




Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre

REVIEW

August 2014

Electronic Edition



Summer Holiday Club!

Games, crafts, bible stories, songs, and most important - FUN!

Thursday 14th and Friday 15th August from 10am until Noon at Rousay Church Centre.

Suitable for Primary School children. Registration by parent or carer from 9.45 daily.

Rousay (with Egilsay and Wyre) Church of Scotland.
Contact Rev. Roy Cordukes 761328. Charity No: SC001078

- ### What's On at a Glance
- #### August 2014
- Friday, 1st**
→ Rousay Show Entry Evening, Rousay School, 7.30pm-9pm
 - Saturday, 2nd**
→ Rousay Show, School, 2.30pm
 - Sunday, 3rd**
→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am
 - Friday, 8th**
→ Mobile Library Van
 - Sunday, 10th**
→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am
 - Thursday, 14th**
→ Summer Holiday Club, Church Centre, 10am - 12 noon
 - Friday, 15th**
→ Summer Holiday Club, Church Centre, 10am - 12 noon
→ Service, Church Centre, 12 noon
 - Saturday, 16th**
→ Watersports & Scraphead Raft Race, Rousay Pier, 2.30pm
 - Monday, 18th**
→ Paper Making, Craffhub, 7pm-9pm
 - Sunday, 24th**
→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am
 - Wednesday, 27th**
→ Art Club, Craffhub, 3.15pm - 4.30pm
 - Thursday, 28th**
→ 50:50 Sale, Pier Shop, Various times (see article)
→ Rousay Circle Dance, Church Centre, 11.15am-2pm
 - Friday, 29th**
→ 50:50 Sale, Pier Shop, Various times (see article)
 - Saturday, 30th**
→ 50:50 Sale, Pier Shop, various times (see article)
→ Rousay Lap, 12 noon start (registration: 11.15-11.45am)
 - Sunday, 31st**
→ 50:50 Sale, Pier Shop, various times (see article)
→ Service, St. Magnus Church, Egilsay, boat leaves Rousay at 1.15pm



ROUSAY LAP 2014

SATURDAY 30 AUGUST

13.1 Miles—Come and Run, Cycle or Walk.

STARTS 12 NOON

Registration 11:15 to 11:45

Free to take away

A cast iron bath, (suitable for animal water trough etc??)

Taker will have to remove it (from my back garden) and transport it away themselves. ASAP please.


Contact 821 377

Special Collection

5 August 2014

Arrange collection with Orkney Islands Council (873535)

Mobile Library




The Orkney Mobile Library van will next visit on Friday 8th August.


Rousay Show 2014

Saturday 2nd August

Download the Schedule & Labels at www.aroundrousay.co.uk



Show Tickets



Show tickets are available from Angus (821 200)



Church services in August

Sunday 3rd August
Local
11.30am
Church Centre

Sunday 10th August
Local
11.30am
Church Centre

Friday 15th August
Roy Cordukes
12 noon
Holiday Club Service

Sunday 24th August
Local
11.30am
Church Centre

Sunday 31st August
Service in
St. Magnus Church, Egilsay
Boat 1.15 from Rousay

Hire of rooms at Rousay School

If any individuals or groups wish to hire rooms at Rousay School, please contact:

Sally Norquoy
(School Janitor)

821 383



Meditation

Tuesdays, 10.15 – 11.15

Once school starts,
General Purpose Room

“All of humanities problems stem from our inability to sit quietly...”
Blaise Pascal



Rousay Circle Dance

Thursday, 28 August
11.15 – 2 pm
Church Centre


Shared lunch
Donations to Christian Aid

“Nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance.”

Martha Graham

AroundRousay.co.uk

For the latest news and events:

 www.facebook.com/AroundRousay

INFORMATION VOLUNTEER

Age Concern Orkney & Connecting Communities Project are looking for a special volunteer . . . you?

If you are an 'information guru' and would like to help others to find out what's available to older folk in Orkney, please get in touch.

Contact Rob on 872897 or Caron on 872438



CAN YOU HELP PLEASE?

Do you have anything you no longer want or need but that is just too good to throw away?
Why not sell it at the 50:50 SALE at the end of August?

Half the money goes to you, and the other half to charity.

I am trying to raise £150 for "Operation Smile", (see other advert).

Itha has kindly offered me the use of the Shop at the Pier Restaurant, but ***I still need***

- 1.) Goods to sell - books, clothes, household, ornaments, toys, other miscellaneous stuff (even just one or two items)
- 2.) People to help receive and list goods
- 3.) People to help sell goods (even just an hour here or there to suit you)
- 4.) Some wire coat hangers and some carrier bags.

Goods received 26th and 27th August (price attached and a list of items and prices please)

Goods for Sale from 28th to 31st August.

Please contact me on 821377. Many thanks, Joyce.

Everyone is invited to a

50:50 SALE

of Books, Clothes, Household goods, Ornaments, Toys, and Misc' Goods.....

On 28th to 31st August

At the Shop by the Pier Restaurant

In aid of "Operation Smile"

(an organisation that gives life-changing cleft-palate operations to children in poor countries)

Why not come along,
meet up with your friends
for morning coffee or afternoon tea,
and BROWSE & BUY?

50:50 SHOP OPEN TO SELL GOODS

Thursday 28th August :
10 am -12.30, 1.30 - 5.30, 6.30-7pm

Friday 29th, Saturday 30th, & Sunday 31st :
11am -12.30, 1.30 - 5.30, 6.30-7pm

GOODS ACCEPTED FOR SALE

Tuesday 26th & Wednesday 27th August from 3-8pm

(Please make sure you have price attached to goods and a list of items and prices for us)

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT -
THIS IS SUCH A WORTHWHILE ORGANISATION.

Contact Joyce on 821377



The Craffhub C.I.C.

CRAFTHUB NEWS

The Craffhub has welcomed 2 new crafters last month, bringing the total of crafters contributing to our Community Interest Company to 56, plus *Sourin Style*, with the Rousay Primary children's jewellery. All crafters are still residents of our three islands or have family/friend connections, making The Craffhub C.I.C. a real boost to the local economy.

Max Fletcher was featured as the photographer of the month in the July edition of Living Orkney. All the photos (and others) are on sale at [The Craffhub](#).

Sheila Scott has sold several pieces of her work recently, so has some new paintings and lino mosaics on display at [The Craffhub](#), as well as some beautiful silk hand painted cushions for sale.

WORKSHOPS AT THE CRAFTHUB

The [Crochet Workshop](#) is cancelled during August due to holiday commitments. This will resume in the Autumn.

[Summer Holiday Art Club](#) - During July the Holiday Art Club has been very well attended, with 20 children, both locals and visiting children at the first session. The children have enjoyed a variety of art and crafts, including papier mâché birds, which are part of an Orkney project. At the end of August they will be at an exhibition in Stromness, before being taken down to Edinburgh. To find out more about what we do at Art Club, visit our Facebook page.

Art Club will resume on Wednesday 27th August at [The Craffhub](#) after school from 3.15pm - 4.30pm.

[PAPER MAKING](#) - There will be a paper making workshop at [The Craffhub](#) on Monday 18th August from 7 - 9pm to explore how to make your own paper, which is unique and has many uses. Please telephone [The Craffhub](#) if you are interested in attending this class.

We now have a small kiln suitable for enamel jewellery making, so will be offering workshops to explore this craft during the Autumn. If you are interested please phone for more details and to book.

If anyone has any other ideas for crafts or skills they would like to try or improve, contact [The Craffhub](#) and we will look into more workshops over the coming months.

Phone Hilary at The Craffhub 821 455 for further information or to book your place on these workshops.

SUMMER OPENING HOURS

The Craffhub will be open from 11am – 5.30pm every day.



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Letter from School Place

This missive should really be entitled "Letter from the West Manse", as we councillors are now in recess for six weeks, and in theory I now have time at home to finish painting my shipping container, replace the bicycle shed door, point roof slates (ere the winter storms begin), repair the car door, tend to my beehives, prepare poultry for the Sanday Show, go angling with my children... On the first day I went on a trip with my family to Eynhallow, one of the remoter parts of my ward. Nevertheless, the odd meeting has been scheduled during the recess, such as one with Liam McArthur MSP about our air ambulance service.

Before the "end of term", I was invited to the opening reception of the St. Magnus Festival, where I was collared by a southern journalist wanting to interview me on my position *vis-à-vis* the Independence Referendum. I am still undecided, so we agreed I would give him three reasons for voting YES and three reasons for voting NO. Here are the horns of my dilemma:

Reasons for voting YES to independence:

- 1) The current UK coalition government appears to me to be intentionally opening up the nation for exploitation by big business through continued privatisation of strategically important utilities and the development of a low-wage economy. And the Labour Party is not putting up an effective opposition to this. I do not want to be part of a country that allows its citizens to be exploited.
- 2) I look with horror at the way the UK government is demonising the poor while at the same time lining the pockets of the super-rich. We are returning to a Dickensian Britain, however this time even the middle class is finding it a struggle. An independent Scotland could be different.
- 3) With a vote for independence, each citizen of Scotland will become relatively a bigger fish in a smaller pond, where, one would hope, we would individually have more influence on shaping the new nation.

Reasons for voting NO to independence:

- 1) The current Scottish Government has a centralising agenda which is removing control away from the regions. This does not augur well for local democracy and local decision-making in an independent country.
- 2) As part of this centralising agenda, there is now a single police force for the whole of Scotland. On independence, Police Scotland will become the state police force. I do not trust police states.
- 3) Once the SNP got into power at Holyrood it rewarded, and continues to reward, those areas that supported it. Orkney and Shetland did not, so we have been purposely left out of all the ferry investments other Scottish islands are now enjoying. Can we trust a party that plays such games to govern an independent country?

Other meetings I attended include Policy & Resources Cttee (P&R), Westray CC, Eday Parent Council (after which I was given a tour of the school and "bug hotel"), Licensing, and Orkney & Shetland Valuation Joint Board, as well as a few seminars. At P&R, our standing orders were reviewed, and I expressed my concern that permitting "remote attendance" might turn into an expectation on "remote councillors". In my experience, to engage properly at a meeting, one has to be physically present, and the importance of the informal discussions with colleagues and officials before and after meetings cannot be overestimated.

At the final General Meeting before the recess, Jack Moodie brought back his fixed links. In my speech, I made the point that since we are pressing the Scottish Govt. for financial assistance for new ferries, a study on fixed links is simply going to confuse the issue and give them every excuse they need for further prevarication and delay. The matter has now been referred back to the Development & Infrastructure Cttee, and I have been promised (not being a member of this committee) an invitation to attend and comment. I was also at the Special General Meeting on the crucial issue of health and social care integration.

Some Isles' KGS students staying at the Papdale Halls have complained to me about the problems they face accessing the Internet in order to do their prep. I have looked into this and can report that a solution is now being worked on to provide guest Wi-Fi to bedrooms via wireless access points in the corridors. This solution will also take parents' concerns into account.

It was nice to be invited to attend the Eday Gala again this year. Unfortunately, my children were *hors de combat* when it came to competing in the raft race (two of them having undergone emergency surgery a fortnight earlier—uncannily coinciding with a "mini-break" we took in Rousay), but we thoroughly enjoyed the brilliant barbeque and admired Hamish's winning raft.

I have been to several events in Sanday. It was good to have the chance to catch up with ward constituents from other islands (including N.Ron.) at the North Isles sports. Well done to Westray for gaining the most points overall, and to Stronsay School for achieving the most points among the schools. (I won't mention anything about the tug o' war!) After last year, I approached the Soukka Fancy Dress Parade with some trepidation, but this year the most topical float featured the Earl Thorfinn with non-working bow visor and a battle between a Tesco home-delivery van and a local haulier's lorry. At the grand opening of the SCAPE project at the Sanday Heritage Centre, I did worry that the relocation of the Meur burnt mound might cause confusion for archaeologists of the future. I hope something significant and lasting from the early C21st has been incorporated.

I must not finish this epistle without paying tribute to the retiring (but not shy) Rosemary Newton, who has been a "force" at Sanday School since 1988, and welcoming Wendy Scollay, the new headmistress and her partner David.

Stephen

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson

West Manse, Sanday

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Rousay Horticultural Society
Annual Show 2014
Saturday 2nd August

SHOW OPENS
2.30p.m.

PRIZE GIVING
4p.m.

Raffles

Tea & Cakes

**Tattie-in-a-
Bucket**

Longest carrot



**FLOWERS,
FRUIT &
VEGETABLES**

CRAFTS

BAKING

PHOTOGRAPHY

**CHILDRENS
SECTION**

**FLORAL
ARRANGEMENTS**

Entry on show day
£2 for adults, children FREE

All exhibits to be entered on
Friday night between 7.30p.m. and 9p.m.



Raising money for RNLI & Small Boat Owners Assoc.

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WATERSPORTS

Saturday 16th August

Doughnut rides

Slippery Pole

Pillow fight

Dinghy time
Trials



Salmon Rolls

Salads

Pulled Pork Rolls

Bouncy Castle

Water Skiing

RNLI Lifeboat

Teams of 4 or more needed for

SCRAPHEAP RAFT RACE

construction material provided on the day

2.30p.m. Rousay Pier

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Potential New Community/Business Centre

Following feedback from the survey into the potential for a swimming pool in Rousay, together with the responses in our 2012 community survey, comments and feedback from residents indicated a desire for a community facility which could be used as a community/business centre. This has encouraged the Board of the Development Trust to consider exploring the possibilities of the development of the site at Windbreck, at the bottom of the Turbine Access Track.

If the Development Trust was to construct a business and community centre at this site, we would like to hear from clubs, groups, businesses and individuals who would be interested in utilising accommodation provided by and for the community in a new, purpose built facility.

Please e-mail info@rewdt.org expressing your interest. Please note an expression of interest does not constitute a commitment at this stage.

Summer of Sports

The Trust has been successful with our grant application to BIG Lottery's 2014 Communities Fund, for £2,000 towards the costs of this year's Rousay Lap and to also offer all residents the chance to try out various sports that are currently not available on our islands.

Rousay Lap

In August we are putting on our annual Rousay Lap. This year it will be held on Saturday 30th August. Registration is from 11.15am on the day. The Lap will start at 12 noon, and all participants must finish by 4.30pm. Under 12s must be accompanied by an adult at all times, and under 16s must have their entrance form signed by their parent or guardian. See posters for more information, or visit our website.

If you would like to volunteer to be a marshal on the day, or to help out in any other way, we would be happy to hear from you - please contact Helen at the Trust's Office.

Chi Kung & Tai Chi

We have booked Mike Henderson to host a Chi Kung Energy Exercise class, followed by a Tai Chi class on Tuesdays in September, at the Church Centre from 3.15pm. Come along and join in this relaxing form of exercise - you can attend one or both classes. Both classes will be free of charge, and will be held on 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th September.

Watch this space, and look out for posters advertising future sporting activities including traditional dance classes and a Clay Pigeon Shooting taster day (in partnership with Rousay Gun Club).



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 of £2,000 to meet the equipment and installation costs for faster broadband, up to £199 per household, 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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E-mail: info@rewdt.org

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Surgery Opening Times (Tel.: 821265)

(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 Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. She can be contacted directly on 821406.

The Doctor will be on Egilsay on Tuesday 12th August and on Wyre on Tuesday 26th August. If you would like to see him during either of these visits, please contact the surgery to make an appointment.

Access to the Shore - Lopness

Access from the road to the shore at Lopness is across private land. It is not a public right of way for vehicles generally, though it has been used by farm vehicles with the goodwill of the owner.

The width of the track is clearly delineated at the shore end by the lie of the land, and is obviously constrained by the stone dykes either side and the telegraph pole, bridge wall and stone outbuilding at the road end.

Over the years, the increase in size of farm vehicles has put a strain on its structure and requires vigilant and responsible driving. Over the last eighteen months the track has been carelessly widened to the endangerment of my drainage system and the dykes. On 3rd July the stone outbuilding, which protects my water supply, was struck and damaged for the second time in 12 months by farm vehicles.

I am sure there will be understanding that I must protect my property. Until I have decided how this can best be done, I feel obliged to leave my car in the track to prevent further damage as I am not confident that my wishes will be respected. Without prejudice, if it is necessary to take material from the beach please call at the house.

Christine Courtney

All items for the September 2014 Review should be received by
The Editor, Kayleigh Tipper, by **Wednesday 27 August 2014, 5pm.**

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