



TIMETABLES

[Loganair - interisland timetable 20 Feb 2023 to 28 Oct 2023](#)

[Orkney Ferries - summer timetable 7 May 2023 to 24 Sep 2023](#)

[Orkney Ferries - North Isles excursions 2023](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OIC Special Collection	Mon 7 Aug
County show	Sat 12 Aug
Learn to swim day	Wed 16 Aug
<i>Massive weekend!</i>	<i>Sat/Sun 19/20 Aug</i>
<i>Craft fair</i>	<i>Sun 20 Aug</i>
Stronsay Stitches	Thu 31 Aug
Bingo night	Sat 23 Sep
Deal or No Deal Quiz Show	Sat 7 Oct
Bonfire night	Sat 4 Nov
Christmas Craft Fair	Sat 25 Nov
Christmas Tree Lighting	Sat 2 Dec

STRONSAY'S MASSIVE WEEKEND 2023!

18 Aug at 7pm to 20 Aug at 11:55pm

See the posters in this edition of the Limpet,

HEALTH CARE IN RURAL & REMOTE AREAS

The Scottish Government's Health, Social Care & Sport Committee is planning work into healthcare in rural & remote areas. Several topics have been suggested and are listed on this webpage where you can add your own suggested topic.

<https://engage.parliament.scot/group/29190>.

GP & COMMUNITY NURSE ROSTER

The latest available roster for the Doctor and the Community Nurse can be found on the Stronsay Limpet's website at <https://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/RosterGPandNurse.html>

The next edition of the *Limpet* will be published on **Thursday 31 August 2023**. Items for inclusion should be sent to editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk, the deadline is 7pm on that date. The postal address of the *Limpet* is "Stronsay Limpet, Claremont, KW17 2AR".



Orkney Ferries

For Conditions of Carriage of Passengers and Cargo, see Notices
Exhibited in Company's Vessels, Offices and Premises

MASSIVE WEEKEND in STRONSAY on Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 August 2023

*Unless prevented by any unforeseen occurrence sailings in connection with the above
will be as follows:*

Saturday 19 August

Depart	Kirkwall	0700	Arrive	Eday	0815
Depart	Eday	0830	Arrive	Stronsay	0905
Depart	Stronsay	0920	Arrive	Kirkwall	1100
Depart	Kirkwall	0740	Arrive	Sanday	0905
Depart	Sanday	0915	Arrive	Stronsay	0950
Depart	Stronsay	1000	Arrive	Kirkwall	1140
Depart	Kirkwall	1640	Arrive	Stronsay	1820
Depart	Stronsay	1830	Arrive	Sanday	1905
Depart	Sanday	1915	Arrive	Kirkwall	2040

Sunday 20 August

Depart	Kirkwall	0900	Arrive	Sanday	1025
Depart	Sanday	1035	Arrive	Stronsay	1110
Depart	Stronsay	1150	Arrive	Kirkwall	1330
Depart	Kirkwall	1600	Arrive	Stronsay	1740
Depart	Stronsay	1750	Arrive	Sanday	1825
Depart	Sanday	1835	Arrive	Kirkwall	2000
Depart	Kirkwall	0920	Arrive	Westray	1045
Depart	Westray	1055	Arrive	Stronsay	1215
Depart	Stronsay	1620	Arrive	Westray	1740
Depart	Westray	1800	Arrive	Kirkwall	1925

*****All bookings must be made and paid for in advance for this event*****

Stronsay
Orkney's Island of Bays

Accommodation-

Stronsay Hotel

Tel: 01857 616410

stronsayhotel@gmail.com

Storehouse B&B

Tel: 01857 616263

Stronsay Fishmart & Hostel

Tel: 01857 616401

Including images by
Stronsay Photographic

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Facebook: Stronsay Community
Association



STRONSAY'S Massive WEEKEND!

18th, 19th, 20th AUGUST 2023



FRIDAY 18th AUGUST;

STRONSAY HOTEL; 7PM-1AM

-JAMMING SESSION-

Come along and start your weekend with a cracking night at the Hotel!

Bring your instruments if you have one!
Raffle tickets available

SATURDAY 19th AUGUST;

COMMUNITY HALL; 11AM START

Get your 5-a-side teams ready!
Teams preferably in by 5pm Thursday 18th to:
massiveweekend@hotmail.com

- Fun Netball-
- Fun Football-
- Inflatables-
- Team Games-
- Carnival Style Games-



OBSTACLE COURSE; 3:30PM

Put your team to the final test!

Mystery course with a timed race and Team Games to crown the BEST of the BEST!



Stronsay Community Hall will be open and available for
Hot food, teas, coffees and drams!

-Raffle tickets available-

COMMUNITY HALL; 9PM

-Dance to The Gablos!-

Adults: £5 Under 16's: £1

-Bar-

-Supper-

-Raffle Tickets Available-

Everyone welcome!

SUNDAY 20th AUGUST;

COMMUNITY HALL; 12PM

-FLOATS-

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

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

-Vintage Club-

-Stromness RBL Pipe Band -

-BBQ-

-Craft Sale-

-Inflatables-

-Bar-

-Carnival Style Games-

-Last Chance for Raffle Tickets-



Boat departing Stronsay-Westray: 4:20pm

Boat departing Stronsay-Sanday: 5:50pm

Boat departing Stronsay-Eday: 5:40pm

Monday 31st July 2023

The Manse, Stronsay KW17 2AF **KIRK CORNER**

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Hello again everyone.

I hope you are having a good summer, and enjoying the delights of Stronsay.

I was given recently a bundle of old Stronsay Church newsletters going back to 1950 with births deaths, marriages and new church members- the surnames are still very familiar today Cooper, Miller, Shearer, Dennison Fotheringhame, Peace, Stout, Chalmers, Work etc. In the first edition in December 1950, the minister wrote a short sermonette, entitled; the best things in life are free.



Reverend Edward Fox encouraged us to think about how valuable are the simple things of life, we so easily take for granted. For him the 3 best free things of Stronsay were the sun-set, the northern lights and the moonlight upon the water. And alongside that he names the words of the Lord's Prayer, which help us communicate with God and encourages us to respond in friendship, care and interest to others. The names back then are partly the same as today and maybe we still need at times encouragement to respond and help Stronsay be the place we want it to be?

Our island photographers today help us maybe appreciate the island's beauties more easily now, but how do we respond? I have been thinking again how the simple things like our listening, our words, our deeds, can help others rise up above the troubles they face, but so often we can become weary of do-gooding or saying 'nice' things.; or find ourselves responding to critical words to us with other negatives. In church yesterday we remembered one family in the bible who engineered themselves into a downward spiral of deceit and lies, which spread through the wider family and beyond. But God helped them in time grow in goodness- as we can. Jesus encourages us we can be the positive forces for good and try again to live out the visions for a good community we might each have had, to be the people we want to be, not just the people we are when are weary.

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This week I was encouraged by how a few simple words to someone clearly cheered that person up. I was also encouraged and challenged by two people who contacted me with positive ideas about how the church might help Stronsay. Its good to be encouragements. And how to make ourselves positive people, maybe begins with that appreciation of the good things around us and letting them be reflected in our day to day doings with others?

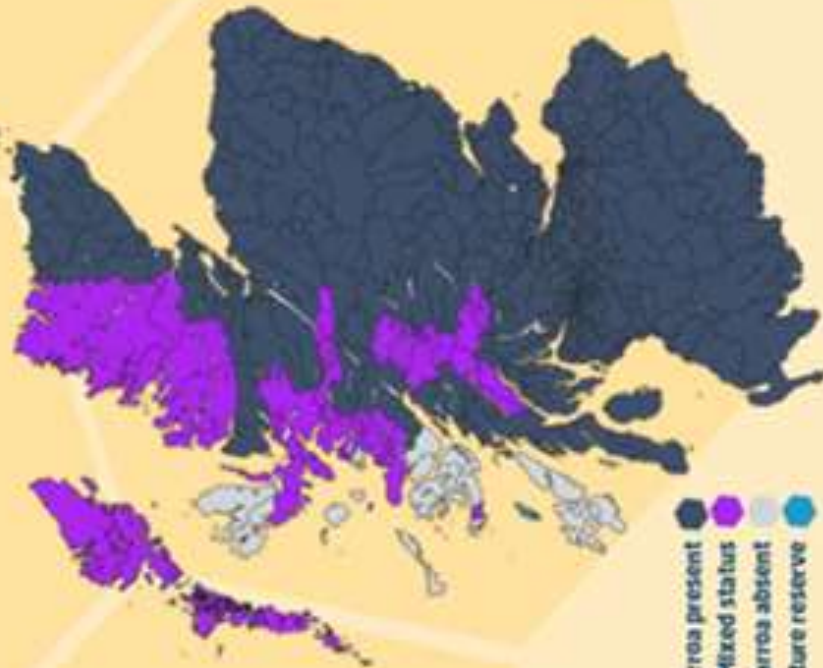
Have a good August!

Sincerely,

David Rev David I W Locke. *MA M.Sc., BD*

Varroa Mite - Scotland

How you can help to protect the health of our honey bees



- Varroa present
- Mixed status
- Varroa absent
- Black Bee nature reserve

Varroa is a major threat to the health of honey bees in Scotland. Beekeepers in Scotland still report absence of Varroa in some areas and movement of honey bees from infected areas is the most likely route of Varroa invasion into these areas.

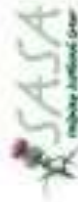
DO'S

- ✓ We recommend that you contact the local beekeeping associations for advice before moving honey bees into the purple coloured areas where small localised parts of these areas have not been recorded as infected.
- ✓ Register with BeeBase to keep up to date with disease and pests information.
- ✓ Regularly monitor and report any suspicion of notifiable diseases or pests to the Scottish Government Bees Mailbox at bees_mailbox@gov.scot

DON'TS

- ✗ Colonsay and Oronsay (coloured turquoise) are nature reserves for *Apis Mellifera Mellifera* (Black Bee). Movement of honey bees into these islands is illegal.
- ✗ The Orkney Islands are currently reported as free from Varroa. We recommend that you do not move bees from the British mainland into these islands.
- ✗ Other islands and localities (coloured grey) are currently reporting the absence of Varroa. We recommend that you do not move bees from the British mainland into these areas.

For further information about how to identify, manage and report varroa, please see www.nationalbeeunit.com - or scan here [QR code]



STRONSAY'S MASSIVE WEEKEND

CRAFT FAIR

Sunday 20th August 2023

1.00pm – 4.00pm

Stronsay Community Hall



Teas, bakes and raffle

Marion Miller Jewellery, Lynn Bartlet Macarons, Airy Fairy fabrics n things, Stronsay Beeswax Candles, Star Island Soap & Textiles, Holmsgarth Crafts, BodyShop and more....

ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND

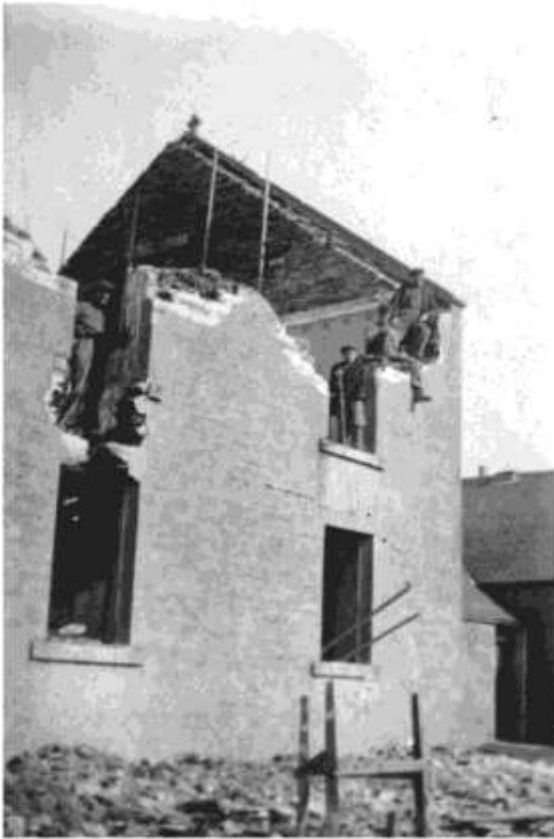
Opens every Thursday with effect from 29 June 2023.

9:30-3, closed for lunch 12-1

Records of a Bygone Age The Church in Stronsay - Part 6

This was intended to be the final part of the story of the Stronsay Church but I've been given some more photos of the demolition of the church which I've included here so there will be one more episode yet to come!

With plans for the new church now accepted and Kirkwall contractor Ernest Firth securing the contract for the demolition of the old church and the erection of the new, the congregation met in the old church for the last time on Sunday March 4th 1951, with the builders then moving in on Tuesday 6th. The expectation of the congregation at that time was that the new church would be completed and ready for worship within two years. This new church was to be 20' longer, 6' narrower and a little higher than the old building, but with slightly less capacity due to the lack of a gallery as was in the old building. Worship moved to the Church Hall while demolition and building work was going on.



These two photos show the demolition of the church. The church gate can be seen in the photo on the right, showing how little space there was between the gate and the old church.

The work progressed well through the summer of 1951 as the old United Free (or Presbyterian) church was demolished to make way for the new Moncur Memorial and, during its demolition, some articles were found within the walls of the old building, no doubt placed there as what we would now call a 'time capsule'.

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These were two missionary magazines, two notebooks and a 'Tom Thumb' bottle containing a letter. Sadly, the two notebooks were quite blank due to the writing having faded completely and the two magazines have been lost over the course of time. Fortunately, the bottle is still to the fore, with the remains of some of the builder's plaster still adhering to it, and the contents of the letter had been recorded before, through time, it too was mislaid or lost. The letter read:

"The foundation of the United Presbyterian Church was laid on Monday morning at 9 o'clock, the twenty-sixth of April 1858.

The Reverend James Mudie being present when he began Divine Service by singing the One Hundred and Twenty Seventh Psalm and Prayer being offered. The thirty fifth chapter of Exodus was read after which a suitable speech was delivered to a numerous audience from 1st Corinthians, Third Chapter and Eleventh verse. The meeting was concluded with prayer and praise, by singing the One Hundred and Twenty First psalm. Then the Masons went on with their work.

The foundation of the Manse will be laid in a few days hence. Both houses will cost (all expenses included) nearly one thousand pounds sterling money.

Names of Building Committee: Robert Chalmers, Tenant of Mill of Millfield; William Meil, Tailor; Peter Shearer, Merchant, Pheastown; John Meil, Postmaster, Samson's Lane.

Contractors:

Master Masons: James Davie from Stronsay and John Halcro from Kirkwall.

Journeymen Masons: Peter Inkster, James Dick, Joseph Bews, James Clouston, John Isbister and John Wilson all belonging to the Mainland of Orkney.

Master Joiners: James Chalmers, Stronsay; William Peace from Kirkwall.

Signatures:

John Meil, Postmaster; James Davie, Mason; Robert Chalmers, Mill of Millfield



*Two further photos of the demolition of the old kirk. The photo on the left shows where the old kirk butted up against the Vestry, which is still in use today.
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On the left is another view of the demolition, this time from the inside of the old church, with the remains of the tiered, seated balcony of the old church to be seen in the foreground. On the right is the 'time capsule' bottle discovered within the walls of the old church,

The demolition of the old building progressed quickly but then things ground to a halt and, in early 1952, frustration at the lack of progress led the Stronsay Church Board to make strong approaches to the appropriate Presbytery of Orkney Committee, who were overseeing the project, to ensure work was speeded up on the new building. On 30th April, members of Presbytery and the Stronsay Board met with Mr Firth the contractor, where concern was expressed at the slow progress of the building works, of unfulfilled promises, unpaid accounts and other complaints of unsatisfactory work. The contractor gave an undertaking to make more effort and was given until 1st June to satisfy the Board that work was progressing satisfactorily. Assurance was also given that the Church would be completed and ready to open in 1953, the same year that the coronation of Queen Elizabeth 2nd was to take place.

Over the following years, a number of progress reports were given, in Board minutes and other church documents, as follows:

By December 1952, it was stated that the building was slowly beginning to take shape but that there was still a long way to go. In March 1953, it was reported that contractor Mr Firth had paid one of his all too infrequent 'lightning' visits to the site and concern was expressed that he should be staying on site to see the job to completion. In June of that year, it was recorded that Mr Firth, had paid another of his all too short visits to the scene of the building operations, where he was present when architect Mr R W Johnston, one of the partners of Leslie Grahame Thomson and Associates, inspected the work which, although very slow, was approved, and everything was ready for the arrival of the timber for the roof. In early September 1953, architect Mr Johnston, along with Rev D A Williams, Presbytery Clerk, again visited the site. At this time it was recorded that Mr Firth had been on site for the last month, the longest stretch he had been on the island since the start of his contract, and by then the roof had been completed to the stage of slating. Again the work was passed but concern was expressed as to the late arrival of the slates to complete the roof. This concern was to be fully justified, as neither contractor nor slates were to make an appearance for fully two months!

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In early March 1954, the architect and Presbytery Clerk again arrived to inspect progress on the Church. This progress was well below expectations and, after much consultation, plans were made to speed up operations. It was agreed that another inspection would take place in approximately six weeks and, thereafter, monthly inspections until completed.



This photo would probably have been taken sometime in 1953/54 as the Church was opened in May 1955 and shows some of the workmen who were involved in the building of the new Kirk having a break, Note the machinery in the background - I have a feeling that Health and Safety regulations may not have been quite as strict then as they are today!

Standing: James Mowat, Johnno Miller, Tom Carter, James Work Snr, George (Dod) Burghes, Ernest Firth, (contractor) & Sammy Reid.

Sitting: Ronnie Garson, Edward Dunnet, Frances Craigie, John Miller, John Pottinger.

The slates came from Caithness and the flagstones in the Chancel were sourced from a quarry in Sandwick but there was a strong local element to the building, with local blue whinstone and red sandstone both being quarried in Rothiesholm for some of the decorative stonework. The best of the building stones in the walls of the old church had also been carefully set aside for future use in the walls of the new, but this was far from enough to complete the new build. Several derelict houses in the Lower Station were also demolished so that the stones could be salvaged for the new church, These houses had formed a small street that ran at right angles to the road, just past the row of cottages that were later turned into a cattle shelter, the street being known affectionately as 'The Closs' or 'Duke Street'. One house in particular is worthy of mention, 'Davie's' by name. It was a three storey house built by Master Mason James Davie who had helped build the old Mudie Church in 1858 and whose signature was on the document found in the foundations of that church when it was demolished in 1951. It seems strangely fitting that so many of the stones that he had originally built, both in church and dwelling, should be used in this new memorial!

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Below are some verses from a poem written by Tom McLachlan in 1954 (just at the time when some of the houses of his youth were being demolished) where he is taking a nostalgic and pensive look back at the people and houses of the Station of his youth fifty years previously:

*“Jock Peace’s hoose is faa’in doon and Stewart’s cottage will be soon;
While Davie’s Hoose, that great block, hid’s naething but a lot o’ trock.
Hid mak’s a body middlin sad tae see the hoose o’ poor Bildad,
And Fair Isle Willie, gaun afore, and a’ tae bruck there by the shore.*

*Stootie’s hoose is tae the bair, and not a bigging’s standing there;
Below the Nazer’s, bi me sa’l, juist roos o’ rubble, that is aal.
The steens that went tae big the hooses are pitten noo tae ither uses;
In that New Kirk there on the Hill provided for in someeen’s Will.”*



Some of the workmen involved in the building of the Stronsay Church quarrying red sandstone for use in the Church from the shore out past Furrowend in Rothiesholm. A few blocks of sandstone still lie where they were quarried and taken to the top of the beach but not needed. Metal rails were laid on a wooden base and a bogey used to move the stones ‘fae the ebb tae the top o’ the banks’. I don’t have names for the first three in this photo but think the others are Sammy Reid, John Miller and Jim Work.

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Local labour was used almost entirely, both at the demolition of the old Church and the building of the new. The following Stronsay men were employed on the job most of the time: James Work snr, Coneyhole; Sammy Reid, John Miller, John Pottinger and George Burghes, all of the Village. In addition, J Harvey, E Dunnet and J Irvine, all of Kirkwall, were masons and slaters, while J Leask, F Craigie, L Firth and E Firth were joiners, also from Kirkwall. Mr R Campbell, formerly of Sandybank, was Clerk of Works until he found travelling from Kirkwall too much, after which time David Fotheringhame of Holmsgarth took over that role.

As the building was nearing completion, more details were being finalised regarding some of the interior fixtures and fittings, the cost of some of which would have to be borne by the congregation and the most expensive of these being wiring the building for electricity. The Session Room and Vestry were to have a tiled grate and small sink fitted, with two new toilets constructed inside the entrance to the Vestry and Hall. The interior walls of the Church were to be plastered, with the roof open to show off the beams to best effect. Windows were to be of Cathedral glass, with the east window to be stained glass, a gift from the Women's Guild. 'Alamac' hardwood flooring in Sapele was to be laid, while the pulpit and lectern were to be pre-assembled by a 'south' firm then mounted on red sandstone bases. The Communion table and Elder's chairs were made in Edinburgh, while the chairs for the congregation were made and supplied by disabled ex-servicemen employed in the Lord Robert's Workshops.

Many smaller items were gifted, some anonymously, including a Church bell to hang in the belfry. By the summer of 1954, with the building slowly nearing completion, arrangements were made for the opening of the new Church and the date for this opening was fixed for 6th September 1954. It soon became apparent that this deadline was going to be missed and the Board felt they had no option but to postpone the opening until the spring of the following year.



The newly completed church in all its glory, Note the long wooden ladders still lying along the side of the dyke, an indication of how soon before the building had been finished.

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11th May 1955 was the new date set for the opening of the church but the completion of the last few small tasks still dragged on for some time until the keys were eventually handed over by the contractor on 18th April 1955, less than a month before the opening ceremony of the new church and a full 10 years after the first intimation of the bequest.

The final part of the history of the Church in Stronsay will be in next month's 'Limpet'.

Ian Cooper

July 2023

Stephen Clackson's Letter from School Place

A regular report from your councillor, who supports 20mph speed limits for our schoolchildren's safety.

As I step out of my front door at this time of year, I am reminded of *The Garden of Flowers*, the second of the *Sanday Revival Hymns*, published in Edinburgh in 1861 for "the members and adherents of the Sanday Free Church Station by one of their deacons"—assumed to be the folklorist Walter Traill Dennison (1825-1894). Here is the first of its six verses:

*O ye saints of the Blessed, no longer be dumb,
As a garden of flowers has our island become;
Where the bud and the blossom are rich in their bloom,
And it scenteth the air with a balmy perfume;
Let the prayer to the Father of mercy be ours,
That it may not be only a garden of flowers.*

The park around the West Manse (formerly the manse to the Free Kirk, the epicentre of the Sanday Revival) is annually carpeted with daisies, buttercups, orchids, cowslips, and many other blooms, although the cowslips would not have been there in Dennison's time, having been introduced from the banks of the River Clyde by the Rev Walter Forrest in the 1920s or '30s.

Our final General Meeting before the recess was probably the longest on record, the business taking a total of 1 hour and 41 minutes. Of course, the big item was the Council Leader's notice of motion that had been making international news, to seek alternative governance arrangements for Orkney. Fearing this was beginning to enter the realms of an *Ealing Comedy* ("Passport to Pierowall"...?) and heeding the warnings voiced by my wise and experienced colleague, former OIC Convener and current Vice-President of CoSLA, Cllr Dr Steven Heddle, I voted with Cllr Rev David Dawson's amendment against the motion, but we lost 6 votes to 15. A subsequent further amendment by Cllr Heddle was incorporated into the motion, which will help inject some sobriety. I seconded a notice of motion by Cllr John Ross Scott concerning "vapes", and this was passed.



As reported in *The Orcadian* 29th June, at a special meeting of the Development & Infrastructure (D&I) Committee (of which I'm not a member), rather than endorsing the recommendations to approve the traffic order to install **20mph speed limits around Isles schools**, the Committee approved an amendment to reject the traffic order and re-allocate the funds designated for it to projects unspecified. This undoes over two decades of lobbying by some communities which had culminated in my unanimously-passed notice of motion of the 21st December 2021: "To install as soon as practicable, but not later than the end of 2023, a **20mph zone or speed limit on the roads in the vicinity of each of those schools in Orkney that still does not have one**" (see *Issue 107 of my Letter*). Following my pre-notified amendment to the General Meeting (see *The Orcadian* 13th July), Cllr Dawson, Chairman of the D&I Committee agreed to take the item back for reconsideration. This will take place at the D&I Committee meeting of the **5th September**. The other members of the D&I committee are Councillors Bevan, Hall, Leask, Manson, Peace, Skuse (Vice Chair), Stockan, Thomson, Tierney, Tullock, & Woodbridge, **should you wish to lobby them** in advance of that meeting.



Shortly before the start of our councillor recess (7th July to 20th August) we welcomed our Shetland colleagues to Orkney for a meeting of the Orkney & Shetland Valuation Joint Board. Our next meeting will be after the recess in Shetland.

Congratulations to Eday Primary School on its recent inspection report, and well done to its staff.

On 6th July, I accompanied my younger daughter, Frideswide to Holyrood Palace to attend a celebration event for those who have achieved their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. There were four other recipients present who had also been members of the Sanday DofE Open Award Group: Kacey Brown, Ethan Lennon, Cameron McPhail, and Jasmine Walker. Also with us was Rosemary Newton MBE, joint founder and 30-year stalwart of the Group (see *Issue 110 of my Letter*). We were lucky to catch a brief audience with the new Duke of Edinburgh (HRH Prince Edward), who knew all about the planning done around Rosemary's kitchen table. The five recipients at this one ceremony represent 1% of the population of Sanday. The Duke told us that only 0.1% of the entire UK population has ever received a Gold Award, which just shows how exceptional our islands can be! (The photograph below shows me, Rosemary and Frideswide with one of the High Constables of Holyroodhouse.) The following day I was at Glasgow University, a proud father at the graduation of my younger son, Dunstan.

Now it's time for me to make the most of our councillor recess and get all those jobs done at home which, in the hurly-burly of council business, I never manage to find the time for.

Stephen

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

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



STRONSAY WILDLIFE RECORDING PROJECT

As part of this project I would like to ask for your help in recording butterflies on Stronsay this summer - a little 'citizen science'. I've adapted the approach developed by Butterfly Conservation for the 'Big Butterfly Count' that runs across the UK in July and August. All it involves is sitting in a sunny spot (your garden or anywhere on the island !) for 15 minutes, or for 15 minutes on a walk, counting the number of different butterflies you see. You can do this as many times as you feel able anytime through July and August.

I'm sure many of you have noticed the big influx of Red Admirals that have come in recently but we've not got many different sorts of butterfly on the island and I've created an illustrated recording form based on what we could be seeing here. I hope you can print this off, but I will get some available at the Trust offices as well. We will have a box in the porch at Erraid Station House for you to drop off completed forms. But if you prefer you could simply email me with your counts (by species) with a date and location (david_askew11@btinternet.com).

I can collate all the records in September and hopefully this will give us a good picture of butterflies on Stronsay in the main summer butterfly months.

Thanks for your help

David

(David Askew's form is on the next page ready for you to print off)

LOGANAIR—DECEMBER 24th & DECEMBER 31st 2023

Below are the revised operating times Loganair's inter isles flights for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve 2023. Usual note applying to Sanday and Stronsay for Sundays.

LM728

Kirkwall – North Ronaldsay	11:00 – 11:17
North Ronaldsay – Sanday	11:24 – 11:30
Sanday – Stronsay	11:37 – 11:42
Stronsay – Kirkwall	11:49 – 11:58

LM729

Kirkwall – Papa Westray	12:20 – 12:35
Papa Westray – Westray	12:42 – 12:44
Westray – Kirkwall	12:51 – 13:06

STRONSAY BUTTERFLY COUNT

Spend 15 minutes in a sunny spot and use this chart to note how many of each species you see. Please note your name, date and location on the back.

Drop your records off at Erraid Station House porch or email details to david_askew11@btinternet.com



Large White



Red Admiral



Small Tortoiseshell



Small White



Painted Lady



Common Blue



Meadow Brown



Green-velvet White



Butterflies of Stronsay - David Askew

SHORT TERM LETS—LICENSING **From OIC Updates on Facebook**

The Scottish Government is raising further awareness around the new short-term lets licensing and what hosts need to do as part of the application process.

Like all local authorities throughout Scotland, the Council has been tasked with administering the new scheme on behalf of the Scottish Government and a number of hosts have successfully applied for their new licences through OIC – and a number of others are within the system.

Did you know that from 1 October 2022, new hosts of short-term lets are legally required to obtain a licence from their local council before accepting bookings and hosting guests?

Hosts of short-term lets that have operated prior to 1 October 2022 (existing hosts) have until 1 October 2023 to apply for a licence and can continue operating until their application has been determined.

The Council has a dedicated web page on short-term lets licensing to try and assist folk through the application process. Please take a look here <https://www.orkney.gov.uk/Service-Directory/L/short-term-lets.htm> as it contains links to a wealth of information on the Scottish Government legislation, the application process, downloadable form and fees.

If you need support through the process then please contact the Short-term Lets Licensing Team via email shortletslicensing@orkney.gov.uk or by telephone to 01856873535 extensions 2232 or 2229 and leave a voicemail if officers are not available.

More information about the new licensing requirements can be found at <https://shorttermlets.campaign.gov.scot/>

PEDAL CYCLES FOR 10-14 YEAR OLDS

Stronsay now has four pedal cycles for ages approximately 10-14 which can be borrowed by both residents and visitors.

Children under 14 are legally not allowed to use electric bikes so Viv and Dianne applied for a grant from Cycling Scotland on behalf of Stronsay Development Trust. The application was quickly accepted and the bikes arrived on the island a few days ago.



FOR SALE, WANTED, THANK YOU, etc

WANTED—INFORMATION

re. history of SS Athenia life-boat, now at Seafield, Stronsay.

Can anyone help in establishing the identity of a Stronsay resident who actually lived in the SS Athenia converted lifeboat on the foreshore at Seafield, during the years 1960-1980 (very approximate) together with his sheep!?

This information came from Mr Thomas Shearer, who lived at Seafield for many years from about 1983 - 2002, and who now lives in Kirkwall. He cannot remember this other man's name, and whilst it does not effect the wartime history of the lifeboat, it adds an interesting dimension to its post-war history.

Any information would be gratefully appreciated, thank you.

Brian Crowe

PROPERTY FOR SALE

Dunera, Lower Whitehall Road, Stronsay, KW17 2AS

A detached bungalow (period 1920-60s) with garden and parking space.
Comprising huge sitting room sea facing, kitchen/diner, 4 bedrooms, shower room & hall
(167 sq. metres) plus 4 sq. metre porch.

Habitable but needs upgrading or project development.

Oil fired central heating with multi fuel stove in living room.

Water, phone connected.

SEPA for up to 6 residents.

Council Tax C.

Primary energy indicator 288 kWh.

£5736 over 3 years. Energy Efficiency Band E (44) – Scottish average is Band D - 60

Environmental Band F (37) – Scottish average band D - 59

HRV is £130,000 (25 Aug 2022). Condition = 13 (1), 8 (2), 0 (3).

Interest invited. Not currently with external agent.

Viewing by advanced appointment only. Flexible entry date.

Offers invited above £125k. Finance options from seller.

Leo Martini-Brown

lmartinibrown@yahoo.co.uk

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WANTED - PART-TIME PAID ADMIN ASSISTANT

Orkney Foodbank are seeking a part-time paid admin assistant to help their important and developing work for the community. A copy of the job description and application form is available from the links below. They also welcome informal enquiries.

Job Description <https://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/OffCoordJul23.pdf>

Application form <https://stronsaylimpet.co.uk/OrkFbAppConfForm.pdf>

Prescription Collection and Delivery Service



Please contact the wellbeing coordinator on 01857 616410 or email sdtwellbeing@gmail.com if you would like a prescription collected and delivered.

PRIVATE TUITION

I am offering private tuition in a range of subjects to all school-age pupils and adult learners on a 1:1 or small group basis. I am available to teach all primary subjects, including reading, writing, spelling and numeracy, and English for BGE and Senior Phase pupils. I am happy to liaise with class teachers at Stronsay Junior High School in order to support progress towards targets and estimated grades, if a client (and parents/carers) are willing for this to occur.

I am also available to teach adult literacy and Higher/ Advanced Higher English or to lead a community literary appreciation class now again if there is enough interest.

As a Support for Learning Teacher and former SENCo I have spent many years specialising in teaching pupils with a range of learning and behaviour difficulties. I am qualified to complete assessments and to write reports for examination access arrangements and for Pupil Support Plans/Child Plans.

If anyone would like to learn to play Clarinet, I am happy to take pupils of any age – beginners up to Grade 5, along with tuition in Music Theory as needed.

Please contact me on 616242 for an informal chat and details of prices and availability.

Donna Blyth BA Hons, MEd, PGCE, SQH, CPT3A, CELTA

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BUILDING PLOTS FOR SALE

2 Building plots, Whitehall Village, Stronsay, Orkney

£35K each. Planning in principle for 2/3 bed bungalow plus 2 parking spaces. Electricity and water supplies are on site.

The plots are behind the village street making a secluded location but within easy walking distance of the shop, ferry, cafe and hotel.

The tried and tested practice on the Orkney isles for building is to buy a house kit and either have it erected by the supplier or our island contractor Castlehill Construction (who can also do the ground works)

For information about Stronsay, our lifestyle, its good school and other facilities please visit www.visitstronsay.com

For further information about the sites please contact

- Sharon at Orkney Property Centre, Kirkwall on 01856 877866 or
- Dianne & Paul on 07785111126 or
- email drileymoore@hotmail.com

Planning ref: 18/038/PIP on Orkney Islands Council planning web site



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CLIFTON FREE RANGE EGGS!

EGGCITING NEWS!!

ENJOY SOME CRACKING GOOD EGGS

Our happy hens are delighted to let you know that they are now producing top quality free range eggs. The eggs are available from outside the annex at Clifton for only £1.50/box.

Help yourselves and just put the money in the box.

WANTED

Brenda Alexander wonders whether anyone reading the *Limpet* would have a register of Rothiesholm School, early 1900

VAN AVAILABLE FOR CHARITY WORK

The Pomona Prefect logo peedie red van is available for charity work on the island if anyone needs a man and a van and wants to help the island reach the target. Saturdays service and cost for this is suggested as £10 per hour min donation for half hour units. All to the Stronsay Defib fund. No live animals, persons transported or dirty, sloppy stuff carried. Limited load and not a taxi service. This is a temporary thing to raise money and not a challenge to any services on the island. Call Don and Julie for all taxi work and Jim Holland for freight!

Also, if anyone needs their car karcher jet washed and vaccuming and then can do at Ellerslie as you pass for a donation to same Defib Fund. Cost is £10 per basic body wash and wheels rinsed and boot/inside vacted. Limited to cars. No monster trucks, panel vans, lorries or camper vans sorry.

This charity service will be hopefully available until there are enough defib machines in position with the people trained to cover us all 24/7. Availability is limited to Saturdays.

Any questions and to book give me a call.

Nicandro J. Porcelli, Ellerslie. Telephone or text to - 07732 276046

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Equipment for Hire

Well its getting to that time of year again when we may spot that big ball of heat in the sky, remember the Sun, and contemplate some fun outdoor activities in our gardens, at the beach and in the sea, before it leaves again for the winter.

Well the Trust has some ideas for you, why not utilise some of the equipment we have for the community and visitors to use.

Located at Woods Yard we have a cabin full of great pieces of equipment including E bikes, Kayaks, wetsuits, beach games, sports equipment, accessibility aids and more.

We will be advertising the full range on our website soon so watch this space or pop in, give us a call 616410 or email cdostronsay@gmail.com and see whats available.



DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE **ISLES SPECIAL COLLECTION ROTAS**



The dates for isles special collections up to 30 September 2023 are detailed below. If you wish to have domestic bulky items uplifted you can apply online via the Councils Website, see link

<https://www.orkney.gov.uk/Service-Directory/S/Special-Refuse-Collections.htm> , if you do not have internet access then please contact Customer Services on telephone number 873535 to book. Bookings must be placed as soon as possible and up to 2 working days prior to the week commencing collection date, any special collection bookings received after 5pm on the Wednesday prior to the week commencing collection date will not be processed and will be held over until the next available collection date.

Please note that payment for collection is required on application and prior to collection. Only items that are on the request form will be collected by the contractor. Special collections from commercial premises can be arranged by contacting Development and Infrastructure on telephone number 873535 extension 2320.

Eday

Week Commencing: 1 May 2023 and 24 July 2023

Graemsay

Week Commencing: 22 May 2023 and 11 September 2023

Hoy and Flotta

Week Commencing: 17 April 2023, 3 July 2023, and 4 September 2023

North Ronaldsay

Week Commencing: 12 June 2023 and 21 August 2023

Papa Westray

Week Commencing: 5 June 2023 and 14 August 2023

Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre

Week Commencing: 8 May 2023 and 7 August 2023

Sanday

Week Commencing: 22 May 2023 and 21 August 2023

Shapinsay

Week commencing: 15 May 2023 and 21 August 2023

Stronsay

Week Commencing: 15 May 2023 and 07 August 2023

Westray

Week Commencing: 08 May 2023, 10 July 2023, and 18 September 2023

For further information on refuse and recycling services please refer to the Council's website

www.orkney.gov.uk

Are you missing out on £200?



ORKNEY
ISLANDS COUNCIL

Claim your cost of living payment now

Whether working, self-employed,
a stay-at-home parent or claiming
benefits – you could be entitled!

Automatic payments will be made to people in Orkney receiving:

- Housing benefit
- Council Tax reduction (means tested)
- Free school meals/clothing allowance (means tested)
- Exempt from council tax because all occupants are under the age of 18
- Exempt from council tax due to being under 26 and previously in care / looked after

You can apply if you currently receive
Universal Credit or Pension Credit

You can also apply if you have savings under £6000 and your
earnings are below the threshold in the table below.

Number of Children	Single Person Earnings	Couples Earnings
0	£1928 per month	£2361 per month
1	£3300 per month	£3734 per month
2	£4048 per month	£4482 per month
3	£4978 per month	£5412 per month

To apply visit the website below, call 01856 873535

www.orkney.gov.uk/COL

...or scan
me into
your phone
camera



MOBILE LIBRARY VAN VISITS 2023

25 September, 20 November

For further information go to web page <https://orkneylibrary.org.uk/mobile-library>,
email library@orkney.gov.uk or telephone 01856 873166.

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

RECYCLING GUIDE FOR OUTER ISLES

Orkney Islands Council has published a “Household refuse and recycling welcome pack” which is available online at <https://tinyurl.com/3bjcbacm>.

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Announcements by charities or local groups, clubs and organisations are FREE!
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STRONSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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

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

For more information & bookings contact Mary McLaughlin
thecatstail@outlook.com



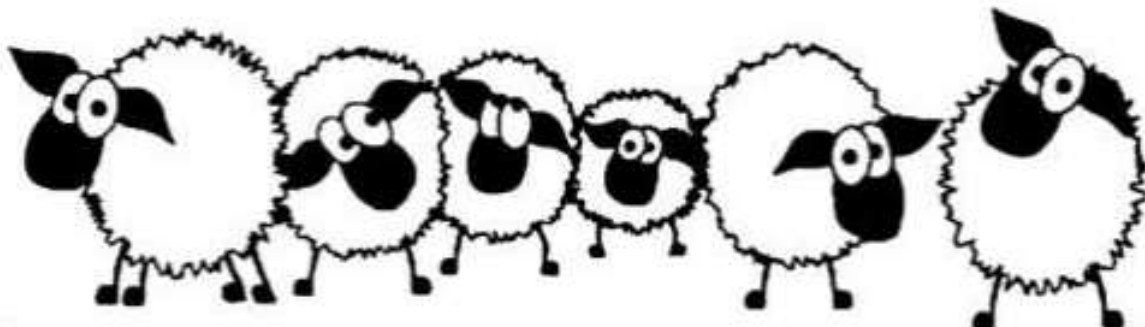
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Rooms for hire from only £2 per hour plus hydro charge.

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

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

Stronsay Stitchers



Thursday 31 August 7.00pm-9.30pm Church Hall
£2/person.

See the new kitchen in the Church Hall!

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SWIMMING POOL - OPENING TIMES

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

Monday	Adult lane 6:30-7:10:00	Public session 7:10– 7:50
Wednesday	Swim club A 3:30-4:00	Swim Club B 4:00-4:40
Thursday	Private hire 6:30-7:10	Public session 7:10-7:50
Saturday	Private hire 2:00-2:40	Public session 2:40-3:20

LEARN TO SWIM DAY □

On Wednesday 16th August two swimming instructors will be visiting Stronsay pool. There will be 3 groups 5-7 year old, 8-10 year old & 11-14 year old.

Places will be limited and booking is essential.

All sessions are free, funded by the Scottish government. More details will be available via a press release by OIC in the coming weeks but if you would like to provisionally book your child into one of the sessions please contact Andy Rose via text, messenger, email or phone on 07769689310 / andyrose85@btinternet.com.

LIFEGUARDS WANTED!

Stronsay swimming pool is looking for enthusiastic, reliable and conscientious people to become part of the pool team.

We will train you using the national standard RLSS National Pool Lifeguard Qualification and in return all we ask is you help us keep our small pool open and sustainable.

The ability to swim and a degree of fitness is required before you start your journey into 'lifeguard life'.

Interested parties should contact Andy Rose: email andyrose85@btinternet.com, phone 01857 616277 or mobile 07769 689 310

OVERSEERS WANTED !

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

STRONSAY ON YOUTUBE

- [59° North](#)
- [Links House, Stronsay: Finding the Mesolithic in Orkney](#)
- [Stronsay, Orkney](#)
- [The mystery of the Stronsay Monster](#)
- [Orkney—living and working](#)
- [1930's stone crushing machine in actio on Stronsay](#)

HANDY EMAIL ADDRESSES:

Ebenezer Stores stronsaystores@gmail.com

Olivebank m.williamson1@btconnect.com

Fishmart café fishmartcafehostel@gmail.com

For telephone numbers see the back page of this edition.

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

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

Mass times are as follows:-

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

GOLGOTHA MONASTERY, PAPA STRONSAY **DAILY STREAMING BROADCAST**

There is a daily streaming broadcast from Golgotha Monastery, Papa Stronsay.

<http://www.papastronsay.com/live>

The broadcast runs from 4pm – 7pm (the times shown are approximate):

- 4pm Short talk by one of the priests.
- 4:30pm Recitation of the Rosary.
- 5pm Mass.
- 6pm Further prayers and office of the day.

STRONSAY KIRK

Weekly service at 11am.

Minister—Rev David Locke, phone 616284.

Stronsay kirk's website:

<http://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/stronsaykirk>

Stronsay kirk's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1553904828107651>

STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Chair: Shirley Whiteman Vice Chair: Damian Stout

APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Stronsay Community Council invites applications for financial assistance from anyone who is permanently resident on Stronsay.

Grants are available for travel assistance and events and/or projects of benefit to the community.

If the request is for travel assistance, members can award 50% of the requested amount with a capping limit of £200 funding within twelve months.

Full details of the event and/or project will be required and will be submitted to the next Community Council meeting for consideration.

Financial requests must be with the Island Link Officer prior to the event/project taking place and the payment of any grant awarded will require submission of evidence of expenditure from the applicant.

Each application will be considered on a case-by-case basis and should be submitted on an Application For Financial Assistance form available from the Island Link Officer.

If more information, or an Application for Financial Assistance form is required, please contact the Island Link Officer, tel: 616446 [email: stronsaycc@gmail.com](mailto:stronsaycc@gmail.com)

Colin McAlpine
Stronsay Island Link Officer
19 October 2022

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SCRAP CAR SCHEME

The Scrap Car Scheme operated by Stronsay Community Council is still open and is now available for anyone who may have a vehicle for disposal.

The scheme will be administered by the Community Council and will remain open until further notice. The vehicle owner will have two months in which to arrange disposal of the vehicle.

At present there is no gate fee for vehicle disposal, but the scrap value will be paid to Stronsay Community Council and **not** the vehicle's registered keeper.

The haulage cost from Stronsay to the scrap yard, Kirkwall, will be met by Stronsay Community Council.

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

1. Request a Verification Form from the Island Link Officer – t: 616446 e: stronsaycc@gmail.com or by writing to the address below.
2. Complete the Verification Form and liaise with Jim Holland (haulier) for the vehicle's delivery to the scrap yard.
3. Give the completed Verification Form to Jim Holland which must be presented to the scrap yard at the time of vehicle delivery, along with all necessary documentation, (the vehicle's V5 document) to meet the DVLA and dismantler requirements.

A Verification Form will be required for each separate delivery of a car to the scrap yard.

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

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

18 October 2022

FISHMART CAFE SUMMER OPENING TIMES

(April-September)

Monday	CLOSED	
<i>(Breakfast only served from 7am - 10am on weekdays)</i>		
Tuesday	7am - 3pm	
Wednesday	7am - 3pm	
Thursday	7am - 3pm	
Friday	7am - 3pm	
Saturday	9am - 2pm	<i>(Breakfast served all day)</i>
Sunday	11am-2:30pm	<i>(Breakfast served all day)</i>

FISHMART CAFE WINTER OPENING TIMES

(October-March)

Monday	CLOSED	
<i>(Breakfast only served from 7am - 10am on weekdays)</i>		
Tuesday	CLOSED	
Wednesday	7am - 2pm	
Thursday	7am - 2pm	
Friday	7am - 2pm	
Saturday	9am - 2pm	<i>(Breakfast served all day)</i>
Sunday	11am-2:30pm	<i>(Breakfast served all day)</i>

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

Nicandro James Porcelli, Skipper of the Pomona Prefect, in conversation with Ute Clackson for Sanday Sound July 2023

Nicandro first came to Stronsay in 2018 for a retreat on Papa Stronsay's Golgotha Monastery. A Scots-Italian with distant Orcadian relatives, he unknowingly bought a cottage a relative built in 1871. He started his career at sea in 1981 and is a certified MN engineer officer with additional navigation and watchkeeping certificates. He's helped out on ferries here as a deckhand cook but mainly works as a chartered scientist/ Doctor of Engineering for clients innovating in the hydrogen economy, energy and critical infrastructure.

Tell me about the Pomona Prefect. A Hardy 24 Fastfisher, it was built and fitted for the Environment Agency as a patrol-survey boat; operating as Solway Prefect. Modified for hand-dive scalloping it was registered on the UK Fishing Fleet. It was brought to Stronsay in 2021 and put back to the UK Workboat Specifications, making commercial transportation services between the North Isles possible. It's registered as a dive contracting boat and is a licensed registered fishing boat- K34. It carries six in local waters in favourable conditions; taking people and/or goods: such as to a snorkelling/dive spot, bird watching, shorewatch or monitoring nature as well as between harbours. There's deck space, cat catcher and a weatherproof hold for light cargo and gear.

I know that much of the sea around Sanday is protected because of kelp forests... and reefs. Seeing kelp forests underwater close up is wonderful. As a Chartered Environmental scientist and engineer, there's a practical vocational mission to widen people's access and contribution to conservation. This also fits wellbeing efforts in the islands as and there are many amazing reefs or seagrass sites to be observed reachable from Stronsay or Sanday. These habitats are common goods and need protecting legally as marine conservation zones.

Have you had any interest yet? Yes. We are on Discover Orkney and have reached out wider. We have snorkelling and SCUBA equipment for hire that has interested people and are in touch with the dive community, national and international dive clubs and national and international research establishments. Future plans include having an ex-RN Dive instructor who may be interested in some training trips for tourist. Summer as it is weather permitting.

Any problems you have encountered apart from winter? Location and logistics lag is a given. The North Isles could definitely improve access for the public on and off for people on small boats. The differences in facilities around Orkney is evident. We hope OIC and the Development Trusts and communities get around to this soon.

Anything else worth saying? It would be useful to employ deckhands. Training and certs are required but we are looking at ways to get this paid for. It would help local careers on the water.

Website for the Pomona Prefect and contact details

www.pomonaprefect.com; Pomona Prefect@gmail.com; 07707 306787. Facebook.

Pomona Prefect | Orkney.com

<https://traveltrade.visitscotland.org/blog/supplier/pomona-prefect-boat-trips/>

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

REDHOUSE PLANTS MARKET GARDEN



Seasonal vegetables available daily. Bedding, perennial and vegetable plants.

Local honey in season according to availability.

Open 09.00-17.00 Mon-Sat.

Redhouse, Lower Whitehall, Stronsay. Tel: (01857) 616 377

BUILDING WORK

Building work carried out by time-served tradesman

No job too small!

Please note changed telephone number

Phone Paul Williams on 616222 or email williams778@btinternet.com

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

Love Parties, but
hate waste?



Reduce landfill waste by hiring Peedie Party Packs range of children's reusable plates, cups & cake stands instead of buying disposable! we even have themed packages & games packs available, happy to accept hires from across Orkney including the Isles.



Peedie Party Packs



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PeediePartyPacks@hotmail.com

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

Holmsgarth Crafts



*Seasonal Gifts,
Memory bears,
Stronsay book bags, and much more
Many items can be personalised
Made To Order*



Contact Margaret McAnally - [Holmsgarth Crafts | Facebook](#)
[07432614089](tel:07432614089)

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LOCAL BUSINESSES



Marion Miller Jewellery

Unique Jewellery inspired by the sea and shore.
Designed and handmade on the island of Stronsay, Orkney

www.marionmillerjewellery.com

Tel 07919550943 E-mail marionmillerjewellery@gmail.com



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LOCAL BUSINESSES



Traditionally hand-crafted in Stronsay—soaps, solid shampoo bars, conditioner bars and balms. Hand-spun and hand-dyed yarns from Orkney fleeces, woven throws, wall-hangings and more.

Orkney Star Island Soap, Isles View, Stronsay, Orkney, KW17 2AG.

Tel: (+44) 01857 616 281

Email: info@orkneystarilandsoap.co.uk

Web: <http://www.orkneystarilandsoap.co.uk>

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

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

Roger at Stronsay Photographic

Available for:

Portraits - groups and individuals

ID photographs - printing on site

Tuition

Special commissions

Cozy studio with professional lighting

Home visits



Contact via Stronsay Photographic Facebook page and Facebook or tel 616228

Special offers also on Stronsay Facebook page

Roger at Stronsay Markets



Local seasonal soft fruit and vegetables

Grown naturally without artificial fertilisers, pesticides or weed killer

Cropped same day (usually)

Check out Facebook "Stronsay Markets"

Contact me on stronsaymarkets@gmail.com and I can add you to the regular list of available produce

See Stronsay Markets on YouTube https://youtu.be/8e6sz_Z2eQU

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LOCAL BUSINESSES



handmade with love

Airy Fairy

- ★ Handmade Quilts, cushions & clothes ★
- ★ Beautiful, bespoke & personalised gifts ★
 - ★ Handmade especially for you ★
- ★ Makower fabrics in stock £10 per metre ★
- ★ Studio visits welcome by appointment ★

Hazel Shearer, Airy, Stronsay, Orkney, KW172AG • Phone 01857 616231
hazel.airyfairy@gmail.com • www.airyfairyonline.co.uk

The advertisement features a light blue background with white stars. A red heart contains the text 'with love'. Three images show handmade items: a quilt, a floral dress, and a colorful cushion with the word 'LOVE' in large letters.

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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

The Old Manse Bed and Breakfast Logie Easter, Kildary IV18 0NZ



The Old Manse is a listed building dating back to the 1780s set in a large woodland garden just off the A9 and commanding far reaching views of the surrounding countryside.

We are ideally located for those travelling to and from Orkney. The ferry terminals of Gills Bay (Pentland Ferries) and Scrabster (North Link Ferries) are no more that 2.5 hours drive with John O’Groats just 2 hours away.

Ensuite Double and twin rooms

Tel 01862 842357 Email oldmanse.kildary@btinternet.com

Web www.oldmansebandbkildary.co.uk

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LOCAL BUSINESSES



We are a brand new local company, we decided to take the plunge after many years of working for others, to set up our own business. Craig has many years experience in general building work, labouring, ground work ect. I am a time served joiner. We have all our own equipment so no need for the extra cost of hiring from elsewhere.

**We can do all types of ground work, pipe laying, guttering and roofing. Replacement windows and doors, finishings, concrete and general work. All types of work considered, no job too small, all work finished to a high standard. Full public liability insurance, safe, reliable and trustworthy.
Reasonable prices.**

Contact Craig or Christine for more information.

HOW TO CONTACT THE *LIMPET*

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USEFUL INFORMATION

POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES etc

Monday to Saturday	8:30am—5:00pm
Sunday	Closed all day
Post collection times	7:30am, Monday to Saturday
OIC Special collection.	Week Commencing: Mon 7 Aug
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 . . .	Weekly service at 11am
Our Lady's Chapel, pier head	Mass: Sun & holidays 11am, Tue 8am, other days 11.20am
Next mobile library van visit .	Mon 31 July
Weekly rubbish collection	Tuesday (bags out by 8am but not on the night before!)
Recycling skips nearly full? . .	Send email to recycling@orkney.gov.uk
Forward scam emails to	report@phishing.gov.uk
Stronsay's Facebook page	https://www.facebook.com/groups/476168409207488

EMERGENCY! POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE or COASTGUARD - dial 999
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Airy Fairy	616231	Scottish Fuels	01856 873105
Castle Bird Reserve	616363	SDT office	616410
Community council	616446	Silver Darlings	616412
Companions Club	616352	Star Island Soap	616281
Craftship Enterprise	0778 511 1126	Stranded seals, etc	616207/206/498
Doctor	616321	Stronsay Band	616335
Ebenezer Stores	616339	Stronsay Pub & Hotel . . .	616407
Ebenezer Oil Heating . . .	616207	Stronsay school	616246
	<i>or</i> 07500 682 867	Stronsay taxi	616335
Fish Mart	616401		
Golgotha monastery.	616210	Balfour hospital (24/7). . .	01856 888000
	<i>or</i> contact@the-sons.org	Water problems (24/7) . .	0800 0778 778
Hairdresser	616337	Electricity	
Hall bookings	616263	general enquiries	0800 048 3516
	<i>or</i> annemaree.carter@btinternet.com		<i>(lines open Mon-Fri 8am-5pm)</i>
Highland Fuels	01856 873766	problems (24/7) . . .	0800 300 999
Island Link Officer	616475	power cut (24/7). . .	105
Kirk secretary	616238	Police (non urgent) (24/7)	101
Limpet editor	616297	Kirkwall Library	01856 873166
Medical emergency	616321	Dentists:	
Neil's on Wheels	07723 304 260	Daisybank Clinic . .	01856 870547
Manse	616284	Deyanov Dental . . .	01856 877118
Nurses	616321	King Street	01856 888258
Olivebank	616255	Orkney Dental	01856 872030
OIC out of hours	01856 873535	Vets:	
Post Office	616499	Flett & Carmichael .	01856 872859
Red House Plants	616377	Northvet	01856 873403
Registrar	616239		

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