



CLOCKS GO *FORWARDS* ONE HOUR

AT 2am ON SUNDAY 31 MARCH

ORKNEY FERRIES - PRICE INCREASE

Following a decision by Orkney Islands Council the tariffs on Orkney Ferries will increase by 3% from 1 April 2019.

STRONSAY DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The next meeting of the diabetes support group will be on Tuesday 26 March at 3pm at the Fishmart. Look forward to seeing you all there.

Shirley.

HOW TO CONTACT THE *LIMPET*

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

STEPHEN CLACKSON'S LETTER FROM SCHOOL PLACE

Reporting on the exploits of your councillor in Orkney and beyond

If I hadn't booked an extra night in Kirkwall at short notice, I would have missed the reconvening of our unexpectedly adjourned General Meeting—adjourned because Paul Wheelhouse (Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands) delayed announcing the Scottish Government's contribution to running Orkney Ferries. When it came, the figure was a disappointing £5.3 million, £1.5 million less than our carefully-calculated and reasonable request. This has left us with a shortfall, which is, regrettably, having to be mitigated by a 3% increase in ferry fares from the 1st April. It angers me that the Scottish Government, which is so generous in its funding of ferries for the Western Isles, is forcing us to undermine our commitment to isles-proofing and our commitment to supporting our fragile communities with the Hobson's choice of either increasing fares on what are already the most expensive routes in Scotland or reducing what is already a woefully inadequate service. No other community is treated as badly by the Scottish Government as the communities of Orkney's North Isles are. I urge members of the public, businesses, community councils, development trusts, trade unions etc. to support OIC by writing to Nicola Sturgeon, Paul Wheelhouse and Maree Todd (our regional SNP MSP) and asking them why the Scottish Government discriminates against us and is so determined to deny us the level of transport services enjoyed by the rest of Scotland.



The two Earls meet at Loth, July 2013.

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I took advantage of a quiet spell at OIC to get away from sea-going ferries for a few days and make a pre-Brexit visit to my elder son (see photograph below), who is on a year's *Erasmus* student exchange to the Technische Universität Graz in Austria, a country that has been landlocked since the implementation of the 1919 Treaty of Saint-Germain-en-Laye. (In World War I, Baron Georg von Trapp, made famous by "The Sound of Music", commanded U-boats in the Austrian Navy.) The Austrians may not have many ferries, but their trains, buses and trams are all wonderfully integrated and inexpensive, and travel is a joy there.

Other meetings I have attended in Orkney this month include those of the Orkney & Shetland Valuation Joint Board, Shapinsay Community Council and the Board of Orkney Ferries Ltd.



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

RECORDS OF A BYGONE AGE

Below is another of the newspaper reports collected by the late Jim Work of Holland and Daisybank which were passed on to me by Catherine and Myra Work. I thought his report from 1930 gives a good indication both of farming activities and also the hustle and bustle generated by the herring fishing of the time.

STRONSAY

Hoeing match

Twenty-three competitors were forward, and fine work was done at a hoeing match held at Bay, Stronsay, on Thursday evening, the 3rd inst. Mr. Stevenson, Bu, and Mr. Work, Lodge, acted as judges. Winners were; 1 James Chalmers, Castle; 2 Jas. Cooper, Siller Ha' ; 3 Wm. Stevenson, Bu; 4 Peter Spence, Millfield; 5 Jas. Chalmers, Lower Millfield; 6 Wm. Cooper, Odiness; 7 Robert, Cooper, Siller Ha'; 8 Sam Cooper, Odiness; 9 Alex. Norquoy, Whitehall; 10 Wm. Ritch, Old School.

Shipping

S.s. Ravenscraig arrived on Friday, 27th June with coal for Mr. Jas. Sutherland's hulk Watchful, and 100 casks of oil for Mr. R. Watt, merchant. S.s. Edith Bosselmann for herrings from Mr. Leslie, shipbroker, on the same day, took part-cargo at the main and west piers and at Papa Stronsay. S.s. Glenrose with coal for Messrs Leslie's hulk Riga, after discharging proceeded to the main pier to load herrings. Cured herrings caught only 12 hours earlier were shipped by this vessel. S.s. Erika Tress, Hamburg, arrived on Tuesday last week to load herring. S.s. Renalda arrived on Wednesday last, week with stock for Messrs Duncan McIver, Ltd. The vessel berthed at the firm's pier. S.s. Curlew (A.906), and S.s. Kinaldie (A.83), arrived on Wednesday last week for bait also.

A number of gutters, chiefly Irish boys, arrived on Tuesday last week, per S.s. Orcadia. The S.s. Orcadia arrived at Stronsay on Wednesday afternoon last week with Kirkwall Town Band and about 150 visitors. The weather was all that could be wished for - dead calm with a hot sun. The band, which played the Orcadia to the pier, fell in and marched up the village.

At 7.15 the band discoursed a programme of music in a park in the vicinity of the village, to an audience of several hundred - islanders and fisher people. A collection was taken up in aid of the Stronsay Public Hall Fund. The band left for Kirkwall per S.s. Earl Thorfinn.

The Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh

The annual collection for the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh was taken up on Saturday, 29th June by pupils of the Central School. Annexed are the names of the collectors and the amounts collected in each district: Village, Station and Papa Stronsay - Georgie Eunson and Suvla Jackson, £2 10s 6d; North End - May Miller and Margaret Lennie, £1 10s 10d; Wardhill - Jessie Pottinger and Rita Shearer £1 1s 10d; Aith and Grobister - Irene Smith and Annie Jane Muir - 18s 3d; Everbay - Jean Chalmers 19s 4d; Holland - William Peace and Tom Miller 16s 9d; Housebay - Ralph Maxwell and James Moodie £1 0s 8d; Rothiesholm - Barbara Cooper and Margaret Stevenson, 14s 8d - altogether £9 13s 1d.

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Carting and Exporting Shells

Following the article in the February *Limpet* about the exporting of shells, I was given some more information about this from Ingram Shearer and Garry Dennison:

Ingram recounted that Patti Spence of Airy told him about a huge amount of horse mussels from a nearby mussel bed being cast ashore around Odiness Point in January 1937. This was during what was remembered locally as ‘the Johanna Thorden gale’ when storm force south-east winds battered the islands for several days, building up huge seas that did much damage along parts of the Stronsay coastline and sadly also caused the loss of the Finnish cargo ship ‘Johanna Thorden’ and 26 of her crew when she was driven ashore on Swona on 12th January that year. Patti remembered the shells to be piled up on the shore ‘as high as the back of a cart’ and the seagulls and other birds spent a long time afterwards scavenging among the shells, many of which would still have contained mussels. Much of the shells exported would undoubtedly have been those cast up in that storm. Ingram also spoke of Jackie Groat with his ‘Bristol’ crawler carting the shells up over the shore with a trailer that had no tipping mechanism so had to be unloaded by hand!

Garry Dennison noted that, when the Ness field at Odiness Point was ploughed out earlier this year, there was an area 50 yards from the shore and about 20 yards square where there was evidence of shells mixed in with the soil which would probably have been where the shells were stockpiled after being carted off the beach and before they were carted away to the Village.

In addition to the shells from Odiness Point, shells were also exported from other parts of Orkney, notably Grimness Beach in South Ronaldsay and from Start Point in Sanday, with in excess of 3,000 tons of shells recorded as being exported from Start Point in 1948. It was estimated that there would have been several thousand tons of shells washed ashore in the Start Point area in that same “Johanna Thorden gale”. There seemed to be some confidence in the late 1940s that this trade could be an on-going business and a company was actually set up specifically to export and market these shells but it all seems to have come to an end about 1949, whether from lack of shells or changing market conditions I don’t know.

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 or just drop in past Steenysheed.

Ian Cooper

WOMAN

By Ellie from Newfield

I am just a woman
But I can still pack a punch,
Even if it is only
What I serve up for lunch.

I am just a woman
As all women are,
Always at the ready
With an extensive repertoire.

I am just a woman
Taken from Adams rib,
An afterthought some would say
Or even an ad-lib.

I am just a woman
Producing the next generation
Without whom I might add
There would be no procreation.

I am just a woman
Invaluable I would say.
A multi-tasking goddess
Keeping man's hunger at bay.

I am just a woman
The heart of the family,
Security and comfort
Is to be found at this house.

I am just a woman
Count your blessings all males
For isn't it just a woman
Who puts wind in your sails.

I am just a woman
Such a perfect thing to be
For the hunter-gatherer
To come home to for his tea!

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FOR SALE, WANTED, THANKS & GENERAL NOTICES

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

From the 1st of April 2019 my main home will change from Waterhall to Dunera, Lower Whitehall Road, Stronsay, KW17 2AS.

I hope to retain my original phone number. I wonder how my cat Pussy Willow will adapt? Both houses are work in progress!

Leo Martini-Brown

lmartinibrown@yahoo.co.uk

THANK YOU

A big thank you to Craig Weaver for being so willing and able to help Gill and Lindsay in a midnight Crisis

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Russell & Naomi

Dorothy, Wilbur and Martha

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STRONSAY FISH MART

Phone 616401

Friday 5th April 2019

- Fish Friday special

Sunday 7th April 2019

- Soup and home made loaf
- Quiche, salad and chips
- Haggis mince and clapshot
- Lemon roulade
- Fruit crumble and custard

Friday 12th April 2019

- Fish Friday special

Sunday 14th April 2019

- Soup and home made loaf
- Roast beef, Yorkshire pudding, vegetables and potatoes
- Macaroni cheese, vegetables, chips and garlic bread
- Pavlova and fresh fruit
- Rice pudding and fruit

Saturday 20th April 2019

- Doughnut Special on Cake table during opening hours (11 -3pm)

Sunday 21st April 2019

- Chicken, sweet and sour sauce and egg fried rice
- Roast lamb, vegetables and potatoes
- Chocolate cheesecake
- Trio of ice-cream


Friday 26th April 2019

- Fish Friday special - and last day of opening for current operators. We would like to express our sincere gratitude for all the tremendous support we have received while we have operated the Fish Mart and for all the kind words of praise - thank you!

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The advertisement features a photograph of two white birds, likely gulls, sitting on a nest made of dry grass on a grassy hill. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image in white, bold, sans-serif font.

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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	
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STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Ian Cooper

Vice Chair: Shirley Whiteman

STRONSAY FISH MART HOSTEL & CAFE

The opportunity has arisen for a flexible, helpful and welcoming person to run the Stronsay Fish Mart Hostel and Café from 1 May 2019.

The Fish Mart re-opened in July 2015 following a total refurbishment and now offers en-suite hostel accommodation, café and public toilet and shower facilities.

The Hostel Operator will be required to: -

- ❑ welcome visitors to all operational areas within the Fish Mart
- ❑ prepare food for sale in the Café
- ❑ open the café at agreed times
- ❑ keep the Fish Mart clean and tidy at all times
- ❑ manage the Hostel including bookings, check-ins and laundry

Ideally the Operator will hold a valid Food Hygiene Certificate, have experience of food preparation and customer service.

The closing date for written expressions of interest, to include your vision for the future of the Fish Mart and the reason why you would like to take on the role of Fish Mart Operator, is **4pm on Saturday 30 March 2019** and should be addressed to the Clerk.

For further information or enquiries please contact the Clerk.

Colin McAlpine

Clerk to Stronsay Community Council

t: 616446

e: stronsaycommunitycouncilclerk@btinternet.com

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Wellbeing coordinator

After a successful recruitment process with a high calibre of applicants we are pleased to announce the appointment of Sarah Powers to the position of Community Wellbeing Coordinator. We look forward to seeing how the project develops and how we can all assist and

Heritage

We would like to invite anyone that would be interested in joining a committee to take our heritage project forward to attend a workshop on Tuesday 30th April 7pm at Woods Yard. Please contact the Development Officer on cdos-tronsay@gmail.com or 616410 to register for a place.

Woods Yard Workshop units

Following the successful completion of the workshops we are now ready to advertise for tenants. We have already received high interest so would encourage anyone interested to contact the office on 616410 or email sdtoperations@btconnect.com for more information or to arrange a viewing.

Upcycling Workshop

With the waste team working on opening the Stronsay ReStore in April selling furniture and textiles. We are looking to hold a number of upcycling Workshops, starting with a furniture session on Saturday 27th April. Details to be confirmed.

Please email the waste team on stronsayrecycling@btconnect.com or call 616410 to book a place.



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My name is Sarah Powers, and I am the new Community Wellbeing Coordinator, based out of the Stronsay Development Trust. I thought I should introduce myself, for those of you who don't know me, and give you all a bit of information about the new role.

I came to Stronsay almost two years ago on holiday, much to the confusion of everyone who knew me, as I typically like very warm climates. But it was serendipity, because it was here that I met Charlie Richings, whom I happily married in August 2018. Over these last two years I have been back and forth from the states to Stronsay several times, falling in love with the island and the community more and more each visit. And I am delighted to say that Stronsay has officially been my home since October last year.

My education and work history are wide-ranging. I studied history and nursing at university, taking degrees in both. It was while I was studying history that I first visited the UK and Orkney, thus prompting my return years later. I've worked in retail, restaurants, banking and more. But my favorite jobs included working as a nanny, as well as my nursing work. As a nurse I worked in both civilian hospitals and as an officer in the United States Air Force.

After more than a year off work, I am pleased to take up the role of Community Wellbeing Coordinator. Some of you may remember the interviews and group session held in January 2018 exploring support services for older people in Stronsay. This role is a part of the 'Enhancing Well-being in our Island Communities Project,' an initiative born from that research.

This project hopes to facilitate access to activities and services designed to enhance health and well-being. My role currently focuses on our older generations and involves:

- Researching historic and current assets and services supporting community led wellbeing on Stronsay.
- Assess how well these assets and services are meeting the current needs of the island community.
- Identify any gaps in services or assets that support community led wellbeing.

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My Immediate plans include:

- An information session in conjunction with the Vintage Tea, sponsored by VAO, date yet to be confirmed
- getting a survey out to gain up to date data from residents identifying current assets and services
- a welcome/information pack with information on island assets and services for all ages gathered in one place for current residents and newcomers to access easily

Over the next several months I hope to have a chance to meet with many of you in the community to hear your ideas and talk more about the role. If you would like to be in touch I can be reached best by email: sdtwellbeing@gmail.com. Cheers!

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SOS

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

The SOS Committee would like to focus our fundraising this year for a new reading scheme for the pupils attending Stronsay Junior High School called
‘PROJECT X’

Project X is a modern, whole-school reading and writing programme specially developed to motivate all children especially boys and address the gender gap in literacy.

**Highly motivating books and interactive digital resources that inspire today’s children
Research-based programmes, written by experts,
designed to help every child succeed**

We would like to thank those who have already contributed to this fundraising, including those donating to the Front Porch Fund at Ebenezer Stores.

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WASTE EVENT



The waste Team at 'Stronsay Waste Matters' would like to thank everybody that was involved in the recent Waste Event for their hard work and participation.

We would also like to thank all those that came along to support it and find out more about recycling and how we can support climate change here on Stronsay.

The Event was set up to help inform the community about the Stronsay Waste Matters Project set up and funded through the Climate Challenge fund Last year and includes the Stronsay Recycling Centre and Stronsay ReStore due to open very soon, we also wanted to highlight food waste and support and promote local produce.

Stalls at the event included Composting, Food safety and storage, Clothing and textile recycling, Ebenezer's front porch as well as the Bike hire project with a chance to try out the soon to arrive Electric bikes, Stronsay markets with a selection of delicious winter salad, Orkney Buffalo with a variety of choices and lucky for us some free samples, Redhouse plant and veg as well as Stronsay Honey



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We also had our very own Wormery on display with an opportunity for the kids to make a mini wormery to take home (Sorry Mums) and great fun was had with our find our missing worm game where everyone received a yummy edible worm for taking part and all entrants went into a prize draw.

Congratulations **SHAE** you are the lucky winner !!!!
a prize is on its way to you.

For more information on the event, project or recycling centre please contact the team on stronsayrecycling@btconnect.com or Facebook: Stronsay Waste Matters or pop to the recycling centre Mon-Fri 9am-12pm



STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Ian Cooper Vice Chair: Shirley Whiteman
OUTER NORTH ISLES – RESIDENT SURVEY

Paper copies of the Outer North Isles – Resident Survey and pre-paid envelopes are now available for collection from the Stronsay Island Link Office and from Olivebank and Ebenezer Stores.

The survey is also available on Survey Monkey at the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/OuterNorthIslesResidentsSurvey>

It is hoped as many residents as possible will complete the survey and if help is required in completing it please do not hesitate to call in at the Island Link Office, open between 10am and noon, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

The closing date for submissions has been extended to 4 April 2019.

Colin McAlpine

Stronsay Island Link Officer

21 March 2019

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Stronsay Recycling Centre



Opening Hours

Monday to Friday 9am-12pm

**We are now accepting your Cardboard & Glass
during opening hours and
Out of hours drop off also available on site.**

**The Waste Team need your help! Please flat pack your boxes and
remove as much of the tape as possible.**

**Glass deposits should be empty (preferable rinsed out) and wher-
ever possible label free.**

**Cardboard Briquettes and Crushed Glass is 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.**



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STRONSAY BOOKWORMS



**will be meeting again on
Wednesday 3rd April @ 7.30pm
at Stronsay Hotel**

**We will be talking about the
biographies and autobiographies
we have been reading**

**If you like books and like a natter,
please come along.**

Everybody welcome.

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SKAILLOG HOUSE
FALCONRY

Bird of Prey Display



Stronsay School Hall

Saturday 20th April

1pm till 3pm

£4.00 all Ages

Includes Owl Handling and Hawk flying display

@ 2 pm



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GRASS CUTTING TENDERS 2019

Stronsay Community Council hereby invites tenders for the following contracts. Details and application forms are available from the Island Link Officer and must be returned in a sealed envelope marked "Grass Cutting" by noon on Monday 1st April 2019:

Maintenance of Bay Burial Ground

Maintenance of Village Burial Ground

Grass cutting at St John's Viewpoint

Grass cutting of Picnic Site at Ayre of the Myers

Grass cutting of Village Area – Royal Bank to Strynie

Grass cutting at Stronsay War Memorial

Grass cutting of area behind numbers 7 & 8 Council Houses

Grass cutting of grassed area at Wardhill

Please note that as there are separate contracts for each of the above listed areas it is possible to tender for them individually.

Colin McAlpine,
Island Link Officer,
Stronsay Community Council,
The Hill,
Stronsay,
KW17 2AT.
Tel: 616446

15 March 2019

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BAG THE BRUCK
(Beach Cleaning Event)

SATURDAY, 30 MARCH – SUNDAY, 7 APRIL 2019

This year's event is scheduled to take place throughout Orkney during the above dates.

All groups/individuals will be provided with bags, gloves and health and safety information before the clean-up week and are asked to contact bagthebruck@gmail.com if they wish to help in this year's event.

Community Council sponsorship is available and any groups/individuals wishing to apply for sponsorship must notify the Island Link Officer in writing by FRIDAY 29 MARCH 2019.

If more information is required then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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Stronsay Island Link Officer,
The Hill,
Stronsay,
KW17 2AT

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CYCLE TRAINING ASSISTANT'S COURSE

*A message from Yvonne Scott, Road Safety Officer, Corporate Services, Orkney Islands Council, Council Offices, Kirkwall, Orkney, KW15 1NY
Telephone 01856 873535 Extension 2620*

“Hi All

I am organising a Cycle Training Assistants course on Tuesday 26 March 2019. The CTA course is designed to give candidates the information they need to deliver Bikeability Scotland Levels 1 (P5 pupils) and 2 (P6 pupils). It gives them the opportunity to experience the games and manoeuvres as participants, as well as demonstrating the delivery of this training with their peers prior to delivery with children. I would like to clarify that prior to the course candidates should be able to cycle competently and confidently and have access to a bike for the course.

The CTA course has a credit rating on the SCQF (Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework) at Level 5 with one credit point. To meet SCQF requirements, the CTA course is 10 hours long: 3 hours of pre-course learning and 7 hours of contact time. I would welcome names of interested participants in order to get candidates registered and then they will receive the pre-course learning information.

If you have further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Yvonne”

STRONSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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

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

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

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

For more information & bookings contact:

Pam Shearer Tel: 616397 Email: pamshearer@hotmail.com

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



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STRONSAY PARENT COUNCIL

Chair: Gaynor Smith, Vice Chair: Marion Miller,

STRONSAY PARENT COUNCIL **PARENT REPRESENTATIVE VACANCIES** **NOMINATIONS INVITED**

Nominations are invited to fill three vacancies for Parent Representatives to join the Stronsay Parent Council.

Parents may be nominated by one other parent (but not their partner) for election to the Parent Council. Following nominations there will be an election by ballot papers circulated to all parents of the school from Nursery to Secondary 4 age. An election will be held if there is a greater number of nominees than Parent Representative places.

If you have a child from Nursery to Secondary 4 age currently attending Stronsay Junior High School then you are eligible to both nominate and stand as a Parent Representative.

The aims of the Parent Council, which meets once a term, are:-

- to work in partnership with the school to create a welcoming school which is inclusive of all parents;
- to promote partnership between the school, its pupils, all its parents and the wider community;
- to work in conjunction with the school to develop and engage in activities which support the education and welfare of the pupils;
- to identify and represent the views of parents on the education provided by the school and other matters affecting the education and welfare of the pupils.

Nominations close at **4pm on SATURDAY 20 APRIL 2019** and should be forwarded to The Clerk to Stronsay Parent Council, The Hill, Stronsay, KW17 2AT.

If you require more information then please do not hesitate to contact any of the following Parent Council Parent Representatives: Gaynor Smith, Marion Miller, Anna Bliss-Davis, Pam Carr, Naomi Bremner or the Clerk.

Colin McAlpine
Clerk to Stronsay Parent Council
5 March 2019

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Harry Potter

Themed dance night

Saturday April 6th
Stronsay Community Hall

A chance to dress as your favourite witch or wizard

6:30 - 8:00

Kids Harry Potter Party

Admission £2.50 per child

Price includes 2 junior raffle
tickets and snacks.

Kids Disco

Potions bar

Photo studio

Junior raffle

Quidditchish

7:00 until late Harry Potter fancy dress ball

Buffalo burger supper from 10pm

Dance to the Stronsay band Raffle

Adults £6

16 and under £2

Kids who paid for
the disco go free

All money raised will go to the
Stronsay SOS
Support our School



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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

Growing up one of my favorite holidays was always Easter, not because I got anything special, not even because of the good food my mother often made, and not just because the weather in our very cold part of the US usually started changing around Easter time. I liked Easter because of how it “felt”, it was a time of hope. I seem to often write about hope in these peedie articles, but I feel that it is something that is often lacking in our lives today, and it is something we definitely need. The great thing is that I believe we can all have hope built on something much more certain than politics, money, or religion. We can know that no matter what happens we are going to be taken care of.

Easter is a time when we remember what Jesus had done for us, He came to the earth to free us from sin, death, and fear by dying on the cross. But the amazing thing, the thing that gives us even more hope, is that He did not stay dead! He has risen! As the apostle Paul pointed out, we have hope in this life and in the life to come. My greatest wish for all who read this is that they can know the life changing hope that can be found in Jesus, He does not promise you an easy life, but He does promise to never leave you and never stop loving and caring for you. Like the Good Shepherd that He is, He does not leave us broken and hurting, blinded and stumbling alone, but instead He comes seeking us to treat our wounds and guide us safely back to His good pasture. How can a God who gave His life for us not completely desire to love and care for us? And how can a God that has the power to raise the dead, not have the power to overcome all that you might face? We can indeed have very real hope!

There will be special services at the kirk during the week leading up to Easter. On 18th April we will have a Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 pm; on Friday 19th April we will have a Good Friday service, also at 7:30 pm; and of course, we will have our Easter service on Easter Sunday at 11 am. All are more than welcome to attend as we remember the death and resurrection of our loving Saviour, for we are all alike in need of hope.

Blessings

Rev. Scott Daily

Sunday services start at 11 am unless otherwise stated.

The Sunday Club has begun once more.

For details of services see the kirk's website:

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

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PEEDIE LIBRARY IN THE CHURCH HALL

We have a great many books on a wide range of subjects. We also have a DVD section. Tea, coffee, juice & biscuits available - sometimes even cake!

Even if you're not a reader why not call in for a cuppa & a chat. If you need a lift please ask Viv Erdman (Ebenezer Stores) and we will arrange it. See you there!

The Peedie Library will be open between 3pm and 4:30 pm on these dates in 2019:

- April 2nd
- May 7th
- June 4th
- July 2nd
- August 13th
- September 3rd
- October 8th
- November 5th
- December 3rd

KIRKWALL MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS TO STRONSAY

Date of mobile library van's next visit to Stronsay in 2019

Monday 15 April

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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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

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 on Tuesday 26 March at 3pm at the Fishmart. Look forward to seeing you all there.
Shirley.

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