



TIMETABLES

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2026

"Songs and Scones" at the kirk	Sun 2 Aug
Make and Mend	Tue 4 Aug
County Show	Sat 8 Aug
Mobile library van visit	Mon 10 Aug
Fencing experience	Wed 12 Aug
Stronsay's Massive Weekend!	14/15/16 Aug
Craft Sale	Sun 16 Aug
Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) visit	Wed 19 Aug
Stronsay Youth Day	Sat 22 Aug
"Just for the record"	Sat 5 Sep
Deal or No Deal	Sat 19 Sep
Bingo	Sat 3 Oct
Orkney Digital Forum	Fri 9 Oct
Bonfire night & quiz	Sat 7 Nov
Christmas Craft Fair	Sat 21 Nov
Christmas tree lighting	Sat 28 Nov
Hogmanay Dance	Thu 31 Dec

GERAMOUNT SURGERY

Website <https://orcadeppractice.co.uk/stronsay>. The roster for the island's GP is regularly updated online at <https://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/RosterGPandNurse.html>

STAY UP TO DATE WITH THE SDT!

The Stronsay Development Trust's newsletter for July 2026 is available at

<https://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/SDTjuly2026.pdf>.

If you'd prefer a printed or emailed copy, please contact the office on 616410 or send an email to admin@StronsayDevelopmentTrust.com.

The next edition of the Limpet will be published on **Mon 31 Aug**, the deadline is 7pm on that date. Contact details for the Limpet are on the back page of every edition.



Orkney Presbytery
— and —
Stronsay Church
host

Songs and Scones.

Songs of Praise
and a Cream Tea

at Stronsay Church
Sunday 2nd August
3.30–4.30

Everybody Welcome!

Make and Mend

Drop In session



Do you have clothes that need to be **repaired or altered**?



A household item that needs to be **fixed**?



Bring along your own items to be **repaired or reused**



Friendly **volunteers** on hand to help.



Sewing machines and **tool kits** available to use.



Next session

Tuesday 4th August
2.30–4.30pm

at Stronsay Development Trust,
Unit 1, Woods Yard



*Interested in
lending a hand?*

Contact Theresa on
01857 616410

theresa@stronsaydevelopmenttrust.com



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**Orkney Community
Planning Partnership**



Stronsay's Massive Weekend

CRAFT SALE

Sunday 16th August

1.00pm – 4.00pm

Stronsay Community Hall

Teas ~ bakes ~ raffle

Stronsay
Orkney's Island of Bays

Accommodation

-Stronsay Hotel-

Tel: 01856 700152

thestronsayhotel@hotmail.com

-Storehouse B&B-

Tel: 01857 616263

annemaree.carter@btinternet.com

-Stronsay Fishmart & Hostel-

Tel: 017598439058

fishmart.hostelbookings@gmail.com

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Thank you!

For any further information or queries;
Facebook us @ Stronsay Community Association

STRONSAY'S MASSIVE WEEKEND!



14, 15 & 16TH AUGUST 2026

FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST; COMMUNITY HALL; 7:30PM

Quiz with Cash Prize

 Come along to start your weekend off with a cracking night at the hall - We'll have Hot Food on sale, Bar open and Raffle Tickets available!

Adults: £3 Under 16's: Free

STRONSAY IS MASSIVE!

SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST; COMMUNITY HALL; 11AM

Get your 5-a-side teams ready!

- Fun Netball-
- Fun Football-
- Team Games-

Also open inside the Community Hall:

- Inflatables-
- Carnival Style Games-



OBSTACLE COURSE; 4PM

Put your team to the final test!

Mystery course with a timed race to crown the BEST of the BEST!
A course full of mishaps and shenanigans, making this a viewer highlight!



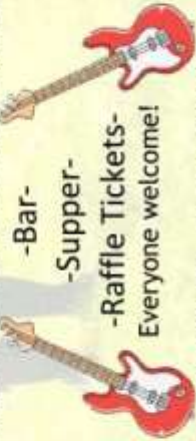
Stronsay Community Hall will be open and available for

Hot food, Tea, Coffee and Drams!

-Raffle tickets available-

COMMUNITY HALL; 8PM

-Dance to The Stronsay Band!-



-Bar-

-Supper-

-Raffle Tickets-

Everyone welcome!

Adults: £5 Under 16's: £1

SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST; COMMUNITY HALL; 12PM

-FLOATS-

Floats will be travelling past the hall at **1:30pm**

(North to South) following the pipe band
Make sure you're there to see it!

- Kirkjuvagr Dancers-
- Stromness RBL Pipe Band-
- Horticultural Show-
- Vintage Club-
- Craft Sale-
- BBQ-
- Inflatables-
- Carnival Style Games-
- Bar-

Raffle will be drawn on Monday 17th



Boat departing Stronsay-Westray: 4:20pm

Boat departing Stronsay-Sanday: 5:50pm

Boat departing Stronsay-Edray: 5:40pm



Stronsay Community Association Presents; with funding from Cooke Scotland;

Stronsay's **MASSIVE** Weekend!

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Community Hall; 7:30pm

-QUIZ WITH CASH PRIZE-

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-Fun Football-

-Team Games-

-Obstacle Race-

Also open inside at the Community Hall:

-Carnival Style Games-

-Inflatables -

Community Hall will be open and available for Hot food, Tea, Coffee and Drams!

-Raffle tickets available-

Community Hall; 8pm

Dance to The Stronsay Band!

Adults: £5 under 16's: £1

-Bar-

-Supper-

-Raffle tickets available-



Sunday 16th AUGUST:

Community Hall; 12pm

Get your thinking caps on for your float ideas!

-Floats (1:30pm)-

-Kirkjuvagr Dancers-

-Stromness RBL Pipe Band-

-Horticultural Show-

-Craft Sale-

-Vintage Club-

-BBQ-

-Inflatables-

-Carnival Style Games-

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For any further information or queries;

Facebook: Stronsay Community Association

Stronsay Horticultural Show 16/08/26 (part of the Massive Weekend 2026)

Fee covering all entries to adult competition - £2 Child classes - Free

Rules

1. Exhibits must be entered between 10am – 11am on Sunday 16th August 2026. **Late entries cannot be accepted.**
2. You can enter any number of classes in any number of sections, but you can only put ONE entry into each class.
3. **Each entry must have an envelope securely fixed with section and class on the outside and name and address of entrant on the inside.**
4. Exhibits must be removed after 4pm and before 5pm on Sunday the 16th of August 2026.
5. Children can enter the adult section on payment of the adult fee.
6. We will do our best to take care of your exhibit, but we are not liable if it is damaged or lost.
7. The decision of the judge is final.

Section I Flowers

1. Arrangement in an egg cup
2. Inspired by the Stronsay sky

Section II Fruit and vegetables

- a) All fruit and vegetables must be grown by the exhibitor
1. 6 cherry tomatoes
 2. 4 carrots
 3. 3 onions
 4. 1 Cucumber
 5. 4 potatoes
 6. 2 Sweetcorn
 7. Selection of any 4 vegetables

Section III Produce - Preserves

1. Any jam
2. Any Curd
3. Ploughman's pickle

Section IV Produce

1. 6 hen eggs
2. 1 round of homemade cheese

Section V Baking and cooking

1. 2 white bread rolls
2. 4 drop scones
3. ¼ Quiche (approx. 20cm round)
4. 4 chocolate brownies
5. 6 pieces of Tablet
6. Potato Salad (Mayonnaise base)

Section VI Industrial

1. Any knitted article
2. Any item in sewing
3. Any article in metal
4. Any article using beachcombed material
5. A drawing or painting

Section VII Junior – Six years and under

1. Handwriting - 5 letters of the alphabet
2. Finger painting on an A4 sheet
3. Lego or Duplo model – own design, no larger than 25cm on any direction

Section VIII junior – 7 to 10 years

1. Handwriting – four lines of a poem
2. A picture using Stronsay shells
3. Lego model – own design, no larger than 25cm on any direction

Section IX junior – 11 to 15 years

1. Handwriting – four lines of a poem
2. A picture using Stronsay shells
3. 4 Decorated cupcakes

Section X Junior Tattie in a bucket - 15 and under

1. Open to any junior competitor up to 15 years. Grow a tattie in a bucket. Bring the whole bucket, undisturbed. Judges will empty the bucket and weigh the tatties. There will be a special prize for the heaviest yield of tatties.

Section XI Photography

1. Agricultural theme
2. Landscape
3. Water

INTER ISLAND FERRY TIMETABLES – SUMMER 2027

Inter Island Ferry Timetables are considered 12 months in advance by communities via the Ferry Forum, with draft timetables circulated to Community Councils for consultation.

The timetables are then considered by the Board of Orkney Ferries Ltd from an operational and budget perspective, before they are presented to the Enterprise and Infrastructure Committee for approval. Once approved, the timetables can be uploaded onto the booking system.

The draft timetables proposed for Summer 2027 are consistent with those operated in previous years. This is because there are challenges in extending services further based on the existing crewing configuration and ageing fleet.

There are challenges in making changes to the existing timetables, particularly when improving a connection to one island generally means negatively impacting another community.

That said, it is important to consult with communities and have the ability to make small changes where it is operationally possible to do so.

Therefore, the current Summer 2026 timetables will be presented, in draft, to the Forum for Summer 2027. These are available online at “*Orkney Ferries - Timetables and Fares*” (<https://www.orkneyferries.co.uk/timetables>).

Responses should be submitted to your local Community Council Clerk (stronsaycc@gmail.com) by **Tuesday 4 August 2026**.

BLACK BIN BAGS

Black bin bags issued by Orkney Islands Council can be collected from the Stronsay Island Link Office, located in the Fish Mart. The office is open every Wednesday between 10am and noon.

If you are not able to call into the office, a request for bags can be made by email to stronsaycc@gmail.com.

Colin McAlpine, Stronsay Island Link Officer/Clerk, 19 May 2026

Stronsay Youth Day

Join us for a fantastic day packed with games, creativity, teamwork and fun.

Take part in exciting challenges, get creative with graffiti art, work together with friends, and discover the skills you already have and some new ones too!

Whether you're coming with friends or on your own, everyone is welcome.

Event Details

Date: 22nd of August

Time: 9:30am – 4:00pm

Age - 8-16 Years Old

Venue: Stronsay Community Centre

Lunch Provided

- ★ Graffiti Art Workshop
- 🎮 Team Games
- 🏆 Challenge Stations
- 👥 Team Building Activities
- 🗣️ Create & Perform Your Own Skit
- 💬 Meet New People
- 🍽️ Free Lunch
- 🚌 Free Minibus Pick-Up & Drop-Off



Book your place today by scanning the QR code!
Spaces are limited.

Contact:
richard.smith@orkney.gov.uk



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More details on next page

STRONSAY YOUTH DAY—SATURDAY 22 AUGUST

Stronsay Development Trust

Hi everyone,

We're excited to invite young people aged 8–16 to our Stronsay Youth Day – a fun-filled day packed with activities, creativity, teamwork and games!

Throughout the day you'll have the chance to:

- Take part in a Graffiti Art Workshop
- Enjoy fun team games and challenge activities
- Meet new people and make new friends
- Build confidence and learn new skills
- Work together to create and perform a short skit
- Enjoy a free lunch
- Make use of our free minibus pick-up and drop-off service

Whether you've been to youth events before or it's your first time, everyone is welcome. It's a great opportunity to have fun, try something new and spend the day with other young people from Stronsay.

- Date: Saturday 22nd of August
- Time: 9:30am – 4:00pm
- Ages: 8–16 years

To book your place, simply scan the QR code on the poster on the previous page or click this link <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/fHCvRFLCTw>.

STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

As from 18 May 2026, the following have been confirmed as members of Stronsay Community Council:-

Maya BAR-TOR	Bennicuml, Stronsay, KW17 2AJ Email: mayabartor@gmail.com
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Damian STOUT	Linksness, Stronsay, KW17 2AT tel: 616258 email: damienstout@btinternet.com

The role of a Community Councillor is to ensure that they work for the best interests of the whole community and remain representative of, and accountable to, the represented community.

If you have a community related issue that you wish to bring to the attention of the Community Council, please contact any of the above members, or the Clerk, email: stronsaycc@gmail.com

Colin McAlpine
Island Link Officer/Clerk
19 May 2026

Have you ever been invited for breast screening?

Share your experience to help improve access in Orkney's outer isles



We are inviting individuals living in the outer isles of Orkney to take part in a research study exploring experiences of the national NHS breast screening programme. Your views will help inform service improvements and support equitable access in remote island communities.

Who can take part?

- Individuals aged 50–70 years
- Cis women and some trans women, trans men and non-binary individuals
- Registered with a GP practice on North Ronaldsay, Stronsay, Eday, Westay, Papa Westray, or Sanday
- Have been invited for breast screening at least once (whether you attended or not)
- Able to give informed consent and take part in English

You cannot take part if you have a current breast cancer diagnosis.

What would taking part involve?

- Participation in one interview about your perceptions, experiences, and any barriers or enablers to attending screening
- The length of the interview will be around 60 minutes, at a time that suits you
- The interview can be in-person or online (Microsoft Teams), depending on your preference
- With your permission, the interview will be audio recorded and transcribed and kept until analysis is complete

Your choice and confidentiality

Taking part is entirely voluntary. You can choose not to take part or to stop at any time. Your views will not affect your care. We will use pseudonyms and store data securely. Data will be retained for five years in line with university policy.

What is the study for?

This is a Master of Public Health dissertation project. Findings will be shared with NHS Orkney's Public Health team, the Equity in Screening working group, and the NHS Breast Screening Programme, and will be made available to participants.

Interested? Please get in touch

Email: h1kjon13@liverpool.ac.uk

Researcher: Kirsti Jones, Advanced Health Protection Nurse Specialist (NHS Orkney)

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26th May 2026

STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Louise McQuaid

Vice Chair: Damian Stout

SCRAP CAR SCHEME

Stronsay Community Council is pleased to announce the reopening of the Scrap Car Scheme for a further five vehicles.

The scheme will be administered by the Community Council and will remain open until five vehicles have been registered for removal. The vehicle owner will be responsible for arranging for the vehicle's disposal.

The haulage cost from Stronsay to Kirkwall will be met by Stronsay Community Council.

If you wish to dispose of a scrap car, please: -

1. Request a Verification Form from the Island Link Officer – email: stronsaycc@gmail.com or by writing to the address below;
2. Complete the Verification Form and liaise with the haulier for the vehicle's delivery to Kirkwall;
3. The completed Verification Form must be presented to the scrap yard at the time of vehicle delivery, along with all necessary documentation, (the vehicle's V5 document) to meet the DVLA and dismantler requirements.

Please note that only one vehicle at a time can be registered by the vehicle owner. A Verification Form will be required for each separate delivery of a car to the scrap yard.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Colin McAlpine
Stronsay Island Link Officer,
19 May 2026

STRONSAY LIMPET—BACK NUMBERS

All editions of the Stronsay Limpet can be downloaded from the Limpet's website at <https://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/Limpets.html>



Orkney Fencing Club



Try fencing at a venue near you!

Join us to experience fencing on the piste or seated.

Everyone is welcome.

Please book on

<https://summerofsport.orkneyislands.uk/>

[or leisure.culture@orkney.gov.uk](mailto:leisure.culture@orkney.gov.uk) **phone number**

873535 ext. 2461

For more information email: moya.nelson23@gmail.com.

Date	Location	Venue	School Pupils	Adults
Wednesday 15 July	Sanday	Sanday Junior High School	11.30-13.30	14.30-16.30
Wednesday 22 July	Westray	Westray Junior High School	11.30-13.30	14.30-16.30
Wednesday 29 July	Kirkwall	Pickaquooy Centre	11.30-13.30	
Wednesday 12 August	Stronsay	Stronsay Junior High School	11.30-13.30	14.30-16.30

Please wear comfortable sports clothing, including joggers, trainers and a T-shirt, and bring a bottle of water.



Saturday 05 September 19:00 Stronsay Community Centre Video Hall
Free Admission

You are cordially invited to come celebrate the 10th anniversary of

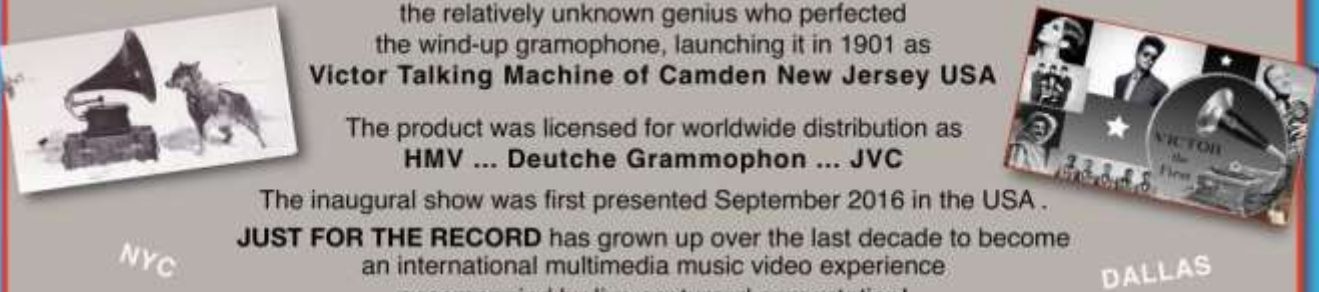
JUST FOR THE RECORD

Christopher Andrew Maier channels Eldridge Reeves Johnson,
the relatively unknown genius who perfected
the wind-up gramophone, launching it in 1901 as
Victor Talking Machine of Camden New Jersey USA

The product was licensed for worldwide distribution as
HMV ... Deutsche Grammophon ... JVC

The inaugural show was first presented September 2016 in the USA .
JUST FOR THE RECORD has grown up over the last decade to become
an international multimedia music video experience
accompanied by live costumed presentation!

Perhaps you missed the 2021 Stronsay presentation due to COVID concerns?
If you did catch it, consider popping by again. The show has grown up,
is considerably smoother, and will be presented at this year's
Orkney International Science Festival



See <https://oisf.org/fest-event/just-for-the-record>
for details of Christopher's show at this year's Orkney International Science Festival

AYRE OFFSHORE WIND FARM TEAM

I wanted to let you know that the Ayre Offshore Wind Farm team will be attending the Orkney Show on Saturday, 8th August.

We will have a stand at the show and would be very pleased to welcome you if you are attending. I will be there on the day, alongside our Project Director Ewan Walker and Consents Manager Rosie Scurr to speak with local residents, businesses and stakeholders about the project.

The show provides a well-timed opportunity to share an update on Ayre's progress and to discuss potential opportunities for local companies and the community to get involved as the project continues to progress. I would be delighted if you were able to stop by the stand and would be very happy to talk through the project and our current community engagement activity.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Allan Tait a.tait@qair.energy

Community Engagement Manager Ayre Offshore Wind farm

STRONSAY MEN'S SHED – NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!



The Stronsay Men's Shed meets every Saturday at 10.30am in the Mission Hall, Lower Whitehall. We're a small but lively group who enjoy getting together to share a cuppa, swap stories, play games, and work on small projects – with plenty of tea, biscuits and bacon rolls to keep us going!

The Men's Shed movement began in Australia and is now thriving across Scotland. It's all about creating a welcoming place where men can come together, enjoy companionship, learn new skills, and support each other. As the Scottish Men's Sheds Association say:

"Sheds are for all men – a place to be yourself, to learn, to share, to laugh, and to belong."

Stronsay Men's Shed has its own aims and purpose, shaped by members, with a small informal committee to help things run smoothly. We're not about red tape – we're about friendship, community, and having a space where men of all ages (18+) and backgrounds can meet.

Recent projects have included making a puppet theatre for the school children, which was a great success, and we're now working to improve the Mission Hall with plans for a workshop, kitchen and more activity spaces.

We welcome donations to help keep things going, but most of all we welcome **new members**. Whether you fancy lending a hand with a project, just want to enjoy some company, or have ideas for how the Shed could grow, you'll be warmly welcomed.

So why not pop along one Saturday and see what it's all about? You'll find friendship, fun, and a good brew waiting for you!

Contact Roger Neville-Smith 07773 889 334

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61558772842680>



GERAMOUNT SURGERY

Changes to Surgery opening hours!

Just a quick update on Surgery reception opening hours.

These changes will be taking effect starting on 15th September

Appointments are to be booked during these times.

Stronsay Surgery – Tel 01857 616321	
	Morning
Monday	9:00am – 13:00
Tuesday	9:00am – 13:00
Wednesday	9:00am – 13:00
Thursday	9:00am – 13:00
Friday	9:00am – 13:00

TO URGENTLY CONTACT THE DOCTOR OUTWITH RECEPTION TIMES,

PLEASE CALL THE BALFOUR HOSPITAL ON

01856 888 000

AND THEY WILL CONTACT THE DOCTOR FOR YOU.

STRONSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

<https://www.vaorkney.org.uk/directory/stronsay-community-association>

Why not hire the Stronsay Community hall? We have a kitchen and fully licensed bar, with two large halls and a small meeting room; perfect for weddings, parties, games, meetings and much more!

- Disco equipment
- Table tennis
- Badminton
- Air hockey
- Pool Table



For more information & bookings contact Anne-Maree Carter email
annemaree.carter@btinternet.com

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

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

Find us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/hallcommittee>

Records of a Bygone Age
Stronsay Lifeboat Station 1952 - 1972
Part 4 – A Right Royal Occasion

During the mid-1950s and on until the early 1960s a number of the young boys from Whitehall Village were members of what was termed the Junior Lifeboat Crew. The intention of this was to teach the young lads seamanship and navigation, which would stand them in good stead if they wished to pursue a career at sea, or to volunteer as Lifeboat crew. Michael Rendall, himself one of those young lads, recalls them going to Helmsley to be taught to 'box the compass', which involved learning the names of all 32 points of the compass. This was taught to them by Captain Clements, a veteran of sail and steam who was then the Honorary Secretary of the Stronsay Lifeboat Station. On a Saturday they would row out to the *John Gellatly Hyndman*, which was anchored between the piers, and there they would polish the brass and copper, also getting the opportunity to test the radio by calling up Wick Radio, all of which was supervised by lifeboat mechanic Sydney Swanney.

They were also occasionally taken out with the lifeboat on exercise and were allowed to take over its controls and operation in the middle of Sanday Sound, which was quite an adventure for them at the time.



Some of the Junior Lifeboat Crew giving a final clean and polish to the John Gellatly Hyndman in preparation for the visit of the Queen. At the back are Charlie Devin and Gary Swanney then at the front are Bobby Miller, Andrew (Drewie) Swanney, Billy Deans and coxswain Jimmy Stout snr.

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We move on now to 12th August 1960, when Queen Elizabeth 2nd visited Stronsay as part of a tour of Orkney and Shetland aboard the Royal Yacht Britannia, a tour which had been postponed from August the previous year due to the imminent arrival of Prince Andrew. Included in the tour whilst on Stronsay was a meeting with ex-service men and women, a visit to the local shop owned by 2nd coxswain John Dennison and his wife, and the presentation of a number of local dignitaries to the Queen and Prince Philip.

Among these dignitaries were Captain Edward (Ted) Clements DSC and his wife Josephine. Captain Clements had been King's Harbourmaster at Kirkwall throughout the Second World War. He returned to Stronsay after the war to continue his role as Harbourmaster here until retiring from that position in 1958, being succeeded in the post by ex-coxswain Tom Carter. He had been instrumental in getting the Stronsay Lifeboat Station reopened in 1952 and was appointed Honorary Secretary upon its opening, a post he held until he retired in 1971.



Some of those who were presented to the Queen and Prince Philip were lifeboat mechanic Sydney Swanney, Mrs Josephine Clements, Hon Secretary Captain Ted Clements and coxswain Jimmy Stout.

Before making their way back to the Royal Yacht Britannia the Queen and Prince also inspected the lifeboat crew and were given a tour of the lifeboat.

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The Lifeboat crew being inspected by Queen Elizabeth 2nd. They are: David Rendall, Jim Work snr, Sammy Reid, Jim Work jnr, Archie Reid, John Dennison, Sydney Swanney and Coxswain Jimmy Stout (almost hidden behind the Queen). Prince Philip, an interested spectator, can also be seen.



The Queen aboard the lifeboat on a tour of inspection, the first time that a reigning monarch had ever set foot on a lifeboat. Alongside the Queen are Coxswain Jimmy Stout, mechanic Sydney Swanney and Prince Philip, who seems to have spotted something he is drawing their attention to!

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Moving on now to more mundane but more important matters, *The Scotsman* of 19th June 1962 tells the tale of a very lucky man who had been blown out to sea in his home made little 8ft (2.4m) dinghy when out fishing for lobsters.



From 'The Scotsman' of 19th June 1962

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Reminiscing some years later coxswain Jimmy Stout recalled the rescue, saying that Mr Fergus was a very lucky man as, just as they were pulling him aboard the lifeboat, his boat filled with water and was swamped. Being a little wooden dinghy which remained afloat they were still able to recover the boat and return it and its owner to Pierowall on Westray.



The JGH returning to the west pier after a rescue mission. Crewman Bill Stout is standing at the bow

At 10.10 a.m. on 22nd December 1962 the John Gellatly Hyndman was called out once more, this time in response to reports from the Coastguard that a Belgian trawler was ashore between Auskerry and Stronsay. As the lifeboat headed for that area the Coastguard gave an updated report that the trawler was actually ashore on the Corn Holm, Copinsay and asked the lifeboat to make for that position instead. On reaching the area the coxswain found that the trawler, the *Prince De Liege* of Ostend was well ashore, stuck hard and fast on the rocks, and there was too little water for the lifeboat to reach the vessel. One of the lighthouse keepers rowed out to the lifeboat in the Copinsay Lighthouse dinghy and ferried the coxswain of the lifeboat ashore, where he found all 13 of the crew had safely landed by liferaft. After conferring with the skipper of the trawler as to what assistance they could offer, the skipper asked that the crew of thirteen could be taken on board the lifeboat and transferred to Kirkwall. This was duly done, with the trawler crew being landed at Kirkwall at 3.50 p.m. The crew of the lifeboat had a meal in Kirkwall before returning to Stronsay, where they had the John Gellatly Hyndman back at her moorings by 9.45 p.m. This particular callout had turned out to be little more than a taxi service, although the crew still had the satisfaction of helping fellow mariners make their way back to their Belgian homes after their ordeal. The *Prince De Liege* later slipped off into deeper water and became a total wreck.

Part 5 will be in next month's Limpet
Ian Cooper
July 2026

(The following document is published exactly as received, including the bracketed comments in italics on the final page. One or two minor typographical errors have been corrected. The views expressed are those of the author. Ed.)

STRONSAY DEVELOPMENT TRUST

Some Reflections at 80 by Leo Martini-Brown (lmartinibrown@yahoo.co.uk)

I have been a member for about 20 years, and served as treasurer when the wind turbine project was being considered. I have twice offered to be the company secretary (refused) and twice have been rejected as a later trustee, as the SDT rules that candidates must get at least 51% of the vote. I failed to become Chair once on a 6 to 4 vote. The key people in the wind turbine project development/installation were Julia Crocker & Anthony Withers. It cost £1.7m and the SREL has so far gifted over £2m to the SDT.

In recent years my recommendation that the role of SDT treasurer, which had been in abeyance, be re-activated was approved. This year my last year's recommendation that a 2 page auditor approved summary of the main changes in the financial accounts at the AGM happened (well done). This year I questioned why SDT accounts do not show the name(s) of the Trust's bankers, which occurs in 3 other local Development Trusts. Like SDT they all have substantial "cash" in banks.

I attended the 2026 SDT AGM at the Community Hall in July. This was NOT a vibrant occasion in my opinion. Many old faces/members and ex members were missing. I read that still only about 30% of Stronsay's post 16 population (say 90) are in membership and of those less than a third turn up to vote for the volunteer Board of Trustees. There have been rapid changes in the last couple of years in key office holders and staffing. I did not see any printed annual report nor were there any displays of the numerous projects now supported – which seems an opportunity lost.

In July 2026 the Trust advertised 3 staff paid positions, but I did not hear/see this promoted. I wished our new part-time project officer success. Looks like the SDT will shortly have 5 or 6 part-time paid staff plus volunteers. None of the posts appear to have non statutory pension schemes.

At the AGM the proposer of a 5-year Strategy for the Trust (now the hard-working new Chair) said that she would not take no questions during the complex presentation (with handout, screen) but none followed the delivery. In fact, apart from my question about naming bankers I do not recall any question on any of the few reports to the AGM.

Volunteer trustees are acting as line managers to a variety of staff. This role should be performed by a Trust Operational Director/Manager. Consolidated assets now exceed £3m. There needs to be continuity and accountability. There should be a Finance/Fund-Raising/Investment sub-committee. The company secretary vacancy should be filled (need not be a trustee). Fresh leadership can provide changed culture with organizational focus and priorities.

The trustees need to be aware of the concept of financial risk (as per SDT's stated policies) and **it is not good practice (at best) to have two “connected” persons filling 2 of the 3 key financial roles.** (SDT is not like an amateur village bowling club, nor the past SNP!) The 2 trustees (Chair/treasurer) (regardless of who they are, or how skilled) under the existing financial policy/procedures have UNLIMITED authority to spend any amount of funds. In my view the Chair should not have allowed the election of a connected party to the role of treasurer unless they had taken advice and provided written guidance to the other trustees (OSCR, SCVO, DTA, specialist solicitors). It is not however illegal in the UK. Perhaps this is a temporary arrangement and trustees will re-visit it.

Although having declared an interest in the depopulation project (what kind?) the Chair should have reference Article 105.4 of the M&As (2019) and the supplementary SDT Code of Conduct relating to potential conflicts of interests. For safety this usually means that a person does not ask questions on their declared interest (June 2026 Board minutes). The Directors Code of conduct 2026 says following a declaration of interest a trustee shall “*withdraw from discussion & decision making*”, where appropriate. It is for the Board excluding the person making the declaration to decide what is appropriate. This did not occur. Fortunately, SDT now has an impressive, wide range of policy papers on organizational issues.

All trustees have a financial responsibility individually and collectively and each new trustee is made aware of what is expected. This includes the right to seek independent legal advice. Trustees (do) and have a duty to report any potential conflicts of interest to the Board (with publication) and if there were to be any serious irregularities these should be reported to OSCR or the police.

Efficiency, Effectiveness and Engagement with Equality of opportunity and Empowerment are some of the qualities often found in successful organisations. In charities the mix of voluntary leadership, volunteer involvement and professionalism in approach and staffing presents challenges which commercial companies rarely face. The primary objective is not “for profit” but “for others” (the beneficiaries of the charitable trust/cause). The motives of the drivers of change should be understood. Calculated risk taking is an essential part of a Development Trusts mandate. Members with diverse backgrounds are able to make up Boards and project teams. Even if mistakes are made now and then we should support those who make the effort to attend AGMs and vote for committed trustees and office holders. Support of course should mean more than giving a vote once a year.

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(Leo has been an office holder in over 50 companies/charities/organisations with assets ranging from zero (start-up) to £1b (one billion at Scopen Trustees). Having left school at 16 he holds 4 earned Masters degrees from UK universities in (a) Management (b) Voluntary Sector Organisation from LSE (c) Labour & Trades Union Studies (d) Charity Finance. He has been a Chartered Secretary for 50 years, charity accountant, policy and research consultant, pollster, lecturer in accounts & business, stamp dealer etc.). As a practitioner of lifelong education, he holds numerous certificates, diplomas, fellowships and an Open University degree. He first chaired a charity when establishing a nursery for college student's children too many decades ago!)

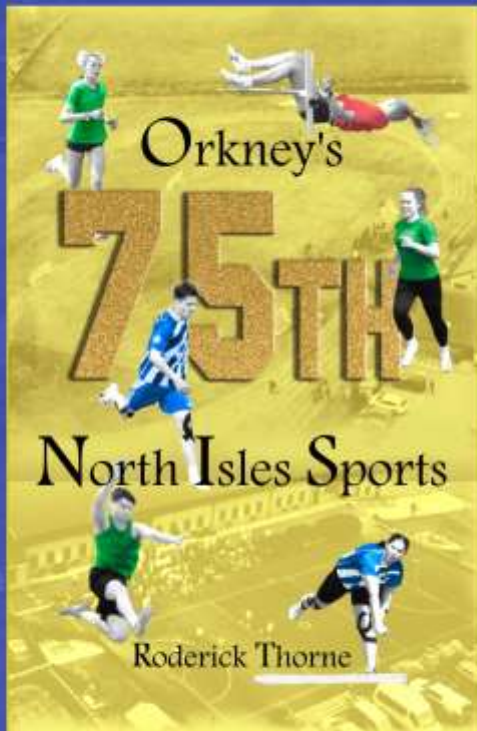
As an employer elected trustee for 6 years, I was a trustee for the largest provider of pensions for the voluntary sector. There were 18 trustees, all professionally qualified, and 5 executive directors. Against the Chair's approach 10 directors, myself pushing hard, went away for a weekend and came back with the drive to change the old "reactive" approach to the market to a "pro-active" one; which was and is the correct position for sustaining leadership. Have a new and real understanding of where you are and where you should or ought to be in life can be liberating; thinking can take place out of the box, the constraints of old abandoned. The Chair (ex actuary at Imperial Tobacco) used to smoke cigars in the Board Room & expected to be able to continue notwithstanding the Board passing a resolution banning all smoking at work! No way. Being consistent can cause annoyance. One chair wrote to praise my significant contribution, the other tried desperately to oppose or avoid me.

As a chair of a nomination committee once said to me "you're nothing like what I was told you were". An awkward fact that and always a challenge. I turned down the role of being chair of the national nomination committee in Quakers because I did not wish to hear confidential information of individuals; you cannot easily lock that data in a locked drawer. A vibrant organisation is more than the sum of its individual members; but the direction of growth may be not what the original founders intended.

FREE PUBLICITY!

If you're organising an event on Stronsay and you need some publicity, why not advertise in the Stronsay Limpet? It's **free**! You can add the event to the Visit Stronsay Calendar at <https://visitstronsay.com/events>, that's **free** too!

Just send an email to editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk giving details of your event including where and when it's being held. You can supply your own publicity material but if you need help then the editor is happy to assist.



Orkney's 75th North Isles Sports

by Rod Thorne (Sanday)

available now for sale
at the Stronsay Heritage Centre

£10 each

STRONSAY CRAFT FAIRS 2026

Massive Weekend Craft Sale—Sunday 16 August
Christmas— Saturday 21 November

STRONSAY KIRK

Details of services at Stronsay's kirk for the next few weeks are now available on the kirk's website <https://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/stronsaykirk/calendar.asp?set=list>.

Contact Kirk Secretary: elsie.dennison@live.co.uk

Stronsay kirk's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1553904828107651>

Stephen Clackson's Letter from School Place

Serving a group of diverse communities separated from each other by sea.

There can be no other local authority subdivision in the country like Orkney's North Isles ward. Thirteen inhabited islands are served by eight community councils representing a wide diversity of communities. No two are alike.



I had the honour to be invited to attend an event of great significance to one of the smaller communities in my ward, The Sons of The Most Holy Redeemer on Papa Stronsay. As Councillor, I represented local secular authority at the Episcopal Consecration of the Most Reverend Father Michael Mary, their Rector Major, a ceremony that elevated his ecclesiastical rank to that of Bishop. It was the first such consecration to take place in Orkney for circa 976 years and was a splendid and moving occasion well befitting its historical status.

Elsewhere in the Isles: I went to a meeting of Shapinsay Community Council (followed by a tour of all the rough bits of road on the island); and at home on Sanday, I attended a meeting of the community council and managed to participate in some of the Sanday Foy (Inter-islands Ecoscapes Gathering & Conference) events and discussions. I travelled to North Ronaldsay to be at a meeting of their community council. Flying there and back gave me an aerial view of about half of the North Isles ward. Unfortunately, having to get back to Kirkwall the next morning for OIC's General Meeting meant I could not stay on the island for as long as I would have wished.

Following our last General Meeting before the summer recess, I visited the Orkney Community Vertical Farm project based at Orkney College's Agronomy & Agriculture Institute (see photograph below). It deploys a hydroponic system, which is a soil-free method of cultivating plants by delivering mineral nutrient solutions directly to the roots via water. This means the crop, when harvested, is very clean. The vertical aspect is the way this is carried out using an arrangement of "towers". When I visited, the fruit had already been harvested, but there were still some exotic vegetables growing. This horticultural technique could easily be adapted to the home polytunnel, Polycrub®, greenhouse or geodesic dome.

Thankfully, since my May [Letter](#), fuel prices have dropped sufficiently that the suggested surcharge on our ferry fares of 10%, due to come in (if required) on 1st July, was not necessary.

Stephen

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson
Member for the North Isles Ward,
Depute Convener Orkney & Shetland VJB

West Manse, Sanday
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Letter from School Place is also
available on-line at clackson.info

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The Digital Phone Switchover



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What you need to know

What is the digital phone switchover?

The UK's telephone network is changing. Between now and January 2027 most telephone providers will be moving their customers from old analogue landlines over to new upgraded landline services using digital technology. This means services that rely on the old landline system such as home phones, telecare and health devices will need to be compatible.



How will it affect me/what do I need to do?

The good news is – your landline isn't going anywhere and for most consumers and businesses, this change will be straightforward. In fact, many customers are already making the switch when they upgrade to fibre broadband.

Your telecoms provider (for example, Vodafone or BT) **should contact you before the switchover** to check in and discuss what you need to do to make sure any reliant services you may have aren't affected. However, we're encouraging everyone to know what to expect.

The change may be as simple as plugging your phone into a broadband router rather than the phone socket on the wall, or you may be given a new router to do this.

Please note that your provider will move you to a digital service before January 2027. If you care for a vulnerable person, please keep an eye out for correspondence notifying of a switch over date.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact your telecoms provider directly.



Do you or someone you know depend on their landline and/or use a telecare device connected to a phone line?

If yes, then please contact the Telecare Team at Orkney Islands Council.

Tel: 01856 873 535. Extension 2635

The Digital Phone Switchover



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What you need to know

Other Devices

If you have other devices connected to your phone line that you may have purchased, such as alarm systems, you might need to upgrade your device to make sure it is compatible.

If you are unsure about how a device in your home or business might be affected, it is recommended you contact the equipment supplier or device manufacturer to find out whether it will remain functional on a digital phone line.

People who use health monitoring or telecare devices should check if the switchover will affect how they work.

Key Points To Remember

If you have any queries or have no means of making emergency calls **you need to contact your communications provider.**

If you have a telecare alarm please contact the telecare team at Orkney Islands Council: 01856 873 535 Extension: 2635

Check with the appropriate equipment manufacturers if you have any other devices supported by your existing telephone line (such as intruder alarms) to check it will work digitally.

Most telecare alarm providers will have upgrade plans, if your phone line has or is due to be upgraded by your communication provider let them know.

In a Power Outage

Digital landlines cannot carry an electrical power connection, so in the event of a power cut they will not work. If you have a mobile phone this can still be used, but if you've no other means of calling the emergency services your telecoms provider will offer a solution to allow calls to be made to emergency services.

You should tell your telecoms provider now if you have no other way of making emergency calls.

Scams

There have been incidents reported of scammers contacting vulnerable users in relation to digital migration. Communication providers or telecare services will never call you to ask for money.

Contact is usually by letter and charges are only applied to normal invoices. If you are in any doubt as to the authenticity of a caller, just hang up and call your communications or telecare provider to report the incident, using a trusted phone number, such as the one on the bill.



ICJ Name Change in Local Newsletter – July 2026

We would like to let you know about an update to the Improving the Cancer Journey service. The service is now called **Improving the Care Journey (ICJ)**. This reflects an expansion of the service beyond cancer, while continuing to support all those affected by cancer across Orkney.

ICJ remains a Macmillan-funded service and there is no change to how the service operates. People affected by cancer will continue to receive the same level of non-clinical, person-centred support.

The name change allows us to begin supporting people living with selected long-term conditions. We have started with cardiac conditions, and we aim to expand to additional long-term conditions over time. This development will enable more people to access support with the wider, non-clinical impacts of their health condition, such as financial concerns, emotional wellbeing, and practical issues.

The referral process remains the same. The new referral and self-referral forms are also available on the NHS Orkney website: [Improving the Care Journey \(ICJ\) – NHS Orkney](#). If you have any questions or would like the referral forms sent to you, please email ork.icj@nhs.scot.

ORKNEY DIGITAL FORUM FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER

We are pleased to confirm that the next Orkney Digital Forum event will take place this Autumn, from 12-2pm on Friday 9 October in the St Magnus Centre, Kirkwall. Anyone who wants to find out more about the progress, development, and expansion of digital connectivity in the isles is welcome to come along.

Like previous events, there will be a ‘hybrid’ option available so that those unable to attend in person can participate online. As with previous Digital Forums, the format will consist of presentations from speakers followed by an open Q&A session.

Friday 9 October 2026, 12-2pm, St Magnus Centre, Kirkwall / Online

We are pleased to confirm that we will be joined by representatives from:

- The Scottish Government's broadband development programme
- Openreach
- Virgin O2
- BT Group
- Vodafone UK
- Orkney Islands Council

Further details, including speakers and details on how to join remotely, will be shared in due course. In the meantime, you can register your interest via the Facebook event listed [here](#).

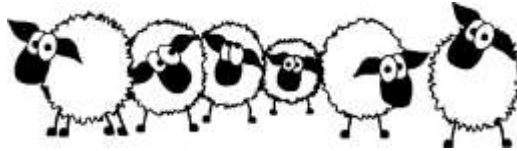
Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions by emailing Liam.McArthur.msp@parliament.scot or alistair.carmichael.mp@parliament.uk.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Kind regards,

Liam McArthur MSP & Alistair Carmichael MP

STRONSAY STITCHERS



Thursday 27th August 2026

7.00pm-9.00-pm, Church Hall, £2.00/person, refreshments

We are an informal group who meet once a month to do our own stitchy things. You can bring any projects you're working on such as crochet, needlework, knitting, rug hooking etc. Everyone welcome.

STRONSAY SPINNERS



Saturday 1st August 2026

2pm-4pm, Church Hall, £2.00/person, refreshments

Everyone welcome.

MOBILE LIBRARY VAN VISITS 2026

10 August, 5 October, 30 November

For further information go to web page <https://orkneylibrary.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Mobile-Calendar-2026-Accessible-Version.pdf> or send an email to library@orkney.gov.uk or telephone 01856 873166.

Winter	Council Houses	8.45	-	9.45
	School	10	-	12
	Kirk	12.45	-	3
	Fish mart	3.15	-	4.45
Summer/Refit	Council Houses	9.25	-	10
	School	10.15	-	12
	Kirk	12.45	-	3
	Fish mart	3.15	-	5.30

ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY - LIFEGUARD TRAINING

Stronsay folk, this is a plea for anyone who can swim with a moderate fitness level to help the pool ! We would like to invite you to become a Royal Life Saving Society pool lifeguard.

The qualification is a nationally recognised award and anyone over 16 years of age can apply!

We require at least four candidates to be able to run the course.

This is a great opportunity for younger folk to add to their qualifications and makes a big difference when applying for university or employment.

Anyone interested please contact Andy or Chris at the pool or via Facebook/Messenger.

Thank you

SWIMMING POOL - OPENING TIMES

<https://tinyurl.com/stronsaypool>

Charges - Adults £3, Children £1.50, Private Hires £15.

To book a private hire phone Elsie on 616238.

Monday	Adult lane 6:30-7:10:00	Public session 7:10– 7:50
Thursday	Private hire 6:30-7:10	Public session 7:10-7:50
Saturday	Private hire 2:00-2:40	Public session 2:40-3:20

SWIMMING POOL—OVERSEERS WANTED!

Always looking for reliable overseers for the swimming pool, please! Previous volunteers welcome. Involves taking payment, handing out bands, helping with evacuation procedures etc. Contact Mairi Dennison via Facebook messenger or tel 616331. We politely request that parents/guardians whose children use the pool regularly take a turn at overseeing, in particular.

HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE

<https://tinyurl.com/stronsayhlc>

ORKNEY FERRIES = DRAFT TIMETABLES

Draft winter 2026-27 ferry timetables are now available online:

[**DRAFT Inter Island Ferry Timetables – Winter 2026/27**](#)

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References available.

All enquiries and services provided are treated in confidence as far as possible and according to current KCSIE legislation 2024

*****Reviews*****

“Just wanted to share that S.... got into Hampton. He is absolutely thrilled and we are so pleased that the hard work paid off. Thank you for all your help and support.” (Parent of 11+ student)

“I am really pleased with my RE GCSE result. I got a 7 which is an A overall. Thank you so much for all of your help as without it this would have not been possible.” (Y11 RE student)

“L... has to know that she is capable of reaching the target, and I think you play a huge role in that because she really enjoys the sessions with you and what you say really sticks in her head.” (Parent of Y6 student)

“The skills that my daughter has acquired, and the clear and significant increase in her confidence and pride in her reading and writing skills, has been worth every penny.” (Parent of GCSE English Language student)

“V... loved his sessions and said that he was in awe of how knowledgeable you were! Thank you so much.” (Independent tutoring company on behalf of GCSE English Literature student)

“N... got an 8 in both English Literature and Language and would like to thank you for the immense help” (Independent tutoring company on behalf of GCSE English student)

“Donna is a remarkably warm, kind and empathetic tutor. We have both really enjoyed every interaction that we have had with her.” (Parent of GCSE student)

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ISLAND LINK OFFICE

The Stronsay Island Link Office, located in the Fish Mart, will be open every Wednesday between 10am and noon.

A range of services are available, including the collection of black bin bags, photocopying at 10p a copy, collect a form for Stronsay Community Council financial assistance, or a form for the scrap car scheme (still open for applications), raise issues or concerns that Stronsay Community Council may be able to address and even contact officers at OIC.

I look forward to seeing you, but if you are not able to call into the office I can be contacted by email at stronsaycc@gmail.com

Colin McAlpine
Stronsay Island Link Officer/Clerk

CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU (CAB) VISIT

We're pleased to confirm that Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) will be returning to Stronsay Development Trust, Unit 1, Woodyard for their regular outreach support sessions.

If you'd like confidential advice or support with things such as benefits, money worries, housing, employment, consumer issues or energy costs, these sessions are a great opportunity to speak to an adviser locally.

Upcoming Outreach Date:

- Wednesday 19 August

Appointments will take place at Stronsay Development Trust – Unit 1, Woods Yard. Please pop these dates in your diary.

Once CAB provide their official posters and booking details, we'll share them here so you can arrange an appointment.

These visits are a really valuable service for our island community, so please help spread the word by sharing this post.

Any queries please do contact me at Shani@stronsaydevelopmenttrust.com

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Email: info@orkneystarlandsoap.co.uk

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

LOCAL BUSINESSES

SINCLAIR HAULAGE LIMITED

Contact Details   

General Enquiries: info@sinclairhaulage.com

Accounts Enquiries: accounts@sinclairhaulage.com

Livestock Bookings: livestock@sinclairhaulage.com

Phone: 01857 600 404

Postal Address: Sinclair Haulage Ltd
New Haulage Shed
How Farm
SANDAY KW17 2BJ

Office Opening Times: Mon – Fri
09:00 – 17:00

Livestock bookings should be made by emailing livestock@sinclairhaulage.com or calling 01857 600404.

Please note that we **DO NOT** use Gmail email addresses (e.g. sinclairhaulage@gmail.com). Please only use the above email addresses.

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Livestock Bookings

To ensure Livestock Bookings are not missed and that we can plan vehicle and ferry space, bookings must be made as far in advance as possible by either emailing:

livestock@sinclairhaulage.com

OR calling:

01857 600404

Please **DO NOT** message via text, Facebook, WhatsApp etc and please do not use any other email address.

Once booking has been received, you will be given a booking reference. We will then be in touch to confirm collection day/time etc.

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SINCLAIR HAULAGE LTD

Now introducing Skip Bags!

Due to difficulties getting skips out to the isles, we are now offering a skip bag service.

Having a clear out or renovating a property? Simply order and pay for your bag (telling us what you're planning to fill it with), we deliver, you fill it and we take it away and dispose of the waste.

All shipping and waste disposal costs included in the price.



SKIP BAGS

Skip Bags can now be ordered from Sinclair Haulage. Simply order and pay for your bag, stating the type of waste. We deliver, you fill (within 6 months), we take away and dispose of the contents.

BAG 1 Inert Waste £125 per bag (ex VAT)	Non-hazardous landfill material (example: glass, concrete, bricks and mortar, tiles, slates, fibreglass wool, clay and stones). Please note: plastics, plaster, plasterboard and timber are not permitted.
BAG 2 General Waste £360 per bag (ex VAT)	Mainly combustible mixed municipal wastes which cannot be landfilled at Bossack. This category includes soiled paper and cardboard, carpets, furniture, small mixed plastics, scrap timber.
BAG 3 Mixed Waste £560 per bag (ex VAT)	Non-inert material that requires removal of contaminants before landfill.

Each bag measures 850mm x 850mm x 870mm and can hold 1 tonne.

To order:

Email info@sinclairhaulage.com

Or call **01857 600404**

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Tuesday	12 noon - 2:30pm	5:00pm - usually 10:30pm
Wednesday	12 noon - 2:30pm	5:00pm - usually 10:30pm
Thursday	12 noon - 2:30pm	5:00pm - usually 10:30pm
Friday	12 noon - 2:30pm	5:00pm - usually 1:00am
Saturday	12 noon - 2:30pm	5:00pm - usually 1:00am
Sunday	12 noon - usually 10:30pm	



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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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Email: patrickmcgrathltd@gmail.com



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Oil boiler servicing, repair and replacement

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Why not let me check out your heating system, I can advise upgrades to make your heating more efficient & cheaper to run

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Contact Mick

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Tel. 07919550943 E-mail: Marionmillerjewellery@gmail.com



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STRONSAY KIRK

Details of services at Stronsay's kirk for the next four months are now available on the kirk's website <https://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/stronsaykirk/calendar.asp?set=list>.

Contact Kirk Secretary:
elsie.dennison@live.co.uk

Stronsay kirk's Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1553904828107651>

HANDY EMAIL ADDRESSES & PHONE NUMBERS:

Ebenezer Stores	stronsaystores@gmail.com	616339
Olivebank	m.williamson1@btconnect.com	616255
Fishmart café	fishmartcafehostel@gmail.com	616401
Hotel & pub	thestransayhotel@hotmail.com	01856 700152
Red House plants		616377

Contact details for all OIC Councillors:

<https://www.orkney.gov.uk/your-council/councillors-and-meetings/councillors>

OUR LADY'S CHAPEL, PIERHEAD **OPEN FOR PUBLIC MASSES**

Our Lady's Chapel on the pier is open for public Masses
with the permission of the Bishop of Aberdeen.

Mass times are as follows:-

Sunday & holidays: 11am. Tuesday: 8.00am. All other days: 11.20am

STRONSAY ON YOUTUBE

- [Bicycle tour of Stronsay in August 2022 \(poor audio quality\)](#)
- [59° North](#)
- [Links House, Stronsay: Finding the Mesolithic in Orkney](#)
- [Stronsay, Orkney](#)
- [The mystery of the Stronsay Monster](#)
- [Orkney—living and working](#)
- [1930's stone crushing machine in action on Stronsay](#)
- [Stronsay harbour \(taken from inside the harbour\)](#)
- [Five reasons to visit Stronsay](#)

STRONSAY CHESS CLUB

Meets from 12 to 2pm every Friday in the Fishmart Café
Chess sets provided

USEFUL INFORMATION

Post Office opening hours . . .	Monday to Saturday 8:30am - 5:00pm. Sunday closed all day
Post collection times	Ebenezer post box 7:30am, Monday to Saturday
Bank (RBS)	Thursday 9:30am to 3pm (closed for lunch 12-1) phone 616262
Community Council	stronsaycc@gmail.com
OIC Special collection.	Monday 3 August
Stronsay Island Link Office. .	Wed 10am-noon, tel: 616475, email: stronsaycc@gmail.com
SDT Office	Wood's Yard 10am - 11am Mon-Fri. Phone 616410
Sunday service at the Kirk . .	Every week at 11am, see website https://tinyurl.com/strkirk
Our Lady's Chapel, pier head	Mass: Sun & holidays 11am, Tue 8am, other days 11.20am
Next mobile library van visit .	Monday 10 August - https://tinyurl.com/orkmoblib
Weekly rubbish collection	Every Thursday, bags to be out before 8am but NOT night before
Recycling skips nearly full? . .	Send email to recycling@orkney.gov.uk
Stronsay's Facebook page . . .	https://www.facebook.com/groups/476168409207488
Geramount surgery.	https://orcadesspractice.co.uk/stronsay

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

Stronsay phone numbers usually begin with 01857

Airy Fairy	616231	Silver Darlings	616412
Bank (<i>Thursday only</i>) . .	616262	Sinclair Haulage	600404
Community bus	07398 627742	Star Island Soap	616281
Companions Club	616438	Stranded seals, etc	616207/206/498
Craftship Enterprise	0778 511 1126	Stronsay Band	616345
Doctor	616321	Stronsay Pub & Hotel . . .	01856 700152
Ebenezer Stores	616339	Stronsay school	616246
Ebenezer Oil Heating . . .	616207 <i>or</i>	Stronsay taxi, school . . .	616376 <i>or</i>
	07500 682 867	transport, mechanic	07508 884 024
Fish Mart	616401	diagnostics & repairs	
Golgotha monastery. . . .	616210 <i>or</i>	Stronsay surgery	616321
	contact@the-sons.org	Balfour hospital (24/7) . .	01856 888000
Hall bookings	616263 <i>or</i>	Water problems (24/7) . .	0800 0778 778
	annemaree.carter@btinternet.com	Electricity:	
Highland Fuels	01856 873766	general enquiries	0800 048 3516
Island Link Officer	616475	(<i>lines open Mon-Fri 8am-5pm</i>)	
Kirk secretary	616238	problems (24/7) . . .	0800 300 999
Limpet editor	616297	power cut (24/7) . . .	105
Medical emergency	616321	Police (non urgent)	101
Neil's on Wheels	07723 304 260	Kirkwall Library	01856 873166
Manse	616284	Dentists:	
Nurses	616321	Daisybank Clinic . .	01856 870547
Olivebank	616255	Com Dental Service	01856 888258
OIC out of hours	01856 873535	Orkney Dental	01856 872030
Post Office	616499	Vets:	
Red House Plants	616377	Flett & Carmichael . .	01856 872859
Scottish Fuels	01856 873105	Northvet	01856 873403
SDT office	616410 <i>or</i>		
.	07904 578120 <i>or</i>		
	Office@StronsayDevelopmentTrust.com		

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