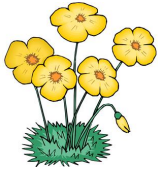


ROUSAY, EGILSAY & WYRE



REVIEW



 April 2013

Electronic Edition



Islands View Surgery

The Surgery will be closed on Easter Monday, 1 April 2013.

Easter Service



Easter Sunday 31st March

11.30 a.m. at the Church Centre

A short service of Hymns & Readings



Service

St Mary's Chapel, Westness
Service on Friday 26 April at 11.30 am
All very welcome.



Meditation

Tuesday 2nd and 9th April
Meditation in the Landscape
Information from 821 247

Summer term:
Tuesdays
General Purpose Room, Rousay School
10 – 11 am
Everyone welcome

"Silence is not an absence but a presence. Not an emptiness but repletion; a filling up."

Anne Leclaire

What's On at a Glance

April 2013

Tuesday, 2nd

- Meditation, Rousay School, 10-11am
- The Taversoe InnQUIZition, 8pm

Thursday, 4th

- Mobile Library visits Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre

Sunday, 7th

- Sunday Roast, The Taversoe, 12.30-2pm

Tuesday, 9th

- Meditation, Rousay School, 10-11am
- SWRI Meeting, Community Hall, 8pm

Thursday, 11th

- Rousay Circle Dance, Church Centre, 11.15am - 2pm
- Singalinging Ladies, Glebe, from 7pm

Saturday, 13th

- REWG Community Council Meeting, Church Centre, 10.15am

Saturday, 20th

- Bag the Bruck
- Rousay Allotment Association Spring Clean, Rousay Allotments, 11am

Sunday, 21st

- Bag the Bruck
- Thai Buffet, The Taversoe, 12pm or 2pm

Wednesday, 24th

- Rousay Allotment Association AGM, Church Centre, 8pm

Thursday, 25th

- Singalinging Ladies, Glebe, from 7pm

Friday, 26th

- Service, St. Mary's Chapel (Westness), 11.30am

Saturday, 27th

- Swop Shop, Taversoe, from 5pm

Sunday, 28th

- Treasure Hunt, Pier Restaurant, 3pm (cars), 2pm (cycles)
- Fish & Chips, Pier Restaurant, 5-7pm

Treasure Hunt / Fish & Chips



Date:- 28th April

Venue:- Pier Restaurant

Treasure Hunt:
Cars 3.00pm, Cycles 2.00pm

Fish & Chips: 5.00pm till 7.00pm

Treasure Hunt: £5.00 per car

Fish & Chips:
Adults £7.00; Primary Children £3.50

Please book Fish & Chips in advance



Rousay Circle Dance

Thursday, 11 April

11.15 – 2 pm

Shared lunch

Donations to Christian Aid

Everyone welcome

"When you dance, you can enjoy the luxury of being you."

Paulo Coelho

S.W.R.I.

Tuesday 9th April 2013

Memories from your childhood

Come along with a yarn up your sleeve to share with others

Refreshments served

8pm at the Community Hall

Competitions

1. 6 cut daffodils
2. A patchwork item





CANCER RESEARCH UK



Mount Aragat Summit 3849m - Armenia 2012 (my last trek)

...and for my next trek

In 2013 I am attempting a double challenge to raise funds for Cancer Research UK.

I am running in the Edinburgh Rock and Roll half Marathon on Sunday 14th April 2013 to raise funds for Cancer Research UK and start a serious training regime in preparation for a Himalaya expedition in Mid September.

In Mid-September I will be leaving the UK to embark on my biggest challenge yet. From leaving home in Orkney to the start of the trek will take 6 flights. I'll be in the remote himalayan area of Dolpo - one of the last true strongholds of Tibetan culture and Snow Leopard country. This trek will involve 19-20 days wilderness camping, much of it above 4000m with three passes over 5000m to cross.

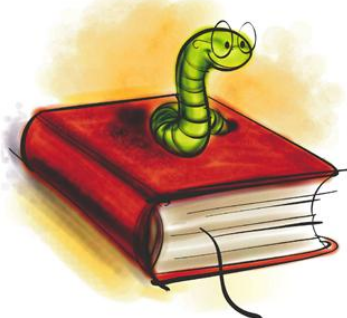
For more information, updates and to donate please visit www.justgiving.com/Christina-Cox1

A text donation facility for £3 has been set up - just text **CXCX56 £3** to 70070

...this could be the last time...may be the last time... I don't know....

Chris x

Raising funds for Cancer Research UK - Thank You



Mobile Library

The Orkney Mobile Library van will visit Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre on Thursday 4 April.

Wanted

Gun cabinet
821 477

Free for the taking away

An elderly and heavyish 23" Beko tele in working order but needs a digibox.

Telephone 821 354

For Sale

21-inch TV with built-in DVD and video
Telephone 821 344



Singalinging Ladies

April 11th and 25th
Glebe from 7pm

ROUSAY, EGILSAY & WYRE DEVELOPMENT TRUST



*From the community
For the community*

****NEW Stone Chippings Scheme****

The Board wishes to remind everyone of our Stone Chippings Scheme Grant Fund.

At the end of another hard and wet winter, £5,000 of turbine income money has been put aside to assist in redressing private roads or tracks with scalplings.

Residents of Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre can apply for a grant from the Development Trust by using the Stone Chippings Scheme Grant Application Form which, together with the Scheme's terms and conditions can be downloaded from the Trust's website, www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/rewdevtrust or by phoning 821 229, or by calling into the Trust's offices at The Manse.

This Scheme is open now, and has a Closing Date of 15th April 2013. It is planned that scalplings will be delivered from May 2013.

Broadband: Next Generation Access

We understand that Highlands & Islands Enterprise (HIE), BT & the Broadband Delivery UK Project have signed projects which are expected to bring superfast broadband to parts of Orkney. We are working closely with HIE to identify what this means for Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre.

In the meantime, it may help you to determine what your download speed from the internet is by going on the internet and typing in the website address www.broadbandspeedchecker.co.uk Once on the website, click on the box under the two dials which says "Start Speed Test". You will get a download speed and an upload speed.

If you have BT broadband you can compare this result against what BT thinks you should be able to download at by Googling: BT Wholesale: ADSL Availability Checker. Once in the website, at the bottom of the page click where it says ADSL Availability Checker>; and on the next page, in the appropriate box, type in your full telephone number and click Submit. The chart shows you the ADSL Max speeds you should be getting on your broadband. If your download speed is significantly less than what BT indicates it should be, contact BT and complain!

If you get your broadband via satellite, sorry, we know it's awful for you!

To help us map the actual download speeds of households around the islands, it would be really helpful if you could email the download speed for your broadband connection to us at info@rewdt.org

Water Taxi

An options appraisal has been produced and has been circulated to the Board for approval at the Board meeting to be held 30 March. We have received clarification on MCA coding and have met with our accountants to discuss proposals to set up a Community Interest Company to run the service.

We are always happy to hear your views and anyone who is interested in discussing the operation of this service should contact Chris at the Development Trust - e-mail chris@rewdt.org

Rousay Lap

We are starting preparations for the 5th Rousay Lap and the date for this year's event is Saturday 31 August 2013. There is plenty of time for training however you wish to take part, Walk, Run or Cycle and we are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the Lap's 5th anniversary event.

Grant Applications and Education Bursaries

The Board would like to continue to encourage individuals and organisations/businesses to consider if they have a funding need that would meet any of our Development Plan targets (see our website for further information). If you do, please think about applying for a grant or loan from the Trust to cover these costs.

In addition to this, the Board has agreed to fund an Annual Bursary Fund for individuals wishing to partake in education, training or development courses during the 2012/13 academic session. This is for support towards the training costs only, on vocational or development courses or for professional qualifications. If equipment or travel/accommodation costs are a barrier to you starting a course, the Trust will consider contributing towards these costs under a separate application. Please contact the Trust Office for more information and a Grant Application Form, or download a form from the website at www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/rewdevtrust

All applications must be received at least one week prior to the board meeting, in order to be discussed at that meeting. Please contact Helen in the office for dates.

Turbine Productivity Report (from our trading subsidiary REWIRED Limited)



During February 2013	Average over the past 12 months
35.48% of its rated capacity	37.80% of its rated capacity

As we can see from the 12 months' productivity to the end of February 2013, our productivity has been severely affected by curtailment. Through Community Power Orkney, we are working to identify how we can minimise our levels of curtailment. We are working with SSE and Smarter Grid Solutions for this very real threat to our project.

It is becoming increasingly evident that wind speeds in excess of 12 metres per second mean that our turbine is curtailed. These have been our windy months, when we usually have productivity 'in the bank'. As we approach the summer months, we will be keeping a very keen eye on turbine productivity levels and correspondingly transferring money to the community.

Other Services the Trust can offer

If you require documents to be scanned or printed and cannot do this yourself, contact the Trust on 821 229 and if we can help you, we will. There is a small charge of 11p per black & white sheet and 18p for colour printing, to cover paper and ink costs. Larger print orders will incur increased costs.

If you have old/used ink cartridges or old mobile phones that you no longer want, please bring them into the office and we will recycle them for you. Any funds raised go to Orkney Zero Waste.

Comments, Ideas or Suggestions

If anyone has any comments, ideas, or suggestions for the Trust, please feel free to come in to the Office at The Manse, give us a ring, or drop us an e-mail.

Trust Office Drop-In Opening times are Monday to Thursday 10:00 to 12:00 noon. If you wish to speak to us, it is always better to phone first in case we are out on Trust business.

Thank you for your continued support.

Richard Tipper
Chairperson



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Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council

Please find below item that have come to the attention of the members this month and which you might be interested in. If you have any comments, contact the members of the REWGCC: Mr Angus Firth, Mr Mark Hull, Ms Chris Cox, Ms Vanessa Garrett, Mr Richard Koster, Mr Eric Shortland and Mr Richard Tipper.

Next Meeting 13 April 2013 @ 10.15 hrs.

The Community Council meets on Saturday, 13 April 2013 at 10.15 a.m. in the Hall at the Rousay Church Centre. Members of the public are welcome to attend and view the proceedings.

Scottish Sea Farms – Proposal for fish farm development at Gairsay Sound

Scottish Sea Farms are coming to the meeting above to discuss their proposal for a fish farm site, south east of Wyre at Gairsay Sound. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and listen to this discussion.

Points of Interest

Remaining Community Council Meeting Dates

Due to work commitments the last two council meeting dates have had to be changed and the remaining are as follows:-

Tuesday 18 June 2013

Tuesday 10 September 2013

Saturday 30 November 2013

Please amend your diary dates.

Bag the Bruck 2013 – Saturday 20/Sunday 21 April 2013

Every year hundreds of volunteers throughout Orkney mainland & the isles do their bit to clean their parishes of the debris that inevitably accumulates, particularly after the winter storms, on beaches, loch sides, ditches, etc. Community Councils can support local groups and charities who participate in the clean up by sponsoring them.

If your group is interested in applying for sponsorship then application must be received before the event, by sending in a request to the REWGCC, c/o the Clerk at: - email: rewgcc@btinternet.com or Midgard, Rousay, KW17 2PT.

Groups/individuals need to contact Susan Ferguson, Burness Cottage, Burness Road, Firth, KW17 2ET. Tel: 761230 or susan@burness.force9.co.uk to request bags, gloves and health & safety information and obtain details when these will be made available.

Scottish & Southern Energy – Second Consultation Paper

Have your say: Second Consultation Paper: Innovating for a greener, more efficient future.

The way in which electricity is generated and used in the UK is changing. These changes include the use of solar panels and the predicted rise in the number of electric vehicles on the road. This will affect how SSE plan, develop and manage their network. Ofgem have asked them to prepare a Business Plan for the period 2015-2023 which takes these and other regulatory changes into account.

The second consultation paper draws together everything that members of the public have told them they want from their network and explains how they have balanced this against the things needed to ensure the network operates effectively and efficiently. It also explains the future priorities and how they will deliver them.

To check that you agree with their approach SSE are asking you to comment on their proposals before feeding them into their business plan look at the website:-

www.ssepd.co.uk/HaveYourSay/ED1

Customer Survey – Orkney Islands Council

To improve the service that OIC provides and to ensure that they are consistent in the service that they deliver, they are looking to implement service standards at Customer Services, your first point of contact with the Council. The Council are also interested in getting your views on how they can best develop the service by making it easier for you to contact them.

OIC would be grateful if you could take the time to complete a questionnaire which can be found at <http://www.orkney.gov.uk/OIC-News/customer-services-help-us-plan-ahead.htm>

Orkney Nature Festival – Saturday 11 – Sunday 19 May 2013

The Orkney Nature Festival, Saturday 11 – Sunday 19 May 2013. To view the programme go to the Orkney Nature Festival website.

Continued overleaf...

Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council *continued*

Consultation Documents

These documents are available to be viewed by the public and if you have any comments please contact the members above.

DRAFT Developer Contributions & Good Neighbour Agreements Supplementary (Cut off date 18 April 2013) (Development & Marine Planning)

The Draft Developer Contributions & Good Neighbour Agreements Supplementary Guidance was published for public consultation on 7 March 2013 with a six week period for people to comment on the document between the 7.3.13-18.4.13.

The document, along with a Consultation Feedback Form is available from the "What's New?" section on the Council's homepage. Reference copies will also be made available at the Kirkwall & Stromness Libraries, and the Mobile Library Vans.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of the Draft Supplementary Guidance, a dedicated officer from Development & Marine Planning will be available to meet at OIC Customer Services 'One Stop Shop' in Kirkwall, or discuss on the phone on a Friday between 9-5 each week during the consultation period. Please contact the Council on 01856 873535 and ask for Development & Marine Planning.

Sunday Roast

12.30-2.00pm
Sunday April 7th
Booking Appreciated

the taversoe

Taversoe InnQUIZition

Fun Quiz, Free Entry
Snowball Jackpot
Tuesday April 2nd 8pm

thai Thai Buffet

Sunday April 21st
12pm or 2pm
Based on the Unexpected Popularity of the Chinese
Buffet Please Book your Table in Advance
08156 821 325

SWOP SHOP

Saturday April 27th from 5pm
Why not have a clear out of the closet?
Any unwanted clothes/shoes/etc?
Bring them to The Taversoe
Swop-Nibble-Swop-Tipple-Swop-Laugh

Letter from School Place

I have missed a few meetings lately as I was laid up at home with the same influenza bug that kept half the Sanday pupils away from school. However, I did make it to the Kirkwall regeneration meeting, at which I proposed that the bus station and travel centre be moved to the harbour to form an integrated transport hub with the ferries. I was supported with this idea by Cllr James Stockan, chair of the Development & Infrastructure Committee.

It was good to be back in Rousay (for the first time since canvassing for the election) to attend my first meeting of the Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council, and I was happy to spend two nights away from home so that I could (as requested) spend a night on Rousay. I have also attended a community council meeting and a parent council meeting on Sanday. If the Rousay School Parent Council wishes me to attend any of their meetings, please let me know.

Best wishes for Easter,

Stephen

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson

West Manse, Sanday KW17 2BN

stephen.clackson@orkney.gov.uk

Rousay Allotment Association



A.G.M. and plant swap

The Annual General Meeting of the Rousay Allotment Association will be held on Wednesday 24th April at 8pm at The Church Centre. After the meeting there will be a seed and plant swap. If you have surplus seeds or plants, bring them along and swap them for something different. Everyone is welcome to attend, refreshments will be served.

NEW OFFERS

We have ordered a shredder machine which will be suitable for shredding cuttings, seaweed etc to make a mulch for your garden. This will be available for hire for £10 a day, as soon as it arrives.

We have also ordered hoops and cloche film to make your own mini cloches to protect vegetables from the Orkney wind. More details at the A.G.M.

Drainage

At last the ground has dried up enough for the drainage work to be carried out on the allotment site. Plot holders should now notice the difference on their plots, with the excess rain water being redirected away from the middle of the allotments.

Allotment Spring Clean

At the meeting last month it was agreed that we should hold a Spring Clean morning at the allotment site to tackle all the site maintenance jobs that need doing. If you can spare an hour on Saturday 20th April, down at the allotment at 11am, we can get the allotment site tidied up. Jobs include path weeding, tree maintenance and rabbit fencing. Hope you can make it.

Membership and fees

Membership fees and rent for plots will be due again from 1st May 2013. You can pay at the A.G.M. on 24th April or pop into the Development Trust Office at The Manse.

Allotment plots are still £20 a year for a double plot (less than 40 pence a week) and polytunnel spaces are £10.

Associate membership

Many residents have joined The Rousay Allotment Association to take advantage of the compost and equipment we have for hire including the new shredder. We also have other items for sale, full list on request. Associate membership is only £5 a year. If you would like to hire any of the equipment but cannot manage to do it yourself, we can arrange for someone to help you in your garden.

Equipment Hire

Members can hire the equipment from the Allotment Association. The prices are as follows.

Rotovator - £10 a day plus fuel used. If you require someone to do the rotavating for you this will be £10 an hour for the man.

Strimmer - £2.50 an hour plus fuel used.

The trailer is available at £10 a day or £2.50 an hour.

Shredder - £10 a day including a 15m extension cable.

To book hire for any of the equipment contact me on 821479



If you need more information about the Rousay Allotment Association Call Hilary Byland - 821479 Happy gardening!

DATES TO REMEMBER - Saturday 20th April at 11am – Allotment Spring Clean, Wednesday 24th April at 8pm – A.G.M.

Rousay Allotment Association A.G.M.

You are invited to The Annual General Meeting of the Rousay Allotment Association on
Wednesday 24th April
8pm at The Church Centre
Seed and plant swap



If you have surplus seeds or plants, bring them along and swap them for something different. Refreshments will be served.

Rousay Allotment Association Allotment Spring Clean

Do you have an hour to spare on
Saturday 20th April
Come along to lend a hand at 11am



at the allotments

We will tackle all the site management jobs including path weeding, tree maintenance and rabbit fencing.

Hope to see you there.

Pier Restaurant

As you will no doubt have heard by now the girls are giving up the lease of the Restaurant/pub at the end of April.

Is there anyone else out there interested in taking on the lease on an year's trial (or longer).

In the event of nobody interested in a lease, would anybody be interested in coming in to cook for the students when they come in June for at least six weeks?

Any interested parties please get in contact with Itha ASAP, 821 349.



RNLI

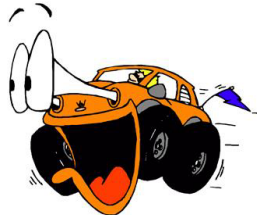
A big thank you to all who took part in the recent Call My Bluff evening.

Angus, Zoë, Richard Buchanan, Eric Shortland, Paddy, George, Robert Mainland, Laura, Dianne, Bob, Shelagh and Eddie....And thank you to the great audience.

With your great support we raised £126 for the RNLI.

Rousay Horticultural Society Change to Rousay Show Date

Due to a number of committee members and show contributors being away on the scheduled date, the Show will now take place on Saturday 24th August. We apologise for any inconvenience.



Buggy Race

13th July
Advance notice

There will be a children's non motorised buggy raise down the road from the War Memorial - Please make sure that children are wearing their cycle helmets.

Followed by the adults motorised buggy race. It has been agreed that this will be run on a grass track, vehicles to be a home construction with maximum engine size of 250cc. Four members in each team who will each drive a lap ... changing drivers in the pit stop. Vehicles must have roll bars, seatbelt and driver must wear helmet.

All welcome to take part.

Any questions on the construction should be taken up with David or Angus Flaws.

This will be followed by a barn dance to the band CONDITION.. who have been longing to come and play at an event here on Rousay.

More information will be available nearer to the time ...In the Review and on posters.

Islands View Surgery Office Opening Times

Monday	9.00 - 12.30	4.30 - 6.30
Tuesday	9.00 - 11.30	
Wednesday	9.00 - 11.30	5.30 - 7.30
Thursday	9.00 - 11.30	
Friday	9.00 - 11.30	4.30 - 6.30
Saturday	CLOSED	
Sunday	CLOSED	



Notice to drivers -

please be aware that Rousay Primary School pupils will be carrying out cycle training from 2pm-3pm on -

Tues 23rd April
Thur 25th April
Tues 30th April
Thur 2nd May
Tues 7th May
Thur 9th May

All items for the May 2013 Review should be received by
The Editor, Kayleigh Tipper, by **Saturday 27 April 2013, 5pm.**

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