

Aberdeen.

24th February 1968

The eleventh annual dinner of Past Presidents was held within the Imperial Hotel, when the following attended:.

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| W.F. Thomson | 1947 |
| W.K. Gairnie | 1946 |
| R. Haydon | 1949 |
| J. Ramsey | 1952 |
| P. Phipps | 1954 |
| G.R.S. Donn | 1958 |
| W. M. Sharp | 1961 |
| W. Mellors | 1962 |
| G.T.C. Rae | 1963 |
| G. Prescott | 1964 |
| J. Dunne | 1965 |
| J. Reed | 1966 |
| A.D. Spence | 1967 |

with W. Rowan, President as
Guest of Honour.

The Company, with eight wives met
in the Gold Lounge at 6.30 pm for

a Pre-dinner drink at 7 o'clock
the ladies went to a prepared table
in the dining room whilst members
adjourned to the Garden Suite
which was prepared by the tables
being set up in square formation.

As the only Past President in
North District, Tom Reid presided
with the President and immediate
Past President on his right and
Tom Gimsay ("Scribe") and W.
Thomson on his left.

A meal of variety was
enjoyed with wine, conversation
and friendship to aid digestion.

W. Thomson, our eldest member
Proposed the Loyal Toast:

A. D. Spence acceptably and
wittily proposed the good health
and success of the new President
who in his reply declared his
awareness of the honour and

in expressing his doubts of his abilities for the many duties that he has assumed of the support of former Presidents.

Jim Ramsay referred to the Associations officials who earlier in the day had been elected or re-elected in to office and in inviting the Company to toast them requested the Presidents to inform all of the good wishes of Past Presidents.

Conversation was varied in topic but Jim Ramsay's warning of the approach of 1970 and the Commonwealth Games to Scotland, brought his suggestion that we might consider a P.P.'s Dinner in Edinburgh during the period of the Games and that Presidents of Commonwealth Countries

Swimming Associations be our
Guests. The suggestion had
immediate and whole hearted
approval.

Jim Reid referred to the
variety of band decorations at
Scottish events and suggested
we might provide the Association
with a flag. This suggestion
to had approval and Jim
Reid was invited to ascertain
cost.

At 8.30 pm we joined the ladies
in the lounge for coffee after
which we had a showing
of a colour film of the 8th Commonwealth
Games.

At 10.30 tea was served and
the evening continued informally
but enjoyably in conversation
arrangements were effected by
Jim Reid who was suitably
thanked.