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## **SAT 27 OCT—STRONSAY HARVEST HOME**

Watch for posters with more information in the shops

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## **SUN 28 OCT—CLOCKS GO BACK AT 2am**

Don't forget to put your clock **back** one hour! And if you are out walking as the nights begin to draw in **please** wear something reflective and **don't** wear dark clothing

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## **WED 31 OCT—HALLOWEEN PARTY**

RNLI Halloween Party at 7pm on Wed 31 Oct. See poster in this edition for details.

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## **SAT 3 NOV—FIREWORKS DISPLAY & BONFIRE AT 7pm**

Come along and see Stronsay's fireworks display and bonfire, followed by Haggis, Mince and Clapshot and a quiz that's open to everyone! Raffle, 100 club and the bar will be open! Adults: £6. Children: £3

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## **WED 7 NOV—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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## **WED 7 NOV—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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## **TUE/WED 13/14 NOV—SCREEN MACHINE VISIT**

The Screen Machine is coming to Stronsay on the 13th and 14th November 2018.

13 Nov at 8:30pm—*The Rider* (15)

14 Nov at 5:30pm—*Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation* (U)

14 Nov at 8:30pm—*Mamma Mia! Here we go again (sing along)* (PG)

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## **HOW TO CONTACT THE [LIMPET](http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk)**

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](http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk) will be published on **Thu 29 Nov**. Items for inclusion in that edition should be submitted by 7pm on **Sun 25 Nov** Contact details are on the back page. The Limpet's website address is <http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk>

## PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT

Proposed development of two  
Atlantic salmon sea farm sites

### Bay of Holland and Mill Bay, Stronsay

Representatives of the Cooke Aquaculture Scotland Management Team, Human Resources Department and the Environmental Unit will be available to discuss the project proposals.

**Stronsay Community Hall**  
**Wednesday November 21<sup>st</sup> 2018**  
**2-4pm & 7-9pm**



**PROPOSED AQUACULTURE DEVELOPMENTS:  
BAY OF HOLLAND & MILL BAY, STRONSAY**

Cooke Aquaculture Scotland Ltd (CAS) are proposing the development of two Atlantic Salmon sea farm sites at the Bay of Holland and Mill Bay, Stronsay.

Each site will comprise 16 x 100m circumference cages (radius 16m) arranged in two groups of 8 cages with a boat style feed barge at each site. The individual sites will have maximum biomass capacity of 2038.3t of Atlantic Salmon per 22 month production cycle.

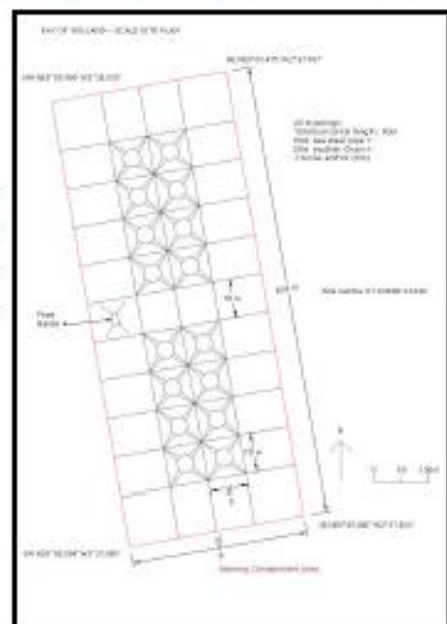
The sites will be subject to rigorous environmental assessment prior to the submission of planning applications to the Orkney Islands Council for consultation. These are to be submitted alongside discharge and production consent applications to SEPA and Marine Scotland as the regulators for such activities.

Both sites will reflect a considerable financial investment of over £3m per site for equipment. Local facilities will also be supported during the ongoing process of running and maintaining the sites. CAS also support the development of highly skilled employment, locally, on the more rural isles of Orkney. Each site is anticipated to create 4 full-time, permanent, site operative positions (8 total). An overall site manager will also be required.

For additional information and the opportunity to discuss these proposals further, representatives from Cooke Aquaculture Scotland including directors, a local site manager, human resources and the environmental unit will be available at an open consultation event to be held at:

**The Stronsay Community Hall  
Wednesday November 21st 2018.  
Sessions running at 2 - 4pm & 7 - 9pm**

**Cooke Aquaculture Scotland invite all interested parties to attend.**



## RECORDS OF A BYGONE AGE

The late Jim Work of Holland and Daisybank had gathered together quite a collection of Stronsay-related hand written stories, reports and notes that he had recorded over the years and also numerous newspaper cuttings about Stronsay. I was fortunate to be given some of these by Catherine and Myra Work and find many of them fascinating reading. I would like to share some of these records and memories of bygone Stronsay with readers of the Limpet over the coming months and hope you will also find this look back to an era long past to be of interest.

With the shows now all past, Stronsay's 'Massive Weekend' done and dusted and the nights drawing in I thought it would be relevant to start with a report about the first ever Stronsay Cattle Show held 130 years ago. I don't know if this was from a newspaper report or a report recorded by the Agricultural Society but it seems to have been a very successful day.

### ***Stronsay Cattle Show 1888***

*The first annual cattle show under the auspices of the Stronsay Agricultural Society was held on Thursday at Samson's Lane. The weather was most propitious, the day being one of the finest of the season, and the turnout of spectators consequently very large, somewhere about 500 being present. There were nearly two hundred head of stock exhibited, probably the largest, and pronounced by competent judges, to be the finest show of stock ever seen in the county. Messrs O Laughton, Soulisquoy and A Marshall, Berstane, who acted as judges, and whose decision seemed to give very general satisfaction, awarded the prizes as follows:-*

There then followed a long list of almost 90 prize winning animals from the farms of Holland, Rothiesholm (now the Bu), Housebay, Sunnybank, Lodge, Boondatoon, Bay, Whitehall, Huip, Midgarth, Samson's Lane, Myres and Airy, with the champion in the cattle section being 'a splendid black polled cow' shown by Wm Stevenson, Holland and the champion in the horse section going to 'a fine Clydesdale mare' being shown by DH Learmonth of Housebay. There were also prizes for sweet butter, salt butter, duck eggs and hen eggs (all these prizes were won by men but I suspect the women may have done the work and the men stolen the glory!) and even a prize for horse shoeing which was won by blacksmith W Slater.

The report then went on to give a few words of encouragement and chastisement that could possibly be seen to be as relevant in our community now as they were 130 years ago!

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*The show throughout proved a complete success and it is hoped that it may be the means of awakening the farming community of Stronsay out of its present lethargic state regarding Agricultural Society matters. A society composed of only a few members struggling against adverse circumstances can never be of much real benefit, and if we want a successful and useful society in our midst, we can only have it by lending a hand, not standing outside criticising others who are striving to do their best, not even by becoming members in a half-hearted way, but by laying aside self and banding ourselves together, each one determined to work for the good of the whole community.*

If anyone has any more information or anecdotes about this or anything else Stronsay related, I would be delighted to hear of it, either by giving me a phone on 01857 616322, emailing [ian.cooper56@gmail.com](mailto:ian.cooper56@gmail.com) or just drop in past Steensheed.

Ian Cooper

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## **MONCUR MEMORIAL CHURCH** **HARVEST THANKSGIVING SUNDAY 21 OCTOBER**



*(Photographs by Roger Neville-Smith)*

## RECENT BIRD SIGHTINGS

Starting at the end this month, there have been great signs during the last few days that the bird population is returning to how it was before the Greylag Geese 'invasion' which began in the early 1990s. Many hundreds of duck are now present – including several hundred Wigeon and Teal, there are far more waders – particularly Golden Plover and Curlew - feeding in the pastureland, and perhaps the most significant sign of a return to the pre-1990 spread of species, is the arrival of well over 100 Whooper Swans which breed in Iceland. Between 100 and 120 of this species wintered on Stronsay until the geese commandeered the Lea Shun and Meikle Water lochs. It will be interesting to watch the development over the coming months – the harmless swans had been a welcome part of the island's avifauna for at least several decades. Fingers crossed! (The Whooper Swans differ from the resident Mute Swans in the colour of the bill – yellow and black in Whoopers, orange and black in Mute).

Several birds of prey have been seen this Autumn – including at least 4 different Hen Harriers (one adult 'grey' male), two Buzzards, Kestrel, Merlin, Peregrine, and one lucky observer – Steve Taylor at Ryburn, saw an Osprey flying over towards Papa Stronsay, twice attempting to fish – with no success - in the 'east entrance'.

Autumn migration has been very poor this year with hardly any winds from the east but there have been a few surprises including an American species – Brown-headed Cowbird which we saw briefly here at Castle on 26th Sept. It appeared to be a juvenile and very similar to Skylark re plumage, but had a very different mode of flight. Virtually all the other small migrants present were of continental origin except perhaps the record flock of Goldfinches – 10 – seen near the Rothiesholm school on 10th October (see photo).

A SE wind on 11th-13th worked its magic and many migrants arrived including hundreds of Redwings. 'Bird of the day' on 11th was a Great Grey Shrike near the South school, seen by Ant of Gesty Dishes. More easterlies over the next two days brought in dozens of Chaffinches and Brambling. Many Robins arrived to take up residence for the winter and there were a few surprises – a Barred Warbler in the Airy garden and a Lesser Whitethroat in the gardens at Lower Whitehall. Yet more surprises were to come on 14th with Great Grey Shrike and Wood Pigeon (quite rare here) at Slap, and there was an even more striking 'cluster' at Holin Cottage – Waxwing, Hawfinch, Yellowhammer, and Greenfinch! Ant and Clare discovered a very late Redstart at Leaquoy (see photo) and there was a second bird that day along the road at Bomasty. There have been a few each of Goldcrest, Chiffchaff and Blackcap during the last month but no big numbers of any.

Migration almost came to a halt after the 17th – the last bird of note being the second Yellow-browed Warbler of the year – this time at Slap – enjoyed by our regular visitor Geraldine Guppy from Gloucester. Many Brambling and Chaffinches remain on the island – mainly in the Samsonslane 'tattie-field' and by the roadside at Bomasty Bay. The flock at Bomasty bay are very easy to observe from the car, often feeding in the road and perching on the fences in the area (see photo) and the low wall on the shore-side.

And then came the Swans! A delight to see after such a long absence (see photo).

Thanks again for all the calls, John Holloway.

*(Photographs on next page)*



*'One of the flock of 10 Goldfinches at 'Slap' on 10th October – high up in a Sycamore Tree.'*



*'The Great Grey Shrike of 14th October in the same tree as the shrike!'*



*'The male Redstart at Leaquoy - found by Ant and Clare.'*

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*'Part of the recent flock of Brambling on the road-side fence at Bomasty Bay.'*



*'Whooper Swans - a re-established winter visitor?'*



# STEPHEN CLACKSON'S LETTER FROM SCHOOL PLACE

## *Reporting on the work of your councillor in Orkney and beyond*

**“Hostel residents could face fees—Forthcoming consultation to seek views on proposed new charges.”**

This was the page 2 headline in *The Orcadian* of the 4<sup>th</sup> October, in which my contribution at the Policy & Resources (P&R) Committee meeting to the debate on consulting on corporate charges was reported. Four proposed charges stand out as having a potentially detrimental impact on the North Isles' economies and residents if they are implemented, namely:

- Increases to landing fees at Council airfields;
- Increased charges for special (bulky) household waste collection and disposal;
- Introduction of charges for overnight parking of campervans;
- Proposed new charge for Papdale Halls of Residence.

With regard to the last of these, as a councillor I have a declarable financial conflict of interest because I have a child at the Halls, hence I shall not be able to be involved in any discussion on charges for pupils to stay there. It is, therefore, **imperative that North Isles' residents become fully engaged in the consultation themselves**. We were pretty much left out of the “OIC Community Conversations” back in June, and didn't have the same opportunity as other communities in Orkney to “shape our public services”. When I brought this up at P&R, the Leader stated that “the message was to protect services in these islands, so we weren't asking them to change their services”. However, among the “top 5 issues” for the Kirkwall community is a “review of Junior High School provision on the isles” (and at their “Conversation” on 11<sup>th</sup> June they also discussed charging for Papdale Halls), so, whatever the Council Leader says, other communities are clearly intent on changing the North Isles' services!

After the Orkney College graduation ceremony, I was presented to the UHI Chancellor, the Princess Royal. We talked about her last having seen me dressed this way (see photograph below) at the University of London Presentation Ceremony at the Royal Albert Hall on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 1990. HRH observed that my beard had changed colour since then! I am still unsure of the protocol regarding academic headdress in the presence of royalty. As noted in my article “Dr ... Who?” in the June 2011 *Living Orkney* (issue 67, p 50): “In Spain, doctors of philosophy may be seated and cover their heads in the presence of the monarch”, nevertheless, to prevent any possibility of committing a *paso en falso*, in the presence of our monarch's daughter I uncovered mine. I was delighted to see on the last page of this year's glossy graduation brochure (as a result of my suggestion—see *Letter from School Place* November 2017) colour illustrations identifying which UHI academic dress belongs to which degree.

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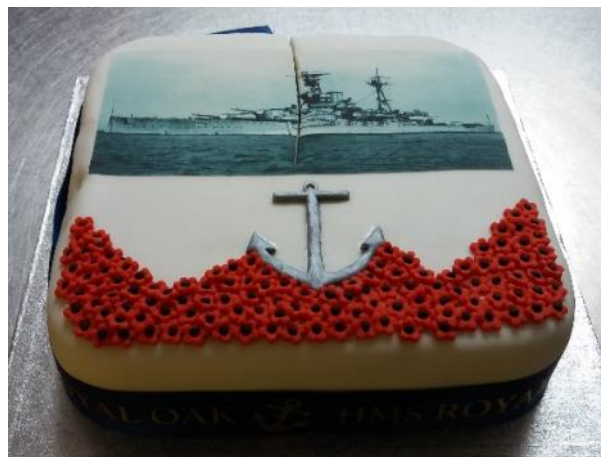
*Together with the retiring Orkney College Principal (and fellow physicist) Dr Bill Ross.*

Continuing on the University of the Highlands & Islands (UHI) theme, as OIC's representative I attended this year's UHI Foundation Conference at North Highland College's Dornoch campus. In his review, the University's Vice-Chancellor informed us that Orkney College has more PhD students than the two largest UHI academic partners put together, which shows what an intellectual centre we have growing at the heart of Orkney. However, he cautioned that OIC must not let its burgeoning college be undermined by the predatory behaviour of the other universities currently courting the Council. In his introduction, the Rector warned against the modern tendency to believe that *perception matters more than reality and the truth is just another opinion*.

(In this respect we could all be guided by my old college's motto: "Esse quam videri", which means "be rather than seem to be".)

Other meetings I have attended this month include: a briefing on aquaculture water quality impact modelling, a special Development & Infrastructure Committee meeting (by invitation) for the items on the *Kirkwall Urban Design Framework* and the *Aquaculture Water Quality Impact Modelling Assessment for Scapa Flow*; and a Monitoring & Audit Committee meeting. The Community Council Conference was postponed due to a bad weather forecast and will now take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> November.

At the remembrance service on the 14<sup>th</sup> October, I laid the wreath on behalf of OIC at the HMS Royal Oak memorial at Scapa. Here is a photo of the commemorative cake eaten at the RBL afterwards:



*Stephen*

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson  
West Manse, Sanday

[stephen.clackson@council.orkney.gov.uk](mailto:stephen.clackson@council.orkney.gov.uk)

You can download "Letter from School Place" from [lfsp.pbworks.com](http://lfsp.pbworks.com)

## **WISHES AND DREAMS**

By Ellie from Newfield

It so often comes into my mind!  
Childhood and Bentley Brook,  
Bubbling along, crystal clear  
On the meandering journey it took  
Derbyshire in those summers,  
Sailing our paper boats downstream  
Unaware of how lucky we were  
With happiness in full bloom.  
Boats that would carry our wishes and dreams  
Bobbing along in the warm breeze.  
Matlock Moor in the Derbyshire hills,  
The brook enhanced by overhanging trees.  
It was all so long ago  
We children running wild.  
But it's a memory well visited  
Magic it was to me as a child.  
And is it then any wonder  
That part of my heart remains there still,  
Captured forever by that brook  
On its way to Drabbles Mill.  
Like a wooded Shangri-la  
Stretched the pine woods at the rear.  
A place of wild adventure  
For we children had no fear.  
Did those wishes and dreams come true,  
Taken on paper wings downstream.  
Yes, of course they did and still do,  
Bentley Brook, the magic still recalled in dreams.

*©Helene Harrison*

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

### **THANK YOU**

Sorry I missed whoever called with a lovely box of produce, you may have seen me fast asleep in my chair by the fire. Thank you all very much.

Cliff at Comelybank

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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?)**

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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**

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Many thanks Kelly and Craig Hooper

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## **LOCAL BUSINESSES**



### **STRONSAY FISH MART**

Phone 616401

#### **Sunday 4th November 2018**

- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Lasagne, chips and garlic bread
- Sweet and sour chicken and egg fried rice
- Lemon meringue pie (cream / ice-cream)
- Crumble and custard

**Friday 9th November** – Fish Friday (Battered haddock and chips and peas)

#### **Sunday 11th November 2018**

- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Chicken in gravy, oatmeal stuffing, vegetables and potatoes
- Chilli mince, rice and Doritos
- Sponge pudding and custard
- Banoffee pie (cream / ice-cream)

#### **Sunday 18th November 2108**

- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Roast beef, Yorkshire pudding, vegetables and potatoes
- Chicken curry, rice and Naan bread
- Roulade (cream / ice-cream)
- Cheesecake (cream / ice-cream)

**Friday 23rd November** – Fish Friday (Battered haddock and chips and peas)

#### **Sunday 25th November 2018**

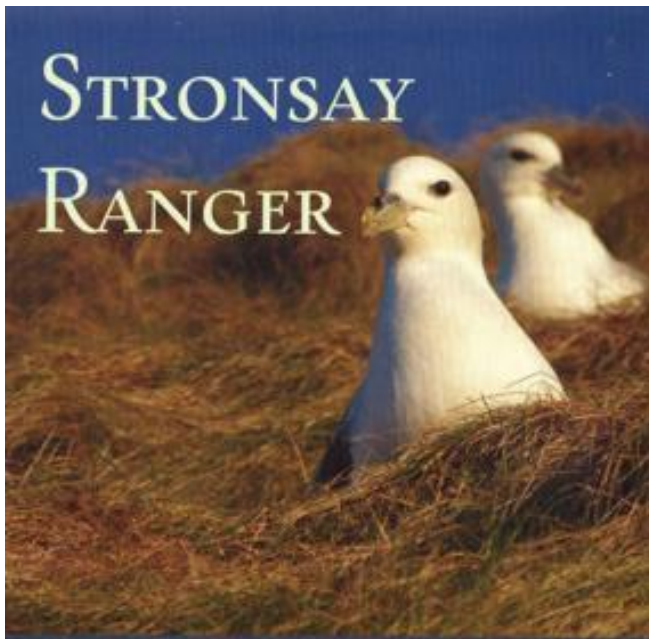
- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Steak pie, vegetables and potatoes
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- Sticky toffee pudding (cream / ice-cream)
- Rice pudding and fruit (cream / ice-cream)

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The days are getting shorter apace, the harvest is done, and we're getting set for the winter routine. We're starting to think about Christmas, but shhhhhhhh, don't mention that to the kids! Our Christmas order forms will be available soon with our festive yummys, and for the next few weeks we're planning some fab freezer offers to assist with both saving pennies for Christmas and stocking up some winter-warmer meals! Give us a shout for details.



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

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- \* 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

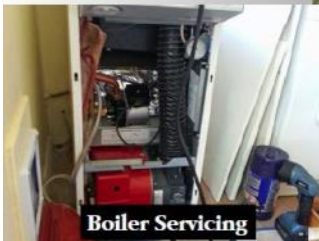
HOME: 01857 616454

## Ebenezer Oil Heating Services

Oftec trained engineer



Oil Tank Installation



Boiler Servicing

Oil boiler servicing,  
repair and replacement



Boiler Installation  
& Commissioning

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

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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**Stromsay's Christmas**  
**Annual Art & Crafts**  
**Extravaganza Sale**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December, Stromsay  
Community Hall, from 1pm-4pm,  
homebakes, teas, coffees, raffle,  
free entry**

**Sponsored and supported by Stromsay Community Association**

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# Patchwork & Quilting

6 week seasonal course

By Eunice Bourn-Fernley

Any level of experience welcome

Starts Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November

7pm – 9pm

Stronsay School

Please contact Anna to book a place on 616410 or email  
[cdostronsay@gmail.com](mailto:cdostronsay@gmail.com)



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

### **Stronsay Stitchers & Spinners**



#### **STITCHERS**

October - Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October  
Church Hall, 7.00pm-9.30pm, £2/person.

November - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **SPINNERS, WEAVERS & DYERS**

November - Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November  
Church Hall, 11.00am-2.00pm,  
£2/person, refreshments, BYO lunch.

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# Craftastic Christmas Fair

High quality locally made crafts & gifts.

**SAT 17TH NOV 2018**

**10am - 4pm**

**Kirkwall Grammar School**

**Free entry**

**Something for all the family.**

**Food available all day.**



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## **GROUPS, CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS**

**Stronsay branch R.N.L.I.**  
are having a

# **Halloween Party**

7pm Wed 31<sup>st</sup> Oct  
at the community centre

Prizes for **best fancy dress**  
and **best neepie lantern**

**\*NEW\***

Prizes for **best Halloween picture**  
(Make one beforehand and bring it with you on the night!)

Tea, coffee and homebakes  
Raffle, lucky dip, dookin' for apples  
and lots more!

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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**

Your Island Your Choice 2



# Stronsay

Your Islands,  
Your Choice is BACK!

Following on from the hugely successful last round of Your Islands, Your Choice funding another round of funding has been awarded. As you may remember, the previous round of YIYC saw successful applications for funding for the Peedie Library at the kirk, a bench at the War Memorial, a bench on the shore near the Vat and part funding for a tutor for our local singers. These were all suggestions put forward by the community and voted for by the community.

VAO is soon to be visiting Stronsay (date to be confirmed) to offer a refresher on the process for this and to answer any questions you might have. It is hoped that a small steering group will then be set up to carry this forward. Your thoughts and ideas will be very welcome at this meeting and there will be plenty of time later to firm up any ideas you may have and to put forward proposals for projects you feel would benefit our island and community.

So – please get your thinking caps on and come along to this meeting! This is your chance to have your say on projects important to your island. Even if you don't have any ideas at the moment, your support for this would be very much appreciated!

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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**

#### **Monday**

7-7.40 public session  
7.40-8.20 adult lane (16+)

#### **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**

**It is well over 6 years since there has been an increase in public hire charges.  
From 1st November charges will become £3 for adults and £1.50 for children. All other  
charges remain the same**

#### **Public Sessions**

Adults £3  
Children £1.50

#### **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

#### **Adults (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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## **KIRK CORNER**

Locum minister—Scott Daily  
Manse telephone 616286

There is an old saying, penned in the 1600's by John Donne, that no man is an island. The thought being that we as humans are not intended to be isolated and cut off from other people. We need the encouragement, support, love, and even the correction and guidance of one another. A more amusing way of putting it is that the banana that leaves the bunch gets peeled. When we are left to ourselves we do not function and thrive as we should.

What is interesting to me is that even though we live on a physical island (or more likely because we do) the community is so strong here. When there is a need and it becomes known people come together to meet it. When there is a gathering or an event it is generally well attended (especially if there is a raffle). I am sincerely impressed with the community spirit of the island. It is clear from the Bible that the church is called to be a community of loving people. A place where we can all gather together to worship and learn about our God. We are called to build one another up, to help the hurting, encourage and strengthen, laugh and learn, cry and sing, in short to be the "family of God". Just like any family we might make some mistakes, but we still love and care and want the best for each other. May we show that "love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude; It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends." (I Corinthians 13:4-8)

I wanted to invite you to come along and join our community at Moncur Memorial. In the coming months we will have several special services and events that we want to invite you to such as a baked tatties event the evening of 9th November, the Remembrance Day service on the 11th of November, and in December the many special events and services leading up to Christmas. As always if there is anything you need, or if you just want to chat please call or drop by the manse.

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***

### **PEEDIE LIBRARY IN THE CHURCH HALL**

The next Peedie Library in the Church Hall will be on  
Monday 3rd December between 3pm and 5pm.  
Change your books, enjoy a tea or coffee with a biscuit and have a chat.  
And it's FREE!

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

#### **Date of mobile library van's next visit to Stronsay in 2018**

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.orkadespractice.co.uk](http://www.orkadespractice.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.

**In an emergency phone 01856 888000**

### **INFLUENZA VACCINATIONS**

The vaccinations for the groups below are now available. Please can you phone the surgery on 616321 to make an appointment for your vaccination.

- **Under 65 at risk** Tuesday 23rd October 10.30 – 12 and 2 – 4
- **75 + years** Friday 26th October 10.30 – 12 and 2 - 4

If these dates are not suitable please contact the surgery on 616321 and we will arrange an alternative date for you to attend.

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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> . . . .	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 . . . . .	0800 0778 778
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		

### **HOW TO CONTACT THE [LIMPET](#)**

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

