

Trades House of Glasgow

Records of the Old Glasgow Club (OGC)

Covering dates: 1792-2012

Extent: 2 linear metres

The Old Glasgow Club (OGC) was formed in 1900 at the instigation of retired shipbroker William Liddell (1827-1908). The Constitution, approved in January 1901 stated that the object of the Club was 'to form a centre of Glasgow gentlemen for the purpose of hearing papers, reminiscences and notes on *Old Glasgow Life*, and to record these for permanent preservation'. By the end of May 1901 the membership had reached forty. From its beginning, part of the Club's purpose was to collect books and papers relative to Glasgow's past and so a library came into being, with a Librarian/Custodian being elected in 1903 to keep a record of them. By 1914, the library was transferred to the Baillies Library, Blythswood Square. The first annual copy of the Transactions was published in August 1904 and continued until August 1938. A new series commenced from 1947, ceasing in 1952. A publication was produced for the 75th anniversary of the Club in 1975 and a *Centenary Handbook* in 2000. Female members were first admitted in 1908, the first woman President being Mrs Agnes McLaren Lockhart in 1935/6. The Club has lobbied to preserve many old Glasgow sites and helped to rescue both the Tolbooth Tower and Provand's Lordship from demolition.

The archives were listed by the Honorary Librarian Mrs Anna Forrest in 2013 at the time they were deposited at the Trades House. The current list was compiled in October 2019 by Mrs Carol Parry, Trades House Honorary Librarian. The OGC library was transferred to the Trades House of Glasgow in 1997 (for a full listing of the contents of the Trades House library see: <https://www.tradeshouselibrary.org>)

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Minutes

1/1	Missing	
1/2	Missing	
1/3	Precis of minutes	1948-1998
1/4	Minute book	1959-1963
1/5	Minute book	1987-2001

Administrative papers

2/1	Cash book	1929-1966
2/2	Attendance book. Includes list of members.	1982-2003
2/3	Correspondence (membership/attendance at meetings etc.)	27 May 1892- 1 Nov 1927
2/4	Correspondence	18 May 1965- 18 Apr 1966
2/5	Correspondence	30 Mar 1966- 15 May 1967
2/6	Correspondence	19 Apr 1969- 18 Feb 1970
2/7	Notice of monthly meeting of OGC.	17 Apr 1905
2/8	OGC programme for opening meeting of Session 1905/06	24 Oct 1905
2/9	Admission ticket, OGC Social Concert	26 Mar 1906
2/10	Acknowledgement of gift of flying suit and Knights of Malta regalia, to Mrs Jan Goudie from Glasgow Museums and Art Gallery.	17 Apr 1989
2/11	Invitation and replies for Civic Reception in Glasgow City Chambers on 4 December 2000 on the occasion of the centenary of the OGC.	Nov/Dec 2000

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2/12	OGC Membership card (syllabus)2000/1, 2001/2, 2003/4, 2004/5, 2005/6	2000-2005
2/13	Agenda for AGM	10 May 2001

Members' Research and Talks

3/1	Photocopy index of OGC lectures, 1900-1933.	
3/2	Papers read at meetings.	1972-1988
3/3	Synopses of talks to OGC	1982-1988
3/4	List of talks session 1999/2000 and 2001/2	1999; 2001
3/5	List of lantern slides plus details on provenance.	n.d.
3/6	Card notes for slides on Old Glasgow.	n.d.
3/7	Typescript. Places named in <i>Charters and other Documents relating to the city of Glasgow 1175-1707</i> and <i>Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Glasgow 1573-1759</i> compiled by O.D. Scott, Dennistoun Library.	n.d.
3/8	MSS notes on history of club by Bob Dunlop.	2000
3/9	Typescript: "100 years of Glasgow 1900-2000" plus photocopies relating to the Highland Light Infantry.	2000
3/10	Glasgow's 100 year milestones compiled by Liz and Graham Smith.	n.d. [c.2000]
3/11	Photocopies and typescript notes relating to milk hygiene and human health.	n.d.
3/12	Printout of slides and notes by Joyce McNee on history of the OGC.	2010
3/13	Transcript of letter dated 25 November 1814 by Jim Russell.	25 Feb 2012

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OGC Archive Files

- 4/1 File entitled "Archive File No 1" containing: 1808-c. 1974
- 1) Phoenix Fire Insurance Policy for a tenement in Milton Street, Port Dundas, 1 July 1812 with receipt for payment to Mr Johnstone and others attached, 4 July 1876.
 - 2) 100 "free fronts" carrying name and address of the sender, of letters that have been posted, 1822-1838.
 - 3) Letter from William Rennie to the Secretary of the O.G.C. relating to Glasgow's fire plaques, 28 February 1950.
 - 4) Title pages of *The Glasgow Mechanics Magazine*, 13 March 1824 and 26 March 1825, with letters relating to the same, March 1936.
 - 5) *Picturesque Views in Glasgow engraved on Steel with historical descriptive illustrations by John Gullan*, Glasgow: J Scott, engraver, 15 Hutchison Street, 1834.
 - 6) Burgess tickets: John Alexander, 'Dentest', 8 October 1792; William Alexander, Taylor, 9 October 1792; James Alexander, Merchant, younger son of James Alexander, Merchant, 8 October 1860; John Alexander, Plumber, eldest son of James Alexander, Merchant, Burgess, 2 May 1862; James Robb, Wright, younger son of James Robb, Wright, 6 September 1842; James Robb, Wright, 3 March 1865.
 - 7) Plan of railway approaches to Glasgow, 1850.
 - 8) Paper negative image of the city of Glasgow from the River Clyde n.d.
 - 9) Photograph of stair landing in Laurieston House, n.d.
 - 10) Photograph of Wee Willie Whites by J.C. Burne, Glasgow.
 - 11) Card of Alexander Mathieson, Plane-maker, 19th century.
 - 12) Typescript article "What a letter of marque really is".
 - 13) Sun Fire Office insurance policy for three thatched cottages occupied Alexander Spiers and others in Tollcross, 15 May 1847.
 - 14) Printed *Seal of Cause by the provost and magistrates of the City of Glasgow in favour of the Incorporation of Wrights in Glasgow*, 3 May 1840. Annotated "James Robb Junr, 10 Sept. 1842".
 - 15) Printed *Extract of the Settlement of the deceased James Gardiner Tobacconist in Glasgow*. Includes

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the establishment of Gardiner's Charity. Printed by E. Miller, Saltmarket, Glasgow, 1808. Annotated "1 Nov 1854, Mr J. Robb Sr, Wm Renison clerk".

- 16) Photograph of interior of St Paul's Parish Church showing war memorial 1914-1919. n.d.
- 17) Photograph of Nellie's Toll, Giffnock, 1890.
- 18) Image of Granny Gibb's Cottage, Partick, n.d.
- 19) Card commemorating service for Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, Govanhill Church, 20 June 1897.
- 20) Two Glasgow Corporation transport transfers c.1974.
- 21) Printed list of members and constitution of the OGC with handwritten annotations, 1900-1904.
- 22) Printed OGC Transactions index, Volume 1, 1908.
- 23) Image of unidentified church.

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| 4/2 | File entitled "Archive File No 2" containing: | 1818-1981 |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Rules, bye-laws and library rules, Bridgeton Working Men's Institute and Club, 19122) Bridgeton Working Men's Cub, building constitution n.d. [c. 1890's]3) Invitation card, Bridgeton Working Men's Club, Grand Opening Ceremony, 21 March 1899.4) Menu, Bridgeton Working Men's Club, Shareholder's Centenary Dinner, 21 March 1965.5) Typescripts "Provan Hall" by J.C. McCrindle, n.d.6) GLASDIG, Glasgow Urban Archaeology Support Group Newsletter, 1,2,6,7,8, 1980-1981.7) OGC roll of members, 31 March 1961.8) Glasgow Heritage Trail, leaflet, n.d. [c.1980]9) Articles and Rules of the Glasgow New Militia Society, 1818. | |
| 4/3 | File of papers relating to the OGC and Glasgow including: | c. 1827-2000 |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Memorial to the Lord Provost anent the proposed removal of St Enoch Church Steeple, Glasgow, n.d. [c.1827]2) Drawing of Provand's Lordship from <i>Glasgow Evening Times</i>, 16 February 1906.3) Printed letter describing activities of OGC, 2 March 1930.4) OGC Syllabus 1929/1930.5) Notice of OGC AGM on 8 May 1906.6) Notice of musical evening on 20 October 1927.7) Constitution and rules of OGC, n.d. | |

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- 8) Notice of meeting with talk on "Glasgow's Progress in Art" by Mr Rennie, n.d.
- 9) Bookmark commemorating Glasgow Civic and Empire Week, 29 May – 6 June 1931.
- 10) Design for OGC President's chain of office, n.d.
- 11) Typescript "Origin and History of the Glasgow Police", n.d.
- 12) Notices copied from Glasgow newspapers 1799-1817 including meeting of subscribers, Glasgow Botanic Gardens, 1817; Kelvingrove Mansion, 1817.
- 13) Financial statement of OGC, 6 February 1906.
- 14) Report of first OGC summer outing on 8 June 1906
- 15) OGC list of members, 1947-2000
- 16) Springburn Museum Trust, Newsletter No. 5, n.d.
- 17) Letter from L.M. Reid, Headteacher, Bisbane Primary School to Mr R. Dunlop regarding loan of book on Largs, 21 January 1982.
- 18) Article from *Scottish Field*, "A Mackintosh Dresser", by George Smith, April 1974.
- 19) Typescript: "The Clydebank Blitz", S2 History, n.d.
- 20) Article by Scottish Urban Archaeological Trust Ltd "The 'College Lands' Development: 600 years of heritage", n.d. [c. 1980]
- 21) Details of proposed excavations at Cathedral Square and Bishops Castle, Scottish Urban Archaeological Trust, 3 June 1987.
- 22) Typescript relating to the "Clyde Story", 1982.

OGC Outings

5/1	Scrapbook containing photographs of OGC outings	1983-1992
5/2	Scrapbook containing photographs of OGC outings	1994-2000

OGC Library and Property

6/1	Gifts and property book	1903-1981
6/2	Property book	1981-2006
6/3	File relating to library including notes on Robert Dunlop's role as Librarian, donation of property to Glasgow Museums and Library Reports.	1964-2006
6/4	File relating to library containing instructions for procedure and lists of books.	1988-1999

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6/5	Trades House book catalogue compiled by Robert Dunlop	1995
6/6	Papers relating to duplicate OGC <i>Transactions</i> . Includes minutes of Directors' Meeting, 19 January 2012.	2012
6/7	Book acquisitions	2012

Scrap Books and Newspaper Cuttings/Newspapers.

7/1	Cuttings book entitled "Old Glasgow Club Scrap Album No 1". Includes newspaper cuttings, OGC correspondence and meeting cards 1900-1955, a copy of The Exhibition Illustrated, 6 July 1901, Glasgow Herald View of the International Exhibition, 1901, receipt for goods from Andrew Liddell & Co., Ironmongers, Smiths & Brass Founders, Glasgow, 1829; meetings of the Pleasure Excursion Committee, Bells Coffee House, Trongate, 4 July 1849; group photograph at Wallace's Well, Robroyston c.1900.	1829-1955
7/2	File of newspaper cuttings including "What I have seen in Glasgow" by John Urie, <i>Glasgow Weekly News</i> 5 May 1906-4 Aug 1906 and "The Covenanters of Scotland" by T.P. Wilson, from the <i>Churchman's Magazine</i> , April 1948.	1902-1986
7/3	Newspaper cuttings book "Scrapbook No 3".	1956-1958
7/4	Newspaper cuttings book "Scrapbook No 4".	1959-2001
7/5	Newspaper cuttings book.	1976-2008
7/6	Newspaper cuttings book "Scrapbook No 6".	2001-2006
7/7	Newspaper cuttings book "Scrapbook No 7".	2003-2004
7/8	Newspaper cuttings book "Scrapbook No 8". Empty.	
7/9	Cuttings book.	1956-1960
7/10	Newspaper cuttings book.	1962-1976
7/11	Newspaper cuttings	1969-2008
7/12	Facsimile edition of <i>Glasgow Advertiser</i> , 27 January 1783.	n.d.

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7/13	Facsimile edition of <i>The Sunday Post</i> , 11 June 1944.	1994
7/14	<i>The Glasgow Herald</i> (2 copies)	16 Mar 1953
7/15	<i>Interchange: Greater Glasgow Passenger Transport Executive Staff Newspaper</i> .	Dec 1976
7/16	<i>Flourish</i> : the official journal of the Glasgow Archdiocese, Papal souvenir edition.	June 1982
7/17	<i>The Glasgow Herald</i> , Bicentenary Edition	27 Jan 1983
7/18/1-4	<i>The Glaswegian</i> : The Paper for the People of Greater Glasgow.	8, 15, 29 Apr 1989; 6 May 1989
7/19	<i>Culture City</i> , issue 46.	Nov 1989
7/20	Souvenir edition of <i>The Daily Record</i> "100 Years".	30 Oct 1995
7/21	<i>Strathclyde Tram News</i> .	1 Mar 1996
7/22	Souvenir edition of <i>East End Independent</i> "Millenium Moments".	Dec 1999
7/23	<i>Daily Record</i> tribute to Donald Dewar.	12 Oct 2000
7/24	<i>Go: Museum of Transport Magazine</i>	c. 2003
7/25	<i>The Evening Times</i> "Times Past". Series on the history of Glasgow.	2004-2007
7/26	Cutting from <i>The Herald</i> on commemoration of 100 years since women joined the OGC 11 January 2008 together with <i>Glasgow: the Council's Magazine for the People of Glasgow</i> with article on the OGC.	2008

Deposited Archives

8/1	Account book, Robert Miller Wright and Trunk Maker, 31 Stirling Street, Glasgow	2 Jul 1802- 16 Jun 1803
8/2	Police/watchmen report book. Presented by Lothian Police, Glasgow, 1903.	24 Dec 1816

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8/3	Minute book, Printers and Bookbinders Friendly Society, Glasgow. List of members at back.	28 Sept 1821- 18 Sept 1846
8/4	Account book of John Reid, Hairdresser, 126 Stockwell Street, Glasgow.	1832-1834
8/5	Minute book, Glasgow Polytechnic Association for establishing and conducting a polytechnic institution in the City of Glasgow.	8 Apr 1857- 5 Mar 1858
8/6	Minute book of the Fifth Municipal Ward Committee, Glasgow.	20 Oct 1868- 7 Feb 1881
8/7	Invoice, James Burgess, Glass Merchant and Glazier, Glasgow.	29 Nov 1893
8/8/ 1-4	Items relating to musical concerts: 1) Programme, Farewell Recital, Cortot, St Andrew's Hall, Glasgow, 18 May 1953 2) Programme, Eastbank Senior Secondary School Concert, 19 & 20 May 1953 3) Programme, Luigi Infantino, St Andrew's Hall, Glasgow, 10 February 1953 4) Part of ticket for "The Jewels of the Madonna" and "Faust", Theatre Royal, Glasgow, April/May 1954.	1953-1954
8/9/1-4	Glasgow Buildings Guardian Committee 1) Minutes and Agenda, 5 Nov 1990-22 April 1991 2) Correspondence 1982-1986 3) File on redundant churches, April -May 1985 4) Scrap book, 1983-1984	1982-1991
8/10	Papers and Agenda, Glasgow Urban Design Panel.	19 Apr 2007
8/11/1-10	Glasgow Draft Conservation Appraisals: St Vincent Crescent; Strathbungo; Scotstoun; Crosshill; Millbrae; Hazelwood; Parkhead Cross; Dennistoun; Snuff Mill; Carmunnock; Walmer Crescent.	Nov 2003- Feb 2004

Artefacts

9/1	Trophy. OGC bowling competition. Winner James Burns.	Jun 1999.
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