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## **PEEDIE LIBRARY**

The Peedie Library will be open in the Church Hall between 3pm and 5pm on the following dates. There is **NO** charge for this service. Please join us to change your books and enjoy a tea or coffee with a biscuit and a chat.

- Monday 1 October
- Monday 3 December

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## **STRONSAY HARVEST HOME**

Saturday 27 October. More details later

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## **STRONSAY FIREWORKS DISPLAY & BONFIRE**

7pm on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Come along and see Stronsay's fireworks display and bonfire, followed by Haggis, Mince and Clapshot and a quiz open to everyone! Raffle, 100 club and the bar will be open!

Adults: £6. Children: £3

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## **STRONSAY DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP**

The next meeting of the Stronsay Diabetes Support Group will be held in the Fish Mart on Wednesday 7th November at 3pm. All welcome.

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## **STRONSAY BOOKWORMS**

Just a reminder that there will be **no** Stronsay Bookworms meeting in October. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 7th November

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## **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.

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The next edition of the *Limpet* will be published on **Thu 25 Oct**. Items for inclusion in that edition should be submitted by 7pm on **Sun 21 Oct** Contact details are on the back page. The Limpet's website address is <http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk>

## FLU VACCINATIONS 2018/9

This year there have been changes to the 'flu vaccination programme, and there are now three different age groups with each receiving a different vaccination. Therefore clinics will be done in age groups to make this easier.

Once the vaccines have arrived, notices will be put up in the usual places, and people will be invited to phone the surgery to make an appointment for the appropriate clinic, according to the age group they fall into.

The three groups are:

- Under 65 in 'at risk' groups - those with long term conditions or special risk groups.
- Persons aged 65-74
- Persons aged over 75.

(Children from 2yrs up to P7 will be offered the nasal vaccine as per previous years).

If you usually receive the vaccination, or have turned 65 in the last year, please look out for the poster invitations.

Thank You.

Stronsay Surgery

The poster features the NHS logo in the top right corner. The main title is 'Diarrhoea and vomiting?' in large white font. Below it, the text reads: 'There's no specific cure for stomach bugs such as norovirus' and 'Visit [nhs.uk/norovirus](https://www.nhs.uk/norovirus) for advice on treating symptoms at home'. There are four icons in a row: a glass of water, two paracetamol tablets, a hand sanitizer bottle, and a calendar. Below each icon is a corresponding instruction: 'stay hydrated', 'take paracetamol', 'prevent spread', and 'stay at home for two days after symptoms clear'.

**NHS**

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### **Stronsay Massive Weekend**

The Board of Directors would like to offer its congratulations on a job well done to the organizers of the Stronsay Massive Weekend. What a great opportunity for the community to come together and enjoy a fun filled weekend.

We are already looking forward to what next year may bring.

### **Community Consultation Drop in Sessions Woods Yard**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 7pm – 8pm  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2pm – 4pm

Information on current projects will be on display along with opportunities for you to feedback and offer ideas and direction on future projects.

The development officer will be available throughout to answer any questions. There will also be an opportunity to chat with the Waste and Energy officers at the Saturday session. Refreshments will also be available.

### **Woods Yard Grand Opening!!**

It is finally that time, after a successful Building Inspection Woods Yard will be ready for its Grand Opening in November with a number of activities and events planned including

- A peek inside the new Stronsay Recycling center to see how we turn your cardboard into Briquettes suitable for burning.
- The opening of Stronsay ReStore, please see poster for additional information.
- Additional recycling activities and workshops.
- Energy Switching workshop to get you the best price possible from your energy supplier.
- A tour of the new workshops available to hire.

More details to come in the next edition of the Limpet.

### **Plastic Recycling News**

Following on from the successful Climate challenge Fund Grant award that has enabled the opening of a Stronsay Recycling Centre processing Cardboard and Glass, we are pleased to say we are one step closer to introducing plastic recycling to Stronsay. After a year of discussions with the council's waste team we look set to have a trial plastic collection skip on Stronsay in the near future. We will need your help to make this a success and details will be coming soon on how you can do this.

### **Grant Applications to the Community Fund**

The board of directors is undertaking a review of the current Grant application processes with a new system to be implemented in the near future, A temporary hold on all future applications has been put in place until further notice. All applications currently pending will continue to be processed along with the Fuel poverty grant award now open for applications.

Please contact the Community Development Officer if you have any questions

Email [sdtoperations@btconnect.com](mailto:sdtoperations@btconnect.com) or telephone the office on 616410



Applications are invited for the

## **Fuel Poverty Grant 2018**

The Stronsay Development Trust wishes to help relieve poverty by providing financial assistance towards home energy costs with a grant of £100 Paid directly to the domestic energy provider via the provided account information or to the post office for pre-paid key cards.

Under the restrictions placed on the trust by charity laws, grants will not be available for businesses, second homes or holiday lets.

Applicants must be the bill payer and a full-time resident of Stronsay and there can only be one application per household.

You will not be asked for any personal financial details other than the name of your domestic energy supplier, together with your ref/account number, however where possible we ask that a recent energy bill or statement be included with the application form to enable us to process the payment as efficiently as possible.

You will also need to sign the declaration confirming that you are in fuel poverty.

Application Forms will be available in hard copy via woods yard or the post office, alternatively you can find them online at <http://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/sdt/>

All applications should be returned to Woods Yard

### **By 5pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

A Company Limited by Guarantee, Registered in Scotland. Company Number SC271553  
A Scottish Charity SC038888 Registered Office: Unit 1, woods yard, Stronsay, KW17 2AR



SDT use only			
Energy Provider			
Date received		Reference Number	
Board minute date		Board decision	

**STRONSAY DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUEL POVERTY GRANT APPLICATION**

One grant per household, Subject to board approval and annual review, £100 will be paid directly to the applicant's domestic energy provider or credited to an existing prepayment card.

Name of applicant (bill payer).....

Address.....

Energy provider.....

Energy Provider account/reference number.....

- Please indicate if you have a prepayment key card.

To enable us to process the application/payment efficiently we ask that where possible a recent energy bill or statement be included with this application.

Declaration:

**I confirm that, in order to maintain a satisfactory heating regime, I would be required to spend more than 10% of my income (including Housing Benefit or Income Support for Mortgage Interest) on all household fuel use.**

**I also Confirm that I am a permanent resident of Stronsay.**

Signed by applicant .....

Date.....

**PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION TO WOODS YARD BY 5pm on Fri 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

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## RECENT BIRD SIGHTINGS

There have been a few rare and interesting species recorded so far this Autumn including a Mediterranean Gull which was first heard flying over at Matpow and then seen later at the Bu Loch in late August. A few juvenile Stonechats have been seen – perhaps birds raised here on Stronsay, but more likely from the breeding population elsewhere in Orkney including Eday.

Arctic Skuas – including juveniles – have been more numerous in late summer this year, along with Sandwich Terns, and more recently Golden Plover a sure sign that there has been a drop in the numbers of Greylag Geese. Hundreds of Golden Plover have returned to the pastureland this Autumn - fields that had been commandeered by the geese for several years.

Two early Whooper Swans arrived on the Matpow Loch on 2nd September after their flight from Iceland, preening constantly close to the pair of local Mute Swans and their seven cygnets. Claire at Gesty Dishes saw the next party of Whoopers – 4 - probably heading for the Lea Shun Loch as they flew in from the North-West on 21st. Neil (On Wheels) saw a Short-eared Owl on a roadside fence-post on 3rd and Pato Dennison alerted us to an injured bird of the species by the roadside from another part of the island around the same time. We took this bird home and cleaned it up, ‘pruning’ off the long broken flight feathers for the bird’s ‘comfort’. It was quickly transferred to Mandy (Dusquoy), and is now being well looked after at Glenmanna – where the injured Short-eared Owl found by Sheila at Helmsley last year, is thriving.



*‘Short-eared Owl on a fence-post near Matpow – note the yellow eyes. The similar but generally darker Long-eared Owl has orange eyes.’*

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The Bu Loch had completely dried up in late August but was soon colonised by big numbers of moulting gulls – and several Sandwich Terns. A few showers in early September encouraged waders back to the area including a very big flock of 60 or so Black-tailed Godwit, 10 or so Knot, and a few other wader species including Ringed Plover, Dunlin and – from the other side of the Atlantic – a White-Rumped Sandpiper (the third island record – but all too brief).

The Blyth's Reed Warbler seen in mid-August was relocated at Airy on 3rd September and a Rosefinch was found feeding with the local Linnets at Linksquoy on 4th but was very difficult to locate among the more colourful species! A few small migrants were seen in early September – including a Whinchat along the Airy Road. George and Betty found a Buzzard near Houseby on 8th and the following day discovered a Yellow-browed Warbler – once again in the Airy Garden and in the same tree as a Garden Warbler and the long-staying Blyth's Reed! George and Betty were well rewarded for their efforts when the long-staying but elusive Barred Warbler at Castle, spent twenty minutes eating a large green caterpillar (Lime hawk-moth?) just ten feet from the kitchen window! (See photo)



*'The obliging Barred Warbler in the Castle Garden – large, but generally quite secretive.'*

A third Barred Warbler of the year was seen briefly at Slap but with mainly NW winds there were very few small migrants from the continent in mid-September. A few early Pink-footed Geese were seen flying over, heading south in mid-month and the first Robin arrived at Castle on 17th – a dark bird, unlike the usual paler wintering birds from Northern Europe, and possibly – as per last year – a 'local' from the nesting birds on nearby Eday.

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There have been dozens of Pied Wagtails along the roads recently, generally in small (family?) parties. Smaller numbers of Wheatears can also be seen quite close from the car, and Meadow Pipits are now to be found in flocks – often perching on the fence-wires – and again far easier to view from the car. There is a big flock of Wigeon (fresh from Iceland?) on the Matpow Loch at present and another at the Bu, and there are at least 3 Hen Harriers on the island, at least one Merlin, and the long-staying (dark) Buzzard.

And what on earth are we missing!?

Thanks for all the calls and interest.

John & Sue

If the wind goes into the east in the next week or two, be ready for at least some thrushes, and perhaps later next month – a Waxwing or two!



*'Waxwing in the Castle Garden in late Autumn 2013 – favourite food – apples.'*

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## **ARE YOU PLANNING AN EVENT?**

### **PLEASE CHECK THE STRONSAY DIARY**

If you are planning an event please check the diary of events on Stronsay (which can be found at <http://visitstronsay.com/events>) to ensure that your planned event won't clash with something already announced; it will also enable other organisers to avoid clashing with your event..

If you want your event to appear in the diary please contact the editor of the Limpet [editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk](mailto:editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk) with details - what is it, where is it being held and, most important, the date and time.

# LIFEBOAT ON STRONSAY - SINKING OF SS ATHENIA

## 3 SEPTEMBER 1939

On 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 1939, war was declared between Great Britain and Germany. On the same day, the 13,500 ton passenger ship SS Athenia was on route from Liverpool to Canada with 1147 passengers and crew on board. The majority of the passengers were women and children, many refugees from Europe, as well as tourists from the USA and Canada returning home. At 11a.m. the news was broken to the passengers that a state of war now existed between Great Britain and Germany. The declaration of war was not entirely unexpected, and by 1p.m. as a precaution, the ship's 26 lifeboats had been prepared and were ready to be launched in the unlikely event of any disaster.

The Athenia was now about 300 miles from Liverpool, well out into the Atlantic and bound for a neutral port (Canada did not declare war for five more days). She was an unarmed passenger ship which had set sail before the declaration of war, and although alarmed by the turn of events, none of the passengers could imagine anything really happening to them.

At 7.39p.m, SS Athenia was torpedoed by a German U-boat (U30) captained by Oberleutnant Fritz-Julius Lemp. Although under strict orders from Hitler to avoid any confrontation with civil shipping, it was later stated in Lemp's defence that he thought the SS Athenia was an armed and converted merchant ship, as it was sailing without lights in a zig-zag formation. A second torpedo misfired, forcing the U boat to submerge to avoid being struck by its own torpedo, and on resurfacing a third torpedo was fired which also missed. Lemp realising his mistake, rapidly left the scene, and failed to report the incident to his superiors until September 14<sup>th</sup>.

The SS Athenia took several hours to finally go down. Most if not all the lifeboats were launched, although of the Athenia's passengers and crew, 112 were killed (93 of them passengers) in the initial explosion or died later as a result of the sinking. Three British destroyers Electra, Escort, and Fame, together with two merchant ships City of Flint and Southern Cross, and the Norwegian vessel the Knut Nelson, all attended the scene over the ensuing hours, rescuing more than 1000 survivors from the lifeboats and the sea.

The German High Command initially denied any responsibility or involvement in the incident, even going so far as to accuse the British of deliberately sinking the ship in order to encourage the USA to enter the war against Germany. The spectre of the sinking of the passenger ship Lusitania in the 1st World War haunted the German military command, and they feared that the sinking of the Athenia would have grave consequences on world opinion. As it happened this did not materialise, although it did affect German naval tactics particularly in the early part of the war. Hitler issued an order that under no circumstances were attacks to be made on passenger ships, even those in convoy, regardless of nation, thus causing confusion to U-boat commanders as to the vessels they were permitted to attack - for passenger ships sometimes carried troops, and freighters passengers.

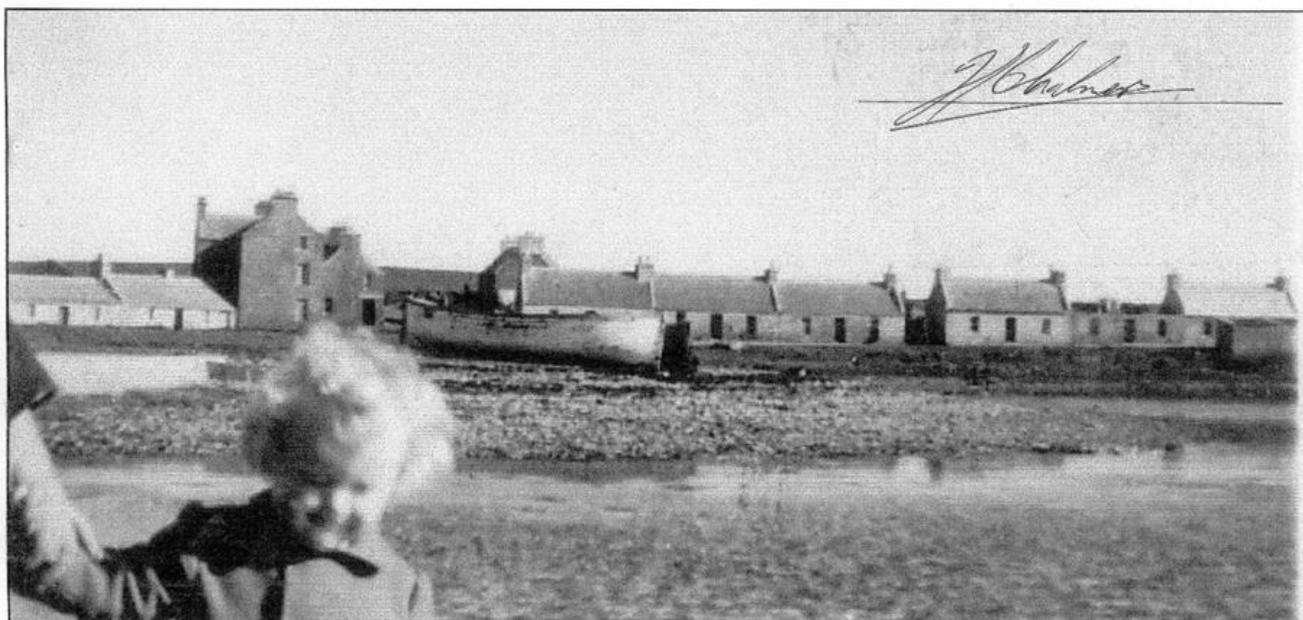
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Some months later an empty lifeboat found its way to Shapinsay, one of the northern isles in Orkney, having apparently drifted on the currents from the north Atlantic to the waters off Deerness where, it is believed, it was seen and towed into Shapinsay by a father and son fishing-boat team both of whom have since died. At some time during the early 1940's this lifeboat was acquired by Captain Dennison of Shapinsay, and used for carrying egg-boxes and the like between the islands.

During the late 1940's the boat was used for the collection and transportation of seaweed, used in the manufacture of iodine, soap, and fertiliser, with the processing factory on Stronsay. The boat had no engine and had to be towed, and was commonly known as 'Desperate Dan' in view of its substantial weight and awkward handling.

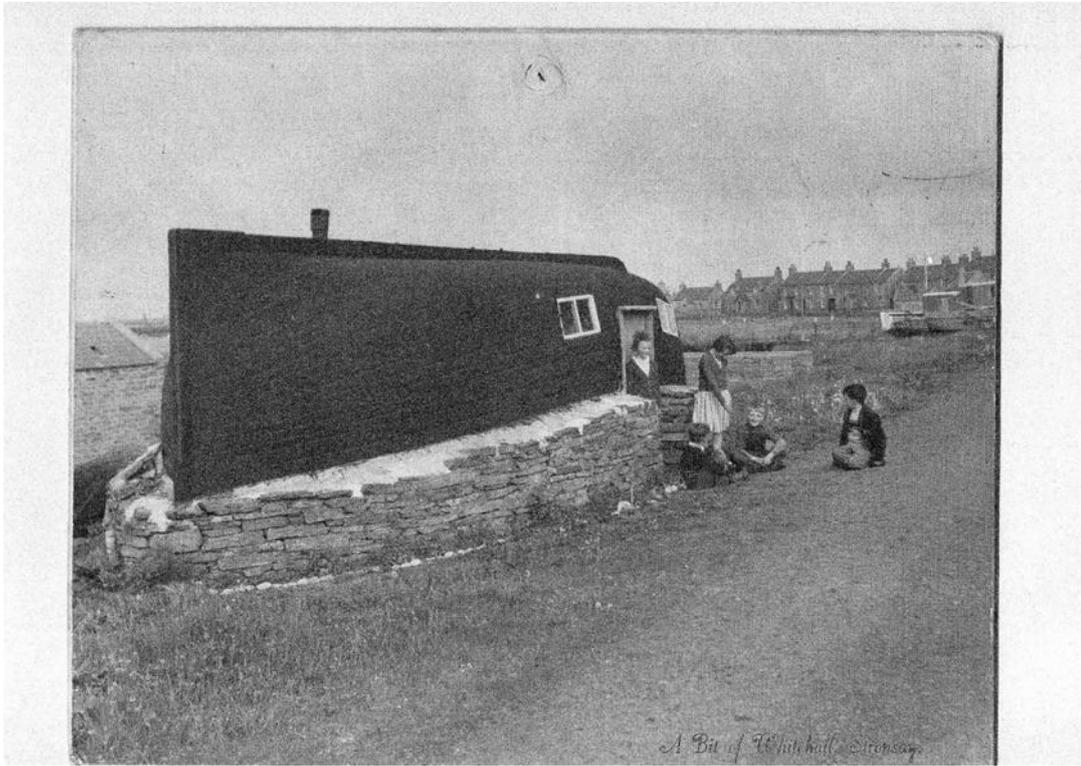
In 1949 the sea-weed processing factory closed down, and the lifeboat was acquired by Mr J Chalmers of Seafield, Stronsay, who moved it from the foreshore at Lower Station to the foreshore at Seafield, and converted it into a 'houseboat', where it has remained to this day.

In 2004, with the agreement of Mr Clive Martin, the present owner of the lifeboat, enquiries were undertaken to confirm the identity and origin of the lifeboat, with written statements provided by witnesses familiar with the boat during the 1940s and '50s, which established beyond reasonable doubt that the lifeboat was from the SS Athenia. Since then, several of these witnesses have since died, and we owe them our gratitude for their invaluable help in identifying the lifeboat.



" Athenia " lifeboat at Lower Station, Stronsay. (PRE 1949)

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*“SS Athenia” lifeboat, converted to house-boat, foreshore, Seafield, Stronsay.  
(late 1950’s)*



*“SS Athenia” lifeboat - on foreshore at Seafield,  
(1995/6)*

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*“SS Athenia” lifeboat on foreshore at Seafield, Stronsay.  
(2004/5)*

It is 14 years since the validation of the SS Athenia lifeboat, and the elements have taken their toll. Various proposals have been made regarding the future of the boat, but the wheels of progress move very slowly indeed. Nevertheless hope springs eternal that this unique 2nd World War artefact can be saved, both for the benefit of the Stronsay community, and as a real memorial for those who died at sea as a result of this tragedy.

The lifeboat has attracted considerable interest world-wide, particularly from the USA. I have received emails from relatives of survivors of the disaster, and many photographs of the SS Athenia and crew, prior to its fateful voyage. I understand that there is at least one active official ‘SS Athenia Club’ in the USA, possibly more. Nearer home, one of the Maritime Museums in Scotland, had and possibly still has, a special exhibition dealing with the sinking of the SS Athenia; she was after all, built in the Clyde.

Over recent years there have been many incomers to Stronsay to whom the history and circumstances of this lifeboat may be little known. Should you wish to learn more, the Stronsay Development Trust will have a copy of all of the full research found in this report and more available on their website [www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/sdt](http://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/sdt).

Further heritage project updates will also be available on the website in the near future.

Brian Crowe

## STEPHEN CLACKSON'S LETTER FROM SCHOOL PLACE

### *Telling you what your councillor is up to in Orkney and beyond*

At the meeting of the Monitoring & Audit Committee, our *Internal Audit Annual Report & Assurance Statement* graded us only 3 (adequate) for “openness”. I suggested we might have received a better grade had we instituted the regular question & answer session I supported, but which was overwhelmingly rejected, at our last General Meeting (see my last *Letter from School Place*).

On my request, the latest meeting of the Dounreay Stakeholder Group (on which I represent OIC) was preceded in the afternoon by a tour of the “Home of Decommissioning Excellence”. This was my first visit to a nuclear establishment for over 30 years, when I did a course in reactor physics (as part of my physics degree) at the University of London Reactor at Silwood Park in Berkshire. I was disappointed to learn that the iconic dome (see photographs below) is to be demolished rather than being retained as a national monument to Britain’s nuclear industry (and continuing to be a landmark for shipping). At the evening meeting I asked about diffusion of tritium (a  $\beta$ -emitting isotope of hydrogen) from low-level radioactive metallic waste stored at the site, and I received a reassuring reply a week later. As a result of my conversations outwith the meeting, the UK Vertical Launch Project team is making arrangements to meet with Orkney councillors to explore areas that may be of mutual benefit.



*Togged-up for the tour—note the Dounreay dome behind my left shoulder.*

The *Northern Alliance* is an educational partnership between the eight northernmost Scottish local authorities. Despite its including the three islands councils, its *Regional Improvement Framework Plan*, as I pointed out at the Education, Leisure & Housing Committee (ELH) meeting, lacks any recognition of the concept of “insularity”, something quite distinct from “rurality”, especially when it comes to connectivity and poverty of access. It is important we get this concept recognised before the *Northern Alliance* becomes the first regionalisation step on the road to Government Scotland’s ambition to centralise everything.

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On the housing front: OIC's *Strategic Housing Investment Plan 2019/20-2023/24* is ready to be submitted to Government Scotland. This is a document I had input into in my role as Vice-Chair of ELH in the last council. It outlines how OIC will facilitate the use of available funding to provide affordable housing. Of particular interest to the Isles are the opportunities offered by the Rural Housing Fund and the Islands Housing Fund. With the assistance of OIC's Housing Services, the North Ronaldsay Development Trust has just received £90,000 from the latter towards the redevelopment of the island's school-house.

The day before the meeting of the Orkney Health & Care Committee, I, along with the other committee members, had the opportunity to meet with our new Chief Officer for Health & Care and the Integration Joint Board, Sally Shaw. Folk in Sanday may remember Sally, as she lived on the island for a while.

At the meeting of the Orkney Ferries Board, I raised the matter of the inherent communication shortcomings highlighted by the break-down of the *Earl Thorfinn* after normal office hours on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept, and steps are being taken to improve these. The first to be implemented is an after-hours recorded telephone message. Another innovation, which will be welcomed, I'm sure, is that discounted multi-journey books of tickets for cars will now be available for up to two registrations at a time per household.

Other meetings I have attended in Kirkwall include: an update on the Repsol oil terminal at Flotta; the first members' political session since the recess, and corporate parenting training.

Out in the Isles, this month I attended an event for all parents organised by the Sanday School Parent Council, and a meeting of the Stronsay School Parent Council. I was accompanied to the Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council meeting by Andrew Blake, the Orkney Ferries Services Manager. Andrew was available to address the concerns of the community councillors and the public and answer their questions. He has already been to Shapinsay to do this, and he will be visiting the other North Isles community councils in due course.

The next Community Council Conference will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October—a golden opportunity for community councillors to get together and share experiences.



Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson  
West Manse, Sanday  
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You can download "Letter from School Place" from [lfsp.pbworks.com](http://lfsp.pbworks.com)

## NAMING OF THE STRONSAY LIFEBOAT IN 1955

Naming of the Stronsay lifeboat in 1955 which was attended by Jo and Laura Grimond. Stronsay folk in their Sunday best. Photo from Orkney Heritage Society via Clare Potts.



## **ARE YOU A NEWCOMER TO STRONSAY?**

Here is a request from a journalist, following on from the "promoting Stronsay" campaign that happened in January this year. Please contact Vicky directly if you are willing to share your story.

"Hi. I'm looking for newcomers to the island to speak to them about their move for a range of newspaper and magazine articles please. People who moved to Stronsay to seek a different life - to escape the hustle bustle, or societal norms. I want to speak to people about what it was like to move hundreds of miles away from friends and family, to go from living with everything on your doorstep to having to make choices when not every brand of cereal exists for example. I want to hear if you feel closer to nature living on an island, if you're affected by the seasons moreso, if you feel as connected to loved ones as you did before even with the distance, if island life is not as isolated as one might think. I'm looking to share these stories with the national newspapers and/or some real life and women's magazines. Everything from the Mirror to Take A Break, Bella etc. We can discuss this. I do read backs of all the articles I write so you'll get to hear your story back before it is published. Also, if a magazine commissions your story, I'll be able to arrange a payment for you as a thank you. If you have a story you'd like to share, please contact me at [victoria.burt@cover-images.com](mailto:victoria.burt@cover-images.com). This is for a general piece talking about the island's campaign that was launched in January 2018 to find new residents and about the changes experienced by those that have moved to the island and how they feel about their decision. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

Vicky (Victoria Burt, Exclusive Features, Cover Images)"

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## **BIG BIKE REVIVAL**

Thanks to [Mark Ferguson](#) for braving the stormy seas to come across and service folks bikes



*“My 3rd workshop in Stronsay and yet again it was a success with 5 bikes serviced. “*

## **HOP SCOTCH AND HULA-HOOPS**

By Ellie from Newfield

Was it really so long ago  
When our mouths bulged with penny chews  
And mothers rattled your ears  
For you'd scuffed your best shoes?  
The whole world was your playground  
Or so it seemed back then,  
Geography not being  
In your top ten.

The wonderful river Derwent  
Where we all learned to swim  
Having no choice in the matter  
As we so often fell in.  
Free range children all let loose,  
Wild and full of fun,  
Our skins glowing like silken honey  
Nurtured by the sun.

Was it really so long ago  
For I remember it all so well?  
A wonderful childhood indeed.  
I was Robin Hood or William Tell,  
Rounders played in our street  
For rarely seen were cars  
And the only chocolate (I think)  
Were Fry's and Cadbury's "Mars".  
Glassy marbles that chinked in your pocket,  
Your prize possession back then.

Was it so long ago  
That we wrote with ink and a nib pen?  
Lazy picnics and family walks,  
Life would contentedly pass by slow.  
I remember it all with such fondness.  
Was it really so long ago?

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

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you for the lovely flowers which Hazel delivered, addressed to me and Brenda from the Community Greenhouse. A lovely surprise and very much appreciated.  
William Embleton.

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### **THANK YOU**

Brian and Margaret would like to say a big “Thank you” to everyone at the Community Greenhouse for the really lovely bouquet of flowers you sent us.  
Thank you all very much.

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### **THANK YOU**

On 4th October my parents, John and Barbara King, will be celebrating their Diamond wedding anniversary, 60 years, and I am travelling down next weekend to share in the celebrations.

Not only is this a remarkable event in itself, but as a lot of you will know, my Dad had a very serious health scare 3 months ago and we all thought this milestone would not happen. I just want to say a big thank you to everyone here, those that have met my parents and even those who have not, for all their love, prayers and support to me and my family during what was an extremely difficult time. I am so grateful that, with expert medical care, there has been a positive outcome, and that we will be able to celebrate such a joyous and happy occasion with them.

Sincere thanks to you all,  
Shirley Whiteman

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### **FOR SALE**

#### **1958 MORGAN GILES 35ft SLOOP**

This boat belongs to Donna Blyth's brother-in-law. For details see  
<https://www.yachtworld.co.uk/boats/1958/Morgan-Giles-35'-Sloop-3112364>

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Local sales, wants, etc are free!

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

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### **LOOKING FOR A ONE BED SELF-CONTAINED PROPERTY TO RENT ON STRONSAY**

I am Scottish and a retired teacher currently living abroad. I plan this projected move to Stronsay to be permanent and would be interested in a long-term lease.

From around the end of this year

Feel free to contact me by email with any questions: [adouglas@post.com](mailto:adouglas@post.com)

Many thanks

Andrew Douglas

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### **HOUSE FOR SALE £135,000 (OR EXCHANGE?)**

BAYVIEW, WHITEHALL

4 bedrooms plus 2 attic rooms, 3 reception rooms, 2 bathrooms, utility room plus numerous outbuildings.

We're not looking to leave the Stronsay, it's just time to find something smaller.

Please contact Dave or Jill on 616308

BAYVIEW UPDATE (1 June 2018)

Having decided to put our home on the market we are obliged to have a Home Report, which was completed this week. I am pleased to say it was all very favourable and thanks to the hard work of Saul over the past two years the improvements were well noted and the survey valued the house at £135,000. So it is now with the Orkney Property Centre at that price.

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### **WANTED**

3 or 4 bed property for long term rent on Stronsay.

We are a family of 5 (parents and 3 boys) with one well behaved dog. We are looking to relocate to Stronsay anytime from August 2018. We have experience in various sectors, but the majority of our experience is in event management and marketing and we have a lot of ideas that, we feel, could help to bring in more tourists, therefore helping to boost the local economy. We are currently living in the Scottish Borders, having moved from England in 2016. We are looking to make this move a permanent one and would be happy to take on a long lease. Please feel free to get in touch with any questions via email to

[kellyhooper14@yahoo.com](mailto:kellyhooper14@yahoo.com) or call 01890 249032

Bond and references available. Many thanks

Kelly and Craig Hooper

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## **LOCAL BUSINESSES**



### **STRONSAY FISH MART**

Phone 616401

#### **Sunday 7th October 2018**

- Soup and homemade loaf
- Steak pie, vegetables and potatoes
- Chicken curry, rice and Naan bread
- Iced sponge and custard
- Banoffee pie (ice-cream / cream)

#### **Sunday 14th October 2018**

- Soup and homemade loaf
- Pork loin, apple sauce, potatoes and vegetables
- Vegetable ragu and tagliatelle
- Rice pudding and fruit (ice-cream / cream)
- Caramel tart (ice-cream / cream)

#### **Sunday 21st October 2018**

- Soup and homemade loaf
- Battered haddock, chips and peas
- Chicken and leek pie, potatoes and vegetables
- Gateau (ice-cream / cream)
- Trifle (ice-cream / cream)

#### **Sunday 28th October 2018**

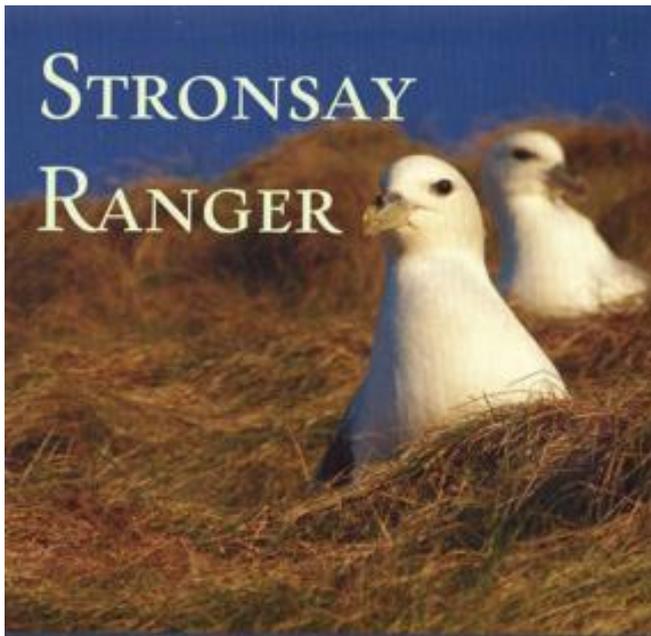
- Soup and homemade loaf
- Haggis, mince and clapshot
- Macaroni cheese, chips and garlic bread
- Sticky toffee pudding (ice-cream / cream)
- Cheesecake (ice-cream / cream)

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## LOCAL BUSINESSES



### STRONSAY RANGER

#### GUIDED TOURS AND NATURE WALKS

Take a guided nature walk on the beautiful Island of Stronsay. See the rich wildlife or learn about Stronsay's fishing history with the guided herring walk.

Tours run daily, with both full day and evening options available.

Tour prices available on the Stronsay Ranger Facebook page or by contacting the ranger on the number below.

Packed lunches made locally on request.

**CONTACT 07922711525**

or e-mail [stronsayranger@gmail.com](mailto:stronsayranger@gmail.com).  
Look for the Stronsay Ranger on Facebook and Instagram.



#### WALKS AND TOURS

Evening walks

Full day tours

Herring history walk

Walks to suit the individual

Packed lunches on request

Weather suitable clothing and sturdy walking shoes recommended

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**Contact 07922711525**

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

Facebook: search for Stronsay Ranger

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# Airy Fairy

- ★ Handmade Quilts, cushions & clothes ★
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  - ★ Handmade especially for you ★
- ★ Makower fabrics in stock £10 per metre ★
- ★ Studio visits welcome by appointment ★



Hazel Shearer, Airy, Stronsay, Orkney, KW172AG • Phone 01857 616231  
hazel.airyfairy@gmail.com • [www.airyfairyonline.co.uk](http://www.airyfairyonline.co.uk)

## The Wyrð Weaver

Handcrafted Textiles and Primitive Folk Art



Come and visit Eunice's studio at...  
Newbigging, Stronsay, Orkney KW17 2AN

Open Daily  
Phone - 01857 616230

Find and buy on Facebook @orkneywyrðweaver  
Email - [thewyrðweaver@btinternet.com](mailto:thewyrðweaver@btinternet.com)



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# LOCAL BUSINESSES

## Orkney Buffalo

Kirbuster, Stronsay



[www.orkneybuffalo.co.uk](http://www.orkneybuffalo.co.uk) | [www.facebook.com/OrkneyBuffalo](https://www.facebook.com/OrkneyBuffalo)

Email: [naomi@orkneybuffalo.co.uk](mailto:naomi@orkneybuffalo.co.uk) | Tel: 01857 616 251

September has fairly flown by and the nights are drawing in, despite the change in weather it's been a fantastic rainbow season so far! We had the excitement of a film crew visit this month, who captured some amazing footage along the Vat coastline with their cool drone; probably better than the interviews with the buffalo farmers!! 😊



We're continuing with our popular pick n mix offers on fresh buffalo supplies into the winter, as well as some other packs that will be posted on Facebook. Pick n mix: choose 4 items for £20, 6 for £30 or 10 for £45. It's a great value way to try a few different pieces.

4 x 5oz hand-pressed buffalo steak burgers	Dozen buffalo sausages	300g minute steaks	500g steak mince
600g rolled brisket	2 sirloin steaks* *counts as 2 items	500g diced stew	800g rolled silverside roast* *counts as 2 items
2 rib-eye steaks* *counts as 2 items	450g best stew	1kg rolled silverside roast* *counts as 3 items	3 packs ready to eat slow-roasted silverside
500g diced shin - perfect for slow cooking and super tasty in a curry!	1.5kg rolled silverside roast* *counts as 4 items	3 buffalo pies Ask for choices	2 dozen free range eggs

Free range eggs always available from the farm, self-service fridge in the porch at Kirbuster - £2.50 per dozen for large eggs, or £1 per ½ dozen for pullets.

Freshly baked (or freezer-ready) pie boxes also available – traditional mince, steak and Orkney beer, steak and sausage, bridies, jumbo sausage rolls, piegers and curry piegers currently on the go. Choose 10 individual pies for just £15 – ready to eat or to pop in the freezer ready to bake fresh! 😊

We will also have some Mangalitza pork on the go – available as individual cuts, small mixed boxes, halves and whole pigs. It's really super, tasty pork!!

For more info just give us a bell, msg on Facebook or pop past, or we can drop any orders off to you 😊

**Russell & Naomi, and the gang!**

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## **LOCAL BUSINESSES**

### **MAURICE A. WILLIAMSON** **YOUR LOCAL ONE STOP SHOP** **Grocer/Butcher/Fuel/Hardware Supplies**

Olivebank, Stronsay, Orkney, KW17 2AF  
Tel:01857 616255      Email: m.williamson1@btconnect.com  
Find us on Facebook at Maurice A. Williamson

**PROUDLY SERVING THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1967**

**Serving all your butcher needs;**

**All cuts of beef;** Silverside, topside, mince, rump, minute steak, stewing steak, fillet etc.

**Pork/pork products;** Loin, gammon, home-cured bacon, luxury medallions

**Chicken;** Whole, portions, breasts, kiev's, cooked chicken strips

**Our very own premium quality sausages;** including a wide variety of flavours – Pork /beef /pork, cheese & chive/pork & red onion/pork & black pudding/ beef, onion & mustard etc.

**Home-made;** White puddings, black puddings, our very own Olivebank grill, sandwich fillings, ready-made meal options

**...AND SO MUCH MORE!**



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## **LOCAL BUSINESSES**



**Tel: 01857 616 469    Mob: 07741 778 750**

**We are a brand new local company, we decided to take the plunge after many years of working for others, to set up our own business. Craig has many years experience in general building work, labouring, ground work ect. I am a time served joiner. We have all our own equipment so no need for the extra cost of hiring from elsewhere.**

**We can do all types of ground work, pipe laying, guttering and roofing. Replacement windows and doors, finishings, concrete and general work. All types of work considered, no job too small, all work finished to a high standard. Full public liability insurance, safe, reliable and trustworthy.**

**Reasonable prices.**

**Contact Craig or Christine for more information.**

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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  
on my mailing list*

**PATRICK  
McGRATH  
LTD**

**PLUMBING  
& HEATING**

**Gas Safe Registered Engineer  
Plumber**

Services include:

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- Bathroom fitting
- Bathroom supply
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Call Patrick on **07933 488283**  
Email: [patrickmcgrathltd@gmail.com](mailto:patrickmcgrathltd@gmail.com)



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## ***LOCAL BUSINESSES***

### **HAIRDRESSER ON STRONSAY**

Ladies, Gents & Kids Haircuts available. Tel Siobhan 616337. For additional services such as colouring / perming please let me know in advance for a consultation & allow time for product delivery

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Computer, tablet or phone misbehaving or running slowly?

Want to learn how to use social media, word processing, spreadsheets, change the privacy settings on your computer, tablet, phone or social media accounts or anything else computer related?

Need help protecting your family from the dangers online or setting up home or business accounting sheets on paper or computer?

Thinking of buying a computer, tablet, phone or printer but don't know which one?

Have a printer or other device that needs connecting to your computer?

Want to extend your home network coverage?

I can do one off lessons or a series of lessons for individuals or groups starting with the basics right up to more complex lessons such as photo editing or spreadsheets, including lessons for people who have never used a computer or tablet.

£6 an hour.

Give me a call on 317 or email [duncandavis79@gmail.com](mailto:duncandavis79@gmail.com)



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## ***LOCAL BUSINESSES***

### **JOHN DUNNE GARDEN SERVICES**

- \* General Garden Maintenance
- \* Window Cleaning and Guttering Services

- \* Reasonable rates
- \* Quick and professional

NO JOB TOO SMALL

Tel: 616276

### **The Old Manse Bed and Breakfast Logie Easter, Kildary IV18 0NZ**



Dating back to the 1780s set in a large woodland garden just off the A9 and six miles from Invergordon, the Old  
Ensuite Double and twin rooms

**Telephone : 01862 842357**

**Website : [www.oldmansebandbkildary.co.uk](http://www.oldmansebandbkildary.co.uk)**

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## ***LOCAL BUSINESSES***

### **STRONSAY HOTEL**

Phone 01857 616213

Open Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, & Sun 5pm to 9pm

### **TAKE AWAY MENU**

Homemade lasagne + chips . . . . .	£5.95
Homemade chicken curry + rice or chips . .	£5.95
Homemade chicken & bacon pie + chips . .	£6.50
Breaded haddock + chips. . . . .	£5.50
Battered haddock +chips . . . . .	£6.50
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

Half cheesy chips = minus 20p

Cheesy chips = add 80p

Half chips = minus 60p

Half rice = minus 60p



**GUITAR  
LESSONS**

Classical, Acoustic,  
Blues, Rock, Folk

Anthony Potts  
Tel: 07570531618  
antpottsguitar@btinternet.com

The advertisement features a black background with white text and a white silhouette of a guitar neck and headstock on the right side.

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## LOCAL BUSINESSES

### “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

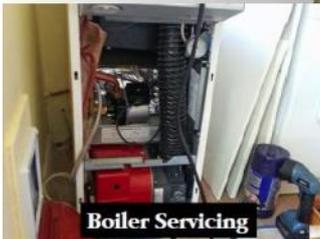
HOME: 01857 616454

## Ebenezer Oil Heating Services

Oftec trained engineer



**Oil Tank Installation**



**Boiler Servicing**

Oil boiler servicing,  
repair and replacement



**Boiler Installation**

A serviced boiler  
is an efficient boiler  
and will save you money

**& Commissioning**

Tel 01857 616339  
ebenezer@stronsay.org

**Anthony Potts**  
Foot Health Professional

Qualified Foot Health Professional  
MCFHP MAFHP

*About Me*  
I qualified as a foot health professional (FHP) in 2017 studying at the SMAE Institute in Maidenhead. I am a Member of The British Association of Foot Health Professionals.

*Treatments offered*  
Nail cutting and filing  
Callus (hard skin) removed  
Corns treated  
Nail conditions treated  
Verrucas treated  
General assessment and advice on foot health  
Home visits  
Please telephone for an appointment

Tel: 07570531618  
antpottsguitar@btinternet.com  
Gesty Dishes, Stronsay, Orkney, KW17 2AJ

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## ***LOCAL BUSINESSES***

### **Orkney Star Island Soap & Textiles**

Traditional hand crafted soaps, balms, bath fizzies and hand spun yarns, woven throws, wall-hangings



Craft Trail: Isles View, Stronsay, Orkney

Tel: +44 01857 616 281

Email: [info@orkneystarislandsoap.co.uk](mailto:info@orkneystarislandsoap.co.uk)

Web: <https://www.orkneystarislandsoap.co.uk>

Face Book: <https://www.facebook.com/orkney.star.island.soap/>



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## **BELLIE M DESIGNS**

Tieve Studios, Berryhill Road, St Ola, Orkney KW15 1SF.

Online shop [www.belliemdesigns.com](http://www.belliemdesigns.com)

Orders also taken via Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or phone 07736838489 with email invoices that can be easily paid by card or PayPal.

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**GROUPS, CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS**

You are warmly invited to  
**Stronsay's 2018**  
**Autumn**  
**Craft Fayre**  
Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September  
Stronsay Community Hall  
From 1pm to 4pm  
Handmade crafts, raffle, refreshments  
Sponsored & supported by Stronsay Community Association

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Blythswood  
Shoe Box Appeal  
2018

Collect a box to fill from the  
school or Kirk.

Alternatively, just buy a few  
items or even just one and place  
in the collection boxes at  
the shops.

The collection ends 10<sup>th</sup> October

Thank You!

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

### **SUGGESTED ITEMS (ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW):**

Toothbrush	Toothpaste
Hat/scarf, gloves	Soap
Toy car for a boy	Small doll for a girl

(Sorry no hand-made or knitted stuffed toys)

Shampoo	Face cloth or wipes
Deodorant	Moisturising cream
Comb/Brush	Sanitary Products
Shaving foam/Razors	New Make-up
Underwear/Socks/Tights	Kitchen Utensils
Sewing Equipment	Household Candles
Screwdrivers/Pliers	Notepads/Colouring books
Pens/Pencils/Sharpener	Rulers/Rubbers

Sweets (No chocolate or any other food) 'Best Before' date of March 2019. No loose sweets, lollies or undated bags of sweets.

Sorry, no talcum powder.

Other items may include: T-shirts, Pyjamas, Jumpers, Shirts etc.

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



### **STITCHERS**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September, Church Hall,**

7.00pm to 9.30pm, £2/person, refreshments.

Next meeting: Thursday **25<sup>th</sup> October.**

### **SPINNERS**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October, Church Hall,**

11.00am to 2.00pm, £2/person, refreshments, BYO lunch.

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## **STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Chair: Ian Cooper

Vice Chair: Shirley Whiteman

### **INTER ISLES AIR PASSENGER INFORMATION**

Passengers using the inter isles air passenger service from Stronsay are reminded that the current check-in time for flights is 20 minutes before the scheduled flight departure. A late check in could delay the flight departure and could inconvenience others.

Passengers are also reminded that there is a 15kg luggage limit. Excess luggage cannot always be carried on the same flight and may be refused.

It is anticipated on-line booking will be available soon.

Your cooperation in arriving on time and restricting luggage to the 15kg limit will be much appreciated by all.

Colin McAlpine  
Stronsay Island Link Officer  
17 September 2018

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



## **EDUCATION, LEISURE AND HOUSING Stronsay Swimming Pool**

### **Relief Leisure Attendant (Ref: ORK02823)**

**Hours are offered on an as and when required basis  
£9.60 per hour (including Distant Islands Allowance)  
A shift allowance will be paid for unsocial hours  
worked where appropriate**

The successful applicant must be prepared to acquire a full knowledge of all matters relating to the cleaning, operation and servicing of the swimming pool. This will include assembling and dismantling equipment, checking and maintaining chemical levels and cleaning filters.

There may be other cleaning duties outwith the pool area which will be delegated by Head Teacher and Pool Booking Clerk.

Prospective applicants are encouraged to discuss the post by contacting Graham Hill, Swimming Pools Team Leader, telephone 01856 850552 or email [graham.hill@orkey.gov.uk](mailto:graham.hill@orkey.gov.uk)

**Further information is available from, and online applications can be made through**  
[www.myjobscotland.gov.uk/orkney](http://www.myjobscotland.gov.uk/orkney)

**Closing Date: Sunday 7 October 2018**

*Orkney Islands Council ensures that the pay for all posts meets the Scottish Local Government Living Wage.*

*Please note that interview expenses are not payable for this post.*

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

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

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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## **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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# **THE ISLANDS OF ORKNEY 2019 INFORMATION AND TRAVEL GUIDE**

## **REQUEST FOR AMENDMENTS**

Arrangements are currently being made for the production of the 2019 Islands of Orkney Brochure.

In order that the brochure correctly reflects the services which are to be available during 2019, business operators and interested parties are asked to contact the Island Link Officer to make/delete an entry or to ensure that the detail of their existing entry in the brochure is accurate.

There is a very strict deadline for submission of amendments, therefore, you are advised to contact your Island Link Officer as soon as possible.

The Island Link Officer contact details are as follows:-

**Mr Colin McAlpine  
The Hill  
STRONSAY  
KW17 2AT**

Telephone: 01857 616 446

Email: [stronsaycommunitycouncilclerk@btinternet.com](mailto:stronsaycommunitycouncilclerk@btinternet.com)

**Deadline for amendments is:-**

**Friday, 9 November 2018**

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# **GROUPS, CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS**



DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

## **SPECIAL COLLECTION OF BULKY ITEMS FROM DOMESTIC PROPERTIES ON STRONSAY 2018/19**

The special collection dates for Stronsay up to 31 March 2019 are as follows:-

**Friday -            5 October 2018  
                          7 December 2018  
                          22 February 2019**

The current charges are:-

Up to 5 items	£19.00
6 items and above up to a full pick-up/equivalent load	£79.80
Lorry load	£160.80

If you wish to have **domestic** bulky items uplifted please contact Customer Services on 01856 873535 two days prior to the collection dates. Please note that payment for collection is required before the uplift is carried out. **Only items that are on the request form will be collected.**

**A verbal request to the local Refuse Collector is not sufficient.**

For information on disposal of **commercial waste**, please contact Development and Infrastructure on 01856 873535 extension 2320 or email [developmentandinfrastructure@orkney.gov.uk](mailto:developmentandinfrastructure@orkney.gov.uk)

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

### **STRONSAY SWIMMING POOL TIMETABLE**

*Updated August 2018*

#### **Monday**

7-7.40 public session  
7.40-8.20 adult lane (14+)

#### **Thursday**

7-7.40 private hire (prebooked)  
7.40-8.20 private hire

#### **Saturday**

2-2.40 private hire (prebooked)  
2.40-3.20 public session  
3.20-4pm private hire

Swim club lessons weekly

To enquire about private hires, phone Elsie 616238  
To enquire about swim club, phone Sarah 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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# ***GROUPS, CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS***

## **KIRK CORNER**

Locum minister—Scott Daily

Manse telephone 616286

As the wind begins to pick up and blow harder, I am thankful for a place to shelter from it. A place where I can relax, feel safe, and lay down my burdens. In life it is good to have a sanctuary, a “refuge of safety”, that we can go to. I hope the church can be that for you, a place where you can come and find true safety, security, and meet the Prince of Peace. A place where all of us together can lay our burdens down and grow and heal together.

Here at Moncur Memorial Church we have been learning from the Gospels of Mark and John many of the lessons Jesus taught His disciples. Such as: how He came to live and die for mankind so that they can be reconciled to the Father and have true peace and love; and how while Jesus cares so much for our physical needs that He will take the time to heal and feed even when it did not seem convenient for Him, yet He cares even more about your spiritual state willing to “leave the ninety-nine” to seek the one stray. I sincerely hope you can join us at eleven on a Sunday for the church service, we have a great Sunday club for the children as well. You can also stop by the church at any time as the doors remain open offering shelter. If you need prayer or anything else please feel free to contact me or drop in at the manse, we can all use a bit of security and shelter in life’s storms.

Scott Daily

Sunday Club started up again on Sunday 2 September.

Sunday services start at 11am unless otherwise stated.

For details of services see the kirk’s website:

<http://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/stronsaykirk/index.asp?pageid=595575>

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

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

#### **Dates of mobile library van visits to Stronsay in 2018**

Monday 15th October

Monday 10th December

#### **Winter**

- Council Houses 8.45 - 9.45
- School 10 - 12
- Kirk 12.30 - 3
- Fish mart 3.15 - 4.45

#### **Summer/Refit**

- Council Houses 9 - 10
- School 10.15 - 12
- Kirk 12.30 - 3
- Fish mart 3.15 - 5.30

For full details visit the library's website

<http://www.orkneylibrary.org.uk>

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

Catalogue deliveries made on Wednesday and Friday only.

Large items will be delivered on Saturday.

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

## **STRONSAY MEDICAL PRACTICE**

**In an emergency phone 01856 888000**

### **Surgeries by appointment only**

Phone 616321 to book an appointment

Monday 9:30—10:30, 15:30—16:30

Tuesday 9:30—10:30, 14:30—15:30

Wednesday 9:30—10:30, from 14:00

Thursday—no surgery

Friday 9:30—10:30, 15:30—16:30

### **Ordering repeat prescriptions**

Phone 616321

**Please note the changed email address [orkney.stronsay@nhs.net](mailto:orkney.stronsay@nhs.net)**

**Website [www.orcadespractice.co.uk](http://www.orcadespractice.co.uk)**

Please will patients order prescriptions at least 8-10 days before they are needed. This will reduce frustration when items have not been delivered from the mainland.

### **Collecting prescriptions**

Please will patients collect their ordered prescription 10:30-11:30am or 2-4pm Monday, Wednesday or Friday. This avoids the busiest time when the prescription boxes are being unpacked.

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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
<a href="#">Bank day</a> . . . . .	Tuesday 09:15-14:45 (closed 12-1 for lunch)
Island Link Officer.. . . . .	Fishmart office 10 to 12 on Tue, Thu & Sat. Phone 616475
SDT Office . . . . .	Wood's Yard 10am - 11am Mon-Fri. Phone 616410
Sunday service at the Kirk . . .	11 am (see <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ybbqoq23">https://tinyurl.com/ybbqoq23</a> )
Our Lady's chapel, pier head	Mass 11.20am (weekdays), 10.30am (Sundays & Holy Days)
<a href="#">Next Special Collection</a> . . . .	5 October 2018, 7 December 2018 & 22 February 2019
<a href="#">Rubbish collection</a> . . . . .	Tuesday (bags out ready by 9am)

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

Airy Fairy . . . . .	616231	Stranded seals, etc . . . . .	616339/616206
Castle Bird Reserve . . . . .	616363	Balfour hospital . . . . .	01856 888000
Craftship Enterprise . . . . .	616249	Electricity	
Doctor . . . . .	616321	problems . . . . .	0800 300 999
Ebenezer stores . . . . .	616339	emergency . . . . .	105
Fish Mart . . . . .	616401	Water problems . . . . .	0845 601 8855
Hairdresser . . . . .	616337	Highland Fuels . . . . .	0800 224 224
Hall bookings . . . . .	616446	Kirkwall Library . . . . .	01856 873166
Island Link Officer . . . . .	616475	Kirkwall Police . . . . .	101
Medical emergency . . . . .	616321	Vets:	
Neil's on Wheels . . . . .	616454	Flett & Carmichael .	01856 872859
Manse . . . . .	616286	Northvet . . . . .	01856 873403
Nurses . . . . .	616480	Dentists:	
Olivebank . . . . .	616255	Orkney Dental . . . . .	01856 872030
OIC out of hours . . . . .	01856 873535	King Street . . . . .	01856 875348
Post Office . . . . .	616499	Deyanov Dental . . . . .	01856 877118
Registrar . . . . .	616239	Golgotha monastery. . . . .	616210
School . . . . .	616246	( <i>Email <a href="mailto:contact@the-sons.org">contact@the-sons.org</a></i> )	
Star Island Soap . . . . .	616281		
SDT Office . . . . .	616410		
Stronsay Hotel . . . . .	616213		
Taxi . . . . .	616335		

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