projects, evicting tenants at will; despised by islanders; in a High Court action the judge described him as a 'Toad of Toad Hall character;' married four times; the islanders subsequently bought him out and Eigg is now run by a Heritage Trust; d Richmond, North Yorkshire 2019; Richmond 1964, 1966 (Yorkshire Region), **Moray & Nairn 1974 Oct**

SCOBIE, Devin S., b 1965, ed Douglas Stewart h s, Newton Stewart, Edinburgh U; marketing manager, design/PR cons; editor Scottish LD magazine; **Edinburgh East 1992**

SCOTT, Christopher B. H., b 1924, of Catholic background; ed Eton, Cambridge U; farmer, writer, Lloyds underwriter; **Angus South 1964, Galloway 1970, Edinburgh, Central 1974 Feb, Oct**

SEMPLE, Roy, b 1927; ed Dumfries Acad, Strathallan s, Perth; farmer; **Dumfries 1966**

SEWELL, Paul L., b 1964, ed Cuiken prim s, Penicuik h s; self-employed fleet cons; LDA activist; **Midlothian 1992**

SHAW, (Capt) Vaughan Mackintosh, b Kensington, London 1921, ed Edinburgh Acad, Oxford U; army service WW II; with British Export Trade Research Organisation; later publisher's agent; in 1951, a disastrous year for the Liberals, he raised his percentage poll from 7.36% to 13.65%, one of a handful of cands to do so compared with the General Election of 1950; uniquely he saved his deposit after

losing it the year before; returning 15 years later, he raised his share of the poll to 16.81%; mbr Scottish Liberal Party Exec; **Paisley 1950, 1951, Paisley 1966**

SHEARER, James, b 1956, ed Shawlands Acad, Hutcheson's b g s, Glasgow U; managing dir of co; active with YLs; **Glasgow, Pollock 1987**

SHEIN, Joyce J., b 1929, of Jewish background; ed South Shields Girls h s, U of Edinburgh; personal cons; **Edinburgh, Leith 1970**

SHEPHERD, Calum, ed U of Glasgow, later read for MA, Liverpool U; joined Lib Dems 2015; cons with own business; keen to strengthen LGBTQ+ rights, pro-Europe, calling for closer ties with near neighbours, greater support for medium businesses; **Glasgow North 2017**

SHERIDAN, J. Brinsley, b 1938, ed Hardyes s, Dorchester, School of Navigation, Southampton U; quality and safety manager, offshore survival centre, Aberdeen; **Moray 1992**

SHIELDS, D., **Clackmannan & East Stirlingshire 1974 Oct**

SHIELDS, Malcom I., b Kilsyth, Dunbartonshire, 1903; Glasgow businessman; Kilsyth MBC, one-time provost, Methodist local preacher; first Liberal cand locally for 20 years; deceased; **Glasgow, Cathcart 1950**

SINCLAIR, A., **Dumfries 1974 Oct**

SINCLAIR, Rt Hon Sir Archibald Henry Macdonald, Bt, CMG, PC, later 1st Viscount Thurso, of Ulbster, b London 1890. Orphaned by the age of five he was educated at Eton and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst. He saw service in WW I and though a cavalry officer, he served in the trenches. He gained his pilot's licence and maintained henceforth a close interest in aviation. He also became a life-long friend of Sir Winston Churchill, serving on his personal staff until 1922. He was appointed Party Chief Whip under Lloyd George 1929-31 and succeeded Sir Herbert Samuel as Party Leader in 1935. He introduced reforms in Party organisation prior to 1939. He was dedicated to the League of Nations ideal, an effective speaker and a strikingly elegant figure, always immaculately dressed. In the National Government 1931-32, he had served as Secretary of State for Scotland. From the mid-1930s he became a severe critic, with Churchill, of Chamberlain's appeasement policies. He denounced the Munich Agreement gaining increasing cross-party support but fought shy of compromising his Party in the 'popular front' machinations of the late 1930s. There were signs as the anticipated general election, due in 1939-40, drew near that the Party was in far better shape and morale than for many years. His own belief was that Britain would return inevitably to its former Liberal allegiance with the passage of time. After the declaration of hostilities in Sept 1939, he urged a more vigorous prosecution of the war upon Chamberlain. He was elected Rector of Glasgow University in 1940. His acceptance speech, later published, bore testimony to his Liberal beliefs and on re-reading even today, has a compelling relevance to Scotland on the run-up to the Independence Referendum of 2014.

On becoming Premier in May 1940, Churchill immediately appointed Sinclair Secretary of State for Air, though outside the War Cabinet. He was the only minister to remain in office in the Churchill Coalition Government throughout war, fighting off vicious machinations of the ambitious Lord Beaverbrook who wanted to combine his Ministry of Aircraft Production with Sinclair's Air Ministry.

He was responsible for over-seeing the government's policy of unrelenting aerial bombardment of Germany and co-ordination of efforts after 1941 with the Americans. In this role he was obliged to shoulder much of the criticism of those in Britain opposed on ethical grounds to bombing of civilian targets. He maintained his stand, supporting the policy believing any weakening of resolve would undermine the morale of bomber command, which was suffering enormous losses in air crew, and thus ensured the Allied war effort continued until the close of the conflict.

His failure to throw his support behind the implementation of the Beveridge Plan on its publication, much criticised at the time by many Party activists, was blamed for the failure of the Liberals to recover strength at the first post-war election of 1945. He maintained domestic issues should be shelved until after a successful conclusion to the war. He was also in favour of the wartime coalition continuing until at least the end of the conflict in the Far East, a strategy which was not widely supported by Party members. His narrow defeat in 1945 in the constituency he had represented since 1922, finishing in third place only 63 votes behind the successful Conservative, is attributable to the intervention of a Labour candidate and to his preference for campaigning on foreign affairs and for the need to support for the new United Nations Organisation, largely ignoring domestic matters. Another factor was his long absence from the constituency, occupied with his Air Ministerial duties in London, May 1940-45, though his wife Marigold bravely attempted to deputise for him.

Sinclair was raised to the Peerage in 1952 after a final attempt to re-enter Parliament in 1950, when he again narrowly failed at the polls in his old constituency. Sinclair was first choice as Liberal Leader in the Lords, where it was expected he would supply dynamic leadership in support of the increasingly low-profile Clement Davies in the Commons. His career was effectively ended soon after by near fatal strokes. In the following twenty years, bed-ridden and visited only by his family and intimate friends, he was never mentioned in the press, his role in the defeat of Nazi Germany, forgotten by the public and almost totally ignored by historians. Sinclair is reputed to have been one of the largest landowners in the UK with estates covering hundreds of square miles in his former constituency. He was Lord Lieut of Caithness from the 1920s. He died in 1970, largely forgotten even by Party members; his grandson is Robin Thurso qv and his granddaughter Veronica Linklater qv; **Caithness & Sutherland 1922, 1923, 1924, 1929, 1931, 1935, 1945, 1950; MP 1922-1945**; there is a disappointingly short biography, *Liberal Crusader*, by Gerard de Groot (1992); see *Dictionary of National Biography*, *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

SINCLAIR, (W/Cdr) Huntly McDonald, b Quebec, Canada 1895, ed Edinburgh U, also Canada and USA; RFC pilot WW I, joined Canadian Air Force WW II; active with UNRRA, later Joint Treasurer, Liberal International; given a free run against Labour by the Conservatives in 1950 he came within 1,437 votes of victory; deceased; **Western Isles 1945, 1950**

SINCLAIR, Hon Robin Macdonald., later 2<sup>nd</sup> Viscount Thurso; b 1922, succ father Sir Archibald S. former Ldr Liberal Party 1970 qv; ed Eton, Oxford U, Edinburgh U; served RAF 1941-46, cllr Caithness CC 1949-61, 1965-73 Thurso TC 1957-61, 1965-73; mbr Scottish Exec; Lord Lieut Caithness 1973-95; d 1995; **East Aberdeenshire 1966**

SKED, Alan b 1947, ed Allan Glen's s, Glasgow, Glasgow U, Oxford U, U of Vienna; soon left Liberals after standing, while still a research student, in his first and only contest, in disagreement over Party's pro-European policies; joined academic staff at LSE, later Prof; his opposition to the EU grew

steadily, believing it to be corrupt and undemocratic; founder-mbr Bruges Group but left 1991; later founded Anti-Federal League which ran candd at 1992 General Election; fought elections at Newbury and Christchurch; named changed to UKIP; resigned after 1997 General Election, claiming that the party was undergoing influence of far right; to this he subsequently added claims of racism; later founded New Deal, a left of centre, anti-European Union party as a challenger to Labour; lect on US Modern US history also history of sex, race and slavery; author of several authoritative books on Habsburg Empire, Post-War Britain etc; **Paisley 1970**

SKENE, Danus George Moncrief, b 1944, ed Eton, Us of Sussex, Chicago, Aberdeen; teacher; taught Israel, Kenya; later Chair of Shetland Arts; became Head of Clan Skene 1994; fought parliamentary elections under three party labels 1974-2015; originally Labour for whom he fought Kinross and West Perthshire 1974 Feb, Oct; defected to Liberal Party; Perth & Kinross DC 1980-83; Euro Cand 1999; defected to Scot Nats c2007; from 2010 lived Lerwick; cand for S P 2016; contested Orkney & Shetland for SNP 2015; d London 2016; **North Tayside 1983, Moray 1987**

SLEIGH, John, ed Glasgow U; S P cand 2011; personal asst to Nicol Stephen MSP; **Aberdeen South 2010**

SMITH, A., **Coatbridge & Airdrie 1974 Oct**

SMITH, Alison, ed U of Aberdeen; writer and academic; has worked for Malcolm Bruce MP qv; Fellow of Higher Education Acad; supports increased funding for rural and coastal communities; **Banff & Buchan 2019**

SMITH, Harriet, formerly Hastings-Comfort, b 1954, ed St Denis s, Edinburgh, Telford Coll of HE; Edinburgh U; from a stalwart Liberal family, involved in Party activity as agent, organiser, foot soldier from age of eight; Chelsea LA; party employee for long spells in policy dvlpmt etc; service on Federal Conference Comm; associated with Lib Dem victories at Bath qv (Southwest Region); Press Officer to Party MPs 1988-89 incl Paddy Ashdown; founder/member of Lambeth Crime Prevention Trust, officer Prison Reform Trust; worked with several charities; a talented singer, was prominent member of Liberal Revue over 20 years as interpreter of satirical ballads based on popular songs of the day; a tireless Party activist/live wire she was known to hundreds of Party faithful; an early member of the *Liberator* collective; the Distinguished Service Award, presented to Party members who have never been elected to public office but have demonstrated excellence and commitment, is named after her; reluctant 'paper candidate' at single general election; d of cancer 2006; **Motherwell North 1992**

SMITH, Kathleen, b 1922, ed Dundee School of Economics, former journalist; Chair, Tayside Regional Council; interested in employment of disabled; deceased; **Perth & East Perthshire 1974 Feb**

SMITH, Dr Keith A., b 1940, ed King Alfred's s, Wantage, Durham U, Reading U; Berkshire CC, Wantage UDC; soil scientist; formerly SDP see SDP section; Scottish Party Treasurer from 1988; **Edinburgh, Pentlands 1992**

SMITH, Sir Robert, 3<sup>rd</sup> Baronet, b London 1958, grandson of Sir Robert W. S, 1<sup>st</sup> Bt (Conservative MP for Aberdeenshire & Kincardineshire 1924-45); ed Merchant Taylors' s, Aberdeen U; his early career dedicated to managing the family estate; Aberdeenshire CC; originally SDP from 1981, he joined Party on merger; Lib Dem dpty chief whip in Commons, spokesman on Transport and Maritime Affairs, Scottish Police and Prisons, mbr Scottish Affairs Comm, Shadow Leader of Commons 2007-10

etc; defending his seat, despite being affected by Parkinson's Disease; in the extraordinary circumstances of the 2015 General Election, he fell to third place in the poll; **West Aberdeenshire & Kincardine 1997, 2001, 2005, 2010, 2015; MP 1997-2015**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

SNEDDON, Clive R., lect at St Andrew's U; North East Fife DC ldr 1988-96; Euro cand 1999; fdr mbr Scottish Constitutional Convention; **Dundee East 2005, 2010, Angus 2017**

SPEIRS, James, grad of Royal Agricultural Coll; works for charity aiding people with learning difficulties; mbr learning development team; interested in mental health; **Paisley & Renfrewshire North 2015, Glasgow North West 2019**

SPIERS, Dr Richard (Dick), ed West Kirby g s, St Andrews U; general practitioner; Tayside Region, Angus Unitary Authority; founder mbr of SDP; experienced election agent; **Angus 1997**

SPILLANE, Rodger, b 1971, ed John of Gaunt s, Wiltshire, Edinburgh U, Exeter U; employed in customer relations in TV; joined Party 1987; worked for Scottish Lib Dems as policy officer; mbr Shelter, Charter 88; **Falkirk East 1997**

SQUAIR, Arthur John Heley, b 1935; co dir; d Hawick 2009; **Edinburgh, Leith 1974 Oct**

STALKER, Ross, ed Edinburgh U, U of West of Scotland; lived Renfrew from 2010; biologist with particular interest in the environment; on LPO staff as campaign organiser; keen to see mental health services receive adequate funding; **Paisley & Renfrewshire North 2019, Inverclyde & Renfrewshire West 2024**

STARFORTH, Derek M. H., b 1928, ed Glasgow Acad, Oxford U; ind exec; **East Renfrewshire 1959, 1964**

STEEDMAN, Louise, b 1923, ed York, studied singing in various centres, home and abroad; deceased; **Glasgow, Hillhead 1974 Feb**

STEEL, Rt Hon (Sir) David Martin Scott, later Lord Steel of Aikwood, in Ettrick Forest, Kt, KBE, PC, b Kirkcaldy, Fife 31/3/1938, son of David S. snr, a Church of Scotland minister, later Moderator of General Assembly, C of S; ed Dumbarton Acad, Jas Gillespie's Boys' s, Edinburgh, Prince of Wales s, Nairobi, George Watson's Coll, Edinburgh, Edinburgh U. After graduating in Law, he worked at Scottish Liberal Party HQ. Soon after his election as Grimond's fourth Scottish colleague and as the youngest MP in the House, he courageously piloted through the Commons the controversial Termination of Pregnancies Bill. For his youthful appearance he became known to colleagues and opponents alike as 'the boy David.' He defeated John Pardoe qv to become Party Leader 1976, one of the youngest in UK parliamentary history, in the aftermath of the Jeremy Thorpe trauma. There followed a purging of some of the regional lists of existing and potential parliamentary candidates who were suspected of remaining loyal to former Leader Thorpe and/or Pardoe, although it is highly unlikely Steel was really aware of what was going on. This illiberal process has subsequently been referred to as 'the night of the drawn knives.' It was particularly severe in the West Midlands.

Steel swiftly demonstrated that he would become a shrewd tactician, taking the Party into the Lib-Lab Pact 1977-78, which bought some time at a critical juncture in Party fortunes. This was the Liberal Party's first involvement in government, albeit tenuous, for over 30 years and it was to be a

further 30 years before a second opportunity arose. Some modest successes resulted in modifying Government policy at the pre-consultation stage, though Liberal influence was, under the circumstances, weak. He was made a Privy Counsellor in 1977.

Under Steel's leadership Liberal representation at all levels of local government eventually reached unprecedented levels, with Liberals in control of several local authorities, in joint control of others and as leading opposition party in still more. He swiftly established relations with Roy Jenkins qv (SDP section) and the 'Gang of Four' in 1981 which resulted in the formation of the Alliance which fought the General Election of 1983. With support for the Alliance soaring in the opinion polls and Labour at its nadir under Michael Foot's leadership, Steel had felt confident enough to instruct delegates at the 1981 Party Assembly to "go back to your constituencies and prepare for power;" however against the background of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's successful prosecution of the Falklands War, the Alliance captured 25% of the vote but registered very few gains in MPs elected.

Roy Jenkins's replacement by David Owen ushered in the troubled era of the 'Two Davids' 1983-87, a period marked by the relentless satire of TV *Spitting Image*, the fortnightly *Private Eye*, countless newspaper cartoons etc, depicting Owen as a sinister-toned, humourless Svengali figure holding a midget-sized Steel, with piping voice and bewildered expression, in total thralldom, almost like a ventriloquist and doll. Steel later admitted that this portrayal of the Alliance leadership had a wholly negative effect. During the run-up to the 1987 General Election marked differences in policy and electoral strategy also emerged. Steel, more radical in his sympathies, intimated that in a hung parliament he would favour co-operation with Labour, while Owen, who had never thought highly of the Liberal Party, favoured an understanding with the Conservatives. There were also major divergences on defence policy.

Immediately after the equally disappointing result of the General Election of 1987 Steel called for 'a single party, a single leader.' He remained in situ with Robert Maclennan qv as joint leader of the Social & Liberal Democrats; while the terms of the merger of the Liberals and SDP were thrashed out in 1987-88. At this time Steel's apparent lack of interest in policy matters was highlighted in the fiasco of the notorious 'joint statement' drawn up largely by SDP figures which had to be jettisoned. A merger of the two parties was deeply opposed by a small minority of Liberals who grouped around Michael Meadowcroft qv (Yorkshire Region) to form the 'continuing Liberals.' Steel declined to stand for the leadership of the Liberal Democrats but continued as a highly competent party Foreign Affairs spokesman in the Commons. He stood in Italy in the Euro Elections in 1989 as a pan-European gesture, polling creditably. He also served as President of Liberal International 1994-96. He was appointed a Life Peer on completion of 32 years as an MP before his retirement in 1997. He was elected a member of the first Scottish Parliament in 1999, serving as Presiding Officer (Speaker) in the inaugural sessions, retiring in 2003. He also served as a Lord High Commissioner of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

The debt the Party owes David Steel is immeasurable, when his period as Leader is examined against the background of the daunting problems faced at the time. He showed grim determination, ambition and courage throughout. His powers as a speaker developed considerably over the years and he became a regular performer in the media. Though some critics saw him as cold, austere and aloof, he went on to earn great esteem across party lines as an elder statesman of absolute integrity.



He married Judith Mary MacGregor in 1962 who was a steadfast support throughout his career in politics. He lists his interests as International and Constitutional Affairs; author of numerous books incl *A House Divided* (1981), many papers, articles; see biographies by Peter Bartram, *D.S. His Life and Politics* (1981), David Torrance, *D.S. Rising Hope to Elder Statesman* (2015) and his autobiography *Against Goliath* (1989). With Judy he published *David Steel's Border Country* (1985).

Sadly his reputation was tarnished at the very end of his long career, following investigations in 2019 into child sexual abuse allegations, dating back to the 1970s, involving Sir Cyril Smith qv (Northwest Region). Steel was suspended from the Party on his admission that he was aware of Smith's behaviour but had failed to report what he knew at the time, even recommending Smith for a knighthood. In February 2020 Steel announced his retirement from the House of Lords and politics, and formally severed his connection with the Lib Dems. **Roxburgh, Selkirk & Peebles 1964, by-e 1965, 1966, 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979, Tweeddale, Ettrick & Lauderdale 1983, 1987, 1992; MP 1965-97**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

STEELE, Allan, Provost of East Renfrewshire; strongly opposed to SNP policy of centralising police forces in Scotland; **Eastwood 2001**

STEFANOV, Iliyan, of Bulgarian origins; graduate in business and economics; experience of sen management posts; cllr in home city in Bulgaria; strongly favours European integration; **Ochil & South Perthshire 2015, 2017, 2019**

STEPHEN, Nicol Ross, later Lord S. of Lower Deeside, b 1960, ed Robert Gordon's Coll, Aberdeen, Aberdeen U; solicitor; later worked in corporate finance with Deloitte & Touche; Grampian CC from 1982; Chair, Grampian Economic Development & Planning Comm 1986-91; MSP 1999-2011; Health spokesman, later Education; Minister of Enterprise and Lifelong Learning; Leader Scottish Lib Dems 2005-08; Deputy First Minister Scottish Government 2005-07; during his seven months in the Commons was member of Lib Dem Treasury team, spokesman on small businesses; Peerage 2011; **Kincardine & Deeside 1987, by-e 1991, 1992, Aberdeen South 1997; MP 1991-92**

STEVENS, David, b England of Welsh parents, lived Scotland since 1997; former teacher; keen to maintain standards in education; **Inverclyde 2017, Coatbridge, Chryston & Bellshill 2019**

STEVENSON, Robert, b 1928, ed Paisley; food technologist; Stevenston DC; **Bute & North Ayrshire 1974 Feb, Oct**

STEWART, John David, b 1972, ed Kilmarnock Acad, Aberdeen U; acted as agent Euro election 1994; elder of Church of Scotland; **Kilmarnock & Loudoun 1997, 2001**

STEWART, Robert, b 1938, ed Hutcheson's g s, Glasgow U; market researcher; **Govan 1992, 1997, 2001**

STODART, James Anthony, later Lord S. of Leasdale, b 1916 ed Wellington Coll; farmer from age of 18; studied economics of arable farming; originally a Conservative; Vice-Chair Scottish Liberal Party 1948-50 becoming leading spokesman for agriculture in Scotland; left to re-join Conservatives fighting for them Midlothian & Peebles in 1951, Midlothian 1955; MP Edinburgh West 1959-74; served as Junior Minister under Douglas-Home 1963-64, Edward Heath 1970-74; d 2003; **Berwick & East Lothian 1950**

STONE, James Hume Walter Miéville (Jamie), b Edinburgh 1954, ed Tain, Gordonstoun s St Andrews U; worked in oil ind; cllr Ross & Cromarty DC 1986-96, Highland C 1995-99, 2012-17; MSP Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross 1999-2011; wide experience on SP committees, cross-party groups; appointed Lib Dem spokesperson for Scotland June 2017, later for Defence; Chair HoC Petitions Cttee 2024-; in 2024 he increased his share of the poll by 15.8%; **Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross 2017, 2019, 2024; MP 2017-**

STORR, Debra, b 1960, ed King Edward VI g h s, Birmingham; IT cons, business systems cons, project manager; Scottish Conference Comm; campaigner for Scottish parliament; **Falkirk East 1992, Moray 1997**

STOYLE, Dr Jacci, b Birmingham, lives Port Glasgow, ed U of Central England, PhD, U of Glasgow; concerned over people trafficking; mbr Scottish Episcopal Church; early career in NHS; sen lect; author, *Caring for Older People*; joined Party 2016; local election cand; active at Scottish Party Conferences; **Inverclyde 2019**

STRACHEN, Simon b 1959, ed Uddington g s, McMaster U, Hamilton, Ontario; political researcher; former election agent; **Glasgow, Shettleston 1983**

STRAKER, Roger N., b 1934, ed Kingswood s, Bath, Cambridge U, Pres of Liberal Club; org sec NLYLs 1958-60; **Glasgow, Pollok, 1964**

SUBBARAMAN, Pramod, b Tamil Nadu, India 1977, raised Karnataka; grad in dentistry, Bangalore U; came to UK 2005, lived Stirlingshire since 2013; joined Party 2010 attracted by appeal of Nick Clegg; interested in voting reform, NHS; **Edinburgh South 2015**

SWIFT, George, b 1926, Dalziel h s, Open U, Coatbridge Tech Coll, Jordanhill Coll; tech teacher; local Methodist preacher; joined Party from SDP; **Motherwell North 1987**

SWINSON, Joanne Kate (Jo), later HAMES, CBE, b Milngavie 1980, ed Douglas Academy, Milngavie, LSE, grad in management science; marketing and public relations post with Viking FM, Hull; joined Lib Dems 1997; candidate for Scottish Parliament; youngest Westminster MP 2005-09; opposed to Iraq War, ID cards and 'positive discrimination'; strongly favours energy conservation; calls for a 'well-being' index to run alongside 'standard of living' index; served as Under Sec of State for Employment Relations, consumer and postal affairs, Junior Equalities Minister; with Lynne Featherstone qv (Greater London) probably the first woman Liberal to achieve a government post; a frequent competitor in marathons for charity; secular humanist; author *Equal Power* (2018), shortlisted for the award of best memoir by a parliamentarian; m Duncan Hames MP 2011; energetic, attractive personality, generally considered from the outset to have a high profile career ahead of her; first elected to Westminster Parliament 2005.

Though defeated at the General Election of 2015, Jo Swinson was closer to holding her seat than many of her Scottish colleagues in the electoral disaster of that year. Her victory in June 2017 was the highlight of the Scottish Party revival. She was immediately spoken of as a possible successor to Tim Farron qv (Northeast/ Northwest Region) as Party Leader but declined to stand. Shortly after she was elected Deputy Party Leader to Vince Cable qv (Greater London), becoming at once widely regarded as his probable successor. On the latter's retirement, she was elected Party Leader, July 22 2019, the first woman to assume this role. The prospects for the Party were brighter at this stage.

Record gains in the Municipal Elections in May were followed by encouraging advances in the Euro Elections. There was a mid-summer by-election victory at Brecon & Radnor; opinion polls showed support for the Lib Dems rising appreciably throughout the country. Defections from the Conservatives and Labour brought membership of the Parliamentary Party up to 20 MPs. Then things began to go horribly wrong.

Jo Swinson appears to have been partially responsible for the ousting of Nick Harvey qv (Devon & Cornwall Region) as Party Chief Executive, Oct 21<sup>st</sup> and his replacement by the untried Mike Dixon, an appointment widely criticised at a time when a general election was widely anticipated. At the ensuing general election in December, it quickly became apparent that it was a mistake to build a personality campaign around Jo when she was widely unknown to the electorate. A further tactical error was for her to declare herself at the outset as a contender for Prime Minister, with only a miniscule power base at Westminster, though she maintained she was staking a claim to inclusion in any plans the TV channels had for broadcasting debates between the Party leaders. Appealing to the Remain vote and pledging herself moreover to the revoking of Article 50, the latter being considered a faux pas by many of her supporters, she fought nevertheless an energetic, nationwide campaign. This necessitated long absences from her highly marginal constituency when the tide north of the border was running strongly in favour of the Scottish Nationalists. Colleagues have argued that the Party programme again lacked 'clear, simple and appealing messages.' During the campaign she clashed with Nicola Sturgeon, the Scottish Nationalist First Minister, on the issue of her apparent willingness to sanction the use of nuclear weapons. Party membership reached a new peak of 115,000 during her period of leadership. She narrowly lost her seat and immediately resigned as Leader after a tenure of only 144 days. Hull East (Yorkshire Region) 2001, **East Dunbartonshire 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017, 2019; MP 2005-2015, 2017-19**

TAYLOR, Hamish, ed Edinburgh U; has farm near Dollar; strategic business cons; interests incl small businesses, farmers, environment; **Stirling & Strathallan 2024**

TAYLOR, James K., b Essex 1977, ed Ayr g s, Kyle Acad, Open U, Stow Coll, Glasgow, Ivey Business s, Ontario; worked in music recording ind also managing many leading recording artistes; interests incl business, enterprise, entrepreneurship; lives Alyth, Perthshire; **Ayr, Carrick & Cumnock 2010**

TELFER, James R., b 1919, Lanark g s; journalist; Lanark CC; deceased; **Edinburgh West 1964, 1966**

THOMPSON, Donald, **Paisley 1974 Oct**

THOMPSON, Eric, **Dumbarton 2001**

THOMPSON, J. Alan T., b Newbiggin-by-the-Sea, Ch Eng, mbr MIME, career in R & D Marconi, Olivetti; joined Party in 1960s in response to appeal of Jo Grimond; Wansbeck DC 1979-91, 1999-2009; Northumberland CC 1981-89, 1999-2001, 2008-; held various portfolios, latterly Public Protection 2010- mbr Northumberland Police Authority; interests include maritime structures, sea defences, jetties, harbours, dogged campaigner at seven general elections over 35 years; **East Dunbartonshire 1974 Oct, Morpeth 1979, 1983, Newcastle-upon-Tyne East 1992, Wansbek 1997, 2001, Sedgfield 2010 (all Northeast Region)**

THOMSON, John Gibson, b 1917; service in Royal Engineers WW II; partner in firm of fireworks manufacturers; advised government on Nazi explosive plants; deceased; **Edinburgh West 1945, Kilmarnock 1950**

THOMSON, Sheila, lives Rutherglen, ed Aberdeen Coll, Aberdeen U; served as cllr in Aberdeenshire; Convenor of Scottish Lib Dems 2016-17; campaign manager for Sir Robert Smith qv; Regional Director for Community Renewal Trust; **Glasgow North East 2024**

THORNLEY, Edward John, ed Leeds U; involved with Leeds YLs; posted well-reasoned articles on *Lib Dem Voice*; **Kilmarnock & Loudon 2019, 2024**

THURSO, John Archibald, b 1953, succ as 3<sup>rd</sup> Viscount Thurso in 1995; ed Thurso and Eton; son of Robin Sinclair qv, grandson of Sir Archibald Sinclair qv, Party Leader 1935-45; cousin of Veronica Linklater qv; had a career in management in hospitality industry, which began as trainee at Savoy Hotel, London, later holding several major posts incl manager of Lancaster Hotel in Paris; spokesman in Lords on Tourism and later Food; was an hereditary peer in Lords at time of sweeping reforms, with which he was fully in agreement, and which subsequently deprived him of his seat; became first ex-member of Lords and first hereditary peer to be elected to Commons; Shadow Scottish Secretary under Kennedy leadership, not retained by Menzies Campbell; appointed to Independent Parliamentary Standards Comm; re-elected to the Lords April 2016 to the vacancy created by death of Lord Avebury qv (Greater London); Lord Lieutenant, Caithness; **Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross 2001, 2005, 2010; 2015; MP 2001-15**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

TODD, William Clark, **Glasgow, Pollok 1974 Oct**

TOGHILL, Grant, software engineer; lives Bishopton; has fought local elections; local campaigner and youth leader; **Paisley & Renfrewshire North 2024**

TOLSON, Jim, b Ballingry, Fife 1965, ed Lauder Coll, Napier U; with Babcock, Rosyth Defence Ltd 1981-2000; MSP Dunfermline West to 2011; dpty Local Government and Transport spokesman; Dunfermline MBC 1992-2007; **Dunfermline East 1997**

TOMBS, Sebastian M., eminent architect; Chief Exec at Architecture and Design Scotland; worked in Philadelphia USA, returned to work for community housing assn, Edinburgh, later District Council Housing dept; later spent nearly 20 years with Royal Incorporation of Architects Scotland; **Edinburgh North & Leith 2001, Kilmarnock & Loudoun 2010**

TOSH, Neil Murray, b 1950, ed Kilmarnock Academy, Glasgow U, Pres Liberal Club; teacher for 25 years in Ayrshire; was one of 30 or more candidates drafted in Oct 1974 under the 'broad front' strategy to contest Scottish constituencies previously not fought for decades; as expected, their overall performance was disappointing; subsequently defective to the Conservatives, contesting Glasgow Hillhead 1983; mbr Scottish Parliament 1999-2007, Convenor Procedures Cttee; noted for his histrionics and impassioned speeches on comparatively minor issues; **Ayr 1974 Oct**

TOUGH, Alistair G., b 1953, ed Robert Gordon's Coll, Aberdeen, Aberdeen U, U Coll, London; archivist, Glasgow U; mbr Royal African Society; **Clydebank & Milngavie 1992, Stirling 1997, Coatbridge & Chryston 2001**

TREVOR, Fiona Campbell, b Aberdeen; grew up West Perthshire, ed Glasgow U; worked for SDP under Dr David Owen qv (Devon & Cornwall Region); East Dunbartonshire DC; spent 25 years advising and delivering strategic communications over many fields; lately running small Highland hotel in Sutherland; **Moray 2019**

TURVEY, Michael John, lives near Stonehaven; background in law; worked in oil industry for 17 years experienced charity fund raiser; associated with local community projects; **West Aberdeenshire & Kincardine 2024**

UTTING, Karen, ed Woodmill h s, Dunfermline, St Andrew's U; experienced Party agent, convenor, Edinburgh Party; lives Meadowbank; Scottish/Federal Party delegate; political officer for Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists; joined Liberals at university appalled by the injustice of the electoral system in 1974 which in two general elections afforded the Party minimal representation at Westminster in return for 6m votes; policy research volunteer; of formidable appearance and personality; **Edinburgh Central 1997, Falkirk East 2001, Edinburgh East 2015**

VALENTINE, Malcolm D. H., b 1938, ed Clifton Hall, nr Edinburgh, Sedbergh s, Yorkshire; dir of marketing and export co; **Dunfermline 1974 Feb, Oct**, Camden, Holborn & St Pancras 1979 (Greater London) 1979

VEART, Martin, b East Anglia, lived Scotland since 2000, latterly at Leith, ed U of Wales, Aberystwyth; grad in geology; professional career in oil and gas ind, living/working in 40 countries; opposed to Trident, opposed to negative tendency of nationalism; joined Lib Dems 1989; interested in NHS, civil rights; **Edinburgh North & Leith 2015, 2017**

VON ROMBERG, Dr Margo, b 1942, ed Arbroath h s, Us of St Andrew's, Edinburgh, London; former tutor later classics teacher; **Dundee East 1987**

WADDELL, John, b 1992, lived in Northeast Scotland from five years old, ed Aberdeen U; seeks more powers for Northern Scotland; S P cand 2016; caseworker for Mike Rumbles MSP qv; **West Aberdeenshire & Kincardine 2017, 2019**

WADDELL, Ronald b 1954, ed Bearsden Acad, U of Strathclyde, U of Salford, Cranfield Inst of T'nology; transport planning officer; Scottish YLs; asst organiser Scottish Party; **East Dunbartonshire 1979, Strathkelvin & Bearsden 1983**

WALKER, David John, Edinburgh C; **Edinburgh, Pentlands 2001**

WALKER, Margaret Ruby, née Brown, ed Edinburgh U; during WW II worked for Red Cross; active with hospital boards and visiting prisons; her husband was Scottish Sec of BMA; **Edinburgh West 1950**

WALKER, Niall R., b 1959, ed Us of St Andrews, Strathmore and Glasgow; acc with his own firm; Glasgow C; became Independent 2006; fought as Ind for Scottish Parliament 2007; **West Dunbartonshire 2005**

WALLACE, Rt Hon James Robert (Jim), PC, KC, FRSE, later Lord W. of Tankerness, b Annan, Dumfriesshire 1954, ed locally, Cambridge U, Edinburgh U; advocate at Scottish Bar; joined Party in 1970s; Euro cand South of Scotland 1979; succeeded Jo Grimond qv to the safest Liberal-held seat in Britain; early on in his career in the Commons he was regularly targeted for criticism in *Private Eye*; subsequently became Employment Spokesman, later Chief Whip; 1992-2005 Leader of Scottish Liberal Democrats; MSP for Orkney 1999-2007; prominent with Scottish Constitutional Convention which finally reported in 1995; took Party into coalition with Lab in first Scottish Government in which he was Deputy First Minister and Minister for Justice; 2003-05 Minister for Enterprise and Life-long Learning; thrice took over as interim First Minister for short spells; during this period the Scottish Liberal Party enjoyed its period of greatest strength and influence; stood by policy of abolition of university tuition fees which was eventually enacted; unfairly criticised by opponents for allegedly having hindered the process; Life Peerage 2007; from 2008, member of Commission on Scottish Devolution; received Scottish Politician of Year award; in Coalition Government appointed Advocate General for Scotland 2010-15; Leader of Party in Lords 2013-16, highly respected throughout the Party, his contribution to the cause in Scotland has been immense; noted for his ready smile; a major figure in the debate leading to the Referendum on Scottish Independence in 2014; Church of Scotland Elder, Moderator General Assembly of the Church of Scotland 2021-22 **Dumfriesshire 1979, Orkney & Shetland 1983, 1987, 1992, 1997; MP 1983-2001;** see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

WALLACE, Neil C., b 1957, ed Annan Acad, Edinburgh U, Moray House Coll of Ed; teacher; SP cand 2003; Scottish Party Exec; transport spokesman; **Dumfries 1992, 1997, Galloway & Upper Nithsdale 2001**

WARD, Kevin; b Glasgow ed Strathclyde U; employed by Glasgow Caledonian U students assn; he fought the least promising constituency in the city, increasing the Party percentage share over the by-election of 2008 by 1.5%, saving his deposit and pushing the Conservative into fourth place; **Glasgow East 2010**

WATERFIELD, Barbara, b 1937, ed Sherborne, Glasgow U; teacher; Bearsden & Milngarvie DC; Scottish Party Transport Spokesman; **Strathkelvin & Bearsden 1992**

WATSON, George Erland, b 1963, ed Dauntsey's s, Wiltshire, U Coll, London; freelance translator; asst to Party grp on Medway DC; ever-present at by-elections throughout country, often as agent; Pres LDY; Federal Exec; Scottish/Federal Conference rep; **Cunninghame South 1997**

WATSON, Sir Graham, Kt, b Rothesay, Bute 1956, ed City of Bath b s, Heriot-Watt U; linguist, translator; admin worked in admin at Paisley Coll of T'nology; joined NLYLs 1972; in his first contest, he was officially styled 'Scottish Young Liberal' and polled 1.7%; Int Fed Lib Youth 1977, gen sec 1979; 1983-87 on staff of David Steel qv 1988 with HSBC Hong Kong; in 1994 elected MEP Somerset and North Devon, the first Lib Dem to enter the European Parliament; re-elected South West England 1999, 2004, 2009, finally narrowly losing seat in disastrous year for Party, 2014; at Strasburg, served on several comms incl Foreign Affairs, Chair, Climate Parliament; one time ldr ELD

Group, later ALDE Group; author of several books; lived Langport, Somerset; holds joint Italian-British nationality; candidate in European Parliament elections 2024 for Stati Uniti d'Europa Group; **Glasgow, Central by-e 1980, Glasgow, Queen's Park by-e 1982**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

WATSON, John, lived Inverclyde since 1989, ed Kilmacolm Community C; originally town planner in Glasgow; worked for charities, latterly Marie Curie Cancer Care; mbr of Scottish Party policy groups; called for promotion of Inverclyde's interests, employment and training opportunities; he improved on the dismal result at the 2011 by-election by 0.3% in the unpromising circumstances of the General Election; noted for genial smile; **Inverclyde 2015**

WATT, Helen D., local campaigner; lect in Computer Science at U of Glasgow; convenor Clydebank LDA; volunteer for Oxfam, WRVS; cand SP 2011; **Airdrie & Shotts 2005, West Dunbartonshire 2010**

WATT, Olivia, **East Renfrewshire 1970**

WATTERS, Ann M., b 1926, ed St Leonard's s, St Andrews, Bedford Coll; education adviser; originally SDP see SDP section; **Clackmannan 1992, Ochill 1997**

WATTS, J., **Central Ayrshire 1974 Oct**

WAUGH, Colin M., b Edinburgh 1955, ed U of Aberdeen, LSE; writer, author of books on Rwanda genocide, commodity investment; later lived in New York; **Ayr, Carrick & Cumnock 2005**

WAUGH, Dr Alexander Somerville (Sandy), b Glasgow 1934, ed The High School of Glasgow, Glasgow Coll of Commerce, Strathclyde U, London U, Aberdeen U; personnel manager; joined Liberals 1950; stalwart campaigner over many years; associated with several crucial elections, by-elections, notably Aberdeenshire West; Scottish Party Exec; ordained elder Church of Scotland, deeply interested in church history; prolific writer of letters to press, regular contributor to *Journal of Liberal History* in which he received an expansive obituary, Autumn 2017; dedicated much of his later life to compiling *Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman – A Scottish Life and UK Politics 1836-1908* (2018); d 2017; **Kincardine & Deeside 1983**

WEIR, (Col) Ralph Somerville, b 1884; originally a teacher, later with Indian education service as Dir of Public Instruction in the United Provinces; one of the Liberal cand for a University seat on the final occasion on which they were contested in 1945; d 1962; **Combined Scottish Universities 1945**

WESTON, Andrew William, **Kirkcaldy 2001**

WHEELER, Philip, **Midlothian 1974 Oct**

WHITE, George A., lives Gourrock, activist in Inverclyde; **North Ayrshire & Arran 2005**

WHITTINGHAM Catherine Helen, later defected to Greens; **Ochil & South Perthshire 2005**

WHITELAW, Gordon, b 1950, ed Onslow Drive s, Glasgow; sales rep; **Dunfermline 1979, Motherwell North 1983**

WIGHT, Archibald J., b 1931, ed Biggar h s, Lanarkshire; garage and motor agent; Exec, Scottish Liberal Party; Darvel BC 1965-70; **Kilmarnock 1970, 1974 Feb**

WILL, Harry, b 1924? ed Robert Gordon's Coll, Aberdeen; originally stock clerk, became area textile sales manager; service in merchant navy World War II, narrowly escaping from torpedoed ship in Battle of the Atlantic; joined Party in Arbroath 1947; well known in local entertainment circles, notably as singer in Gilbert & Sullivan productions; Arbroath CAB; mbr Church of Scotland; d Sept 2009; **Angus South 1974 Oct, 1979**

WILL, Iain W., b 1936, ed Jordanhill s, Glasgow, Royal Coll of Science and T'nology, Edinburgh U; architect; Scottish Party Exec; **Kilmarnock 1964, Greenock 1966**

WILLIAMSON, Andy, lives locally; ed Edinburgh U; runs consultancy aiding organisations manage neuro diversity; also has education business in Seattle, USA; **Edinburgh South 2024**

WILLS, Henry (Harry), b 1947? Joined party 1972, activist North East Fife area; close associate of former Lib Dem Leader, Ming Campbell MP qv; business career, latterly management cons; elder of Church of Scotland; there was a 29-year gap between his 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> parliamentary contests; d 2018; **Glasgow, Cathcart 1974 Oct, 1979, Glenrothes by-e 2008, 2010**

WILSON, Bruce, originally from highland Perthshire; lived Elveury from 2013; ed Aberdeen U, grad in economics, later strategic studies; former officer Royal Marine Commandos; joined Party 2017; interests incl public services, local environment, global sustainability; **Edinburgh North & Leith 2019, Edinburgh South West 2024**

WILSON, Christopher, lived Motherwell since birth, ed Our Lady's h s, Glasgow U; a student; volunteer at youth clubs; believes in value of communities, empowering young people; **Motherwell & Wishaw 2019**

WILSON, Elisabeth, daughter of a minister, raised in mining village later in Edinburgh suburb; U lect; social worker, associated with national charities; volunteer with day care centre; mbr Society of Friends; interests incl renewable energy, green economy, development of services in rural areas; **Stirling 2015, East Lothian 2017**

WILSON, Jenny, born/raised Inverurie, lived Aberdeen from 2009; ed U of Aberdeen; joined Lib Dems 2010; campaigner for mental health awareness, affordable housing; **Aberdeen South 2017**

WILSON, John Gray, QC, b 1915, ed Irvine Royal Acad, Edinburgh Acad, Edinburgh U, Oxford U; Edinburgh lawyer, Scottish QC 1956; Sheriff Renfrewshire, Lothian & Peebles; wrote books on famous criminal trials, notably *Peter Manuel* (1959); advocate of proportional representation; LPO Exec; d 1968; **Glasgow, Hillhead 1945, Aberdeen North 1950**

WILSON, John Lamont, b 1916 or 1924? graduate in Science; service WW II in War Dept; later market gardener at Blairgowrie; **Perth & East Perthshire 1950**

WISHART, Basil, b 1919, ed primary and sec schools; managing dir, editor *Shetland Times*; said to have fought 'a spirited campaign' finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> place just 1,317 votes short of victory; d Lerwick, Shetland 1997; **Banffshire 1966**

WOLSELEY, Richard, b 1973, ed Wishaw h s, Glasgow U Pres U; trainee Ch Acc; Treasurer, Scottish YLDs; **Airdrie & Shotts 1997**



WOOD, Conrad James, ed Imperial Coll, London U; Ch Eng; has 15 years' experience in local engineering industry; interests incl NHS, local economy, green energy, local priorities; **Gordon & Buchan 2024**

WOOD, (Lt Cdr) Derek C., b 1918, ed Westcliff h s, Royal Naval Coll, Greenwich; 24 years naval service incl WW II; Scottish Party Exec; Dunbartonshire CC, Helensburgh TC; deceased; **East Fife 1964**

WOOD, Malcolm, grew up locally; software eng for multi-national co; scout leader; concerned with environment, climate change; **Kirkcaldy & Cowdenbeath 2017**

WOODSIDE, Thomas Ledbetter, b 1894, son of a Glasgow clergyman; early on migrated to Canada, serving in Canadian Army WW I; later became rep of electric cable co; active briefly with Commonwealth Party during WWII; one of very few candts destined to fight a constituency bearing his/her name; it is yet to be confirmed that the campaign slogan he used was 'Woodside for Woodside;' deceased; **Glasgow, Woodside 1950**

YOUNG, Chris, b 1975; from London, lived Glasgow since 2003; ed St Andrews U, later studied law, Glasgow U; in legal/admin posts until banking collapse; subsequently entered entertainment ind as writer/performer; interested in environmental issues; S P cand 2007; **Glasgow Central 2010, 2015**

YOUNG, Derek G., b 1975, ed Belmont Academy, Ayr, Strathclyde U; post grad student in law; Scottish Party Exec, campaign comm; mbr Charter 88; **Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley 1997**

YOUNG, David, b 1937, ed Aberdeen U, Inverurie Academy, Aberdeenshire, Kilmarnock Academy; schoolmaster; **West Renfrewshire 1974 Feb**

YOUNG, David Peter, **Motherwell & Wishaw 1974 Oct**

YOUNG, Fergus Gray, **Kirkcaldy 1974 Oct**

YOUNG, Louise, City of Edinburgh Cllr, representing Almond Ward; **Ayrshire North & Arran 2019**

YOUNIE, Lewis James, Edinburgh City Cllr; case worker, aiding people with issues in their lives; **Airdrie & Shotts 2024**

YUILL, Ian Gillan, b 1964, ed Robert Gordon's Coll Aberdeen Robert Gordon Inst of T'nology; mbr Ch Institute of Marketing; experienced election agent; cllr Aberdeen City C 1994-, grp ldr; convenor of Scottish Party; interests incl RSPB, ERS; **Dundee East 1992, Aberdeen South 2001, 2019**

## SECTION TWO

## SDP CANDIDATES IN THE GENERAL ELECTIONS OF 1983 AND 1987

ACKLAND, Rodney, b 1945, ed Sussex U, Oxford U; micro comp lab manager at Glasgow U; on merger joined Lib Dems; **Monklands West 1983, Clydebank & Milngavie 1987** see Lib Dem Section

ALI, Maryum, post grad student, Glasgow U; **Carrick, Cumnock, Doon Valley 1987**

BLACK, Malcolm, b 1942? principal lect in economics; **Kirkcaldy 1983**

BLOOMER, Keir, b 1947, ed Greenock Acad, Cambridge U; trade union official; formerly Labour for whom he contested Ross & Cromarty 1979; **Glasgow, Cathcart 1983**

BOYLE, John, b 1952, ed Holy Cross h s, Blaus Coll, Aberdeen, Glasgow Coll of Tech; managing dir tour co; **Clydesdale 1987**

BURNESS, George Milne, b 1943, ed Aberdeen g s, Robert Gordon's Inst of Tech; **Banff & Buchan 1987**

CALLISON, James Stuart, b 1962, ed Glasgow U; solicitor; **Glasgow, Garscadden 1987** see Lib Dem section

CAMPBELL, Hilary C., b 1952, ed Barr's Hill Coventry, Middlesex Poly and in Accra, Ghana, U of Western Ontario; part-time tutor; joined Lib Dems after merger; see Lib Dem section; **Clackmannan 1983**

COCKROFT, Paul P., b 1953, ed Dundee U, Oxford U, tutor at Newbattle Abbey Coll; **Linlithgow 1983**

CRAIG, Moira, b 1929, ed Queen's Park s, Glasgow U, Jordanhill Coll of Ed; educational psychologist; joined Lib-Dems after merger; **Clydesdale 1983, Glasgow, Cathcart 1987** see Lib Dem section

CROSSAN, David M; subsequently defected to SNP fighting Cunninghame North for that party in 1992; **Cunninghame North 1983**

DEANS, Colin S., b 1941, ed Nova Scotia, Canada, Scotland; management cons; dir Aberdeen Camber of Comm; **Aberdeen North 1983, Cumbernauld & Kilsyth 1987**

DEWAR, Alan R., b 1956, ed Lasswade h s, Midlothian, Dundee U; solicitor; **Midlothian 1983, 1987**

DICK, Dr Elizabeth Graham, b 1935, ed St Paul's g s, Oxford U; medical researcher; **Paisley 1983, Falkirk East 1987** see Lib Dem section

FERGUSON, Alasdair, b 1955, ed Glasgow h s; ins agent; **Glasgow, Govan 1987**

GODFREY, John, b 1931, ed Penzance g s, University Coll, London, Edinburgh U; university lect; he achieved one of best SDP results in Scotland finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> with 28.6 % in a tight three-way contest just 8.2% behind the Conservative; **Edinburgh South 1983**

GOURLAY, James, b 1923, ed Ruskin Coll, Strathclyde U and Dundee TTC; coll lect, former locomotive driver for BR; formerly Labour for whom he contested Angus North in 1970 then as an Independent, Dundee West in 1974 Feb; deceased; **Clydebank & Milngavie 1983**

GRAHAM, David Alan, b 1951, ed Royal Belfast Acad Inst, Edinburgh U; curriculum development officer; formerly Labour for whom he fought Roxburgh & Selkirk 1974 Feb, Oct; **Edinburgh, Leith 1983, Edinburgh South 1987**

HAMMOND, Pauline M., b 1922, ed Reading; originally teacher, later social worker, sen adviser to Sec of State for Scotland; deceased; **Angus East 1983**

HERBISON, Douglas J., b 1951, ed London U; head of European Affairs at the Retail Consortium; **Cumbernauld & Kilsyth 1983, Cunninghame North 1987** see Lib Dem section

HERON, Allan, b 1957? employee benefit cons; **Glasgow, Provan 1983**

JENKINS, Rt Hon Roy Harris, OM, PC, later Lord J. of Hillhead, b Abersychan, Monmouthshire 1920, ed Abersychan g s, Oxford U; son of a former miner, (later Pres of South West Miners' Fed and Labour MP); war service; one of the few real statesmen to have emerged on the parliamentary scene since WW II; though never Prime Minister, or leader of a major party, he was an outstanding MP for over 30 years, holding several great offices of state, and the Presidency of the European Commission; youngest MP when first elected; not an outstanding debater in his early years at Westminster, when appointed to office he swiftly became a master of the despatch box, exercising an ascendancy over the House scarcely known since Gladstone and Sir Stafford Cripps; 1964 Minister of Aviation; Home Secretary 1965-67, 1974-76 during which he undertook internal reforms, including police re-organisation, and important legal reforms; Chancellor of the Exchequer 1967-70 when he pursued a tight fiscal policy aimed at keeping Britain's Trade Balance in the black; professed to be a Keynesian economist in outlook; defeated in various ballots to become Labour Leader, served as Deputy Party Leader 1970-72 but resigned over opposition to his pro-Europe stance; became increasingly uncomfortable at Labour's steady left-ward drift and adherence to policies he saw as outdated; critics claimed he was unsuited to the politics of class, ideology etc; that his beliefs were rooted in Edwardian politics which he admired and wrote about; widely respected across party lines, he was long a friend of Jo Grimond, David Steel etc, the Labour rank and file detested him as an academic bore; right wing critics saw him as a disruptive liberal reformer at odds with traditional moral and social values eg reform of theatre censorship, abolition of capital punishment, legalising homosexual practices between consenting adults etc, and thus an architect of the permissive

society; for his pro-European views he was vilified as unpatriotic from both the left and right; resigned from Commons 1977 to become President of European Commission until 1981; used the Dimbleby Lectures as his platform for his appeal to the radical centre to change the mould of British politics which caused a sensation in the media and parliament; member of 'the gang of four' who left Labour to found SDP in 1981; Party Leader to 1983; became alarmed at his successor David Owen's rightward drift; lost Commons seat 1987 to the far left Labour cand, George Galloway; joined Lib Dems on merger; Life Peerage 1987; elected Chancellor of Oxford U 1987; OM 1993; throughout his career a regular TV/radio broadcaster latterly on BBC TV Question Time; in later years he was pilloried in press for a life-long minor speech defect which his enemies claimed was evidence of drink problems; leader of Lib Dems in Lords 1987-97; author of 39 highly praised political histories and biographies, including *Sir Charles Dilke* (1958), *Asquith* (1964), *Gladstone* (1995), *Churchill* (2001); part-autobiography *Life At the Centre* (1991); ironically, Jenkins's legacy was that he effectively pulled the curtain down on old Labour which would never have regained office and paved the way for the new Labour of Tony Blair who won three successive general elections 1997-2005; d 2003; Solihull (West Midlands) for Labour 1945, Southwark by-e (Greater London) 1948, MP 1948-50; Birmingham Stechford 1950, 1951, 1955, 1959, 1964, 1966, 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct; MP 1950-77; for SDP Warrington by-e 1981 (Northwest Region), **Glasgow, Hillhead by-e 1982, 1983, 1987; MP 1982-87**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

KENNEDY, Charles Peter b 1959, Leader of Lib Dems 1999-2006; **Ross, Cromarty & Skye 1983, 1987; MP 1983-2015** see Lib Dem section

KERR, Peter, b 1942, ed Kilmarnock g s and acad, Glasgow Coll of T'nology, Strathclyde U, Jordanhill Coll of Ed; lect at Kilmarnock Coll; former Liberal; **Kilmarnock & Loudoun 1987**

LEISHMAN, Ralph McIlroy, b 1957, ed Hillhead h s, Glasgow Acad, Glasgow Coll of Tech; Ch Acc, management cons; SDP economic policy comm; close associate of SDP Ldr Dr David Owen qv (Devon & Cornwall Region); later defected to Conservatives for whom he fought Argyll & Bute 1997; **Cunninghame North 1983, Eastwood 1987**

LOGAN, Robert, b 1954, ed Ayr g s, Ayr Acad, Glasgow U; solicitor; **Carrick, Cumnock & Doon Valley 1983**

LONIE, Rosemary, b 1939, ed Darlington h s, Durham U, Dundee U; teacher; **Dundee West 1987**

LYDEN, William, b 1930? hospital eng; **Glasgow, Garscadden 1983**

MABON, Dr Jesse Dickson, b Glasgow 1925, ed state ss, Glasgow U; physician, co dir; long term Labour Party stalwart; contested Bute and North Ayrshire 1951, West Renfrewshire 1955; MP Labour Greenock 1955-74, Greenock & Port Glasgow 1974-83; joined SDP 1981; held various government posts incl Min of State for Energy for Scotland; opposed merger of Libs and SDP; re-joined Labour under Blair premiership; d 2008; **Renfrew West & Inverclyde 1983, 1987**

McCALL, James Robertson, b 1948, ed Ayr Acad, Glasgow U; publishing cons; **Dumfries 1983, 1987**

McCARTIN, Eileen Patricia, b 1952, ed Notre Dame h s, Queen's Coll, Jordanhill Coll, Glasgow Coll of T'nology; home economist with Strathclyde Reg Council; after merger joined Lib Dems; **Paisley North 1983, 1987** see Lib Dem section.

McDADE, Helen Anne, b 1958, ed Thurso h s, Edinburgh U; veterinary surgeon; **Linlithgow 1987**

McDONALD, Ian, b 1947? asst head teacher; **Glasgow, Govan 1983**

MACGREGOR, W. Ross, b 1945, ed not known, tech officer with British Telecomm; **Motherwell South 1987**

MacIVER, Kenneth Angus, b 1950 ed Nicholson Inst, Stornoway, Aberdeen U; broadcaster; Western Isles DC; **Western Isles 1987**

MACLENNAN, Rt Hon Robert Adam Ross, OM, PC, later Lord M. of Rogart, b Glasgow 1936, ed Glasgow Acad, Oxford U, Cambridge U, Colombia U, USA; called to the Bar 1962; 1979; won Caithness & Sutherland for Labour from Liberals 1966; established a solid home base with his constituents which he retained through three changes of party allegiance over years; junior minister in Labour Government 1974-79 including Minister of Prices and Consumer Protection; Caithness & Sutherland 1966, 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979; joined SDP as founder member 1981; interim leader of SDP 1988 during merger negotiations; PC 1997; Life Peer 2001; MP 1964-1992 (Lab, SDP, Lib-Dem); **Caithness & Sutherland 1983, 1987**; see Lib Dem section

MACLEOD, Dr Marion, b 1930, ed Heaton h s, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, King's Coll, U of Durham, Glasgow U; scientist; **Edinburgh Central 1983**

McQUEEN, Anne, b 1952, ed Coatbridge h s, Glasgow Central Coll of Comm; lect in FE; **Monklands West 1987**

MORRISON, John, b 1962, ed North Kelvinside sec s, Glasgow U; solicitor; **Glasgow, Provan 1987**

MORTIMORE, Ian Nicoll, b 1932, ed Morgan Acad, Dundee, Dundee Coll of T'nology; eng surveyor; Monteith TC, Angus CC, Dundee DC; **Angus East 1987**

MOWBRAY, Richard Alex b 1946, ed Chesterfield g s, LSE, Glasgow U; economics lect, Paisley Coll of T'ngy; formerly Labour for whom he fought Glasgow, Hillhead 1979; **Dumbarton 1987**

MOYES, Frank Arnold, b 1942, ed St John's Coll, Southsea, Royal g s, Guildford, Manchester U; cons to RN on navigation systems, Rosyth Dockyard; Dunfermline DC; **Dunfermline West 1983, 1987**

NEEDHAM, Edward, b 1943, ed London U, Edinburgh U; fisheries cons; has worked for various Ministries; **Banff & Buchan 1983**

PHILIP, Ian G., b 1937, ed Sedbergh s, Oxford U, Edinburgh U; Ch Acc, chair of shipbuilding co; Euro cand 1984; formerly Labour for whom he fought Angus South 1979; **Aberdeen South 1983, 1987**

PICKETT, James, b 1929, ed Greenock Acad, Us of Edinburgh, Glasgow and Paris; dir of Inst of Overseas Studies, U of Strathclyde; **Eastwood 1983**

ROSS, Aubrey E., b 1935; lect in law, Metro Police Coll, Hendon; **Kilmarnock & Loudoun 1983**

SAWYER, Robert G. b 1936, ed Wyggeston s, Leicester, LSE; educational t'nologist; **Dumbarton 1983**

SMITH, Dr Keith Anthony, **Edinburgh, Pentlands 1983, 1987** see Lib Dem section

SMITH, Sir Robert Smith, **Aberdeen North 1987** see Lib Dem section

STEWART, David, b 1944, ed Viewforth h s, Kirkcaldy Tech Coll; co dir in telecoms; Kirkcaldy TC, Fife Reg Council; **Kirkcaldy 1987**

SULLIVAN, Denis Robert Emmet, b 1945, ed St Augustine's s, Glasgow School of Art; asst gen sec and editor EIS; formerly Labour; **East Kilbride 1983, 1987**

WATTERS, Ann Margaret, **Clackmannan 1987** see Lib Dem section

WELLS, Sheila, b 1957, ed Gracemount h s, Edinburgh, Napier Coll; hospital manager; **Edinburgh, Leith 1987**

WEDDERBURN, Alexander Allan Innes (Zander), b Edinburgh 1935, ed Edinburgh Accad Oxford U; sen lect Heriot Watt U; Labour cllr Corby BC early 1960s; started own publishing business: the Fledgling Press; Pres British Psychological Soc 2003-04; d 2017; **Falkirk East 1983**