



TIMETABLES

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

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

[School holidays 2023-2027](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Bingo night	Sat 23 Sep
Orkney Ferries winter timetable starts	Mon 25 Sep
Mobile library van visit	Mon 25 Sep
North Isles Sports—illustrated presentation	Mon 25 Sep
Stronsay Stitches	Thu 28 Sep
Deal or No Deal Quiz Show	Sat 7 Oct
School October holidays	Thu 12 Oct—Fri 27 Oct
Loganair winter timetable starts	Sun 29 Oct
Bonfire night	Sat 4 Nov
Mobile library van visit	Mon 20 Nov
Christmas Craft Fair	Sat 25 Nov
Christmas Tree Lighting	Sat 2 Dec
School Christmas holidays	Mon 25 Dec – Fri 5 Jan

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 **Saturday 30 September 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".

PRESS RELEASE

23rd August 2023

Sinclair Haulage Limited acquires Holland Haulage



Sinclair Haulage Limited is delighted to announce the acquisition of Holland Haulage. This transaction secures the future of another key island-based haulage business in Orkney. Holland Haulage is a lifeline provider of haulage and distribution services to the islands of Stronsay and Eday.

Holland Haulage serves a diverse community of 350 Stronsay and 120 Eday residents, catering to all their logistical and transport needs. Based at Woods Yard in Whitehall, Stronsay, Holland Haulage provides a daily link between the islands of Stronsay and Eday, and mainland Orkney.

Weil holdings, based on the Orkney mainland, acquired Sinclair Haulage Limited in 2022 and had promised to explore opportunities to grow and further improve the services to its customers and the wider community. The acquisition of Holland Haulage will allow this growth to develop, incorporating the services to two more north isles and adding to the fleet will allow the company to provide a stronger and more flexible service. Sinclair Haulage Limited will continue to work to provide a long term and sustainable service that will benefit their customers, employees and the wider community.

Commenting on the acquisition, Dave Neil, Director of Sinclair Haulage said:

The purchase of Holland Haulage presents a unique chance to bring together all of the east side north isles into one integrated service. We are delighted to start serving the communities of Stronsay and Eday and continue with the service built up by Jim over the last 30 years.

For customers and suppliers, it is very much business as normal as we work with Jim and Vicki to ensure a smooth handover at the start of September. We will aim to contact as many customers in Stronsay and Eday as possible as we take over the business.

Our contact details are:

Phone: 01857 600 404

Email: info@sinclairhaulage.com (general enquiries)

accounts@sinclairhaulage.com (accounts queries)

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Instagram!

STRONSAY'S MASSIVE WEEKEND

First of all, there are many people to thank that help us bring Stronsay's Massive Weekend to you and here are just some of them:

- The hall committee, full of a really great bunch of folk who have literally put in hours and hours of work voluntarily to help make this weekend a success
- Raffle donators- we really couldn't do this weekend without you, it makes such a huge difference having each of your support (Please support the folks who kindly donated to us in anyway you can!)
- All the folk who let us use their fields
- Farmers who let us use their cattle floats (especially when it was blowin' a hoolie)
- Volunteers for helping us run quite literally EVERYTHING
- Stronsay Junior High school for allowing us to use their pitch and some of their equipment too
- Bonnie and Harald for lending us their fantastic BBQ once again
- The Stromness RBL Pipe Band for coming along and giving us a real show (there is just something extra special about having a fantastic pipe band on a sunny day!)
- Everyone who took an instrument along to Fridays Jamming session and quite literally played their socks off
- The Gablos for a fantastic Saturday night
- Our first responders for being on call for us the whole weekend
- The Scottish fire and rescue service for providing us with a really insightful VR on road safety over the 2 days
- Our vintage vehicle owners, you never fail to put on a fantastic display for us
- Maya for judging all of our brilliant float entries
- Doris for lending us her super videos of dancing from years gone by
- The huge amount of crafters (from near and far!) that showed up and gave us the highest quality items!
- Everyone who provided us with a service; catering to our food orders, inflatable adjustments, drink orders, haulage requests- you name it! Nothing ever seems to be a bother!
- Cooke Aquaculture for providing us with funding towards our event- it is so so appreciated!

A MASSIVE THANK YOU, TO YOU ALL!

And last but by no means least- I would like to **THANK YOU ALL**
for coming along to our weekend!

There's some of you that travelled far and wide and we really
really appreciate the effort put in by you all!

Thank you for taking part in our quizzes, floats and sports,
buying our food, drink, raffle tickets and of course joining in
with all of our stalls, inflatables and obviously bustin' some fab
moves with us the entire weekend!!

This weekend is nothing without every single one of you. Please
give yourselves a pat on the back, you've helped us run our
event for another year and we are extremely overwhelmed to
have all of your support!

Thank you so so so much- We hope to see you all again next
year!

THANK YOU!

Stronsay Community Association



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Monday 31st August 2023

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01857 616284

KIRK CORNER



Hello again everyone.

School has restarted and my wee son is enjoying his first year there in lower primary, as are I hope the 6 other new P1s. It's a big change for them, as it is for the other children and so the children, staff and all involved in our school are very much part of my and our church prayers. The church has a long history of serving the school and we today are always open to how best we can do that, and at the least we are praying.

Change, and coping with it, is very much part of life at any age. I have been enjoying reading Ian Cooper's articles in this year's Limpets, about the history of the church, and it is an amazing history spanning over a thousand years from the 8th century with even mention of Earl Sigurd. It's a story of change over time, and often change taking a lot of time, often relatively peacefully in Stronsay compared to places elsewhere. But there were also times of change that at times involved much tension, dispute, conflict, especially as the old ways, buildings, plans, styles of worship and music, or of meeting the community's educational or social needs, had to give way to the new, and people had to agree what shape the new should take, and then work for it together.

Its a story of necessary destruction of some old or unusable, as well as rebuilding, and often parts of the old were refurbished, redesigned or adapted for use in the new. It's a story of people separating because of differences- often small- and later coming together. And through it all, many many faithful people, with grand and small plans, gathering together to pray, and share God's love and caring for others in practical ways.



It's a story of many small churches or chapels serving different parts of the community in different ways, of many people at times involved, sometimes few. And a key pointer for me from our history, is that even with the best of wills, changes take time- it seems our current church building was about 10 years late in being built!

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Today our church is smaller than the great days of many churches serving the 5000+ herding fisher folk or the boom times after world war two. My post of Stronsay Minister [and acting Minister for Eday], is just a part-time one, so the church is very much once again all about normal people involved doing things, not just the Minister. Its great to see the way so many of our folk are involved in the community and indeed serving the wider country, through their involvement in charities, church and other organisations, councils or just helping others individually.

And a great thing about the church today is we have people from a wide variety of backgrounds- from Stronsay and different parts of Scotland, the UK and elsewhere. And especially different church backgrounds - Methodist, Church of England, Church of Scotland, Catholic, Presbyterian, Pentecostalist, Quaker, high and low, evangelical, modern and traditional, left and right: you name it we have probably got it in Stronsay! And its wonderful- each bringing something, different, learning from each other and getting on with each other and trying to share what we have with others.

Our current church has a lot to live up to from the past, but perhaps more important for us, is the present and the future. Folk met recently to discuss ideas to see how we can develop to further meet the needs of Stronsay. It was a really positive meeting and your thoughts are still very much welcome.

As our history shows, part of the way forward involves adapting to help people sing in church; and styles have always continued to develop to reflect current wider musical trends. We are blessed in having Bruce play our organ so well and so able to pick up a tune at a moment's notice. We have also been blessed this year by having Andy Langton support Bruce, and together with Donna, introduce new songs and encourage singing, with various instruments alongside the organ. I think many folk found it very uplifting and we hope to keep developing as before, holding on to the best of what was as well, so that everyone can feel uplifted. If anyone wants their musical talents to be used in church, do have a word with us.

As always, our church is about change and people; and we welcome help from anyone on the island. Next month, I hope to tell you a bit more about how the wider church in Orkney and Scotland is adapting to serve others, sometimes in really helpful and exciting ways

May God bless you in your own life as you encounter change.

Yours Sincerely,

David

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

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.

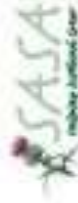
DO'S

- ✓ 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

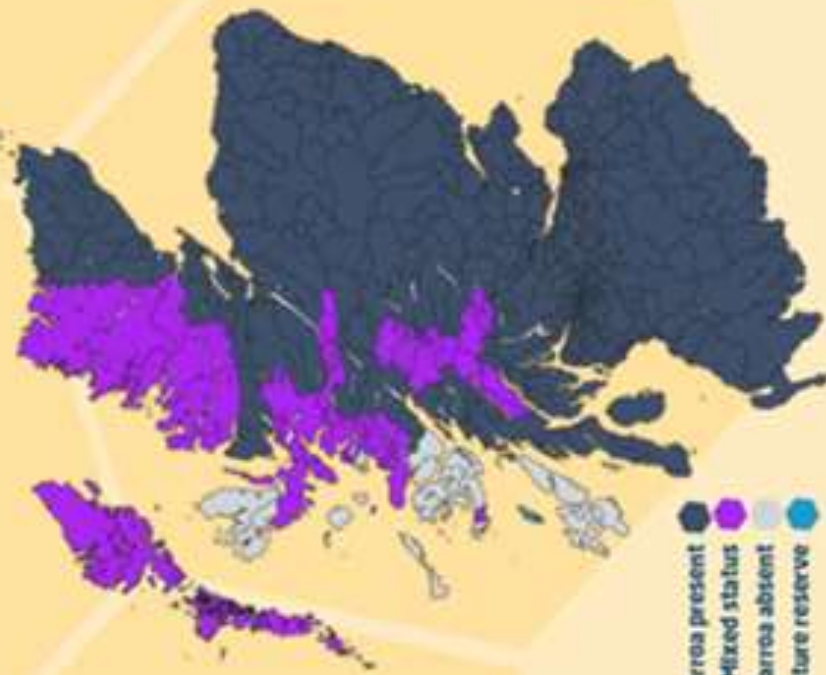
- ✗ Colonsay and Oronsay (coloured turquoise) are nature reserves for *Apis Mellifera Mellifera* (Black Bee). Movement of honey bees into these islands is illegal.
- ✗ The Orkney Islands are currently reported as free from Varroa. We recommend that you do not move bees from the British mainland into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



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

The North Isles' Sports... ...nearly 75 years old

An illustrated presentation, by Rod Thorne, about the history of these annual games, including some of the outstanding athletes (Sanday, Westray, Stronsay, Eday, Papa Westray and North Ronaldsay) of the past and present, and some surprising facts and figures.



After the presentation, members of the Community Association will provide tea, coffee and biscuits, and there'll be time for anyone to register additional memories, and recollections – and corrections.

7.30 p.m. on Monday 25th September in the Community Hall
No admission charge; no donations.



OSTEOPATH VISITS TO STRONSAY

Holly Elliot, registered osteopath (GOsC 9607) from Helping Hands Health, will be back in Stronsay again on the following dates:

- Friday 15th September
- Friday 13th October
- Friday 10th November
- Friday 8th December

All clinics will be held in Wood's Yard between 10am and 5pm. Booking is available online for all dates using this link:

<https://helpinghandshealth.janeapp.co.uk>.

If online booking is an issue for anyone then they can of course contact Holly and she will book them in. Holly's contact details are:

- Phone 07377 689 237
- Email info.helpinghandshealth@gmail.com

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.

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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 COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Shirley Whiteman Vice Chair: Damian Stout

FREE DAFFODILS

Daffodil planting time is fast approaching and Stronsay Community Council will have a limited supply of daffodil bulbs available, free of charge, for anyone interested, and willing, to plant these.

There is, however, a stipulation. The bulbs have to be planted in verges throughout Stronsay with the intention of bringing a little spring colour to the island after the bleakness of winter.

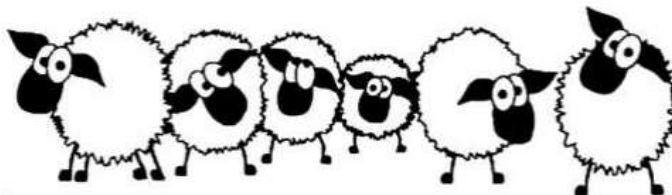
If you would like some daffodil bulbs to plant in a verge, in front of or near your home, please contact the Clerk either by email or phone: email: stronsaycc@gmail.com tel: 616446

Happy planting!

Colin McAlpine
Stronsay Community Council Clerk
15/08/2023

STRONSAY STITCHERS

Stronsay Stitchers



Thursday 28th September, 7.00-9.00pm, Church Hall, £2/person, refreshments available

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.



Records of a Bygone Age The Church in Stronsay - Part 7

After what had been a long and difficult journey the new church was finally ready and, looking to the Stronsay Church Board minutes once more, it was with a note of pride and honour that the dedication and opening of the Moncur Memorial Church was reported in the minute of 11th May 1955:

“The Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, Right Reverend E.D. Jarvis, performed the dedication and opening before a congregation of approximately 400, including 22 ministers of the Orkney Presbytery. After a most touching and inspiring service the stained glass window in the Chancel was unveiled by Mrs Jarvis, wife of the Moderator. The memorial tablet in memory of the late Alexander Moncur by whose legacy the church was built, and commemorating his grandfather Rev. James Mudie and his mother Eliza Moncur, was unveiled by Mrs Laura Grimond, wife of Major Jo Grimond, MP for Orkney and Shetland. The final traditional act was the handing over of the keys of the church by the Moderator to Rev E.P.G. Fox who accepted them as Minister of Word and Sacrament in this parish.”

It was apparently quite a wintry day that day and the Moderator had to wait until a heavy hail shower passed before making his way from the Church Hall around to the entrance of the Church

I like to lay claim to having been at the opening of the church in May 1955 as I would, at that time, have been slightly more than a twinkle in my dad’s eye, although I wasn’t born until January 1956!



Shown here are 20 of the 22 Ministers in attendance at the dedication and opening of the newly built Moncur Memorial Church, Stronsay on 11th May 1955:

Reverends C Fraser, Evie; JJ Davidson, St Andrews; HG Ross, North Church, Stromness; JH Boyd, Shapinsay; AMG Campbell, St Margaret’s Hope; H Miles, Leith; DA Williams, Stenness, EPG Fox, Stronsay; ED Jarvis, Moderator; D Sutherland, Sanday; VC Pogue, Orphir; RR Davidson; EE Chirgwin, Sanday; S Skinner, Birsay; TG Tait, Rendall; HL Mooney, Deerness; M McKenzie, AR Thompson, King Street; JC Scroggie, Holm; W Graham, Burray.

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The photo above brings to mind a tongue-in-cheek comment from the late Jim Work, long-time Stronsay elder and Session Clerk, who said he had once been told that “*Ministers are like a midden; if they are all gathered together in one place they aren’t for much use, but spread them around and it’s amazing how much good they can do!*”



The Kirk Session and Board at the opening of the Church in May 1955

Left to right: Patti Chalmers, Eastbank; Peter Fotheringhame, Linnabrake; Jim Maxwell, Olivebank; Bill Work, Holland; Willie Cooper, Millfield; Janet Fox, Manse; Rev Fox, Manse; David Chalmers, Minerva; Andrew Williamson, Castlehill; James Shearer, Village; Bill Cooper, Cleat; Dr Jarvis, Moderator of the Church of Scotland (who opened the Church) James Chalmers, Housebay; Mrs Jarvis, wife of the Moderator; James Miller, Millbank; Willie Spence, Airy; John Drever, Schoolhouse; James Chalmers, Lodge; Samuel Maxwell, Dale; David Fotheringhame, Hescombe; Sam Cooper, Midgarth; Robert Stevenson, Bu.

The first Sunday service to be held in the new building was a Communion service on 15th May where 110 members shared the Sacrament. The second service, on 22nd May 1955, was to see the total of four children baptised on one Sunday soon after Philip Fox came to Stronsay surpassed when seven babies were brought forward for baptism.

These seven were Eunice Caithness, Boondatoon; Duncan Kenneth MacRae, Hotel; Ruby Chalmers Rendall, Roadside; Ruth Agnes Shearer, Crowanna; Rhona Margaret Stevenson, Mingro; Marie Robina Stevenson, Springwell and Ivan Sinclair Stevenson, Midgarth Cottage.

In the days before mains water and electricity reached Stronsay, the supply of both to the Church and Manse was an ongoing problem. Mention was made earlier of the purchase of five Tilley lamps to light the old Mudie church, and lighting continued to be by Tilley and oil lamps until 1956, when lighting was installed in the Church Hall and Manse powered by a new petrol engine and generator, all achieved at a cost of £250! Two years later electric lighting was also installed in the Church. Then, in 1964, this generator was upgraded to a Lister diesel ‘Startomatic’ lighting plant at a cost of £120.

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This meant that it was no longer necessary to go to an outhouse (the ‘engine hoose’) to manually start and stop the engine as need required, with this new system being thought to be the height of luxury at the time!

The main source of water for many years was whatever rainwater could be caught and stored in stone tanks at the Church and Manse, supplemented by water carted from a well in a field belonging to Dale Farm. A petrol water pump was later installed at this well to pump water to a storage tank at the Manse but the water still had to be pumped by hand to a header tank in the loft to give a supply of water to the single cold tap in the scullery. A solid fuel range was later installed, complete with back boiler, which helped ensure a supply of hot and cold water on tap.

This was all to change in the 1970s when mains electricity came to the island via an undersea cable from Shapinsay. The Church, Hall and Manse all had to be rewired to current standards and the Chapel in the Village was also wired for electricity for the first time. This all came to fruition on 12th June 1973 when Stronsay’s mains electricity was switched on for the first time.

In December that same year a long awaited mains water supply to the island was completed, with the Church and Manse being connected up to that supply the following year.

This was a busy and expensive time for the church as, in addition to funding the installation of mains electricity and water, the old Manse roof of grey slates was removed, the roof covered in sarking and felt and new slates fitted.

Winter storms in Orkney and the damage they can cause are always a cause for worry but over the years the Church and Manse seem to have stood the effects of these storms quite well. One notable exception was when Stronsay was struck by a severe storm in February 1981 which stripped off a small area of slates on the south west side of the Church roof, leaving a section of the sarking exposed and allowing water to leak into the Church until repairs were carried out.



An aerial view of the church showing storm damage to the roof

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Rev Philip Fox retired in September 1983, having served the congregation and parish faithfully for over 33 years in this his first and only charge. During his time in Stronsay he held a service every Sunday at noon in the Church and at 6.30 pm in the Village Chapel plus a service in the South School on the first Sunday of every month and a service in the Rothiesholm School on the last. This must mean that he would have delivered in excess of 4,000 sermons during his ministry!

After quite a short vacancy Rev Kenneth Borthwick was ordained and inducted to this, his first charge, in April 1984. Kenny and Morag had their first child, Sarah, soon after with their son David arriving a couple of years later, the first time for many years that there would have been children's voices heard in the Manse

Later that year central heating was installed in the Manse, new hardwood double glazed windows were installed and new front and back doors fitted. This was reported to have made a considerable difference to the cost and effectiveness of heating the Manse.

Rev Borthwick moved on to St Peter's and St Andrew's in Thurso in June 1989 and Rev Kenneth Fisher was inducted in July the following year. Rev Fisher, who had been unable to carry out his duties as Minister of this parish for long periods due to poor health, retired in 1994.



On the left are Rev Kenny Borthwick, his wife Morag and children Sarah and David. On the right is a photo taken at Rev Ken Fisher's induction in July 1990. From the left are Jim Sinclair, Stronsay Session Clerk, Rev Ken Fisher, Rev Morris McKenzie, South Ronaldsay, Billy Gray, Eday Session Clerk, Rev Graham Monteith, Hoy & Walls, Rev Trevor Hunt, Firth, Evie & Rendall, Dan Rosie, Kirkwall elder, Rev Phillip Earnshaw, Stromness (back right), Rev Iain MacDonald, East Mainland (front right)

After a vacancy of more than two years, during which time the church had the services of locum Minister Rev Hugh Drummond for three months and Rev William Dungal on two occasions for some time, the ordination and induction of our new Minister, Rev Joyce Keyes, took place on 11th September 1996.

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After a vacancy of about 2½ years, Rev Joyce Keyes was ordained and inducted to the charge of Stronsay and Eday in September 1996. Among those present at the induction were:

Back row: Rev Fiona Lillie, Stromness, Rev Iain MacDonald, Westray, a minister from Joyce Keyes' home church in Glasgow and Rev Joan Craig, East Mainland.

Front: Rev Bob Mellis, Shapinsay, Rev Joyce Keyes, Rev Frank Bardgett, Community Minister, Rev Marjory McLean, Stromness.

In 1999, with the approaching New Millennium, it was agreed that the congregation should raise funds for installing a new heating system in the Church. With this in mind an application was made to Orkney Islands Council's Development Fund for the New Millennium which had been specifically set up to support Millennium projects. Sadly this application was turned down as the Council were apparently not supporting any funding applications from churches, a decision that was greeted with some surprise and dismay as there was no mention of this in the application guidelines. The Congregational Board felt strongly that the Council had rather missed the point of whose birth these millennial celebrations were commemorating and should actually focus on!

It was agreed that the congregation should still try to raise funds for this 'Millennium Project' even without the help of the OIC and, after some vigorous and very successful fund raising events and grant assistance from several bodies, the funding target was reached and the project went ahead at a cost of around £29,000.

As a further celebration of the approaching new millennium a very successful 'Millennium Concert' was held in the Church in October 1999 with in excess of 180 people in attendance. This concert was a truly memorable event and, as the Church moved into a new century and new millennium this seems a good point to bring this history of the Stronsay Church to a close.

Ian Cooper
August 2023

Stephen Clackson's Letter from School Place

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

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Thanks to my pre-notified amendment at our last General Meeting (see my [Letter issue 126](#)), on **Tuesday 5th September** the Development & Infrastructure Committee (of which I am not a member) will be reconsidering their astonishing decision (proposed by Cllr Kristopher Leask) to reject the traffic order to install 20mph speed limits around Isles schools and to re-allocate the funds designated for it to other projects unspecified. **Should you wish to lobby them** in advance of that meeting, the members of the Development & Infrastructure Committee are Councillors David Dawson (Chairman), Gillian Skuse (Vice-Chair), Graham Bevan, Lindsay Hall, Kristopher Leask, Leslie Manson, Raymie Peace, James Stockan, Mellissa Thomson, Owen Tierney, Duncan Tullock, and Heather Woodbridge.

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During the recess, I managed to paint our front door and do a few other outdoor jobs when the weather was good. I was even able to grab a few days away in County Antrim. The coast and the glens there are designated an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, which is justly deserved. I did not see any windfarms or electricity pylons spoiling the view either on land or sea. I believe we need to appreciate what we have here in Orkney, before we misguidedly allow our landscape and seascape to be industrialised for the sake of a few crumbs from the table of those who will be garnering the profits from the desecration. Many of my generation will remember Joni Mitchell's 1970 environmental protest song *Big Yellow Taxi* and its lyrics "Don't it always seem to go, That you don't know what you've got 'til it's gone; They paved paradise, put up a parking lot"

Sadly, in taking this short holiday, I missed a few community events in the North Isles, but I did get back in time to present Bronze & Silver Duke of Edinburgh Awards to 8 young people on Sanday and celebrate their achievements (see photo below).

The 2023/24 council year kicked off for me with virtual attendance at meetings of N. Ron. and Papay Community Councils.

The Code of Conduct for Councillors states: "Councillors are required to provide strategic leadership and oversight. This involves setting strategy and policy, scrutinising and making major, complex decisions that concern the council as a whole. Councillors are not, however, responsible for operational management (i.e. the planning, organising and execution involved in day-to-day activities) as this is the role of employees." This last sentence is the source of the main frustration ward constituents have when it comes to the expectations of what their elected members can do on their behalf. Although we can report back shortcomings in council services, it is important the public understands that we are not empowered to direct council staff. Another source of frustration is government legislation, which e.g. makes it difficult for us to mitigate the pain being caused by the implementation of short-term lets licensing, even though we fully understand the difficulties it has created for accommodation providers, and the negative ramifications it is having for accommodation provision overall.

I now have my first Charles III coin taken from circulation, a 50p piece. Formerly, the custom was to give the name of the king in Latin. So the previous 2 kings named Charles were inscribed as CAROLVS, and within living memory coins circulated of EDWARDVS VII, GEORGIVS V & GEORGIVS VI. So it was disappointing to see the King's name on the 50p "dumbed down" to CHARLES III. The rest of the inscription is abbreviated Latin: D.G. REX F.D., short for "Dei Gratia Rex Fidei Defensor", meaning "by the grace of God King, defender of the faith."

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

Upper photograph by Stefan Schnebelt © Tourism Ireland
Lower photograph by Helen Porter



FOR SALE, WANTED, THANK YOU, etc

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE SALE OF J HOLLAND HAULAGE

Final invoices from J Holland Haulage will be sent out including work up to the 3rd of September over the coming week. Payment for these invoices will still need to be made to the usual J Holland Haulage Account. We would appreciate it if the final bills and any outstanding balances could be settled by late September to facilitate in the full transfer and closure of the business.

All bookings from Monday onwards should be made via Sinclair Haulage.

Vicki will still be available for invoice queries relating to the August invoices but for items due out from Monday the 4th onwards, these queries should be passed to Sinclair Haulage.

Info@SinclairHaulage.com

Tel: 01857 600 404

Again, we would like to thank everyone for their support and their business over the last 30 years.

THANK YOU!

Stronsay's Massive Weekend Craft Fair

A Massive thank you to everyone who had a part in making the Craft Fair on Sunday 20th August such an enjoyable and successful afternoon.



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FOR SALE, WANTED, THANK YOU, etc

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 vacced. 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

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

KEEPING WARM

These knitting patterns are from the 1940s so they may not be high fashion but they will keep you warm!

<https://www.vam.ac.uk/articles/1940s-knitting-patterns>

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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.

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 - USED PACKAGING!

From Louise McQuaid

I'm looking for resources for work ahead of Orkney Science Festival. We'll be in schools across the islands with circular economy workshops. If anyone uses any of these items, could I have the packaging once you're done?

- Eco friendly washing powder
- Eco cleaning products
- A refill pouch (Any product)
- [Who gives a crap](#)
- Cardboard straws
- Plastic cutlery

Thanks!

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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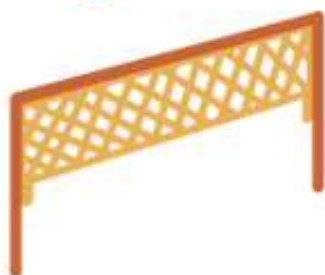


Equipment for Hire

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 cdostromsay@gmail.com and see whats available.



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



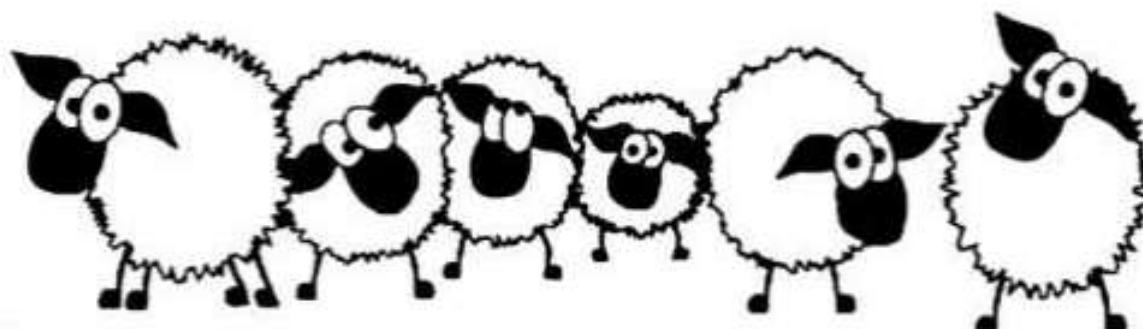
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Rooms for hire from only £2 per hour plus hydro charge.

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
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

To book a private hire phone Elsie on 616238.

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 action on Stronsay](#)
- [Stronsay harbour \(taken from inside the harbour\)](#)

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>

POMONA  PREFECT

**ORKNEY NORTH ISLES' COMMERCIAL
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pomonaprefect@gmail.com
www.pomonaprefect.com

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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



peediepartypacks2221



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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Services include:

- Installation, servicing, maintenance of all domestic gas appliances
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- Bathroom fitting
- Bathroom supply
- General heatings
- All other types of domestic, commercial, industrial plumbing works
- Isles work welcome

Call Patrick on **07933 488283**

Email: patrickmcgrathltd@gmail.com



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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 teal 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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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.

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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: ???
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 25 September
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
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