



**THE DECEMBER EDITION OF THE LIMPET WILL BE
ONE WEEK EARLIER THAN USUAL**

The deadline for the December edition of the Limpet is
7pm on Sunday 16 December.

Printed copies will be in the shops on Thursday 20 December.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS IN THE LIMPET

You can post Christmas greetings to your friends and family in the December edition of the Limpet and it won't cost you a penny! Just send an email to the Limpet's editor (contact details on the front & back pages of every Limpet) but please, no "War & Peace" sized greetings! The deadline is 7pm on Sunday 16 December.

EVENTS ON STRONSAY IN DECEMBER

DATE	EVENT (details inside and/or at visitstronsay.com diary)
Saturday 1 December	Annual arts & crafts fair at the Community Centre 1-4pm
Friday 7 December	OIC Special collection
Saturday 8 December	Tree lighting ceremony at the Community Centre 7pm
Sunday 9 December	Carols by candlelight in the kirk hall 7pm
Sunday 16 December	Sunday Club Christmas Party in the kirk hall 2-4pm
Wednesday 19 December	Stronsay Bookworms in the Hotel 7:30pm
Saturday 22 December	A visit from Santa in Wood's Yard 10:30am to noon
Saturday 22 December	Santa's float leaves Jim's yard at 6:30pm
Monday 24 December	Christmas Eve service in the kirk 11:30pm
Tuesday 25 December	Short service in the kirk 11am
Monday 31 December	Hogmany Dance at the Community Centre 10pm

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

Send an email to 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.*

The next edition of the [Limpet](http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk) will be published on **Thu 20 Dec.** Items for inclusion in that edition should be submitted by 7pm on **Sun 16 Dec.** Contact details are on the back page. The Limpet's website address is <http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk>

Stronsay Recycling Centre –
Plastic Announcement



The Waste Team at the Stronsay Recycling Centre have been working with OIC and Stronsay Community Council and are excited to announce that Stronsay will soon have a Plastic Recycling Skip as part of a 12-month Trial which, with community support could become permanent.

**This Skip will take most Household Bottles such as
washing up liquid, drinks, shampoo, conditioner and milk bottles.**

To make this trial a success we need your help in following some clear instructions when using the skip.

1. Please make sure your bottles are empty – No liquids
2. Please make sure your bottles are rinsed
3. Please remove their tops and put those in the normal rubbish
4. There must be a number 1 or 2 on the bottom (HDPE or PET can be recycled)



The Skip will be located behind the current glass, metal, paper skip next to Ebenezer Stores.

The Waste team located at the Recycling Centre at Woods yard will be available for any questions or to offer any assistance from the 1st December

Monday-Friday 9am- 12pm

Stronsay Recycling Centre



Opening Hours from 1st December 2018

Monday to Friday 9am-12pm

(The Centre will be closed For the Christmas/New year break from 22nd Dec to 7th January 2019)

We are now accepting your Cardboard & Glass during opening hours!!

Out of hour drop off available soon.

The Waste Team need your help by flat packing your boxes and removing as much of the tape as possible.

Cardboard Briquettes are now available from the Recycling Centre please ask staff for details.

Further information will be available from the waste team at the recycling centre during opening times, on the Facebook page and promotional material available soon.

The Grand Opening will take place in January 2019 with details to follow.



Your Island Your Choice 2



The Committee has now been chosen and it's time for you to get those thinking caps on!!

Applications will be available in January with the big voting event being held in February.

This is a chance for groups and individuals on the Island to receive funds for a community focused project.

Ideas could include:

Sports coaching

Skills training

Refreshment machine
at pier waiting room

Community Garden

observatory

Or any other community projects you can think of.

ATTENTION - KEEP SAFE ON THE ROADS THIS WINTER!

The Stronsay School, **JRSO's** (Junior Road Safety Officers: Lilly, Melvin, Lewis and Toni-Anne) would like to tell you that at this time of year when daylight is short; **you should always wear something reflective when you walk or cycle around the roads on Stronsay.** This is really important from sun set to sun rise, but a good idea all the time. To help keep you safe; **bright reflective clothing and even a torch shining on the ground will help while walking, also remember lights on your bike.** Remember the **Green Cross Code:** first find a safe place to cross, stop, look and listen, before you cross.

We would like everyone to stay safe this winter.

STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Ian Cooper

Vice Chair: Shirley Whiteman

DOG FOULING AND THE LAW

It is an offence for any person in charge of a dog not to immediately remove and dispose of its fouling in an appropriate manner.

This applies to **all public places**, including

- Pavements and footpaths
- Children's play areas
- Parks and recreational areas
- Beaches

The majority of dog owners are responsible and clean up after their pets, but if you witness a dog-fouling offence, contact Environmental Health at Orkney Islands Council, tel: **01856 873535 ext. 2801.**

Dog poo bags are available, free of charge, from Olivebank, Ebenezer Stores and the Island Link Office.

Clerk,
Stronsay Community Council
31 October 2018

RECENT BIRD SIGHTINGS

Very little to report during the last few weeks, but the most uncommon bird - found by David Hudson as he cycled past the Matpow Loch in foul weather on 23rd October - was this beautiful Little Egret. It was seen on and off in the area for a couple of days until last seen flying over near Gesty Dishes by Anthony on 11th November. Just the second record for the island – the first was found by Dennis Spendley at Eastbank in late Spring 1996



WELL DONE MELVIN!



Congratulations to Melvin Holland in P6, runner-up in a recent writing competition run by Northlink Ferries. P6/7 pupils in Orkney and Shetland were asked to write '5 Reasons why Orkney is Great'. He received a fantastic goody bag for his efforts. Very well done, Melvin!

5 Reasons why Orkney is Great!

Eyecatching Landmarks: There are loads of eye-catching landmarks in Orkney that you must not miss! Such as Maeshowe or Skara Brae (Mainland), Vat of Kirbuster (Stronsay), Knap of Howar (Papa Westray) or Viquoy Cairn (Eday). There is also the North Ronaldsay Lighthouse (North Ronaldsay).

Astounding beaches: The beaches in Orkney are incredible! There is St Catherine's Bay (Stronsay), Bay of London (Eday) and Rackwick Bay (Hoy). A bit further out to sea is where the great Orkney fishermen catch our 5-star seafood!

Lush Orkney food: As well as seafood we have clapshot (neep and tattie/potato mixed). We also have crazily succulent Orkney fudge which is too yummy not to buy while you are visiting Orkney! Same with creamy Orkney ice-cream. Here are my top three flavours: Peach Melba, Orkney fudge and toffee and Lemon curd!

Lovely nature: If you are visiting Orkney to do some nature spotting the best places in Orkney are: Castle o'Burrian (Westray) where you can see puffins. In Stronsay (where I live) we have our own top notch bird expert, John Holloway! Also Lamb Head and Vat of Kirbuster (Stronsay) are great places to spot nature! Hoy if you like snow and climbing huge hills and mountains - Hoy is a splendid place for that!

Pickaquooy Centre and Ferries: We have a great leisure and sports centre on the Mainland where you can swim, climb, compete in athletics and other amazing activities! Also the ferries are amazing. We have Varagen, Earl Thorfinn and Earl Sigurd which travel to Kirkwall, Eday, Stronsay, Sanday and Westray. My dad does J Holland Haulage so he uses them a lot! There are the Hrossey, Hamnavoe and Hjaltland

FUN5Z PRIMARY NETBALL



Toni-Anne, Millie, Dorothy, Lewis and Melvin have been playing in Netball Orkney's Fun5z (Primary Netball) League this session. They won 9 out of 10 games on seedings day, which placed them in one of three leagues. Earlier in November they travelled to Kirkwall again where they managed to win their first 3 league games. They will be heading in on 1st December for the second league date, with more after the New Year. Well done and keep up the good work!

STEPHEN CLACKSON'S LETTER FROM SCHOOL PLACE

Reporting on the work of your councillor in Orkney and beyond

Councillors and island community council transport reps attended workshops held by the consultants preparing OIC's outline business case to present to the Scottish Government on improving our inter-island transport. This covers both the air and ferry services and how together they can be brought up to the Scottish Government's own standards for transport connectivity. I have requested that a ro-ro ferry service to North Ronaldsay be included in the business case, as reliance on a lo-lo service is unprecedented anywhere else in Scotland.

Orkney College student residences have been exercising me this month. At the Orkney College Quality Working Group meeting, I requested that provision of student accommodation be included as an area of development in the *Orkney College UHI Evaluative Report & Enhancement Plan* before it is submitted to Education Scotland. This clearly falls under the quality indicator "wellbeing, equality and inclusion" where it concerns students from the outer North Isles, who cannot easily travel back and forth daily to attend courses. Unfortunately, ferry disruption due to bad weather led me to miss the workshop on student accommodation, but I e-mailed in my views, which are that affordable student residences in Kirkwall (within reasonable walking/cycling distance of the College, the Institute of Northern Studies, the town centre and the harbour) are needed to jointly serve:

- 1) Students from the Isles (ineligible to stay at the Papdale Halls) undertaking both FE and HE courses at Orkney College, and also apprentices from the Isles;
- 2) Students from outwith Orkney, primarily undergraduates and postgraduates, studying at Orkney College.

I learnt at the UHI Foundation meeting I attended as OIC's rep that the UHI has funded student residences at Inverness College (150 rooms), in Elgin for Moray College (40 rooms), and in Dornoch for North Highland College (40 rooms).

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**Student residences for Dornoch (<https://www.urbanrealm.com/news/6019>)
Doesn't Kirkwall also deserve such accommodation for Orkney's students?**

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At the Orkney College Management Council meeting, my proposal that our two student reps be given full voting rights was supported, but because the College Management Council is a sub-committee of OIC, this still faces the hurdle of being passed at the next Policy & Resources Committee meeting.

Other meetings I have attended include: members' sessions, part of the Community Council Conference, a seminar on the *National Improvement Framework Improvement Plan*, a meeting of the Education, Leisure & Housing Committee, a North Isles ward meeting with the Executive Director of Development & Infrastructure, and (in Inverness) a meeting of the Highlands & Islands Science Skills Academy Leadership Board.

We have now begun the difficult budget challenge process to see how we can match the Council's spending to its income and resources—a balanced budget being a legal obligation. Our income depends to a great extent on what Government Scotland is willing to give us. Will it, for example, again provide the crucial additional funding to support our inter-island ferries? As for any cuts, I am determined that nobody will be able to accuse OIC of being punitive, mean-spirited and callous (accusations levelled this month by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty & Human Rights at the UK Government's austerity policy and its attitude to the most vulnerable in our society).

And so, with Christmas coming, I join with Tiny Tim (not the American falsetto singer and ukulele player) in saying: "God bless Us, Every One!"



Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson
West Manse, Sanday
stephen.clackson@council.orkney.gov.uk



You can download "Letter from School Place" from lfsp.pbworks.com

TRIFLING!

By Ellie from Newfield

There's a trifle in the fridge,
I placed it there myself..
Chocolate and cream no less
On the middle shelf.
I'm being oh so strong
For it's only half past three
And I rather hope to share it
With everyone for tea.
Now I'm far from wafer-thin
I;m more a dumpling size.
Yes, the more I look in the fridge
It gets better in my eyes.
Well of course I should say "NO",
Resist this powerful temptation;
But how can I do that
When I know what's in its creation.
I am never more so strong
In decining seconds of sprouts
But this is my creation and
I ought to try it out.
I'll diet all next week,
Eat lettuce like a rabbit.
Fill me a tasty dish
And see my spoon just stab in.
I really cannot ignore it,
It being such a tasty thing.
Even just the thought of it
And my taste buds seem to sing.
Luxury chocolate and cream
Just beyond that door.
And when I've eaten a bowlfull
May I please, please have some more!

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SALES, WANTS, GREETINGS, THANKS

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

I would like to take this opportunity to say a HUGE thank you to everybody who took part in the Remembrance Sunday display. There were over 30 knitters and crocheters and over 3000 poppies in all including the ones made by the school children.

Thank you to those who donated wool, the netting, lighting, mannequins and those who came faithfully to the 'poppy netting' evenings and of course the setting up of the actual display.

Thank you to everybody who came to the service and joined us for lunch. Thank you to Arya, Eilidh and Wilbur for laying the wreath and candle in honour of our Heroes.

I think the display looks amazing but I have to say the thing for me was the number of people who took part, bringing the community together and everywhere I went the conversation turned to poppies!

Furthermore I have been immensely proud to be involved in this and very humbled and sometimes a bit emotionally incontinent!

Anne-Maree Carter

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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

Many thanks
Andrew Douglas

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

BAYVIEW, WHITEHALL

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

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

Please contact Dave or Jill on 616308

BAYVIEW UPDATE (1 June 2018)

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

WANTED

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

We are a family of 5 (parents and 3 boys) with one well behaved dog. We are looking to relocate to Stronsay anytime from August 2018. We have experience in various sectors, but the majority of our experience is in event management and marketing and we have a lot of ideas that, we feel, could help to bring in more tourists, therefore helping to boost the local economy. We are currently living in the Scottish Borders, having moved from England in 2016. We are looking to make this move a permanent one and would be happy to take on a long lease. Please feel free to get in touch with any questions via email to kellyhooper14@yahoo.com or call 01890 249032 Bond and references available.

Many thanks Kelly and Craig Hooper

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

Storehouse B&B

Phone 616263

Christmas Menu.

Starter

- Creamy butternut squash soup with croutons £3.50
Deep fried cheese, salad, floury bannock & cranberry sauce £6.00
Stuffed Christmas onions £5.00

Main

- Turkey & all the trimmings.
Honey, orange & thyme glazed duck breast with tatties & green beans.
Roast stuffed pork loin, mashed tatties, roast tatties, vegetables & gravy.
All mains £10.00

Vegetarian Options

- Cheese, rice & vegetable strudel.
Vegetable crumble.
All Vegetarian £8.00

Sweet

- Christmas pudding with cream & ice-cream.
Terry's chocolate orange cheesecake.
Meringue duo,
1. Passion fruit curd with raspberries
2. Chocolate meringue with hazelnuts
Cranberry & orange sorbet duo.
All sweets £4.50
Cheese board £6.00

Tea/coffee & mince pies.

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STRONSAY FISH MART

Phone 616401

Sunday 2nd December 2018

- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Hunters chicken, vegetables and chips
- Meatballs in tomato sauce, spaghetti and garlic bread
- Crumble (cream / ice-cream)
- Iced sponge and custard

Sunday 9th December 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Mozzarella sticks with salad and chilli sauce
- Turkey and all the trimmings (roast potatoes, vegetables, two stuffings, pigs in blankets)
- Items from the usual menu available also.
- Cloutie duff and custard (cream / ice-cream)
- Trifle (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 16th December 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Mozzarella sticks with salad and chilli sauce
- Turkey and all the trimmings (roast potatoes, veg, two stuffings, pigs in blankets)
- Items from the usual menu available also.
- Cloutie duff and custard (cream / ice-cream)
- Chocolate brownie (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 23rd December 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Mozzarella sticks with salad and chilli sauce
- Turkey and all the trimmings (roast potatoes, vegetables, two stuffings, pigs in blankets)
- Items from the usual menu available also.
- Cloutie duff and custard (cream / ice-cream)
- Lemon Cheesecake (cream / ice-cream)

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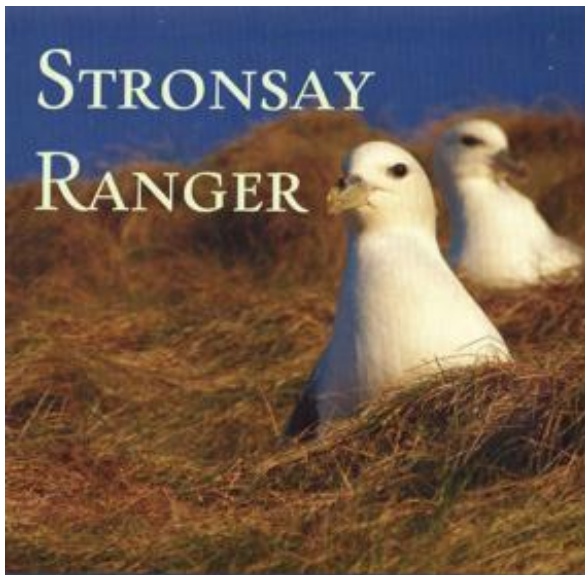
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30th December 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Mince and clapshot, haggis
- Chicken fillets, dip and chips
- Mince pie and custard (cream / ice-cream)
- Ice-cream and sauce

The Fish Mart will be closed on Monday 24th, Tuesday 25th, Wednesday 26th Thursday 27th, Friday 28th, Saturday 29th, December 2018. And from the 31st December 2018 until Sunday 13th January 2019 inclusive.



**STRONSAY
RANGER**

GUIDED TOURS AND NATURE WALKS

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


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

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

Packed lunches made locally on request.

CONTACT 07922711525

or e-mail stronsayranger@gmail.com.
Look for the Stronsay Ranger on Facebook and Instagram.



WALKS AND TOURS

Evening walks

Full day tours

Herring history walk

Walks to suit the individual

Packed lunches on request

Weather suitable clothing and sturdy walking shoes recommended

Contact 07922711525

stronsayranger@gmail.com
Facebook: search for Stronsay Ranger

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

ORKNEY BUFFALO

Kirbuster | Stronsay | Orkney

01857 616251 | Msg at Facebook.com/OrkneyBuffalo

CHRISTMAS IS COMING... YA

Our top tips for the perfect roast buff, either.....

- 1/ Ultra-slow roasting:** pre-heat the oven to 70°C. Season with salt and pepper and sear the outside of the roast on a smoking hot griddle. Place in a roasting tin and roast in the oven for 4-8 hours depending on size. Use a meat thermometer to achieve: 55°C for rare, 57°C for medium rare and 60°C for medium. Then remove from the oven and leave to rest covered while getting everything else ready.
- 2/ Roast buff on veg:** pre-heat oven to 220°C. Place roast on top of some carrots and halved onions in a roasting tin, and cook for 20 mins. Reduce the heat to 170°C and continue to cook for 30mins to an hour depending on the size of roast and how you like it cooked – same internal temperatures as above.

ALLOW 1KG OF RAW ROAST TO SERVE FOUR, SO AROUND 200-300G PER PERSON

Available roasts: *rolled ribeye, sirloin, topside, silverside, fillet, rump, rolled shoulder, brisket*

We have lots of options for Christmas, for your own table & gift packs & gift vouchers:

Buff Mega Christmas Hamper:

2kg Roast, 4pk Christmas 'We 3 Cings' Burgers, 6 pack buffalorne sausage, buff chipolatas, 2 sirloin steaks, 2kg diced stew and some extra goodies... 😊 all for £50

Christmas Big Steak Pack:

2 fillet steaks, 2 ribeye steaks and 2 sirloin steaks all for £40

Santa ate all the pies!

Pic n mix box of 6 individual pies (ready to eat or frozen, ready to bake): choose any combination from: jumbo buff sausage roll, buffalo and beer pie, pieger (a burger in a pie, Bombay pieger, steak & stilton, 'We 3 Cings' pieger, buffalo bridle, 6 boxed pies for £10

'Baby it's cold outside' selection:

2kg diced shin, 2kg steak mince, 2kg best stew and 2kg pot roast or brisket all for £40

Buff Burger Selection Box:

20 steak burgers, choosing from: Original buff burgers, smokey paprika, 'we 3 cings' (camembert, chestnut & cranberry), Bombay Any combination of 20 burgers for £14

Christmas Curry Club:

500g buffalo diced stew, harihari buffalo curry pack, can coconut milk for £10 Serves 4, depending on how hungry you are!! 😊 all for £10

Orkney Buffalo Voucher:

Any value valid for 12 months, redeemable against any of our sales and offers.

Local delivery, collection or Royal Mail posting to any UK address available. Also available: free range eggs, buff chipolatas, lorne 'squarish' sausage, GIANT family pies (3+kg, serves 6+) ready to bake, home-made lemon curd.

Get in touch for any information or details.

Thank you for your custom throughout the year...
...wishing you a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
from Russell, Naomi, Dorothy, Wilbur and Martha xxx
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MAURICE A. WILLIAMSON **YOUR LOCAL ONE STOP SHOP** **Grocer/Butcher/Fuel/Hardware Supplies**

Olivebank, Stronsay, Orkney, KW17 2AF

Tel:01857 616255

Email: m.williamson1@btconnect.com

Find us on Facebook at Maurice A. Williamson

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

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

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

...AND SO MUCH MORE!



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We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our customers for their continued support and patience over the last year.

We will be on holiday from 21st December until 7th January 2019 but in the case of an EMERGENCY please don't hesitate to call.

On a final note we'd like to wish everyone, a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!!



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

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

I will supply a list each week with availability

*Please look at my Face book page "Stronsay Markets" or
send me an email "stronsaymarkets@gmail.com and I will put you
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HAIRDRESSER ON STRONSAY

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

Computer, tablet or phone misbehaving or running slowly?

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

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

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

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

Want to extend your home network coverage?

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

£6 an hour.

Give me a call on 317 or email duncandavis79@gmail.com



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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

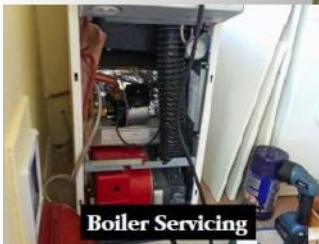
HOME: 01857 616454

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A serviced boiler
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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

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

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



BELLIE M DESIGNS

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

Online shop 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 1st December, Stromsay
Community Hall, from 1pm-4pm,
homebakes, teas, coffees, raffle,
free entry**

Sponsored and supported by Stromsay Community Association

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Stronsay Community Association presents:

HOGMANAY DANCE

COMMUNITY HALL

31st DECEMBER @ 10PM



LIVE MUSIC



£3 ENTRY

BAR OPEN!

Come along and bring in the bells!



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STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Ian Cooper

Vice Chair: Shirley Whiteman

5GRuralFirst: 5G Broadcast Radio Trial, Stronsay

Representatives from the BBC, CloudNet and OIC recently met with members of Stronsay Community Council, and from a presentation given on the proposed 5G Broadcast Radio Trial to be conducted on Stronsay, the following information has been copied and outlines the reason for the trial and its proposal:

Introduction

5GRuralFirst is a UK Government-funded project to explore the benefits of the latest generation of mobile technology (5G) for rural communities and industries such as agriculture, broadcasting and utilities.

As part of the project, BBC Research & Development is working to trial the transmission of BBC radio stations over 5G. Fewer and fewer mobile phones have FM radios in them and so we're looking to see whether broadcasting over 5G could be a viable way to receive BBC radio on portable devices in the future.

We plan to use the technology to transmit twelve radio stations, including BBC Radio Orkney and have twenty smartphones available for members of the public to try the technology out and test it for us. As well as reception of radio stations, normal mobile Internet access will also be available.

Proposal

The proposal is for Stronsay Junior High School to host the mobile base station infrastructure and equipment needed to make the radio trial work and bring 4G/5G coverage to the island.

Practically, this would involve hosting a typically 10 metre high mast, with antennas mounted on it (including 2 which are around one metre tall) plus space to host equipment inside a building or nearby cabinet and supplied by mains electricity. Safeguards will be put in place to ensure that members of the public (including school staff and pupils) are not able to get closer to the antennas than public safety transmission limits allow.

As part of the trial, the Wireless ISP CloudNet would also bring coverage to Stronsay for the first time.

We have twenty smartphones available for the project and we're looking to recruit triallists on the island to test the reception of BBC radio services for us as well as to submit coverage reports. Our thinking was that the school community could be an additional potential source of help with recruiting members of the public to help us test the system.

Stronsay Junior High School is an ideal location from our perspective to host equipment and help us with the trial due to, not only its strong links into the community, but also its geography – situated as it is at the centre of the island and at its highest point. We also intend to explore educational opportunities around the trial.

Colin McAlpine

Stronsay Island Link Officer and Clerk to Stronsay Community Council

25 November 2018

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The Santa float will leave Jim's yard at 6:30 on the 22nd December
With a buffet and raffle at the Stronsay Hotel after.
All funds raised will go towards the SOS.

A Visit from Santa

Come and visit Santa in his enchanted forest Grotto and hand him your letters personally to make sure they get read!

Wait by the fireside for Santa's Elf to take you through to the grotto and to meet the man himself, hand him your letter and have a photograph taken to treasure the moment forever

SATURDAY THE **22nd** DECEMBER
10:30 – 12:00
in the business unit, woods yard

Young and old welcome! A chance for a family portrait?
Please come along and support us. All proceeds will go to Stronsay SOS – Support our School.
Entry will be £2 per child (including grown up children). The price includes a photograph taken by Roger in the magical forest with Santa, which can be emailed, or a copy printed by the School for an additional 50p. There will be refreshments in the waiting area and a treat for the children attending.

S O S
Support Our School

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Stronsay Community Association Presents;

Stronsay Tree Lighting

Including
Carols & The Christmas Story

Mulled Wine!

Mince pies!

Bar open!

Sandwiches!

100 Club!

Pizza!

Raffle!

Coffee!

Tea!



EVERYONE WELCOME!

Saturday 8th December

Stronsay Community Hall @ 7pm

Adults: £6 Children: £3

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Stronsay Bookworms



will be meeting again on

Wednesday 19th December @ 7.30pm

at the Stronsay Hotel

**We will be talking about the books
we have been reading**

and

enjoying a few Christmas nibbles.

**If you like books and like a natter
(and mince pies), please come along.**

Everybody welcome.



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CONTRIBUTING TO THE COMMUNITY

As you may be aware, each year across the school there are usually whole school targets set in Health and Wellbeing. These always have a specific focus and may cover the period of a school year or be for a longer period of eighteen months. In the past we have focused on: pupil resilience, taking responsibility for your own learning and taking part in physical activity on a daily basis.

This year's focus is "Contributing to your Class, School and Community". With this in mind all pupils will set an individual target related to this, for example many pupils in S1 and 2 have related their targets to Pupil Parliament and taking on roles within this context. However there are obviously many other opportunities to contribute, which occur on a daily basis around the school. In the coming weeks we will be promoting our health and wellbeing targets and a board will be created in the porch to allow us to share how our pupils are successfully contributing to their classes, school and community.

Staff will use any opportunities that arise to talk to the pupils about their contributions and to flag up areas where they have given a valuable contribution. We would also like to invite the community to share in this and give us examples of ways in which they have seen our pupils contributing to the community of Stronsay; you can leave comments on the school blog <http://stronsay-jh.blogspot.com>. It is hoped that the board in the porch will grow in the coming terms with photos and pieces of work highlighting the pupils' positive contributions to class, school and community.



STITCHERS, SPINNERS, WEAVERS & DYERS

Taking a wee December break.

Wishing us all a safe, warm and happy festive season.

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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

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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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

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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

POOL CHARGES

**It is well over 6 years since there has been an increase in public hire charges.
From 1st November 2018 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

I want to start off by saying a big thank you to all who have given us gifts, helped us out, and congratulated us on the birth of our peedie daughter Mackenzie. Thank you so much, we as a family feel so blessed and loved! It was also amazing that we were able to have our baby the same time as Iain and Angela had their bonny son Alexander, a heart-felt congratulations and blessings to them and their family.

I would also like to thank all those who worked so hard and long on making poppies and decorating the church. It was truly a great community (and beyond) effort! The church looked absolutely lovely, far better than I could have ever expected.

It is hard to believe that the Christmas season is so quickly approaching. In the coming weeks there will be increasingly more and more activities and events at the church and in the community related to this joyful time. Among the many events planned at the church are: the Carols by Candlelight on the 9th of December, the Sunday club taking the service on the 16th, the lovely Christmas Eve service, and the short service on Christmas morning. I hope you can attend as many as you are able.

Whatever you may have planned for the coming month, I wish you blessings, warmth, and love. May we be reminded of another baby born long ago, who came to reconcile man and God so that we truly might have peace on earth and relationship with our great and loving God. The best gift we could ever receive is free and available to all.

Scott Daily

Sunday Club every Sunday.

Sunday services start at 11am unless otherwise stated.

SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER - CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

The usual Carols by Candlelight event will take place in the Church Hall at 7pm on Sunday 9 December. Come along for a cuppa, a sandwich & a mince pie while you request & sing your favourite carols.

SUNDAY 16 DECEMBER—SUNDAY CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

If you are aged 9 or under you're invited. Church Hall @ 2pm-4pm

MONDAY 24 DECEMBER

Christmas Eve service at 11:30pm in the kirk

TUESDAY 25 DECEMBER

Short Christmas Day service at 11am in the kirk

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

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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!

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>

JIM HOLLAND HAULAGE—DELIVERIES

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

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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

Website 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

STRONSAY DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The next meeting of the Diabetes Support Group will be in the Fish Mart at 3pm on Wednesday 30th January 2019.

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USEFUL INFORMATION

POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES etc

Monday to Saturday	8:30am—5:00pm
Sunday	Closed
Post collection times	07:30, Monday to Saturday
Bank day	Tuesday 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 https://tinyurl.com/ybbqoq23)
Our Lady's Chapel, pier head	Weekday Mass at 11.20am, except Tuesdays 8am. Sundays and Holidays of Obligation, Mass at 10.30a.m.
Next Special Collections	7 December 2018 & 22 February 2019
Rubbish collection	Tuesday (bags out ready by 9am)

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

Airy Fairy	616231	Stronsay Hotel	616213
Castle Bird Reserve	616363	Taxi	616335
Craftship Enterprise	616249	Stranded seals, etc	616339/616206
Doctor	616321	Balfour hospital	01856 888000
Ebenezer stores	616339	Electricity	
Fish Mart	616401	problems	0800 300 999
Hairdresser	616337	emergency	105
Hall bookings	616446	Water problems	0800 0778 778
Island Link Officer	616475	Highland Fuels	0800 224 224
Medical emergency	616321	Kirkwall Library	01856 873166
Neil's on Wheels	616454	Kirkwall Police	101
Manse	616286	Vets:	
Nurses	616480	Flett & Carmichael .	01856 872859
Olivebank	616255	Northvet	01856 873403
OIC out of hours	01856 873535	Dentists:	
Post Office	616499	Orkney Dental	01856 872030
Registrar	616239	King Street	01856 875348
School	616246	Deyanov Dental	01856 877118
Star Island Soap	616281	Golgotha monastery.	616210
SDT Office	616410		(Email contact@the-sons.org)

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