

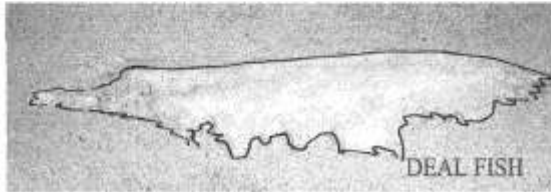


STRONSAY LIMPET

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STRANGE FINDS ON BU SANDS



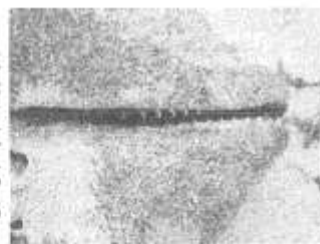
A walk on one of Stronsay's fantastic beaches can turn into a walk on the wild side. We all know that walking is good exercise but it can also be very enjoyable and you never know what you might find! Ok we all know about the plastic containers

and bottles well how about something more unusual, a Deal Fish, A Porpoise and A whale /Dolphin. A pod of whales even a sea monster. Well the first three were found last week on Bu sands. Dr Mackay out for a stroll found the remains of a Deal fish, it was bright silver and about 4 feet long and a red fin running the whole length of its back. (Some were also found on Sanday last week). The Porpoise and the whale /Dolphin were found on Saturday by Jean & Liz Stevenson of Mount Pleasant. The Larger one being about nine feet in length.

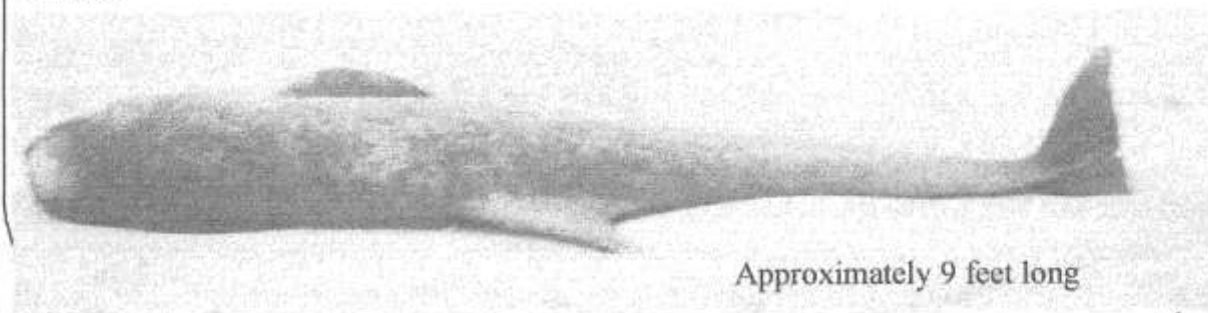


The Deal Fish is very similar to the Oar Fish which can grow up to 17 mtrs in length. It has a red dorsal fin that runs the entire length of the body. Though the Deal fish is very similar it is reported to only grow up to 3mtrs. We are still not totally convinced that this is a Deal fish But part of an Oar fish, we're open to suggestions

Any suggestions as to what the 9 foot creature is would be great so we can then let everyone know next month. As for the Pod of whales and the sea monster more of that next month!!! Any one who has any interesting beach finds please feel free to share your stories with us.



This is a close up of the 9 foot creatures head which may help with identification



ADVERTS

FOR SALE

Parsnips, limited supplies of freshly dug
parsnips. @ £1.00 per Kilo
24 hours notice would be appreciated
Phone Lower Milfield 616247

FOR SALE

Food Dehydrator.
Never used
Ideal for drying fruits, herbs, veg etc
£15 contact Yvonne 616375

WANTED

Good homes for 2 lovely kittens.
1 male - stripey
1 female - black/white
Contact Linda 616 220

POTTED PLANTS FOR SALE

- *Hyacinthoides Hispanica*
(Bluebell) 25cms 80p
- *Muscari Latifolium*
(Grape Hyacinth) 15cms 80p
- *Narcissus Jonquilla 'Baby Moon'*
(Miniature Daffodil) 15cms £1.00
Indoor Hyacinths £2.00
Contact Colin 616446

FOR SALE

Hotpoint Fridge v.g.c. 3.5yrs old
Still under 5 year warranty £40
Contact Ha'Breck 616439

FOR SALE

Double Wardrobe & Vanity unit
(white good condition) £35
Shoe rack - Double & single airbed
With electric pump - Stroller Push Chair -
Extending Fire Guard - Wooden Coffee table
also Rayburn solid Fuel Stove (runs central
heating or could be used for spares)
offers phone Doris 616372 or
Hazel 616231

**PRIVATE ADVERTS UP TO 25
WORDS £1**

25 WORD ADVERT WITH PHOTO £2
25-50 WORDS £2 AND SO ON
Lost & Found free
To be placed by (date) 8th March
Tel:- Yvonne 616375
e-mail hfazak@btinternet.com
Letter:- Lower Leaquoy

FOR SALE

NEW UPDATED STRONSAY
TELEPHONE LIST
£1 EACH OR 3 FOR £2
CONTACT THE SCHOOL 616246

FOR SALE

¾ size bed (4 ft wide)
Wooden ends, Wooden slants
With mattress £20
Dressing table, free to a good home
Contact Arna 616 322

FOR SALE

Case CS94 Tractor, May 2003, only
850 hours, carefully maintained, fitted
Trima 260. Professional loader + Bucket
and Heavy Duty Muck Fork, Set of weights
included
Kverneland 3m Topper, June 2003, light use
Kverneland 1118 Mower, June 2003, used
twice
PZ Haybob, June 2003, light use
Rear Bale Spike
Grays Roller, in good order
Honda Big Red ATV, in good order, with
little used Logic Sprayer attachment
Lawrence Edwards Gold Star Pressure
Washer
Calor Gas De-horner
Enquiries ring Carol 616314

FREE TO GOOD HOME

Plastic Dogbeds
1 Large suit Labrador size dog,-1 small suit
Westie size dog. TEL 616453

LOCAL BUSINESSES

STRONSAY ARTWORKS

Original paintings of Stronsay Landscape; Limited edition prints, greetings cards and postcards which are available for sale at local shops, Post Office, Hotel, B&B's and the Fishmart. Commissions taken. Tel. 616282

GOING AWAY?

Do you need someone to look after your animals at your house?
I have 8 years experience with all kinds of animals.

Contact Beth Erdman
616339

SPARKY

For all your electrical & Plumbing needs
Contact John at 11 Whitehall
Tel: 616466

STRONSAY FISHMART

Cafe, Hostel & Interpretation centre.
Hostel open all year round. Hot meals, light snacks, home bakes, teas, coffees refreshments.

Thursday 12pm - 2pm

Friday 5pm - 7pm

Saturday 12pm - 2pm & 5pm - 7pm

Sunday 12pm - 7pm

Special occasions catered for by arrangement Tel 616386

INSTANT PHOTO'S

Passport, visa, travel pass, driving licence, gun licence, etc.
Personalised birthday, Christmas & get well cards with your own special message or photograph. Business/Invitation cards. You name it! Tell me what you want & I'll supply it. call Bill Miller 616420

Unit 9/10

Orkney Auction Mart
Kirkwall, Orkney
KW15 1RE
Tel 01856 871700

HAMISH MACLEAN FARM PRODUCTS

Mobile 07710526153



Sycamore Cottage
Tankerness

Orkney
KW17 2QU

Tel/Fax 01856 861214

MINERALS AND PROTEINS

Orkney natural protein
Orkney finisher
Orkney general purpose
Orkney pre-calver
Orkney bulking mineral
Orkney universal hi-spec
Orkney dairy mineral
Orkney sheep mineral
Superfeeds for ewes and finishing lambs

MEDICINAL

*Tribex fluke drench
Ovispec wormer S & C
Supaverm fluke and worm
*Cattle pour on - various
*Crovect
Dectomax
Spot On
Selenium and cobalt drench
A, D & E injection
De-horning paste

TRACTOR SPARES & WORKSHOP

New/secondhand tractor spares inc: mudguards, wheels and tyres
WD-40 - light bulbs - gloves - grease - hand cleaner - welding rods - goggles and masks
*Paint including farm oxide
Anti fraeze - batteries - cutting discs - pressure washers - torches - hammers - pen-knives
- Easy Start - trailer boards etc.

FEED

Ewe rolls
Calf nuts
Young stock mix
Calf creep mix
Lamb creep mix
Tup mix
Bull mix
Hen food

HORSES

Pasture mix and nuts (D&H)
Hi Fi - Alpha A
Budget pasture mix and nuts
Shavings and garlic powder
Mineral licks
Feed buckets
Haynets
etc.

VARIOUS

Rat bait - cattle clippers - Colostrum - oilskins - calving machines - scour capsules - boiler suits - ear tags - Formalin - boots (all kinds) - milk (calf and lamb) - hypochloride; spades, forks and shovels - troughs - coal bunkers - observation systems - dustbins - drinking bowls - seat covers - weed killer

BOLUS ETC

Coppasure - cow and calf
Copinox - ewe and calf
Tracesure - calf and cow
Tracesure - lamb and ewe

PET FOOD

Dog and cat - bags of complete feed or tins
Rabbit food
Peanuts
Bird seed
Cat litter

JANITORIAL AND HOME

Washing powder and fabric conditioner, toilet rolls, J-cloths, bleach, dishwasher tablets, floor cleaner, drain cleaner, washing up liquids, traffic film remover, blue rolls and much, much more

* Denotes items on special offer. This is just a sample of our stock please come and look around. General public, trade customers all welcome- 9-5 Monday - Friday

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

HAPPY 21st BIRTHDAY
JOHN
NOO YA KEN
WHAT BEING OLD IS!!!
LUV DAD CATHERINE & NORMAN
XXX

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
UNCLE WALTER
20th FEBRUARY
WITH LOVE FROM ELIZABETH
XXXX

JOHN CHALMERS IS
21 ON 24th FEBRUARY
LOVE FROM
GRANNY AND GRANDAD HOLIN
XXX

HAPPY 13th BIRTHDAY
JENNA
LOVE FROM JODY
XX

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
JODY
LOVE FROM NAN & GRANDAD
XX

HAPPY 12th BIRTHDAY
ALICE
LOVE FROM JODY
XX

HAPPY 13th BIRTHDAY JODY
A TEENAGER AT LAST
HAVE A GOOD TIME
LOVE HEATHER, LINDA, BARNEY, LUCY
AND THE GANG XXXX

HAPPY 13th BIRTHDAY
JODY
LOTS OF LOVE FROM MUM, DAD
CRAIG, DILLIGAF, JUNO, HERA,
SMOKIE & PRECIOUS
XXXXXXXXXX

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAD
LOTS OF LOVE FROM
LESLIE, LOUISE, CASSIE AND SHANNON
XXXX

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JODY
LOTS OF LOVE FROM
AUNTIE LOU, UNCLE LESLIE, CASSIE
AND SHANNON
XXXX

A BIG THANK YOU TO BETHANY
ERDMAN FROM: LARA, NAOMI,
FRIVOLOUS, OXO, TIGER AND BIGGLES
FOR LOOKING AFTER US SO WELL
WHILST OUR FOLK WERE AWAY.

HELP!!!!
GALA COMMITTEE COULD DO WITH
SOME HELP ON THE DAY IF YOU
THINK YOU COULD GIVE A HAND
PLEASE PHONE CORA 616463

LIBRARY

NEXT VISIT 15th March

WHITEHALL	08.45-11.00	SCHOOL	11.30-2.00
GORRIES	14.30-16.30	SCHOOL	18.30-20.00

SURGERY HOURS

Monday-Saturday Open Surgery	9.30-10.30
Monday-Tuesday-Thursday-Friday	4pm - 5pm by appointment
Repeat Prescription collection times	Monday-Friday 10am-12pm and 1.30- 4.30pm

GROUPS, CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

COMPANIONS

Stronsay Companions. Not sure what to do on Monday afternoons why not come to the companions on Monday in the hall from 2-4pm. You can play cards, games or just come and chat if you wish and have a cup of tea or coffee & eats. Anyone age 50 & over are welcome. If you wish any information contact Jeano on 616307 or Wilma on 616261. **LUNCH CLUB.** Our first lunch club will be on Monday 20th February in the hall at 1.00pm anyone age 50 & over are welcome and under no obligation to stay to the companions. Price is £3.00 for a splendid two course meal & tea, coffee & biscuits. We must have your names in by the Friday before each lunch club, contact Jeano on 616307 or Wilma on 616261.

FRIDAY NIGHT GAMES CLUB STARTED AGAIN LAST FRIDAY CHILDREN AGE 10 AND OVER

£1 ENTRY PLENTY TO DO
COME AND HAVE SOME FUN THIS
FRIDAY 8pm - 10pm
TEL: YVONNE 264 or SHEENA 306

OCTOPUSH DATES

(FOR EXISTING MEMBERS ONLY)
FEBRUARY 14th & 28th
MARCH 7th, 14th & 28th

DARTS

WILL BE HELD IN THE HALL ON 18th
FEB. PROMPT 8pm START
JUNIOR DARTS, EUCHRE, 100 CLUB
AND RAFFLE. NAMES FOR CHALLENGE CUP IN BY 9pm THAT NIGHT

STRONSAY SINGERS

MEET EVERY MONDAY FROM
19.30-21.30 FROM
BRIAN CROWE 616464

MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP

THURSDAY'S
ALL WELCOME
9.30 - 11 am

ONE DAY FIRST AID COURSE

SATURDAY 1st APRIL
CONFIRMATION WILL BE IN MARCH
LIMPET. PLACES ARE LIKELY TO BE
LIMITED & UNFORTUNATELY THERE
WILL BE A CHARGE BUT
CONCESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE

CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING ON BU LINKS

STARTS AT 1pm, every 1st & 3rd Sunday
£6 to shoot 25 rounds
For more info phone Mike on 616345

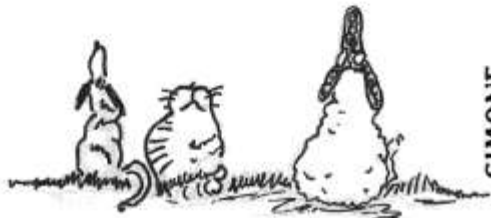
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Fantastic new disco equipment, disco ball, spotlights and smoke machine
Now available to hire at Community Centre.
£10 per hour (Hall & equipment) + Hydro.
You must also use one of our recommended DJ's. Ideal for parties & birthdays.
CONTACT COLIN ON 446

OPEN NIGHT, GUILD MEETING

FRIDAY, 17th FEBRUARY,
7.30pm IN THE CHURCH HALL
DR GEORGE MACKAY, SPEAKER
LIGHT BUFFET SUPPER

FOOD FOR THOUGHT



SIMONE

'WHO SAID THE AGE OF ROMANCE WAS GONE'

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DORIS AND NAINÉ'S KITCHEN A SPICY VALENTINE MEAL

CHICKEN MANDALAY

3lb COOKED CHICKEN
2 oz MARGARINE
2 SLICED ONIONS
1dsp of TURMERIC
2dsp MEDIUM CURRY POWDER
2dsp PLAIN FLOUR
¼ tsp GROUND GINGER
½ PINT CHICKEN STOCK
1 CAN CHOPPED TOMATOES
2dsp APRICOT JAM or MANGO CHUTNEY
2dsp LEMON JUICE
SEASONING TO TASTE

MELT MARG. IN PAN ADD ONIONS SAUTE GENTLY FOR 5 MINS. ADD REST OF DRY INGREDIENTS AND COOK FOR A COUPLE OF MINS. ADD STOCK AND CHOPPED TOMATOES AND REMAINING INGEDIENTS SIMMER FOR 30 MINS THEN ADD CHICKEN HEAT GENTLY AND SPRINKLE WITH PARSLEY

VALENTINE MESS AGES

CRAIG HAPPY
VALENTINE'S DAY
LOTS OF LOVE
FROM SWEET CHEEKS
MWAH
XXXXXX

HONEY YOU
MAKE MY LIFE
SWEETER
I LOVETH YOU
XX

TO MY ONE AND
ONLY PANSY
MY PRETTY LITTLE FLOWER
HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!
ALL MY LOVE
FROM YOUR LITTLE
DOLL(Y)
XXX

TO MY DEAREST
VALENTINE
"ITS BEEN A LONG, LONG TIME
FROM MAY TO
SEPTEMBER.....
AND THESE GOLDEN YEARS
I'LL SHARE WITH YOU"
WITH
MY LOVE,
CX

CHAZ HAPPY
VALENTINE'S DAY
LOTS OF LOVE
FROM
PEEDIE T
MWAH
X

NANA'S SNIPPETS FROM THE PAST

The Gaan-about Folk.

In days gone by in all the Orkney Islands we got visits of Gaan-about folks. Those were people who came from the Orkney mainland or perhaps North Scotland with packs on their backs full of drapery. The pack was usually a big square of strong material which they tied across at each corner and swung onto their backs, carrying that for miles on foot. They called along every house and soon got to know who bought from them and who would give them a cup of tea. I was about five years old at the time this couple came along our house and asked my mother if they could boil their kettle on her stove which she let them do and into the kettle went the tea and four white eggs when it was boiled for five minutes the man took out the eggs and to my amazement they were a dark brown colour. Magic, he told me and it took me some time to work that one out. For her kindness my mother got a dishcloth. Newlands was a common surname among those people and Jock and Jessie Ellen Newlands were regular callers to Stronsay usually having a good quality pack.

John Walls (Jock Salts) was another regular caller and he had a case full of buttons, needles, pins etc, everything required for a housewife as no zips then, so he did quite a brisk trade. Most local people will remember the last couple who came to Stronsay with their pack namely Issac and Meenie Newlands. Sometimes they were walking and other times with their gig and pony, but always ready for a rest and a cup of tea and one of Isaacs stories. There is also an Isaac Newlands Cup which he donated to Kirkwall Football club as he was a keen supporter.

Gaan about- going about

NANA PEACE

USEFUL INFO AND DATES

POST OFFICE TIMES- MON & THURS 9am-4pm TUE, WED, FRI & SAT 9am-1pm
NEXT SPECIAL RUBBISH COLLECTION MAY (date will be in a later issue nearer the time)
REPLACEMENT BIN BAGS TEL: 01856 873535
SUNDAY SERVICE AT THE KIRK SUNDAY 11am
OUR LADY'S CHAPEL, PIER HEAD. - DAILY MASSES 7am SUNDAY 9am

QUIZ

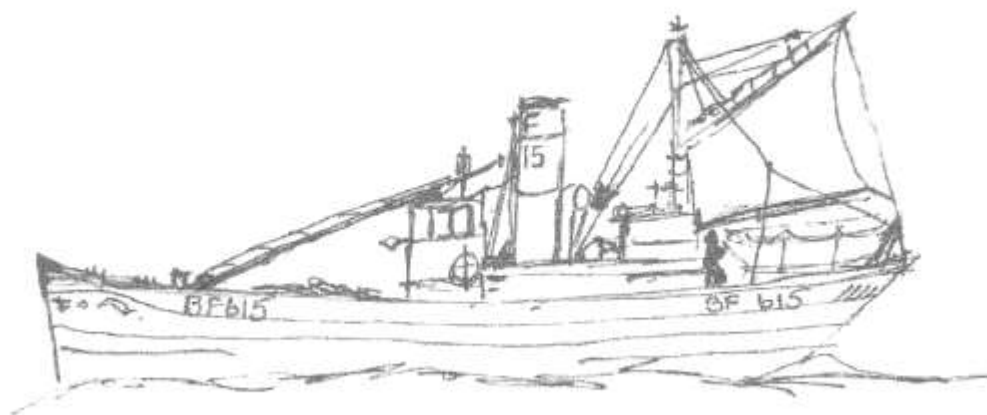
1. Which flower shares its name with the coloured part of the eye?
2. What pop group had a 1960's hit with the song 'Build me up Buttercup'?
3. According to Shakespeare, what 'by any other any other name would smell as sweet'?
4. Which flower was named after mythological character who fell in love with his reflection?
5. Who wrote the novel The Name of the Rose?
6. What is the national flower of Japan?
7. Which flowery hit of 1967 begins with the line : ' woke up one morning half asleep with all my blankets in a heap'?
8. Which part of the flower contains the pollen?
9. What is the name of the Indian Princess in Peter Pan?
10. Who looked 'sweet upon the seat of a bicycle made for two'?

ANSWERS NEXT ISSUE

January answers. 1. Origami 2. Old Kent Road 3. Five 4. Poker 5. Fifteen 6 Checkers 7. Barcelona 8. Bridge 9. Happy Families 10. Plumber

Summer had passed, slowly, gently, into early Autumn. For several months now there had been an air of excitement at home. His father was sailing on a Fraserburgh boat -MOIRA HERD - and was due to leave for the East Anglian herring fishery at the end of September or early October. By this time the East Anglian fishery was a mere shadow of its former glory. The autumn herring fishery, there, had a pedigree dating back at least to the dawn of recorded history. This, aided by the growth of the railways and the creation of better port facilities at Lowestoft and Great Yarmouth, had grown rapidly from the mid nineteenth century to reach its peak in the year before the outbreak of the First World War. After the end of hostilities the fishing had recommenced but now with a reduced fleet, due to war losses and non replacement of the ageing steam drifters. However all hopes of rebuilding the industry to pre-war levels was to be dealt a body blow by economic collapse on the continent of Europe. Germany, Russia and the eastern European states, the main market for most of the cured herring from the North Sea fisheries had collapsed in economic chaos by the middle of the third decade of the twentieth century. The East Anglian fishery still remained a major event in the seasonal calendar of the fishing communities, but now carried out by an ageing fleet with owners unwilling to risk further investment in times of such uncertainty. Even the recovery in the late nineteen thirties, as Germany geared up for war, was soon interrupted by the start of hostilities once again. By the end of the Second World War the majority of the steam drifters had gone and were slowly being replaced by dual purpose diesel engined boats. Even with the replacements, however, the fishery was but a shadow of its former self. It is quite interesting, half a century on, to speculate on the reasons for such a major decline in a fishery of international importance in such a relatively short space of time. Undoubtedly, there were many factors responsible, War, economic collapse, possibly changing eating habits (it has recently been seriously suggested that decline in consumption of oily fish, especially herring, has been a major contributory factor in the epidemic of heart disease now sweeping the country) all contributing to the industry's demise. Was declining stocks also a factor? In most major industrialised fisheries stock depletion has almost always been a result. However, despite the shrinkage of the fishery, definite collapse of the East Anglian fishery did not appear until the late nineteen fifties due, according to at least one eminent fishery scientist, to exploitation of immature herring by trawling in the deeper waters to the north and east of the Dogger Bank. Be that as it may, the fishery was showing signs of terminal decline and his father was of the opinion that this would probably be his last East Anglian fishing. In view of this it was decided that his family would accompany him to East Anglia for the seven or eight week period of the fishing. For him the excitement became almost unbearable as departure time drew nearer. He was to travel by train with his mother and paternal grandfather to stay in Great Yarmouth for possibly two months. The thought of a two month holiday from school was not allowed much time to flourish as he was informed by his parents that he would be expected to attend school in England - some holiday! However, the thought of such an enormous journey, at a time when travel was much more limited than it is at present filled him with excitement and apprehension. The thought of major railway tunnels worried him as did the thought of crossing the two major rail bridges, the Tay and the Forth., especially the former as one of his books showed a rather lurid depiction of a train hurtling to its doom from the wreckage of an earlier Tay Bridge during a great storm in the late nineteenth century.

TO BE CONTINUED.....



**IF YOU THINK WE HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE REFIT TIMETABLE
PERHAPS AFTER READING THIS YOU WILL THINK AGAIN**

Saturday

Once I came home on leave I think maybe 1944/45 and after crossing the Pentland in the Earl of Zetland came into Kirkwall and stayed at 3 School Place for the night with Auntie Hannah (Mrs Muir), Got up next morning and walked down to the pier to go out to Stronsay at 7am. The weather forecast was bad so the Earl Sigurd left at 8am an hour later. One or two passengers left the boat before she left but as I was keen to get home I stayed on board. It was obvious as time went on it was not going to be a good trip. Most of the passengers went down to the lower cabin but I was the only one who stayed up above in the upper cabin. There was a couple from Sanday and their two children on board and I think it was their second attempt to get to Sanday because of the weather. We pitched and tossed all day and I could see that we were not getting to any island. At one point one of the passengers from below came up to ask me if I had any cigarettes, as it happened I had so he took them down below because cigarettes was far from my mind. This passenger was a young Minister going out to Westray to preach for the church. We sailed on and sometime I'm not sure when, the Sigurd dropped anchor. It turned out to be off Westray and then I could tell sometime in the morning of Sunday that the Sigurd was preparing to move. It was daylight by then and I went up to investigate and we were going into the Westray pier. I often wondered if that Minister did come back to Westray. I have a feeling he wouldn't have been very keen!. After passengers and cargo was discharged we set off for Stronsay. The Sigurd did lots of pitching and rolling all the way, but compared to what we had gone through the previous day and night we did not seem to mind. We got into Stronsay approximately mid-day on the Sunday. I don't know about the other passengers, but I was still reeling walking up the pier and also when I went to bed that night. The postmen were down again for the mail and they said the Sigurd was doing a lot of pitching when she came round the Point of Huip. Needless to say the Sanday couple and their children came off at Stronsay and stayed at Mrs Stouts until it was weather for the boat to get to Sanday. I never knew who they were but it would have been interesting to find out. That was a long time ago and they maybe don't live in Sanday now. I was told after I got off the boat that the coastguard's had all been alerted to watch out for the Sigurd. The late Captain Malcolmson and some of his crew did a good job in keeping her off the Spurness Holm's.

Written by the late Mrs Carrie Cooper. Reprinted with kind permission from Eddie Cooper

USEFUL NUMBERS

DOCTORS	616321/308	B&B CLESTRAIN	616340
NURSES	616453/232	B&B AIRY	616372
HYDRO	616335	CAMPING BARN	616314
BALFOUR HOSPITAL	01856888000	COMPANIONS	616307
DENTIST KING STREET	01856875348	GALA	616463/339
VET - FLETT & CARMICHAEL	01856872859	REGISTRAR	616239
VET - NORHTVET	01856873403	FISHMART	616386
KIRK	616311	HALL BOOKINGS	616446
STRONSAY HOTEL	616213	POST OFFICE	616217
MAURICE'S	616255	SPECIAL CONSTABLE	616216
EBENEZER STORES	616339	STRONSAY LIMPET	616375/453
B&B CLESTRAIN	616340		

STRONSAY DEVELOPMENT TRUST COMPETITION

The Trust needs a LOGO to be used on headed paper etc. The best design will receive a prize.

Think about what Stronsay is about. Entries can be given to any director or left at Ebenezer Stores or posted or emailed to the Limpet.

Entries to be in by end of February. Winner will be announced in Limpet.

re: Lifeboat from SS Athenia. – currently on foreshore at Seafield.

We are nearing the end of our enquiries regarding confirmation of the identity of the lifeboat on the foreshore at Seafield, and we have no doubt that the lifeboat is indeed from the SS Athenia. Once the necessary paperwork is complete we intend to apply to appropriate sources for funding to enable the lifeboat to be restored. Two schools of thought exist regarding the restoration, the first would like to see the boat restored, as far as possible, to it's original condition as a lifeboat; the second would like to see it renovated as a converted lifeboat/houseboat – in other words restored, but left as a houseboat. Either way round the finished article would incorporate the full history of the boat – both maritime and social. We are happy to pursue funding on either basis or both, but we would appreciate your views on this. For this purpose we would ask you to complete the attached self-explanatory voting slip and return it via either shop or the Post Office within 14 days. We must add that finding funds for this project may or may not be 'easy', and whilst everything possible would be done to support the wishes of the majority, ultimately we would have to be governed by the conditions imposed by potential funders. One further aspect comes to mind, namely that if the boat was restored as it is, it need not be moved from it's present location at Seafield, the necessary restoration could be done on site. Clive Martin is quite happy for it to remain 'in situ' and clearly, this would offer real advantages over having to move the boat and re-house it on a new site. Certain legal formalities would have to be agreed but hopefully this should present no problem, as is also the case were the boat to be moved to another site. Please let us know what you think. Thank you. Brian Crowe, Stronsay Development Trust.

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1. I prefer that the SS Athenia lifeboat be restored as a lifeboat

OR----

2. I prefer that it be restored as a converted lifeboat/houseboat

Signed

date

Thank you.