

Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre



DECEMBER 2014

Electronic Edition

Local Christmas Card Deliveries

The Triangle Club will be delivering Christmas cards again this year on Rousay.

Collection boxes will be at the usual locations.

Deliveries will be made in December, last card collection date will be on the 19th.

Donations to the Triangle Club.



What's On at a Glance

December 2014

Tuesday, 2nd

→ Taversoe InnQUIZition, 8pm

Wednesday, 3rd

→ Children's Art Club, The Craffthub, 3.15 - 4.15pm

Friday, 5th

→ Service, St. Mary's Chapel, Westness, 11.30am

Sunday, 7th

→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am
→ Mince Pies and Mulled Wine Christmas Afternoon, The Craffthub, 2pm - 4pm

Tuesday, 9th

→ Special Refuse Collection

Wednesday, 10th

→ Children's Art Club, The Craffthub, 3.15 - 4.15pm

Tuesday, 16th

→ Secret Santa, The Taversoe, 8pm

Wednesday, 17th

→ Christmas Service, Rousay School, 2.15pm

Sunday, 21st

→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

Wednesday, 24th

→ Service, Church Centre, 7.30pm

Sunday, 28th

→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am
→ RNLI Curry Night, Pier Restaurant

Every Tuesday

→ Rousay Tai Chi Chuan, Church Centre, 3.15pm - 5.15pm

Every Friday

→ Stitch & Knit, Rousay School



SUPPORTING OUR HEROES

A total of £186.46 has been sent, from the school, to the **Poppy Appeal**, this year.

The money raised was from:

- Collection Tins at various outlets on Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre - £108.46
- Crochet Poppies made by schoolchildren - £21
- Taversoe Curry Buffet - £57

A big thank you to all who contributed.



R.N.L.I.

on **SUNDAY 28th**
DECEMBER
a **CURRY NIGHT**
at **PIER RESTAURANT**

ADULTS £6
UNDER 12's £3

Everybody welcome



Service

The Bishop of Aberdeen and Orkney will be holding a service in St Mary's Chapel, Westness on Friday 5 December at 1130.

Cancellation of the Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council Meeting

Please note that the meeting of the REWGCC on the 6.12.14 has been cancelled.

The next meeting will be held on 7.2.15 @ 10.15 a.m. in the Church Centre.



All items for the January 2015 Review should be received by The Editor by

Saturday 27 December 2014,

5pm

Old calendars that can make a comeback in 2015

Happy will be the folk who heeded my thrifty tip back in in 2010 and put away their 2009 calendars for redeployment in 2015. But for those who missed (or ignored) this advice, all is not lost, as there are calendars from other years that can come to your rescue and save you all the effort and expense of purchasing new ones.

This year we have been commemorating the centenary of the outbreak of the Great War. Perhaps you found a 1914 calendar to put in an exhibition marking the event. Well, now you can bring it home again and hang it on your wall for the whole of 2015.

Maybe the Skea family of Sanday kept a calendar from 1970, the year Margaret Skea of North Myre celebrated her own centenary. If they did, they can use it again (potentially for the sixth time).

Staying on Sanday, 1903 (another year calendrically identical to 2015) saw the passing away of the radical Rev Matthew Armour, the first of three Orkney councillors to bide (to date) at the West Manse.

And on the subject of councillors, in 1942 the Secretary of State for Scotland opened new council offices at 6 Broad Street, Kirkwall (where "The Reel" is now situated). Far fewer bureaucrats could fit in that building than occupy the current council offices at School Place! Those were the days ... well worth having kept a calendar for.

Of course, back then School Place was still a school, renamed "Kirkwall Grammar School" by the Education Committee in 1931. That year's calendar is also valid for 2015.

There are two years significant to St Magnus' Cathedral whose calendars can be reused next year: 1925, when the two skeletons discovered during restoration work were identified to be those of St Magnus and St Rognvald, and 1987, the building's 850th anniversary. Both Her Majesty The Queen and Her Majesty The Queen Mother visited Orkney for the anniversary celebrations, as did King Olav V of Norway, so many people

are bound to have kept a calendar from that year. And there are surely plenty of calendars around from 1953, saved as a souvenir of Her Majesty's coronation.

Other suitable calendars are those for 1959, the year Orcadian poet, novelist and translator, Edwin Muir died, and 1981, a decennial census year in which Orkney's population was found to have increased for the first time in the 20th century.

How many connoisseurs kept a 1998 calendar to go with their Highland Park bicentenary whisky? Bring both out for the New Year!

And at Hogmanay, when you take down your 2014 calendars, do not forget to store them away in a safe place to use again in 2025.

Stephen Clackson, West Manse, Sanday



Services in the Church Centre

Sunday 30th November, 11.30am
Roy Cordukes

Sunday 7th December, 11.30am
Local



Wednesday 17th December, 2.15pm
Christmas Service at **Rousay School**
Roy Cordukes

Sunday 21st December, 11.30am
Local



Christmas Eve, 7.30pm
Readings & Carols

Sunday 28th December, 11.30am
Roy Cordukes

All welcome.



Rousay Tai Chi Chuan Group

Every Tuesday at the Church Centre
Classes start at 3:15 p.m. until 5:15 p.m.

Excellent gentle exercise
to educate your body.

For all ages and abilities.



All Welcome.

Mike Henderson—Senior Instructor
Wutan Tai Chi Chuan

Currently £5.00 per session but this may
reduce if more people attend.

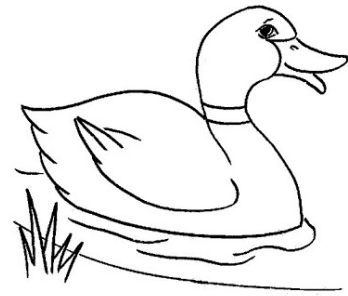
Children must be accompanied
by an adult at all times.



For Sale

Rabbit Hutch - stand included £30 or nearest offer.
Pretty heavy, please arrange collection.

Ring Maureen - 07525 688754



Free to Good Home

15 Ducks & Drakes - mostly Aylesbury

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Free to Good Home

New/un-opened
and free to a good home.

One set of C3/C6 Jet Tec ink
cartridges (black and all colours).

Suitable for a Canon BCI-3eB, BCI-6C/
M/Y, Bubble Jet i560, 1895, Prima
iP3000, iP4000/R, iP5000, MP750,
MP760 & MP780

Please call Helen on 821410

For Sale

Skywatcher Explorer 130M
Newtonian Reflector
Telescope

Good starter telescope.

Boxed, and in
'as new' condition -
ideal for Christmas.

Telephone 821 360



Large ornate
cherub birdbath
69.99

Large lion
39.99

For Sale

Large sofa 75.00
Swivel rocker cane chair 20.00
Dell monitor 20.00

Trish 821424



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ornaments please visit
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The Taversoe

Taversoe InnQUIZition

8pm Tuesday 2nd December

Fun Quiz, Free Entry

Light Snack Supper

This month a portion of the Snowball Jackpot will be donated to CLAN in honour of Nick Gould



SUPPORTING OUR HEROES

Remembrance Sunday

A huge thank you to all who attended the Curry Buffet on Remembrance Sunday. We raised £57 from the day. This was added to the Poppy Appeal collection



Secret Santa

Tuesday December 16th

Present Swop by the Tree 8pm

Eggnog, Mulled Wine, Nibbles

The draw is in progress, please stop by or let me know if you'd like me to draw for you



The Taversoe

Winter Opening Hours

Monday & Tuesday - CLOSED*

Wednesday/Thursday/Friday - 12 noon to 2pm & 5pm to 11pm**

Saturday - 12 noon to 11pm**

Sunday - 12 noon to 10.30pm**

Kitchen last orders Wed-Sat 9pm & Sun 7.30pm

* We will be open at 6.30pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month for The Taversoe InnQUIZition

** If the Taversoe is empty at 9pm we will close

Advance Notices for January:



Closed Dates for January

The Taversoe will be closed on the following days in January:

Thursday 15th, Friday 16th, Saturday 17th, & Sunday 18th

We will, however, be open for the Poker on Sunday Evening

Sunday Roast

January 11th 2015

Traditional Roast Lunch

12.30pm Booking Appreciated

Tel: 821 325

Christmas & New Year Opening Times



Pier Restaurant, Rousay

Christmas Eve	4.30pm to 10pm
Christmas Day	Closed
Boxing Day	Closed
Saturday 27th December	3pm to 11pm
Sunday 28th December	Closed
Monday 29th December	4.30pm to 11pm
Tuesday 30th December	4.30pm to 11pm
New Years Eve	4.30pm to midnight
Thursday 1st January	Closed
Friday 2nd January	Closed
Saturday 3rd January	Open subject to Folk music people visiting from the town
Sunday 4th January	Closed



Normal winter opening hours resume Monday 5th January.

Tingwall Office



Mon 22 Dec	0830-1600
Tues 23 Dec	0830-1600
Wed 24 Dec	0830-1600
Thurs 25 Dec	Closed
Fri 26 Dec	Closed
Sat 27 Dec	Closed
Sun 28 Dec	Closed
Mon 29 Dec	0830-1600
Tues 30 Dec	0830-1600
Wed 31 Dec	0830-1600
Thurs 1 Jan	Closed
Fri 2 Jan	Closed
Sat 3 Jan	Closed
Sun 4 Jan	Closed

Normal opening hours resume on Monday 5 January.



Monday 22nd - Closed
 Tuesday 23rd - Closed
 Wednesday 24th (Xmas Eve) - Bar open 5pm to Midnight
 Thursday 25th (Xmas Day) - Closed
 Friday 26th (Boxing Day) - Bar open 5pm to Midnight
 Saturday 27th - Open usual hours 12 to 11pm
 Sunday 28th - Open usual hours 12 to 10.30pm
 Monday 29th - Closed
 Tuesday 30th - Closed
 Wednesday 31st (New Years Eve) - Bar open 5pm to Midnight
 Thursday 1st (New Years Day) - Closed
 Friday 2nd - Closed
 Saturday 3rd - Usual Winter Opening Hours Commence

M.V. Eynhallow

There will be no sailings on 25th & 26th December and 1st & 2nd January.

All other sailings are as per timetable.



Refuse Collections



Saturday 27 December
 Saturday 3 January



Development Trust

The Office will close on Thursday 18th December (3pm), and will re-open on Monday 5th January.

Christmas Greetings

Hi to all our customers and friends.
 We are not sending Christmas cards this year.
 We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
 We will give the Triangle Club a donation instead.



From Edwin and Itha

Season's Greetings

From all at Bigland.

Season's Greetings

Much love to all our neighbours and friends on Egilsay Rousay and Wyre. Especially this Christmas festive season and into 2015. From Peter Frances and James Roebuck o' the Glebe ☺ And from Sybil too! ☺

Roy's Christmas Message

Christmas! Love it? Hate it? Happy to Ignore it?

I don't know how you're feeling about this Christmas. For parents or grandparents of young children there's the anticipation of seeing Christmas once more through the eyes of a child; there's wonder at all the decorations, the expectancy of Christmas Day, and the joy of tearing away wrapping paper to reveal a new toy to play with. It might be an important family time, or the chance just to take time out and do very little. For some it can be a difficult time of year, struggling to afford to buy numerous presents, or a time that brings back sad memories.



Behind all the modern commercialisation, though it may take a bit of finding these days, there is a Christian festival that's has nothing much to do with snow, tinsel, reindeer, Father Christmas, turkey and seemingly compulsory over-indulgence.

It's really all about a birthday; celebrating the day Gods' son was born as a vulnerable baby boy to a young couple in very ordinary circumstances. That baby was given the name Jesus (Saviour) as a gift to us. The baby grew up as a perfect person, revealing to us what God is like and consequently changing the course of human history. In Jesus we see that God is love. His teaching along with the way he showed compassion for the sick, the outcast and the oppressed, show us today how to live the loving, satisfying, peaceful and joyful lives we were meant to live.

The religious leaders of his time were upset by his teaching and thought that by getting rid of him on a cross, that would be the end of his radical ideas. 2,000 years later people all over the world are still discovering that Jesus is a life changing gift, worth unwrapping and receiving for themselves.

Through the Christmas Services at Evie, Firth, Rendall and Rousay we will be re-telling this ancient story through carols, readings and times of reflection. So this year why not discover the true Christmas and join in the birthday celebrations at the Church Centre or a church near wherever you are spending this Christmas. A party that once had angels, shepherds, wise men and of course a star!



Wishing you Christ's joy and peace this Christmas.

Roy

Rev. Roy Cordukes, Church of Scotland minister for Evie, Firth, Rendall and Rousay (with Egilsay and Wyre).

As a parish minister based in Finstown, I am available to offer spiritual or pastoral support not just to church members but to anyone in the parishes.

I can be contacted on 01856 761328 or 07713 173529 or by email: minister@cordukes.plus.com

Harvest Home Supper & Dance

*“Excellent band,
Super dance,
Brilliant food.
Well done Rousay!”*



Stitch & Knit

Every Friday
Green Room
Come & join us



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news and events:

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AroundRousay](https://www.facebook.com/AroundRousay)



The Craffhub c.i.c.

A Very Merry Christmas to all our Crafters and Customers

CRAFTHUB NEWS

Thank you to all those who came along to the Wine and Cheese Evening. Sales were brisk and some customers took advantage of placing orders early for Christmas gifts. If you have not yet popped in, there is still time. **The Craffhub** will have a table at the Christmas Bazaar on Sunday 30th November and will be open Monday – Friday 1pm -4pm running up to Christmas.

Poppy Appeal Money

The Craffhub raised £100 for The Poppy Appeal this year, with the sale of beautiful poppies, knitted by Wendy Carroll. We were very pleased to have raised £100 for the 100th Anniversary of World War One.

EVENTS

Mince Pies and Mulled Wine Christmas Afternoon

Come along to The Craffhub on Sunday 7th December from 2pm – 4pm

Lots of ideas for Christmas gifts for all the family. Join us for a fun afternoon, meet friends, browse and enjoy the wealth of hand made local products from our talented crafters. Children welcome.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Sheila Scott has donated a beautiful silk painting of 'An Orkney Outhouse'. for the Christmas Raffle. Tickets are £1 each, have you bought yours yet?

GIFT VOUCHERS

Gift Vouchers from £5.00 upwards can be purchased from **The Craffhub**. A perfect gift for Christmas or birthdays.

WORKSHOPS AT THE CRAFTHUB

Children's Art Club at **The Craffhub** after school on Wednesdays from 3.15pm – 4.30pm.

Please note – Wednesday 10th December will be the last Art Club before Christmas.

Phone Hilary at The Craffhub 821455 for further information on the above.

WINTER OPENING HOURS

The Craffhub will be open from 1pm-4pm Monday to Friday until 19th December. Phone Doreen on 821223 to open at other times.



With Funding From Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre Development Trust



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Thank you to everyone who came along to our Annual General Meeting in November. If you were unable to attend, or if you would like further information on the Trust's activities, please contact the Office.

Demand Side Management

The Trust has been successful in an application to the local energy challenge fund for £29,488.40 to develop this IIF project into a commercial scale roll-out of grid smart heating and EV charging across the North Isles. This award is a phase one award which allows the Trust to apply for phase two which closes on 6th February 2015 for grant funding in excess of £1 million. The aim is to provide rebated electricity to households who wish to take part, and the Trust will be conducting a telephone survey of residents in forthcoming months.

Christmas & New Year

The Office will close on Thursday 18th December at 3pm, and will re-open on Monday 5th January 2015. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Grants, Loans and Education Bursaries

Grant/loan application forms are available to download from our website, or alternatively please contact the Office.

Starting an educational course? The Trust offers bursaries for training courses and qualifications. Application forms are available to download from our website, or please contact the Office.

Here2Help

The Trust currently provides a subsidy towards the cost of Age Concern Orkney's **Here2Help** service.

If you would like more information on this service, please contact Caron Jenkins at Age Concern Orkney - telephone 872438 or e-mail caron@ageconcernorkney.org.uk

Community Broadband Fund

To assist domestic households who may seek to improve their broadband connection speeds, the Board has agreed to put aside a total fund of £2,000 to meet the equipment and installation costs for faster broadband, until the end of March 2015. Application forms are available to download from our website, or please contact the Office.

Wi-Fi Centres

Our Wi-Fi centres at Rousay School, Egilsay Community Hall, and Wyre Community Hall are fully operational. Wi-Fi broadband access is available, together with a laptop computer and printer.

Office 'Drop-In' Times


Our 'Drop-In' times are usually 10am to 12 noon on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. It is better to give us a call before you come, to check we are not out on Trust business.

Contact Us

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Website: www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/rewdevtrust

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Letter from School Place

In 86 years, Sanday has never won the Parish Cup. At the Sanday Harvest Home, Jocky Wood proffered advice on how a change of goalie could make all the difference. He suggested recruiting Malcolm Lennie's prize-winning Suffolk yowe, Killer Queen. She'd be strategically directed back and forth across the goalmouth with Neigarth's vegetables, and encouraged to leap up to the crossbar to deflect the high shots by Rosemary Newton's fruit scones spread with Sanday Honey. I fear this might be sending a lamb to the slaughter — particularly if my bees take exception to this use of their honey!

At Westray's community council meeting, drink-driving continues to be an issue — a matter of concern on other islands too. A problem we have in the North Isles is a lack of a police presence in the form of special constables. In the whole of the ward there are only four, and half of those are on Papay! I have been in touch with the police commander for the Highlands & Islands, and, as a result, he is looking into running a recruitment campaign specifically for the Isles, with training requirements tailored to the area. In the meantime, if anyone is interested in applying to become a special constable, there is information on Police Scotland's website at: <http://www.scotland.police.uk/recruitment/special-constables/>

I was one of three councillors to attend the Orkney Youth Conference. It was a shame that the bad weather and cancelled ferry sailings prevented pupils coming in from the Isles' Junior Highs. I sat in on several of the workshops, learning, among other things, a lot I didn't know about the Young Scot Card and its uses, for example, that it makes you eligible for some free journeys on Orkney Ferries (weather permitting!). I am a great fan of Alex Leonard and his "Giddy Limit" cartoon strip in The Orcadian, so I was delighted to join the workshop in which he taught us how to draw "Davoo". You can see my attempt, below:



At the UHI Foundation meeting in Inverness, the Deputy Principal thanked me for the loan of my doctoral bonnet as a temporary UHI doffing cap at the Orkney graduations, and its use was formally acknowledged in the Orkney College report presented to the College Management Council. I have also been busy on the College Management Council's Quality Working Group. At the Education, Leisure & Housing meeting I voted in favour of free school meals for all nursery pupils, but it was defeated by one vote on an amendment by the convener. I shared Cllr John Richards's relief that the Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) had not gone under the originally-proposed title of Strategic Housing Investment Target ...

Somebody asked me how many of the meetings I attend are confidential. The short answer is any meeting (or part of a meeting) that is not explicitly open to the public. (The general meetings of the Council and committee and sub-committee meetings are open to the public except for items containing information exempted from publication by virtue of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.) Meetings falling into this category that I've participated in this month are those of the Change Programme Board, the Members' Forum, and Staff Appeals Committee; a video conference with the Scottish Air Ambulance Service, and our 2nd budget-setting seminar. I am, however, allowed to report from the first of these the launch of a public survey, which, among other things, is hoping to gain an improved understanding of the ways in which the public wishes to engage with the Council, and to gather ideas for service improvements. It can be found online at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/OICChangeProgramme>

This month I have also attended a meeting of the Human Resources Sub-Committee, and the annual joint meeting of the Licensing Board and the Local Licensing Forum.

On the 10th December I shall be in Shapinsay for their community council meeting.

The festive season will soon be upon us, so I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

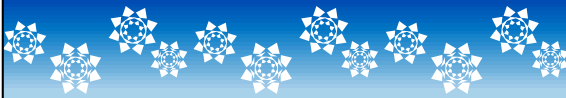
Stephen

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson

West Manse, Sanday

stephen.clackson@orkney.gov.uk

Pier Bar



WINTER OPENING TIMES:

Monday	4.30pm to 11pm
Tuesday	4.30pm to 11pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	4.30pm to 11pm
Friday	4.30pm to 11pm
Saturday	3pm to 11pm
Sunday	4.30pm to 8.30pm

Please note if there are less than four people in the bar, we will close at 8pm.

Mobile Library

The Orkney Mobile Library van will not visit Rousay and Egilsay in December - it's next visit will be on Thursday 15th January 2015.

Timetable

Rousay School	9am - 9.50am
Hurtiso	10am - 10.45am
Wasbister	11am - 11.45am
Frotoft	12pm - 12.45pm
Rousay Pier	1pm - 1.15pm
Egilsay	1.30pm - 1.40pm



Surgery Opening Times (Tel.: 821 265)

(Note: the Doctor will not always be present or available during these hours)

Monday	9:00-12:30	16:30-18:30
Tuesday	9:00-11:30	
Wednesday	9:00-11:30	17:30-19:30
Thursday	9:00-11:30	
Friday	9:00-11:30	16:30-18:30

If you require medical assistance in an emergency, please phone **999**. If you require urgent medical advice, and cannot wait until the surgery is open, please contact the Balfour switchboard on **888000** and ask them to page the Rousay GP.

If you need to order medication when the surgery is closed, you can leave a message on the answering machine, or e-mail us on:
ork-hb.gp38084-rousay@nhs.net

Please be as specific as possible about which medications you require, to prevent delays in ordering.

The Nurse is on Rousay on Wednesdays and Thursdays. She can be contacted directly on 821 406.

Special Refuse Collection

Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre

9 December

Contact OIC (873535) to book.

Vacancy for the Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council

YOUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

Want to get involved in making decisions that benefit the local community?

Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council have a vacancy and the committee would love to hear from any residents of the area who may be willing to join them to form a full complement of members.

The election would be by secret ballot at a public meeting and any person wishing to stand has to be included in the Electoral Register for the area.

Please contact Angus Firth, Chairman,
Tel: 01856 821200

Email: angus.snagglepuss@googlemail.com
or

Diana Compton, Clerk, Tel: 01856 821496
Email: rewgcc@btinternet.com to ask about what's involved and put your name forward.
(Confirmation of your willingness to stand would be required in writing)

The next meeting of the REWGCC is
Saturday, 7 February 2015
@ 10.15 in the Church Centre, Rousay.

All items for the January 2015 Review should be received by
The Editor, Kayleigh Tipper, by **Saturday 27 December 2014, 5pm.**

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