

PROMOTING STRONSAY

January saw the launch of “*Stronsay, Orkney’s island of bays*” campaign including the new website, brochure and press release.

Everyone has been surprised by the level of interest shown by the media and Stronsay has been mentioned in over 400 publications, discussed on BBC local radio stations and is the subject of a number of forthcoming articles in travel and life style magazines.

The Promoting Stronsay team have been busy. For example, www.visitstronsay.com has had over 100 emails, Facebook had had over 100 requests, the Limpet’s email list has 75 new subscribers, Instagram 150 likes. All of these have been responded to within a very short time. These have included many people who are keen to visit and a few who are interested in living here.

We are pleased to say that Bruce Fletcher has joined the team to help manage the communication links between the Limpet, website and other social media platforms. He will also keep the events diary up to date on www.visitstronsay.com.

The Promoting Stronsay Group

On behalf of Stronsay Community Council

A NEW LOGO AND A NEW WEBSITE FOR STRONSAY

The new logo appears in the top left-hand corner of this edition of the Limpet. It also appears on the Limpet website www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk and on the Stronsay Facebook page.

The new Visit Stronsay website www.visitstronsay.com mentioned above has an events section www.visitstronsay.com/events which can be found under the “Things to do” tab on the main page. The events section is intended to be used as an island diary which will display all events taking place on Stronsay and hopefully help to avoid any date clashes. If you are planning or organising an event on Stronsay please publicise it by sending details to editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk, there is NO charge for this service!

The existing Facebook pages for “Fans of the Stronsay Limpet” and “Moncur Memorial Church, Stronsay” will both be closed on 1 Feb, any information that would normally have appeared on those Facebook pages will appear in the Facebook page for Stronsay or on the kirk’s own website www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/stronsaykirk.

HOW TO CONTACT THE *LIMPET*

Send an email to editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk (preferred method); phone Bruce Fletcher on 616297 (after 10am & before 8pm, please!); or write to *The Limpet, Claremont, Stronsay, KW17 2AR*.

The next edition of the *Limpet* will be published on **Thu 22 February**. Items for inclusion in that edition should be submitted by 7pm on **Sun 18 February** Contact details are on the back page. The Limpet’s website address is <http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk>

FUNERAL OF VILMA ANDERSON (nee MILLER)

The funeral of my late sister, Vilma Anderson, nee Miller took place at Teviot Parish Church, Hawick, Roxburghshire, on 9th January, 2018, Vilma, having passed away after a short illness on 20th December, 2017. After a very well attended service, the interment took place at Wellogate Cemetery, Hawick, where she was laid to rest beside her late husband Jim Anderson.

Vilma was born on 4th September, 1934, at 23, Station, Stronsay, the first of four children born to Johnno and Maggie Miller. She was brought up at Glenmanna, and educated at the Stronsay Junior Secondary School, after which she worked for a time as a maidservant at Sandybank. She then moved into Kirkwall where she worked as a maidservant at Highland Park House until 1953 when she moved to Hawick and worked as a maidservant for a further four years. In 1957, she married Jim Anderson, a local farmer who specialised in breeding Black Faced sheep, in which he was extremely successful. Together they raised four children on Penchrise Farm,- Jimmy, Johnny, Pearl and Catherine.

Vilma was always a keen supporter of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, her grandfather, Jock Miller, being the mechanic on Stronsay's first lifeboat, the John Ryburn, from 1910 until 1915, and her father Johnno, being a member of the Stronsay lifeboat crew from 1952 until 1972. Her mother Maggie was a founder member of the Stronsay Ladies Lifeboat Guild in which she served for many years.

In view of the strong connections with the Stronsay branch of the RNLI, Vilma's family have decided that the funeral collection should be given to that branch, and it gives me great pleasure to pass on the sum of £730.00. A big thank you to all who donated to this worthwhile cause.

Yours sincerely.

Bill Miller.

Kirkwall.

SURVEY

Orkney comes top of the class as the finest location to bring up a family, again and again! But does every child and family in Orkney have the best experience? The Orkney Childcare and Young People's Partnership is trying to find out just that! Spare 10 minutes to share your views and experiences and as a thank you enter our prize draw to win one of two £50 prizes!

(There are also questions for professionals and volunteers that work with and for young people in Orkney).

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



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Church Hall 7.15 - 8 pm £2 per person/session

Group 2 “Singing Together”

More complex part songs to sing together for enjoyment and potentially for performance. All welcome including those attending part 1 and those who already have more confidence in their ability to sing in parts. All Welcome!

Church Hall 8 – 9.45 pm £2.50/session (incl refreshments)

The group is organised by Marion Miller and led by Kate Howe

Kate Howe is a singing teacher based in Kirkwall she has a BSc degree in Psychology and an ALCM (Associate of the London College of Music) diploma in music performance and part way through an MA in Music.

To find out more and to book please contact Marion Miller before February the 1st. Phone 616354 or by email macleod.marion@gmail.com

All Welcome!

This project was funded by “The Stronsay Development Trust”



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20/1/2018

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Company Secretary, Stronsay Development Trust



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RECENT BIRD SIGHTINGS

There were a few interesting sightings in the last week of 2017 – a Long-eared Owl hunting near the South School after dark, caught in the headlights of our car, the Blue Tit in the Castle Garden daily, and the party of Chaffinches in the specially sown ‘unharvested crop’ area at Dale.

Kath & Norman Kent had a great start to 2018 at Dale when a Waxwing was discovered right outside the kitchen window just before dusk on 2nd Jan. What was almost certainly the same bird was seen briefly next day at Geramont.

The over-wintering Dunnock was still present on the Reserve until last seen on 5th – the first day of an influx of Redwings and Fieldfares in a period of fine weather. At least 100 Redwings were seen, and 30 or 40 Fieldfares, with many others no doubt missed! Both Chaffinch and Dunnock were seen at Linksquoy several times in the first half of January

There has been a welcome increase in the numbers of wintering Duck – particularly on the Bu Loch, where up to 8 Pintail have been seen. The wintering Snow Goose was re-found on 12th Jan opposite Boondatoon and has been seen in this area several times by Andrea at Smiddy. It can be very elusive and there have been sightings from several sites elsewhere – particularly around the Meikle Water. Merlin and Hen Harrier have both been seen regularly since the new year – including a lovely adult male (grey wings with black wing-tips) of the latter along the Airy Road on 17th

An early Oystercatcher was seen on 12th January, and there was a sure sign that Spring is not too far away when a party of 30 were found feeding in a grassy field at Sunnyside on 17th. And as I write Norman Kent has just e-mailed us to report the first Shelduck sighting of the year at the Matpow Loch – another sure sign that Spring is not far away.

It is only in such isolated situations as Stronsay that individual birds of certain species may be ‘monitored’ and the over-wintering Blue Tit at castle in 2012-13 was clearly the same individual which occasionally visited Dale (on days when there were no sightings at Castle). This year’s bird has also visited Dale – and perhaps Helmsley in Whitehall Village well over a mile away, where one was seen by Sheila on two occasions in mid-January. Is this possible? And Blue Tit ‘rare’?..... Yes, on Stronsay it certainly is!

John Holloway Jan 2018

(Photographs on next page)

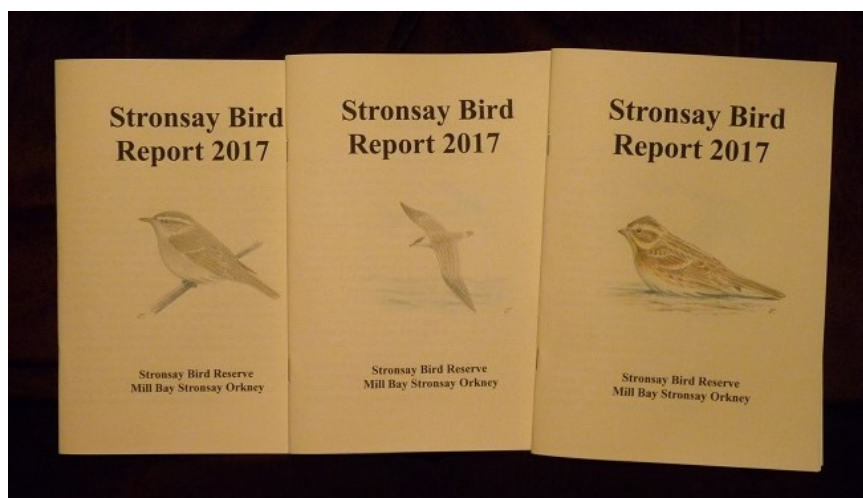


‘Photographed by Norman Kent several years ago, this Waxwing perched in the same tree as the bird of January 2018!’



‘The Blue Tit in the Castle Garden in November – possibly the bird seen in the garden at Helmsley in January?’

The ‘Stronsay Bird Report’ is now on sale at £5 – includes an original coloured pencil sketch on the cover. Please ring if you would like a copy – 616363.



Thanks to all who have contributed sightings over the last twelve months.

Exploring support services for older people in Stronsay

This poster gives some information about a current research project looking at services to support older people in the non-linked islands of Orkney.

This research project has been developed with the help of the Island Development Trusts, Voluntary Action Orkney, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and Robert Gordon University. The research team will be visiting each island group in the coming months to find out about what you think older people need to help them stay on your island, and to explore your experiences of existing support services for older people. The research team will also be looking for examples of how care is delivered in other island and small communities to identify if there are other models that could be explored in Orkney. A project report will be written in March 2018 and will be discussed with a wide range of stakeholders to identify how improvements to services can be made.

What services might older people need to help them stay on the island?

Personal care
e.g. help getting up and dressed, washing and bathing



Help around the home
e.g. cooking, cleaning, laundry, household maintenance

Medical Care
e.g. help with dressings, medication, continence etc

Social support
e.g. access to and availability of opportunities for social support (groups, activities, befriending etc)

Other help
e.g. shopping, managing money and paying the bills

Contribute your ideas

- Complete a feedback form and return
- Come to the Stronsay workshop:

Jan 25th 7-9pm
At Woods Yard

- Volunteer for an interview (especially if you have experience of social care for older people either as a provider or recipient)

To register your interest in the workshop or interviews contact rosie.alexander@vaorkney.org.uk
Or telephone: 01856 872897

What works well at the moment?

What could be improved?

What are your ideas for how services could be developed?



This project is funded through the Aspiring Communities Fund, which is a Scottish Government fund, delivered with European Social Funds. The project is supervised by Robert Gordon University (project reference: SHS/17/27) and will be conducted in line with their research procedures.



For further information contact : Rosie Alexander, Research Officer, Voluntary Action Orkney, Anchor Buildings, 6 Bridge Street, Kirkwall KW15 1HR Tel: 01856 872897 Email: rosie.alexander@vaorkney.org.uk



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Support for Older People in the Isles - Feedback form

Thank you for taking the time to look at the information about our project. We would be really pleased to hear your:

- Views on current arrangements for support of older people in the isles e.g. what works well, what works less well, what improvements could be made?
- Ideas for development of services for older people in your island
- Views on greater community involvement in the delivery of care of older people in your island
- Any other ideas you wish to share

Please leave comments here (continue on another piece of paper if necessary):

Please put this form in an envelope and put it in one of the post boxes that have been placed in Ebenezer Stores and in Olivebank, or in the SDT post box in Wood's Yard.

There is no obligation to provide us with your name. However, if you would like to be contacted to talk to us some more please include your name and a contact phone number or email address:

Your comments will remain confidential and if we use any of your comments in our final report we will ensure that they are anonymised so that you are not identifiable. If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project any further please don't hesitate to contact one of the researchers: rosie.alexander@vaorkney.org.uk, 01856 872897 or s.barnard@rqu.ac.uk

STEPHEN CLACKSON'S LETTER FROM SCHOOL PLACE

It was good to get a rest over Christmas and New Year. I think all of us councillors feel the break has given our batteries a chance to recharge in preparation for the difficult challenges we face in 2018, particularly the budgetary ones.

We had a seminar on this very topic just before the holiday, and other meetings I've attended since my last "Letter" include a members' forum, a members' political session, the Empowering Communities Steering Group, and Orkney Ferries Board.

A big question mark still hovers over the Council's request to the Scottish Government for ferry funding, the outcome of which will have an impact on the money available to us for running all of our council services. Below is my reply to the Scottish Government Minister for Transport & the Islands, Humza Yousaf, which I mentioned in my last "Letter".

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Mr Humza Yousaf, MSP
The Scottish Parliament
EDINBURGH
EH99 1SP

18th December 2017

Dear Humza,

Why are we being excluded from the fairer Scotland?

Thank you for your reply to me dated 29th November, in which you studiously avoided addressing my question about where, exactly, my ward constituents and I fit into the Scottish Government's "fairer Scotland".

To be clear about where my council ward is: it comprises all the Orkney Islands to the north of the Orkney Mainland, thirteen of which are inhabited (and not one of which is linked by a road).

I believe we need to revise the notion that the islands in my ward are served by an "internal" ferry service, somehow separate from the rest of the Scottish network. The Orkney Ferries routes are the first and last lifeline links in a chain of vital transport connexions. The services between Kirkwall and Sanday, Tingwall and Rousay, or Pierowall and Papay are no more "internal" than the services between Barra and Eriskay, Eigg and Muck, or Mull and Iona, all of which enjoy Scottish Government financial support denied to the islands of my ward.

Our ferry crews are not part of the Scottish Government's "fairer Scotland", either. You will be aware that RMT members at Orkney Ferries have balloted for industrial action. The fragile communities of my ward will suffer from such action, but I fear this will have little impact on the political games being played out at Holyrood.

Following my first letter, I had hoped you would have reconsidered your responsibilities and striven to get OIC's request for ferry funding into the draft budget. As *Minister for Transport and the Islands* you are responsible for all Scottish islands, not only those in areas that have elected members of your own political party.

Meanwhile, I am left, along with the other five Orkney councillors representing wards with islands, in the impossible position of expecting colleagues to support drastic cuts in all of Orkney's council services in order to cover the cost of merely maintaining the (as measured by the Scottish Government's own routes & services methodology) less-than-adequate lifeline transport provision our ward constituents are totally reliant upon.

In your ministerial role, what urgent action will you take to rectify this discriminatory situation, the perpetuation of which, in a civilised, democratic society, is utterly unacceptable behaviour for a party in government?

Yours sincerely,

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It would appear that Humza is still on *his* break, because I have yet to receive a response from him. On the other hand, I heard from our MSP, Liam McArthur and MP, Alistair Carmichael (to both of whom I had sent copies) within a few days.

If you have access to the Internet, the link <https://www.theyworkforyou.com/sp/?id=2017-12-06.12.0> will take you to a transcript of the *Ferry Services (Fares and Funding)* debate moved by Liam McArthur on the 6th December 2017. It makes very interesting reading and shows the breadth of support for our cause in the Scottish Parliament. The “double act”, reprimanded by the Deputy Presiding Minister, was Humza Yousaf and Derek Mackay (Scottish Cabinet Secretary for Finance & the Constitution), who were clowning around while Jamie Halcro Johnston was speaking. Such antics make me seriously question the calibre of these two government front-bench politicians, who currently wield so much power over the lives and livelihoods of all of us in the North Isles. In fact, I question whether either of them is fit for purpose!

One of the get-outs from funding our ferries the Scottish Government is consistently deploying is the idea that our inter-island ferries are “internal”, somehow separate from the rest of the Scottish ferry network. In my letter above, I suggested we need to revise this notion: “The Orkney Ferries routes are the first and last lifeline links in a chain of vital transport connexions. The services between Kirkwall and Sanday, Tingwall and Rousay, or Pierowall and Papay are no more “internal” than the services between Barra and Eriskay, Eigg and Muck, or Mull and Iona, all of which enjoy Scottish Government financial support denied to the islands of my ward.”

As those most directly affected by the ferry funding issue, I urge North Isles residents and island organisations to put additional pressure on the Scottish Government by writing their own letters to Humza Yousaf, Derek Mackay and First Minister Nicola Sturgeon.



Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson
West Manse, Sanday
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“Letter from School Place” is available for downloading at lfsp.pbworks.com

YOU KNOW YOU WANT TO

By Ellie from Newfield

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A comforter of the best.
Holding a wealth of temptations
Begs a yearning to inwardly digest.
Its contents of course are pure delight
Like a magnet drawing me in.
And my will is discovered wanting
For beyond that door lies sin.
Just playing on my weakness
Knowing my defences are poor.
Hiding behind the concealed lighting
Is the devil, of this I'm quite sure.
Oh yes! I'm a slave in my drooling,
Open that door and let me loose.
Given "free range" amongst such treasure
How could a person choose.
Self-denial has long broken down
Leaving no gap to bridge.
Just how many calories will I burn
In my daily battles with the fridge!?

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SHARING

It's just a bar of chocolate!
What's the harm in that?
Go on, be a devil,
Share it with the cat.
It's got that feel-good factor,
Ticks those boxes, yes indeed.
Put the guilt on hold,
Have a well-deserved feed.
You will feel much better,
I can tell you that!
You'll feel better still,
Just bypass the cat!

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We are currently living in the Scottish Borders, having moved from England in 2016. We are looking to make this move a permanent one and would be happy to take on a long lease.

Please feel free to get in touch with any questions via email to

kellyhooper14@yahoo.com or call 01890 249032

Bond and references available.

Many thanks

Kelly and Craig Hooper

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www.orkneybuffalo.co.uk | www.Facebook.com/OrkneyBuffalo

Email: naomi@orkneybuffalo.co.uk | Tel: 01857 616 251

Hello and happy New Year to anyone we haven't had chance to meet yet. With all the buffalo, hairy pigs and hens now settled in to Kirbuster, we've also welcomed our first calves in January, which should be an end to the calving until later in the summer!

We have a couple of special offers on this month:

'Fill the freezer' ...tell us the cuts of buffalo that you'd like, and we'll make a selection up to suit.

Spend £30 and get a selection with a minimum value of £40, spend £50 with the jumbo fill your freezer pack and get a pack with a minimum value of £75. Great chance to try a few different cuts from: sirloin, ribeye or rump steak, shoulder stew, braising steak, pot roast, shin, silverside, topside, rib roast and steak mince, sausages and burgers.

Buffalo meat is naturally tender and succulent meat, that is lower in fat and higher in nutrients than other red meats. The meat is like old-fashioned beef, a little sweeter and richer in flavour, and can be substituted for beef in any recipe.

(We will have regular supplies of water buffalo and our ruby-red Mangalitza pork throughout the year. We supply locally as well as offering mail-order and gift boxes and vouchers)

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Russell & Naomi Bremner (Dorothy, Wilbur & Martha)



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Sunday 28th January 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Mince and Haggis with clapsnot
- Chicken goujons, BBQ/Sweet chili dip and chips
- Fruit crumble and custard (cream / ice-cream)
- Lemon meringue pie (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 4th February 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Chicken in gravy, oatmeal stuffing, vegetables and potatoes
- Homemade beef burgers and chips
- Apple pie and custard (cream / ice-cream)
- Rice pudding (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 11th February 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Hunters chicken, sweetcorn and chips
- Pork loin, apple sauce, vegetables and potatoes
- Chocolate brownie (cream / ice-cream)
- Roulade (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 18th February 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Steak pie, vegetables and potatoes
- Chicken curry, rice and Naan bread
- Sticky toffee pudding (cream / ice-cream)
- Cheesecake (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 25th February 2018

- Soup of the day with homemade loaf
- Battered haddock, chips and peas
- Spaghetti bolognese and garlic bread
- Banoffee pie (cream / ice-cream)
- Gateau (cream / ice-cream)

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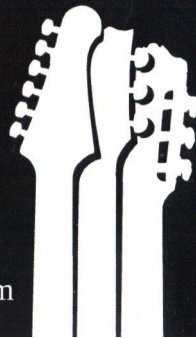
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Battered haddock +chips	£6.50
Breaded wholetail scampi + chips	£6.50
2 sausages + chips	£3.00
2 fish fingers + chips	£2.80
“Stronsay beast burger” + fries	£4.50
“Stronsay cheese beast burger + fries	£5.00
Portion of chips	£1.30
Half portion of chips	£0.80
Portion of cheesy chips	£2.10
Half portion of cheesy chips	£1.10
Portion of onion rings	£1.20

Half cheesy chips = minus 20p

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Half rice = minus 60p

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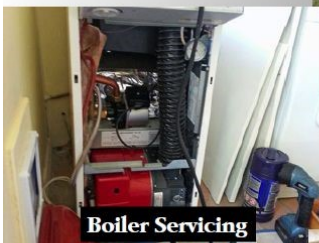
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Anthony Potts
Foot Health Professional

Qualified Foot Health Professional
MCFHP MAFHP

About Me

I qualified as a foot health professional (FHP) in 2017 studying at the SMAE Institute in Maidenhead. I am a Member of The British Association of Foot Health Professionals.

Treatments offered

Nail cutting and filing
Callus (hard skin) removed
Corns treated
Nail conditions treated
Verrucas treated
General assessment and advice on foot health
Home visits
Please telephone for an appointment

Tel: 07570531618
antpottsguitar@btinternet.com
Gesty Dishes, Stronsay, Orkney, KW17 2AJ



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LOCAL BUSINESSES

ORKNEY STAR ISLAND SOAP

www.orkneystarislansoap.co.uk.



Isles View, Stronsay, Orkney, KW17 2AG, UK

Tel: +44 01857 616281

Email: info@orkneystarislansoap.co.uk

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

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

Two new festive soaps launched at the Stronsay Winter Craft Fair on Sat 3rd December. “Aurora” – celebrating the merry dancers with a lovely Lemongrass, Sandalwood & Frankincense fragrance. “White Magic” – with the deeply sensuous, warming fragrance of Patchouli, Sandalwood & Amber.



BELLIE M DESIGNS

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

Online shop www.belliemdesigns.com

Orders also taken via Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or phone 07736838489 with email invoices that can be easily paid by card or PayPal.

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GROUPS, CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS

KIRK NEWS

Services start at 11am unless otherwise stated.
A crèche is available for children aged 9 and under

January

28 - June Freeth

February

4 - David Bowen
11 - David Bowen
18 - June Freeth
25 - June Freeth

March

4 - Mike or Viv Erdman
11 - June Freeth
18 - June Freeth
25 - David Bowen

Kirk's website = <http://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/stronsaykirk>
Kirk's page on Facebook = <https://tinyurl.com/stronsaykirk>



STRONSAY STITCHERS

Please note change from usual day

Wed 31st January in the Church Hall from 7.00pm to 9.30pm
£2/person, refreshments available
(Next month: Thursday 22nd February)

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Stronsay Bookworms



**... will be meeting again on
Wednesday Feb 21st @ 7.30pm**

at the Stronsay Hotel

We will be talking about

‘Stone Cold’ by

Robert Swindells

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

Everybody welcome.

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KIRKWALL MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS TO STRONSAY

Dates of mobile library van visits to Stronsay in 2018

Monday 5th March
Monday 30th April
Tuesday 26th June
Tuesday 21st August
Monday 15th October
Monday 10th December

Winter

- Council Houses 8.45 - 9.45
- School 10 - 12
- Kirk 12.30 - 3
- Fish mart 3.15 - 4.45

Summer/Refit

- Council Houses 9 - 10
- School 10.15 - 12
- Kirk 12.30 - 3
- Fish mart 3.15 - 5.30

For full details visit the library's website

<http://www.orkneylibrary.org.uk>

STRONSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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

Special event coming up? Why not hire the disco equipment with rotating glitter globe and pulsating coloured lights for only £5 plus room and hydro charge? A DJ from the Hall list must be used.

Also available for hire: badminton, table tennis and pool all at £3 per hour plus hydro. All equipment provided.

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

For details and booking contact Colin on 616446.

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STRONSAY SWIMMING POOL TIMETABLE

Updated July 2016

Monday

Public session 6.30-7.10

Adult lane 7.10-7.50

Thursday

7-7.40 Private Hire (pre-booked)

7.40-8.20 Private Hire (available for booking)

Saturday

Private hire 2-2.40

Public session 2.40-3.20

Swim club

Wednesday Beginners and developers 3.30-4.10

Thursday A and B squad 3.30-4.30

To enquire about Private Hires, phone Elsie on 616238.

To enquire about Swim Club, phone Sarah on 616406 or Andy 616277

POOL CHARGES

Public Sessions

Adults (16 and over) £2.40

Children £1.20

Private Hires

40 minute session - £15

60 minute session - £20

Swim Club

Children will be offered 10 week blocks which can be paid up front (non-refundable)

40 minute sessions - £16 block booking; £2 per session

60 minute sessions - £20 block booking; £2.50 per session

Men only and Women only Sessions (16 and over)

Block booking of 10 sessions over a 12 week period (non-refundable)

£24 block booking

£3 per session

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STRONSAY MEDICAL PRACTICE

Open surgeries—No appointment needed

Monday to Friday 9:30—10:30
(Excluding Thursday)

Surgeries by appointment

Monday & Friday 3:30—4:30
Wednesday from 2pm
Tuesday 2:00—2:30

Ordering repeat prescriptions

Phone 616321

Email ork-hb.gp38099-stronsay@nhs.net

Please will patients now order prescriptions at least 8-10 days before they are needed. This will reduce frustration when items have not been delivered from the mainland.

Collecting prescriptions

Please will patients collect their ordered prescription 10:30-11:30am or 2-4pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday. This avoids the busiest time when the prescription boxes are being unpacked.

Thursday service

Katrina is now going to Eday regularly to help with administrative work there. The phones will be diverted to Balfour switchboard in the morning until Katrina arrives at Eday surgery where she will be able to take calls. On leaving Eday the phone is diverted again to Balfour.

**In an emergency always phone 616321:
if the call is taken by Balfour Switchboard, ask them to page the Stronsay GP**

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USEFUL INFORMATION

POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES, etc

Monday to Saturday	8:30am—5:00pm
Sunday	Closed
Post collection times	07:30, Monday to Saturday
Bank day	Tuesday
Island Link Officer..	Fishmart office 10 to 12 on Tue, Thu & Sat (phone 616475)
Sunday service at the Kirk ..	11 am (see https://tinyurl.com/ybbqoq23)
Our Lady's chapel, pier head	Mass 11.20am (weekdays), 10.30am (Sundays & Holy Days)
Next Special Collection	26 February 2018
Rubbish collection	Tuesday (bags out ready by 9am)

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

Airy Fairy	616231	Stranded seals, etc	616339/616206
Castle Bird Reserve	616363	Balfour hospital	01856 888000
Craftship Enterprise	616249	Electricity	
Doctor	616321	problems	0800 300 999
Ebenezer stores	616339	emergency	105
Fish Mart	616401	Water problems	0845 601 8855
Hall bookings	616446	Highland Fuels	0800 224 224
Island Link Officer	616475	Kirkwall Library	01856 873166
Medical emergency	01856 888000	Kirkwall Police	101
Neil's on Wheels	616454	Vets:	
Nurses	616480	Flett & Carmichael .	01856 872859
Olivebank	616255	Northvet	01856 873403
Post Office	616499	Dentists:	
Registrar	616239	Orkney Dental	01856 872030
Star Island Soap	616281	King Street	01856 875348
Stronsay Hotel	616213	Deyanov Dental	01856 877118
Taxi	616335	Golgotha monastery.	616210
		(Email contact@the-sons.org)	

JIM HOLLAND HAULAGE—DELIVERIES

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

HOW TO CONTACT THE [LIMPET](mailto:editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk)

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



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