

THE REEL RADIO

by Andy Ross

* Canadian tour

I will start with BBC Radio Scotland and am really looking forward to September 18th when the whole "Take The Floor" programme will be filled by The Cape Breton Symphony Fiddle along with Bobby Brown and the Scottish Accent. I was present when this programme was taped on 21st August in the Town Hall, Elgin, and our visitors from Canada certainly made an unforgettable impact on those present. I hope Freeland Barbour managed to capture the feeling and atmosphere of the occasion. For the next couple of Saturdays the programme will again be out and about—on 25th September at Keith for the first broadcast by the popular Foundry Bar Band from Arbroath.

* Forth, Robin Brock is a busy lad and my spy in the Edinburgh area tells me he has had some great programmes in recent weeks, including a cracker from The Cape Breton visitors. *

* On Saturday, 21st August, we combined with the Elgin Strathspey and Reel Society to enable us to bring the Cape Breton Symphony Fiddle, plus Bobby Brown and the Scottish Accent to Elgin Town Hall. They played to a capacity crowd of 800 with people coming from all over the area to hear them.

This was an unforgettable night and we hope to see Bobby and the Canadians back very soon with their own unique and fantastic sound. What a great climax to the summer meetings this has been.