

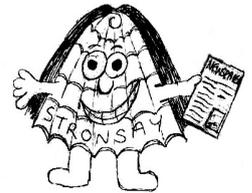


# **STRONSAY LIMPET**

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## **STRONSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION** **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

- Saturday 19th August - Fun football, netball and tug o'war. Followed by a dance to the Stronsay Band.
- Saturday 23rd September - Craft Fair.
- Saturday 7th October - Darts, Pool, Euchre.
- Saturday 4th November - Bonfire Night followed by a Quiz
- Saturday 25th November - Craft Fair.
- Saturday 9th December - Tree Lighting.

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## **POST OFFICE**

The Post Office is now open from 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Saturday. We hope that the longer opening hours will make it easier for all island residents to use the Post Office.

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## **PEEDIE LIBRARY - 7<sup>th</sup> AND 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST**

The first session of the "Peedie Library" in the church hall was very successful and well attended. Thank you! We will open again from 3pm to 5pm on Monday August 7<sup>th</sup> and on Monday August 21<sup>st</sup>.

Please join us to change your books, enjoy a tea or coffee with a biscuit and a chat.

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## **ATTENTION ALL DOG OWNERS & DOG WALKERS!**

Once again it is necessary to remind all dog owners that failure to clean up after their dog is not only anti-social, it is also illegal. Most dog owners behave responsibly and don't leave their dog's excrement lying around on the island's roadside verges or beaches. Sadly, the reputation of the majority is blemished by the selfish (and illegal) behaviour of a minority of dog owners who fail to clean up after their dog.

And please don't put your dog's excrement in a bag and then leave the bag lying around on the beach or the roadside - take it home and dispose of it there!

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## **STRONSAY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY**

It is hoped a new and update telephone number list will be produced soon. Please look out for further information and forms to confirm, add or change details!

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The next edition of the *Limpet* will be published on **Thu 31 August**. Items for inclusion in that edition should be submitted by 7pm on **Sun 27 August** Contact details are on the back page. The Limpet's website address is <http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk>

## A LOCUM MINISTER FOR STRONSAY'S KIRK

My name is Ali Pandian and I am delighted to be coming to Stronsay to be a locum minister at the Church of Scotland church for five weeks over the summer holidays. Bruce asked me to write a wee piece by way of introduction so here goes!...

I live in West Lothian with my husband, Dave, two daughters Maisie and Isla and hen Flower (we did have four but they've been dying off one by one!). For the last six years I have been training to be a minister with the Church of Scotland. This involved a Divinity degree at Edinburgh University, several placements and a 19 month probation at the end in Abercorn linked with Pardovan, Kingscavil and Winchburgh, which are also in West Lothian. Much of this has been done part-time as the children were only two and four when I started. I have always felt drawn to chaplaincy so two of my placements were in this setting, the first at Polmont Young Offenders Institute and the second with the chaplain at Rachel House, a hospice for babies, children and young people with life limiting conditions. I found my training challenging, exciting and surprising. My favourite subjects were definitely to do with Pastoral Care, though I did also enjoy Hebrew (much to my surprise!).

We have not always lived in West Lothian. Dave and I met in Liverpool, where we both lived initially for studying at university but then liked it so much we stayed. We were married there and the girls are 'scousers' (though you wouldn't think it to listen to them now!) so Liverpool will always have a special place in our hearts. We left there to begin my enquiry process with the Church of Scotland and the rest, as they say, is history.

As a family we enjoy being outside, swimming, playing games, cycling, baking and watching plays or films together. The girls are particularly keen on music, reading and arts and crafts.

So how come we've ended up in Stronsay over the summer, I hear you ask? Well, when I was coming to the end of my probation back in April we had no idea what was next. But we recognised that it was a time of enquiry when we would need to be considering prayerfully what lay ahead for our family. We wondered about the possibility of a summer placement of some kind while the girls were off school to explore the future in a different context and to experience parish ministry without being on placement. I have a friend, David McNeish, who is the minister at Milestone Community Church on the mainland. He put me in touch with the Presbytery Clerk for Orkney, the person who has oversight of all the Church of Scotland churches. He, in turn, put me in touch with the Interim Moderator, Sheila Garson, who spoke to the Kirk Session and (I'm glad to say) they agreed to us coming for five weeks. Dave will be with us for the first fortnight and then my parents are coming with my brother and his wife, so you'll possibly meet the whole gang! Elsie Dennison has been very helpful in all the planning and is kindly meeting us off the ferry when we arrive.

As it turns out, I have just heard that I have a permanent job to return to, working for the NHS as a trainee healthcare chaplain. This is a real answer to prayer and fits in well with my previous experience, my sense of call, and our family life. So we are pleased we can now enjoy spending time with you on Stronsay, knowing what is coming next.

If you or anyone you know on the island might benefit from a pastoral visit over my time here, please do get in touch. And it'd be great to see you in church too, whether you're there every week, or it's your first time, or the first time in a long time. We look forward to meeting you.

*(Ed: Ali took her first service in Stronsay's kirk on Sunday 23 July)*



### **New Post**

The Board of Stronsay Development Trust extends a very warm welcome to Anna Bliss-Davis in her post as Community Development Officer for Stronsay. Anna`s role includes updating the Community Development Plan and taking forward projects and priorities identified by the local community and the Trust. Anna will also be the point of contact for Community Fund grant applications.

For those who have not already met Anna she has included a brief introduction to herself elsewhere in the Limpet.

### **Community Fund Update**

Stronsay Development Trust would like to thank Stronsay Renewable Energy for its generous Gift Aid of £100,000 for the financial year 2015/16, despite the turbine continuing to experience severe curtailment.

The Community Fund currently stands at £124,000, of which £40,000 is held on reserve.

The following grants were awarded during April, May and June

Stronsay Community Council - for a baby changing unit for the Fish Mart	£179.98
Peedie Otters - For materials for a volunteer led group for primary aged children	£969.00
Two Educational and two Skills bursaries	£2,244.00
TOTAL	£4,596.98

### **EZ/Lobster Ponds**

The electricity cable is finally in place and should be connected this month. WRC Construction are clearing the site preparatory to installing the ramps for the disabled and laying the forecourt to the building. August should see the office and meeting room up and running. It`s been a very long haul but we`re nearly there.

Carole Cotterill

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**Stronsay Development Trust  
Company Secretary and Operations Manager  
Part Time Post - 17.5 hours per week  
Salary: £15,000 per annum**

Stronsay Development Trust is seeking to appoint a part time Company Secretary and Operations Manager to provide high level support to their Trust Board. This post is fixed term, initially to 30th August 2018

Duties will include:

- Developing, implementing and maintaining the Trust's financial and administration systems and processes for the effective and efficient management of the organisation
- Providing advice to the Board on matters of governance and implementing procedures to ensure that there is good governance within the organisation
- Managing correspondence on behalf of the Trust
- Working with the Community Development Officer in assessing Community Fund grant applications
- Managing relationships with members, the community, stakeholders, external agencies and funding bodies.

Applicants should be experienced in financial management and business administration, be computer literate, with excellent communication, organisational and team working skills and have the ability to work with minimum supervision. Enthusiasm, a flexible approach and a strong interest in the local community are essential. It would be preferred if the candidate lived on Stronsay.

To discuss this post in the first instance please contact Carole Cotterill on 01857 616250, [carolcotterill555@btinternet.com](mailto:carolcotterill555@btinternet.com). Applications are available from 27th July from Voluntary Action Orkney, Anchor Buildings, 6 Bridge Street, Kirkwall KW15 1HR, online at [vaorkney.org.uk](http://vaorkney.org.uk) or at [Hannah.Ker@vaorkney.org.uk](mailto:Hannah.Ker@vaorkney.org.uk)

**Closing date: Friday 11th August 2017 (5pm)**

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### **Invitation to attend a community discussion**

**The Scottish Government's Climate Challenge Fund (CCF) provides grants and support for community-led organisations to tackle climate change by running projects that reduce local carbon emissions.**

**Community-led organisations are invited to apply for CCF funding, with grants of up to £150,000 available.**

**As the new Community Development Officer for Stronsay it is my intention to put together an application that will benefit the community and put us a step further in reducing our carbon footprint.**

**For this purpose, I am holding a discussion group for those that wish to share thoughts and ideas and to hear more about the Fund.**

**The deadline for an application of interest is August, so whether your interest or expertise be recycling, energy efficiency, waste management, food waste, upcycling or transport. Whether you're a mum, dad, grandparent, business owner, farmer, worker, retired, long-time member of the community or like me just arrived on the island, please come along and support with your views and ideas.**

**Let's find out together where we want our Island to develop in its environmental goals.**

**Monday 31st July  
Community Hall  
come and join the discussion anytime between  
6.30pm – 8.30pm**

**Refreshments will be provided**

**Hope to see you there**

**Anna Bliss-Davis CDO**

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**ANNA BLISS-DAVIS**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER**

Hello, I wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself. I moved to Stronsay In January this year with my husband Duncan and our six children Lilly, Nathaniel, Noah, Christopher, Rosie and Amy. My husband works on our land raising a number of different animals and planting food in the hopes of becoming as self sufficient as we can. I am studying, raising a family and enjoying my new role as Development Officer. I have done a number of things in the past including working in healthcare, education and in business/retail management. I enjoy gaining new skills and working with the community and have not been disappointed in our choice to move to Stronsay. I am enjoying getting to know people and have even managed to find someone to finally teach me to knit. I feel very lucky to have found such a rich environment full of, friendship, history, beautiful surroundings, skilled folk and warm welcomes, to raise my family and hopefully become a contributing part of.

I welcome anyone I haven't yet met to say hi, share some ideas or use me in my new role, and can be contacted a number of ways.

Tel        616317

email     [cdostronsay@gmail.com](mailto:cdostronsay@gmail.com)

or find me on Facebook and drop me a message.

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**FAREWELL TO STRONSAY**

It has been such a pleasure living and working on Stronsay for the past two and a half years. It is a beautiful island with a strong sense of community. The school is a remarkable place and it has been such fun to end a teaching career with so many talented pupils and colleagues. Some of the happiest times of my career have taken place in Stronsay school.

There's always been plenty to do out of school and I've particularly enjoyed Stitchers and the SWRI. I would like to say that being with such a talented group of women has rubbed off on me but we all know that wouldn't be true. It is the kindness and encouragement I will remember. Finally, thank you to my friends - you know who you are - who have been endlessly entertaining, thoughtful and supportive. You're always welcome in Nottingham though, of course, I'm "Stronsayfied" now and like a bad penny will keep coming back!

With best wishes, Barbara Deavin.

## **RECENT BIRD SIGHTINGS**

July is generally the ‘quietest’ month as regards uncommon sightings and this period has run true to form in 2017 – so far. A Quail has been heard calling at Airy on a few occasions – bursts of the ‘liquid’ ‘Wet-my-lips’ call heard by ourselves and Hazel near the ‘Hescombe Corner’ and a very worn – bleached and many feathers missing - female Hen Harrier was seen at Grind on 7th July. Swallows appear to be doing very well this year but the Sand Martins deserted the colonies in Mill Bay during the spell of cold NE winds in early Summer. On the plus side, a small colony of Sand Martins has taken up residence in the cliff-face at Bomasty Bay.

There has been a sudden welcome return to former years in the number of Curlews and other species following the silage and hay cutters in mid-summer. Oystercatchers too have been very numerous, assisted by the ever present Starlings and gulls in gobbling up any invertebrates which appear among the recently cut crops. It is no coincidence that there has been a noticeable and welcome decrease in the numbers of Greylag Geese this summer.

Autumn is not far away and there have been signs of a few waders moving south. More to come next month! Thanks for all the calls. John Holloway.

### **This Month’s Featured Area: Lower Whitehall**

This quiet corner of the island has several different features and has played host to a long list of uncommon and rare species as well as many resident species and regular visitors. The beaches are a great attraction to Snow Buntings in Winter – particularly the ridge near the old pier, and Whimbrel have wintered along the shoreline by Ebenezer Cottage. Off-shore, Red-breasted Merganser are seen regularly and Goldeneye are recorded in the channel some Winters. A Great Blue Heron (American species) was seen along the shoreline in January 2012 (see photo). Sadly the Common Seal colony resident in the area for several decades was decimated by Killer Whales some years ago and has yet to recover.

Back on land, the area is ‘first-fall’ for tired migrants arriving from the east and north-east. An exhausted Crossbill landed on Richard Groat’s lobster-boat some years ago – less than half a mile from land – but had soon recovered and flew off towards the gardens in Lower Whitehall. Later that day, whilst looking for Richard’s bird, we discovered a party of five Crossbills in the Erraid Station garden and then others across the island.

The first Arctic Redpoll of the huge influx into the UK in November 1995 was found feeding among the low weeds near the old pier, and Wheatears are regularly seen in this area during migration (see photo). A few Red-backed Shrikes have been recorded in this same open area, using the tall weeds as ‘look-out’ posts. Inland and closer to the village, former residents Paul Miller and Robbie Rendall alerted us to a calling Spotted Crake near Minerva in 1989. A Black-eared Wheatear spent several days feeding by the roadside between Mirland and Feastown in late October 2001 - another major rarity in Great Britain (see photo) More recently, Breda Miller heard a Cuckoo (quite rare here) calling from Glenmanna. (This bird was heard – and seen – later, in the village).

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The last 'complex' of gardens attract most of the small migrant species arriving on the Grice Ness peninsula during migration in both Spring and Autumn, the most common being Goldcrests and Chiffchaffs, but there is also an almost staggering list of uncommon and rare species which have been found amongst the small trees and shrubs. These include Olivaceous Warbler ( the only island record – see photo), Melodious and Icterine Warblers; Pallas's Warbler (2 years running!), several Yellow-browed Warblers; Wry-neck, Waxwing and Rosefinch, and a Grasshopper Warbler in the garden at nearby Feastown – the latter exceptionally rare in the Northern Isles. A Cirl Bunting feeding in the road outside Ebenezer cottage was another major surprise in late October 1994.

But the most memorable sighting occurred in the open cultivated area in the plot between Erraid Station and Ebenezer Cottage in May 2002. Myself and former island resident John Fiddler were kneeling by the low wall between the plot and the road, gazing at a beautiful male Bluethroat through our binoculars which were resting neatly on the flagstone top. We were suddenly joined by one of the recently arrived Monks of Papa Stronsay who quietly knelt down beside us and politely asked what we were looking at!



*Great Blue Heron opposite Feastown, January 2012.*



*Wheatear, Ebenezer Cottage Sept 2016.*

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*Olivaceous Warbler in the Ebenezer Cottage garden, Sept 2009.*



*A male Crossbill by the roadside – possibly the bird first seen by Richard Groat at sea!*

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*Turnstones camouflaged on the beach in Lower Whitehall.*



*Black-eared Wheatear October 2001 – it is vital to see the tail detail on this species!*

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## **ST MAGNUS MARATHON 2017—WHITEMAN FAMILY**

July 2nd was the date of the 2nd St Magnus marathon. The 26.2 mile course ran from Kirkwall (starting outside the St. Magnus Cathedral) to Birsay. It was also part of the celebration of the 900th anniversary of the death of St. Magnus. It was a mainly fine day, one shower and breezy in places, but, after regimented training for many months, Andy completed his first ever marathon in 4hrs and 42 minutes, one of 63 finishing the course (out of 74 starters). His comments are that miles 19-24 were the worst due to fatigue and gradients. He was encouraged to see his family, friends and supporters who were there along the route and at the finishing line, and thanks to all the local community for their support also.

The day was well organised and he particularly liked the camaraderie amongst fellow runners in the marathon, as well as the runners in the 10k and 5k races. Congratulations also to Mairi and Millie Dennison and Dan and Sam Whiteman for completing the 5k course.



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## **STRONSAY'S NEW POST OFFICE**

89 year old Eddie Cooper cut the ribbon when Stronsay's Post Office re-opened on Tuesday 27 June in its new home at Ebenezer Stores. Eddie was a postman on Stronsay for 46 years, beginning when he left school aged 14 and made his round using a pony & cart as well as walking many miles every day. After Eddie had cut the ribbon the new Post Office sign was unveiled by Emily Carr and Shae Seaton.

The Post Office's previous home was in Fagerheim for over 70 years but the recent sale of the property meant that a new home was needed. The process of transferring the business took Mike & Viv Erdman around 8 months and during the actual change-over there was no Post Office service for almost a week. Mike & Viv thank everyone on Stronsay for their support and for their patience during this time.



*(More photographs on next page)*



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**STRONSAY LIMPET—CAPTION COMPETITION**  
**PHOTOGRAPH FOR THE JUNE COMPETITION**

There were no entries for last month's photograph so we will give the caption competition a "rest" for a few months.



## **RED HOT POKERS**

By Ellie from Newfield

Down at the bottom of my garden  
Just left of the tulip beds  
There stands the fiery kniphofia  
In her colours of blazing reds.  
The swords of the brave knights of old  
Or so the legend does foretell  
In remembrance of our bravest knights  
Who fought but sadly fell.  
Their swords that were raised in battle  
Now stand as our blood-red blooms  
Who welcome the seed-seeking birds  
As they grow strong from their evergreen plumes.  
A shield of evergreen  
Protecting our bravest of knights,  
Grown from spilt blood on the battlefields  
From our warriors slain in the fights.  
But down at the bottom of the garden  
On a hot sultry day in July  
With the bees working her nectar  
There's no sound of a battle-cry.  
Peace for our fiery swordsmen  
Who gave King and Country their best.  
And with the gentle breeze coming in  
I fancy  
I hear  
The chink of a chain-mail vest!

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## ***SALES, WANTS, GREETINGS, THANKS***

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### **AVON SALES**

Contact Yvonne Weaver on 616375 for an Avon catalogue

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General building work undertaken, decorating and gardening  
from grass cutting to full landscaping.  
Call Steve on 616222.

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### **ODD JOBS**

Odd jobs, gardening, window cleaning  
No job too small  
Call Tony Piper on 616357

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### **WORK WANTED**

Anything considered! Please contact James Hannant (age 21) on 616454

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### **ADVERTISING USING THE LIMPET**

If you are organising an event on Stronsay then why not advertise it in the Limpet?  
Your advert will appear in the monthly newsletter and in

- the Limpet email list,
- the Limpet website,
- the Limpet Facebook page,
- and the Stronsay Facebook page.

The Limpet's editor can help if you're not sure what to include in your advert or how to phrase it. And all this is **FREE** but please don't leave it until the last minute!

Contact details for the editor of the Limpet are found on the back page of every Limpet. Please do not use Facebook or other social media.

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Local sales, wants, etc are free!

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**STRONSAY FISH MART**

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**Open 7 days a week from 11am to 3pm**

**Sunday 6th August 2017**

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Sliced braised steak, onion rings, vegetables and potatoes
- Chicken bites, sweet and sour sauce with egg fried rice
- Chocolate sponge with pears and chocolate custard (cream / ice-cream)
- Lemon roulade (cream / ice-cream)

**Sunday 13th August 2017**

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Hunters chicken, chips and vegetables
- Meatballs, spaghetti and garlic bread
- Toblerone cheesecake (cream / ice-cream)
- Rice pudding and fruit (cream / ice-cream)

**Sunday 20th August 2017**

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Battered haddock and chips
- Gammon, pineapple, vegetables and potatoes
- Fruit crumble (cream / ice-cream)
- Strawberry gateau (cream / ice-cream)

**Sunday 27th August 2017**

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Chicken in gravy, oatmeal stuffing, vegetables and potatoes
- Chili con carne, rice and Doritos
- Apple pie (cream / ice-cream)
- Lemon cheesecake (cream / ice-cream)

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## LOCAL BUSINESSES

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*New business, a mini market garden, set up in late 2015 at  
Sunnybank, Stronsay*

*Currently supplying mixed salad leaves, some winter vegetables and  
bedding plants. There will be more as the season progresses.*

*I will supply a list each week with availability*

*Please look at my Face book page "Stronsay Markets" or  
send me an email "[stronsaymarkets@gmail.com](mailto:stronsaymarkets@gmail.com) and I will put you  
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### Stronsay Saturday August 5th

Workshops by Simone Kirk

#### 11.00 -13.00 Circle weaving on the peg loom

Create a simple circular piece of weaving on a peg loom, using locally-sourced fleeces in natural and hand-dyed colours.

#### 14.00 -16.00 Circle weaving on the peg loom

Another chance to try this technique or finish your project.

Price: £25 for each workshop, or £40 for both



Workshops by Rosalind Neville-Smith

#### 11.00 -13.00 Fused glass pendants and earrings

Learn how to safely cut glass and assemble colours and sparkles ready to be fused in the kiln. You can make earring pieces or pendants/cabochons which can be mounted using sterling silver findings post fusing.

#### 14.00 -16.00 Fused glass art and coasters

Learn how to safely cut glass, then assemble colours and shapes to your own designs.

NB: The pieces will be kiln fired and sent on to your home usually within 10 days.

Price: £30 each workshop

#### Saturday ferry times

Kirkwall 07.00 - Eday- Stronsay 09.05

Stronsay 17.45 - Eday - Kirkwall 19.50

Please check the ferry times at [www.orkneyferries.co.uk](http://www.orkneyferries.co.uk)

A continental breakfast at Craftship Enterprise is included for those arriving on the ferry.

To book please contact Dianne at [dianne@craftshipenterprise.co.uk](mailto:dianne@craftshipenterprise.co.uk)  
or at [www.facebook.com/craftshipenterprise](https://www.facebook.com/craftshipenterprise)

More workshops on August 6th, August 19th & 20th and September 9th & 10th  
including Sand Art with Lisa Williamson

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Price: £30 each workshop

Workshop by Simone Kirk

#### 11.00 - 13.00 Sculpting with yarn

Crochet and/or knit a variety of organically shaped, textured pieces, joined together to create a fabric.

#### 14.00 -16.00 Sculpting with yarn

Another chance to try this technique or finish your project

Price: £25 for each workshop, or £40 for both



Workshop by Lisa Williamson

#### 11.00 - 13.00 Sand Art

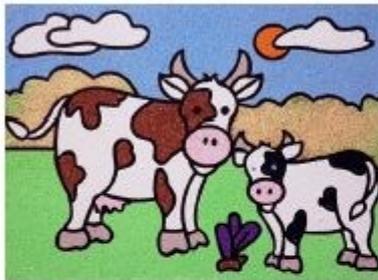
Sand art is for children of all ages. Colouring pictures using brightly coloured sand.

1. Peel off a pre-cut section of a picture.
2. Choose a colour and sprinkle the sand onto the pre-glued picture
3. Repeat! Until you've coloured in all of the sections.
4. Add a sticky hook to hang it up to display

#### 14.00 - 16.00 Sand Art

Another chance to do this fun activity

Price: £4.00 each workshop



#### Sunday ferry times

Kirkwall 08.40 - Eday- Stronsay 10.40

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### PLEASE NOTE

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Monday 24th July to Friday 4th August

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on Saturday 5th August

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## **LOCAL BUSINESSES**

### **STRONSAY HOTEL—TAKEAWAY MENU**

Phone 01857 616213

Six days a week (Tuesday- Sunday) 5pm to 9pm

**NOTE—closed Monday**

Homemade lasagne + chips	£5.95
Homemade sausagemeat pie + chips	£5.95
Homemade chicken curry + rice or chips	£5.95
Homemade chicken masala curry + rice or chips	£6.50
Homemade chicken & veg pie + chips	£6.50
Breaded haddock + chips	£5.50
Breaded wholetail scampi + chips	£6.50
2 sausages + chips	£3.00
2 fish fingers + chips	£2.80
“Stronsay Beast Burger” + fries	£4.50
“Stronsay Cheese Beast Burger” + fries	£5.00
Portion of chips	£1.30
Half portion of chips	£0.80
Portion of cheesy chips	£2.10
Half portion of cheesy chips	£1.10
Portion of onion rings	£1.20

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### **STRONSAY ARTWORKS**

Original paintings of Stronsay Landscape; Limited edition prints, greetings cards and postcards which are available for sale at local shops, Post Office, Hotel, B&B's and the Fishmart. Commissions taken.

Phone 01856 874723

<http://www.jennystoneart.com>

Email [jenny@jennystoneart.com](mailto:jenny@jennystoneart.com)

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### “NEIL’S ON WHEELS”

- All mechanical work undertaken.



- Tyres
- ECU/ABS/airbag diagnostic testing
- Welding specialist
- MOT prep work
- Home start
- Towing service

MOBILE: 07723 304 260

HOME: 01857 616454

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Oil boiler servicing,  
repair and replacement



Boiler Installation

A serviced boiler  
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Tel 01857 616339  
ebenezer@stronsay.org

## Freshly hand-crafted soaps from Simone's soap kitchen on the beautiful island of Stronsay.



### “Treat yourself to a bar of pure island magic”

Simone Kirk, Isles View, Stronsay, Orkney, KW17 2AG, Tel: 01857 616281

Website & online shop: [www.orkneystarlandsoap.co.uk](http://www.orkneystarlandsoap.co.uk)

Email: [Info@orkneystarlandsoap.co.uk](mailto:Info@orkneystarlandsoap.co.uk) • Facebook / Twitter / Pinterest

Soaps available all year round in Stronsay at: Ebenezer Stores, Post Office, Olive Bank, Craftship Enterprise. A visit to the soap kitchen during your visit to Stronsay may be possible but please phone before you set out.

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## **GROUPS, CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS**

# Calendar Competition



Once again, SOS are looking for photographs to compile a new calendar for 2018:

- The theme is Stronsay again
- One entry per person
- Free calendar for all successful entries
- Closing date 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017
- Entries should be sent to the school FAO Calendar Judge.

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## **STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Chair: Ian Cooper Vice Chair: Shirley Whiteman  
DRAFT FERRY AND AIR TIMETABLES – 2018

Appearing on next month's agendas of the Air and Ferry Services Consultative Forums are the Summer 2018 Timetables.

If you wish to make comment on the Draft Summer 2018 Timetables, attached to this notice, please contact either of the following before Monday 21 August 2017:-

- Cameron Fraser, Stronsay Community Council Transport Representative, tel: 616328;
- or
- Ian Cooper, Chair, Stronsay Community Council, tel: 616322

Colin McAlpine, Stronsay Island Link Officer, 19 July 2017

Copies of timetables are distributed around the island. Also available online, links below  
[http://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/Summer\\_2018\\_Air\\_timetable\\_DRAFT-1.pdf](http://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/Summer_2018_Air_timetable_DRAFT-1.pdf)  
[http://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/Outer\\_North\\_Isles\\_Summer\\_2018.pdf](http://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/Outer_North_Isles_Summer_2018.pdf)

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### **Peedie Otters News**

Logo competition WINNERS!!!!

#### **Congratulations**

to **Claire Fowler-Potts & Millie Dennison**

based on your designs we would like you to come together to create the final design.

Details and prizes will be on their way to you soon.

Well done!!

What a talented community we have, remember we can still use your talents, skills and knowledge at peedie otters. If you would like to get involved in any way please contact

Marion Miller or Anna Bliss-Davis at

[peedieotters@gmail.com](mailto:peedieotters@gmail.com)

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## **KIRK NEWS**

With the new sound equipment in the Church it is now possible to record the services. If you are unable to get along to church each Sunday and would like to get a copy of the service week by week please phone Elsie on 616238. Services at 11am unless otherwise stated. A crèche is available for children aged 9 and under :

July 30th	Ali Pandian
August 6th	Ali Pandian
August 13th	Ali Pandian
August 20th	Ali Pandian
August 27th	David Bowen

Ali Pandian is a probationer who is coming to Stronsay, along with her family, for 5 weeks as a locum. We very much look forward to meeting Ali and her family and hope they will enjoy their time in Stronsay. Contact Ali by phone or text on 07739 734474.

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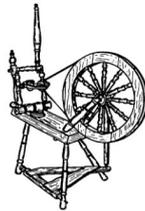
## **GROUPS, CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS**



### **STRONSAY STITCHERS**

*Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July*

*7.00-9.30pm, Church Hall. £2/person, refreshments.*



### **STRONSAY SPINNERS**

*Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August in the Church Hall. From 11am to 3pm.*

*Lunch: please bring your own.*

*£2.00/person, refreshments available.*

*All levels very welcome, from beginners to more experienced. Bring your own wheel, equipment & something to spin if possible. If not, we have a spare wheel, a few drop spindles and fleece. If you'd just like to come for a "taster" that would be great.*

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## **STRONSAY CRAFT FAIR DATES FOR 2017**

**Saturday 23rd September**

**Saturday 25th November**

If you would like to take part please contact Simone 616 281 to book your place

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### **PROMOTING STRONSAY – PROGRESS UPDATE**

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From the Promoting Stronsay Group  
on behalf of the Community Council and Development Trust

The key design elements for promoting Stronsay have been completed by Ignition, the Edinburgh marketing company who visited Stronsay for several days in February. These include a logo, a style of writing and photography and a strap line which describes Stronsay in 5 words. Ignition have also written a 25 word version and a longer version for our use in all future publicity.

The reason we need these is that to make anything memorable, the message has to be consistent: repetition is key. A search of literature and websites showed that Stronsay was mentioned with so many different styles that it was hard to know the same island was being referred to.

The Vat of Kirbister is often the only attraction mentioned on Stronsay. In the last few years we have had many developments like;

- ... the Storehouse B&B
- ... the Fishmart
- ... Craftship Enterprise
- ... several craft businesses

... most of these do not appear on visitor information leaflets or websites. Very little is mentioned about all our other facilities such as shops, post office, healthy living, swimming pool etc.

Both Radio Orkney and VisitOrkney have been out in the last couple of weeks to do features on Stronsay as a direct result of contact with Ignition and the "Promoting Stronsay group. The new website content, all the words and photos have been managed by Ignition and we are just waiting for Orcadia, the Mainland web designer, to finish constructing the website. A brochure is being designed which brings together in one place everything that is good about Stronsay.

To gain extra publicity we will be having an official launch of the "new look" Stronsay. This will involve the press, local radio and all the visitor websites such as VisitOrkney and VisitScotland. This again will be managed by Ignition.

The group would like Stronsay residents to be the first to see this "new look" so we will be organising a preview event a day or two before the official launch.

As soon as the website is finished we will be able to set a date for this meeting and the launch, so will be back in touch soon.

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### **STRONSAY HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE** **supervised sessions**

**Changes to supervised session times.**

**From Monday 11th April 2016**

All Supervised Sessions will run from 4.30 pm to 6.30.pm

MONDAY	4:30—6:30
TUESDAY	Buddy system
WEDNESDAY	4:30—6:30
THURSDAY	4:30—6:30
FRIDAY	4:30—6:30
SATURDAY & SUNDAY	Buddy system by request

The gym can be accessed throughout the day if you have a 'buddy' to go with.

A code is required, please speak to one of the team if you have any questions

Inductions by appointment only

Andy - 616277 or Julie - 616335

Gym during supervised sessions - 616449

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### **FIBROMYALGIA**

Do you suffer from fibromyalgia? There is a local Facebook group just for you.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/463333273823206>.

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### **DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP**

The next meeting of the Diabetic Support Group will be held on Wednesday 13th September at 3pm in the carpet room at the community halls.

All welcome.

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## ***GROUPS, CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS***

### **KIRKWALL MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS TO STRONSAY**

Library van visits Stronsay on Tuesday September 5th and on Monday October 30th

Council Houses 9 - 10

School 10.15 - 12

Kirk 12.30 - 3

Fish mart 3.15 - 5.30

Library van timetable

<http://www.orkneylibrary.org.uk/assets/Mobile%20Calendar%20Timetable.pdf>

Orkney Digital Library <https://orkney.overdrive.com>

Library website

<http://www.orkneylibrary.org.uk/html/mobiles.htm>

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### **STRONSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

Rooms for hire from only £2 per hour plus hydro charge.

Special event coming up? Why not hire the disco equipment with rotating glitter globe and pulsating coloured lights for only £5 plus room and hydro charge? A DJ from the Hall list must be used.

Also available for hire: badminton, table tennis and pool all at £3 per hour plus hydro. All equipment provided.

Adult supervision (over 18) must be present during hire.

For details and booking contact Colin on 616446.

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### **ORKNEY CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU**

Orkney Citizens Advice Bureau will be on Stronsay **9th August 2017** between 1pm and 4:30pm. To make an appointment to see one of their advisers at the Community Centre - Carpet Room or to arrange a home visit please telephone 01856 875266 by Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2017 at the latest, thank you

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## **STRONSAY SWIMMING POOL TIMETABLE**

### **Monday**

Public session 6.30-7.10

Adult lane 7.10-7.50

### **Thursday**

7-7.40 Private Hire (pre-booked)

7.40-8.20 Private Hire (available for booking)

### **Saturday**

Private hire 2-2.40

Public session 2.40-3.20

### **Swim club**

Wednesday Beginners and developers 3.30-4.10

Thursday A and B squad 3.30-4.30

To enquire about Private Hires, phone Elsie on 616238.

To enquire about Swim Club, phone Sarah on 616406 or Andy 616277

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## **POOL CHARGES**

### **Public Sessions**

Adults (16 and over) £2.40

Children £1.20

### **Private Hires**

40 minute session - £15

60 minute session - £20

### **Swim Club**

Children will be offered 10 week blocks which can be paid up front (non-refundable)

40 minute sessions - £16 block booking; £2 per session

60 minute sessions - £20 block booking; £2.50 per session

### **Men only and Women only Sessions (16 and over)**

Block booking of 10 sessions over a 12 week period (non-refundable)

£24 block booking

£3 per session

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## ***USEFUL INFORMATION***

### **POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES, etc**

Monday to Saturday . . . . .	8:30am—5:00pm
Sunday . . . . .	Closed
Post collection times . . . . .	07:30, Monday to Saturday
Bank day . . . . .	Tuesday
Replacement bin bags.. . . . .	Contact Island Link Officer in the Fishmart
Sunday service at the Kirk . . .	11 am (see <a href="http://tinyurl.com/pj7xtg5">http://tinyurl.com/pj7xtg5</a> )
Our Lady's chapel, pier head	Mass 11.20am (weekdays), 10.30am (Sundays & Holy Days)
Next Special Collection . . . . .	4 August 2017
Rubbish collection . . . . .	Tuesday (bags out ready by 9am)

### ***EMERGENCY! POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE or COASTGUARD - dial 999***

Doctor . . . . .	616321	Balfour hospital . . . . .	01856 888000
Nurses . . . . .	616480	Electricity	
Medical emergency . . . . .	01856 888000	problems . . . . .	0800 300 999
Stronsay registrar . . . . .	616239	emergency . . . . .	105
Hall bookings . . . . .	616446	Water problems . . . . .	0845 601 8855
Post Office . . . . .	616278	Highland Fuels . . . . .	0800 224 224
Companions . . . . .	616261	Kirkwall Library . . . . .	01856 873166
Stronsay Hotel . . . . .	616213	Kirkwall Police . . . . .	101
Olivebank . . . . .	616255	Vets:	
Ebenezer stores . . . . .	616339	Flett & Carmichael .	01856 872859
Neil's on Wheels . . . . .	616454	Northvet . . . . .	01856 873403
Taxi . . . . .	616335	Dentists:	
Airy Fairy . . . . .	616231	Orkney Dental . . . . .	01856 872030
Castle Bird Reserve . . . . .	616363	King Street . . . . .	01856 875348
Craftship Enterprise . . . . .	616249	Earls Palace . . . . .	01856 872958
Star Island Soap . . . . .	616281	Golgotha monastery. . . . .	616210
Driving tuition . . . . .	616268	Email <a href="mailto:contact@the-sons.org">contact@the-sons.org</a>	

### **JIM HOLLAND HAULAGE—DELIVERIES**

Catalogue deliveries made on Wednesday and Friday only.  
Large items will be delivered on Saturday.

### **HOW TO CONTACT THE *LIMPET***

Send an email to [editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk](mailto:editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk) (preferred method); phone Bruce Fletcher on 616297 (after 10am & before 8pm, please!); or write to *The Limpet, Claremont, Stronsay, KW17 2AR*. Details of the deadline for the next edition are on the front page



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