

Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre



REVIEW



March 2015

Electronic Edition



Church Services in March Church Centre, 11.30am

Sunday 1st March
Local

Saturday 7th March
World Day of Prayer
Roy Cordukes

Sunday 15th March
Local

Sunday 22nd March
Local

Sunday 29th March
Roy Cordukes
Congregational AGM

Everyone welcome.



Tuesday 10th March 2015

Members Night

Entertainment planning
for our visit to
South Ronaldsay Branch

Come along with ideas
for the programme

Refreshments served

8pm at the
Community Hall

Competitions

1. A bowl of bulbs
2. 3 cheese scones

What's On at a Glance

March 2015

Sunday, 1st

→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

Tuesday, 3rd

→ InnQUIZition, The Taversoe, 8pm

Saturday, 7th

→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

→ District Challenge, The Taversoe,
7.30pm for 8pm

Tuesday, 10th

→ SWRI Members Night

Wednesday, 11th

→ REWGCC Meeting, Church Centre,
10.15am

Thursday, 12th

→ Mobile Library Van

→ Rousay Circle Dance, Church
Centre, 11.15am-2pm

→ Singaling Ladies, The Crafhub, 8pm

Saturday, 14th

→ St. Patrick's Day, The Taversoe

Sunday, 15th

→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

→ Mother's Day Roast Lunch, The
Taversoe, 12.30pm

Sunday, 22nd

→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

Sunday, 29th

→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

Every Wednesday

→ Art Club, The Crafhub, 3.15pm-
4.30pm



IN AID OF R.N.L.I. FUNDS

March 7th at TAVERSOE
a DISTRICT CHALLENGE
7.30 for 8.00

Paddy is Question Master
SUPPER / RAFFLES / GREAT FUN

We are looking for a team from each
district. If you would to take part please get
in contact with:

KATH BUCANNAN 821 429 for Frotoft

ZOE FLAWS 821 454 for Brinian

JILL WIGLEY 821 293 for Sourin

SHELAGH GREIVE 821 283 for Wester



Mobile Library

The Orkney Mobile
Library van will next
visit Rousay and
Egilsay on Thursday
12th March 2015.



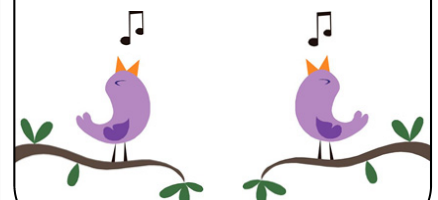
Service

at St Mary's chapel,
Westness,
on Friday 20 March
at 11.30 am.

All very welcome.

Singaling Ladies

Thursday 12th March
at 8pm at The Crafhub



Taversoe InnQUIZition

Tuesday 3rd March 8pm

Fun Quiz, Free Entry

Light Snack Supper

Snowball Jackpot

St. Patrick's Day



Celebrate St Patrick's Day

@ The Taversoe on Saturday March 14th

Guinness, Green Beer, & Irish Stew

Join me for my last St Pat's as a Maguire!!

Mother's Day

Sunday March 15th

Roast Lunch 12.30

Please phone if you'd like to reserve a table

Tel: 821 325

District Challenge

RNLI Event

Saturday March 7th

Advance Notices for April:

Taversoe InnQUIZition

Tuesday 7th April 8pm

Fun Quiz, Free Entry

Light Snack Supper

Snowball Jackpot



Americas Buffet

Sunday April 22nd at 12.30

Exploring the Cuisine of the Americas

From Anguilla to Venezuela

Please call to reserve a table 821 325

Rousay Heritage Trust

Orkney Summer Festivals

RHT are thinking of applying for funding to put on a late ferry so that residents can attend one of the summer festivals. We want to find out the likely take up so that we know if it is worth us applying for the funding.

Please can you let Helen [RHT secretary] know if you would be interested in coming along. Helen can be contacted either on 821229, email Helen@rewdt.org or in person by dropping into the Development Trust's offices during their opening hours.

Helen will want to know the following; -

- Which festival you wish to go to i.e. Folk Festival in May, St. Magnus Festival in June, Stromness Shopping Week Festival in July, or the Blues Weekend in September.
- Would you like a bus to be hired to take you to and from Tingwall to the festival location.
- What time would you like the late ferry to leave Tingwall for the return journey to Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre.

Offers

Carved modern pine twin beds complete with mattress, 3 drawer side cabinets, electric blankets and bedding.

All in excellent condition.

Call Terry @ 821 324

Wanted

Has any kind soul ☺ got a shed or somewhere dry we could work in with our moulding please. We are having to work outside and it's cold. Only temp till we sort something out.

Contact Trish 821424.



For Sale

Stone ornaments



Stone lambs and stunning calf

Painted any breed colour.

Contact Trish or Jim 821 424

FOR SALE

BRNO Humane Killer/Captive Bolt Stunner is like brand-new complete in carry bag. Only fired a few times complete with charges & instructions
No Fire Arms Permit needed. Cost £225 Price £100.

Wolseley Harrier Electric Sheep Shears in carry case/box complete with re-sharpened blades
In good condition - only lightly used. Price £80

Please ring - 0785 4049418 / 821208



Ornate stone benches

Minus the zombie and skull.

Contact 821 424

For Sale

Modern grey curved settee

25.00

821 424 Trish



For Sale

Single divan bed as in new condition.

30.00

Please contact Sue 821 405

Wanted

Small coffee table/occasional table



Can collect

Contact Hilary Byland

821400/821455



Large stone tractor trailer planters

Approx weight 80kgs.

Contact Trish 821 424



The Craffhub C.I.C.

A.G.M.

Thank you to those who attended the A.G.M. of The Craffhub at the end of January. Some Directors have now stood down from Directors Duties, although they will all still be involved with The Craffhub as crafters and volunteers in the shop. A big thank you goes to Bridget Woodford, Doreen Taylor and Joseph Hewes for all their hard work and dedication in our first 2 years of trading.

We would like to welcome Eric Shortland and Helen Castle as new Directors of The Craffhub. Helen will be our Treasurer this year.

RAMP UP THE RED EVENT

A big thank you to all those who braved the weather to attend our Ramp Up the Red Event in February. Everyone enjoyed an informal afternoon, with red refreshments and a Red Raffle. We raised £103.41 for The British Heart Foundation from donations, raffle and 'Red' sales. Thanks again.

Orkney Creative Hub - read more on our website www.craffhuborkney.co.uk Blog page

There is an exciting new proposal for the former Ortak buildings in Kirkwall aiming to provide a central site for education, development and enterprise opportunities for artists, designers and crafters of all ages and abilities, across many disciplines, from within and outwith Orkney. This project needs the support of the local community now to enable funding to be secured by April 2015. Visit the Orkney Creative Hub website at www.orkneycreativehub.co.uk for more information and to sign up to be a member to show your support and sponsor a donation towards the fundraising for the project.

Drawing Workshop

Joseph Hewes is planning to run another 6 week drawing course this Spring. If you are interested in this workshop please can you contact The Craffhub during opening hours or email us to inform us of the best days/times for you. Then we can try to arrange a time to suit everyone. We need a minimum of 6 folk for the workshop to run.

Art Club

Art Club takes place at The Craffhub on Wednesday afternoons from 3.15 – 4.30pm for children aged 4 – 11 years old. All welcome. £3 a session including refreshments and materials.

SPRING/SUMMER OPENING HOURS

As from Monday 2nd March 2015 The Craffhub will be open as follows :-

Monday- Saturday - 11am -5.30pm

Sunday – CLOSED (until Sunday boats in May)

For more information about any of the above phone Hilary at The Craffhub 821455

email : craffhub@btconnect.com

website : www.craffhuborkney.co.uk



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ORKNEY HEALTH AND CARE

Care at Home

Relief Islands Home Carer – Rousay

Orkney Health and Care's Home Care Section is an essential front line service providing care and support for vulnerable individuals enabling them to live as independently in their own home for as long as is possible. We do this by using a Re-ablement approach where we do things with people rather than doing things for people. The type of support we provide is individualised and tasks we undertake include meal preparation, medication assistance, and personal care such as showering or bathing.

As a relief carer you will hopefully have previous experience of working in Social Care; however we will provide on-going training to develop and maintain your skills. You will enjoy responsible, challenging, varied and rewarding work as part of our team and will receive excellent support from our teams of Social Care Co-ordinators and Home Care Organisers. You will need the sort of personality that enjoys interacting with people and making a difference to their lives. If you are motivated, caring, honest, have a true desire to 'work with' people then this could be the job for you.

You must be willing to work anywhere within the island on which you live so your own transport is essential. A mileage allowance is payable for work related journeys.

These posts are subject to PVG Scheme Protected Adults.

Please apply online at myjobscotland.gov.uk quoting ref: number ORK00007 or alternatively contact Customer Services on 01856 873535 to request an application form quoting the same number.

For an informal chat please call Billy Gunn – Registered Manager. Tel: 01856 888390.

Letter from School Place

Orkney Islands Council has set its budget for the coming financial year. Unlike last year, at this year's Special Policy & Resource Committee meeting, several councillors successfully proposed amendments to what the officials recommended following the many budget-setting seminars that were held. I am sure we are all delighted that the Council Tax will remain the same for the eighth year running, but we councillors cannot really take full credit for this, for if we increased our Council Tax the Scottish Government would simply reduce its funding to us in proportion. To put some figures on the budget: £81.8 million will be available for running council services in 2015/16, with an estimated contribution from the Scottish Government of £70.5 million. (In comparison, the biggest single National Lottery win to date is over £161 million!) Thanks to the drop in oil prices we have been able to freeze the internal ferry fares at their current level.

On the on the 28th January I went to Eday. After attending the AGM of the Eday School Parent Council, I enjoyed a school dinner with the pupils and the members of the Lunch Club. In the afternoon the Heritage Centre was kindly made available to me to hold a surgery. This is the first time I have ever held a surgery, and I was not exactly overwhelmed with visitors. I am willing to try this on other islands if there is an interest. All I need is to be lent a suitable venue. (Surgery venue hire costs are not covered by OIC.) In the meantime you can still collar me (as many folk do) on the ferry or at breakfast at the Pomona B&B.

I participated in a seminar on residential care facilities in Orkney, a topic which will become relevant to nearly all of us in the fullness of time. This particular seminar was concerned with St. Rognvald's and St. Peter's rather than with establishing care homes in the Isles, of which I know there is an interest.

At the Education, Leisure & Housing Committee meeting, we agreed to fund free school meals for all nursery pupils who stay at school over lunchtime. We also agreed to lease the Stronsay play park to the Stronsay Community Play Park Group, who are working to improve the play facilities for Stronsay's children. Unfortunately, there was not the same agreement when it came to further exploring the options suggested by parents for a 3-night weekend at home for Papdale Halls residents. My amendment to that effect received absolutely no support from any other member, so the status quo remains, at least for the time being.

I attended the meetings of the Inter-Island Air and Ferry Services Consultative Forums, at which, among other things, next year's winter timetables were discussed. Over the many years I have attended these meetings, first as community council transport rep for Sanday and then latterly as a North Isles councillor, I have observed an evolutionary process taking place, leading by increments to the timetables we have today, which largely seem to fulfil the best compromise between what we want and what we are able to squeeze out of the resources available to us. Tweaking is however still possible, and does take place. After the meeting, the transport rep for Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay intimated to me his support for fixed links.

We endured an exceedingly long Policy & Resources Committee meeting at which, disappointingly, we were told that the report I had called for in March last year on the possibility of polling stations being reinstated in the Isles will not be completed in time for the General Election this May. My main concern with the lack of polling stations in the Isles is that we are forced to decide what to vote before the election campaign has finished. In areas with polling stations, even if you have a postal vote, you can still wait until Election Day before making your mind up, and deliver the envelope in person to the polling station. I have requested that OIC look into a system for collecting postal votes from the Isles on Election Day for those who do not wish to be compelled to vote before they have heard all the political arguments. On a more positive note for the North Isles, it was agreed to approve a Stage 2 Capital Project Appraisal for the urgently-required resurfacing of the runways at Papay and Stronsay. A Capital Project Appraisal for the remaining runways in the Isles is to be submitted to councillors in due course.

I was back in Eday again for the public meeting held there by representatives of NHS Orkney. They reported good news about the planned development of medical facilities and services on the island. It was also satisfying to be able to enjoy the opportunity to converse with Eday...

...constituents who didn't make it to my surgery.

An alternate weekly rubbish collection (one week refuse, next week recyclables) has been in operation in Westray and Shapinsay for some time, and survey forms have been sent out to the residents of those islands seeking feedback on their experiences with the system. For the other islands, a questionnaire is going to be sent out, followed by a series of public meetings in March, to gauge opinion on expanding the system to everyone.

I shall be attending the meeting of Stronsay Community Council on the 23rd February, participating in a surgery at Kirkwall Grammar School on the 24th, and then returning to Sanday for their Parent Council meeting on the 25th. On the morning of the 20th March I predict it will briefly become dark and the birds will momentarily stop singing.

It has come to my attention that there have been problems with OIC's computer system, which has meant that some e-mails have not been getting through. If anybody has sent me an e-mail and received no reply, this will be the reason. Please try again, and if that fails, print out the e-mail and post it via the Royal Mail (delivering letters since 1516). We are becoming ever more reliant on computer technology, which makes one wonder how councillors managed in the past, such as Revd. Matthew Armour, who also lived at the West Manse, and was a county councillor from 1890 to 1896. No ro-ro ferry, no aeroplane, no telephone, let alone Internet and e-mail. Yet back then the population of Sanday was almost four times what it is today. What does that tell us, I wonder? (Answers, please, by e-mail.)

Stephen
Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson, West Manse, Sanday
stephen.clackson@orkney.gov.uk

ROUSAY, EGILSAY, WYRE & GAIRSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

New Member Elected

The members would like to welcome Ms Rachael Harris from Wyre as the newly elected member to the REWGCC.

REWGCC Meeting – 11 April 2015 @ 10.15 a.m.

The REWGCC meets on Saturday, 11 April 2015 @ 10.15 a.m. in the Hall at the Rousay Church Centre. Members of the public are welcome to attend and view the proceedings.

If you have any items that you wish brought to the attention of the Community Council please contact the following elected members:- Mr Angus Firth, Mr Richard Koster, Ms Chris Cox, Ms Rachael Harris, Mr John Garson, Mr Eric Shortland and Mr Richard Tipper or contact the Clerk, Mrs Diana Compton at email: rewgcc@btinternet.com and address your request to C/O the REWGCC.

Forthcoming REWGCC meetings - Dates for your diary

Saturday, 11.4.15 @ 10.15 a.m.

Tuesday, 16.6.15 @ 7.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 22.9.15 @ 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, 5.12.15 @ 10.15 a.m.

PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY THE REWGCC IN THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR

- Hire of late boat for the OTDA Festival
- Rousay Primary School – Outdoor Education Trip
- Bag the Bruck 2014
- Island of Orkney Brochure – 2015
- Hire of late boat for the Harvest Home
- Purchase of tables & trolley for school community room
- Travel to the Baking Show for the Rousay SWRI
- Travel costs for the Mobile Cinema
- 50% of costs for the Firework Display, 5 November 2014
- Armistice wreath
- Women's Aid Orkney
- Rousay Primary School – Support with the purchase of Christmas Presents
- The Craffhub C.I.C

Projects still awaiting action: - Brinian Kirkyard Fence, Repair of some of the dykes around the Kirkyards (stone purchased by the CC) and repairs to the War Memorials on Egilsay & Rousay.



*From the community
For the community*

Demand Side Management

Thank you to everyone who took part in our recent survey. The application form was submitted on time and we were selected for interview in the next stage of the application process which occurred on 24 February. We are now waiting for news of whether we have been successful with this grant application. We will keep you informed here in The Review, and on our website and Facebook page.

Wi-Fi Centres

From 1 April 2015, the Egilsay Wi-Fi Centre will be taken over by Egilsay Community Association, and the Wyre Wi-Fi Centre will be closed at the request of Wyre Community Association. The Rousay Wi-Fi Centre at Rousay School will continue to be managed by the Trust.

Grant Application and Education Bursaries

New Terms and Conditions from 1 April 2015

The Trust continues to offer grants, bursaries and loans; please see our website or contact the Office for more information. Please make sure that you check the website and are aware of the changes the Board has approved with effect from 1 April 2015. If you have questions concerning these changes, please contact the office to discuss your application. Terms and Conditions for grants already awarded will remain unchanged.

All applications must be received a minimum of one week before the planned Board meeting date. For 2015, the following dates are planned (these may change, but any changes will be published on our website):

Wed 11 March	Wed 13 May	Wed 24 June	Wed 12 August
Sat 3 October	Sat 7 November (AGM)	Wed 9 December	

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.

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

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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Rousay Healthy Living Centre

Rousay won the Orkney Inter-gym challenge this year with 2 weeks to spare! The challenge, titled Valentines Challenge consisted of "travelling" to Rome by recording every KM travelled on the CV machines by the gym users. A whopping 3050km were logged up by Rousay users in just 3 weeks and Rome was reached on the 2nd of February well ahead of the Valentines Day target. Thanks go to everyone who took part as every little bit added up to the total but hats off to our intrepid bikers Paddy and Bob for their huge contribution.

Rousay HLC Supervised Sessions

Mon	7pm-9pm
Tues	7pm-9pm
Thurs	7pm-9pm
Sat	4pm-5pm

Buddy System weekdays school term 08:30-17:00. Buddy Systems users must have a valid Saver Card before using the gym in these times.

There may be disruption to Monday's Buddy hours during March and April while the pupils are away swimming. Arrangements are yet to be finalised so please keep an eye out for notices.

Rousay HLC would like to welcome our new Leisure Assistants - Carey Maguire and Joseph Hewes as an addition to the current staff. They will be available to help with the day to day running of the gym and can refer any exercise or fitness queries to a Fitness Advisor.

Contacts:

Jo- 821200

Paddy- 821234



Roy Cordukes (Minister)

Roy is happy to chat, listen and offer pastoral support to anyone regardless of their faith. He can be contacted at the Finstown Manse on 01856 761328 / 07713 173529 or email at: minister@cordukes.plus.com

ROUSAY CIRCLE DANCE folk dance from Europe and beyond

Thursday, 12 March

Church Centre

11.15 - 2 pm

Shared lunch

Donations to Christian Aid

Good exercise - no need for partner!

Also:-
dance on Shapinsay
on Saturday, 28 March

All items for the April 2015 Review should be received by
The Editor, Kayleigh Tipper, by **Friday 27 March 2015, 5pm.**

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