

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs Gillian Shirreffs was elected President of the Club at the annual general meeting in November 1991, in succession to Mr Eddie Martin. She was born to a climbing family in the Welsh borders, and developed a love for the mountains. Gillian came to Aberdeen University in 1967, became involved in hill walking and joined the Club in 1970, a month after Richard, now Club Secretary, whom she married in 1973. She became a medical social worker following an MA Honours degree in Sociology and a post-graduate diploma in Applied Social Studies.

Gillian first joined the Club committee in 1978 and took a leading role in the institution of the annual barbecue and wine and cheese party, and later the weekend meets. She became Vice-President in 1986 and was involved in the arrangement of centenary events the following year. Gillian has championed the cause of younger members and her twin daughters joined the Club on reaching the admission age of 16. She expects to complete the Munros soon, reserving An Teallach for last. Gillian has written an account of her first two years as president which appears on page 152.

