

STRONSAY LIMPET

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ST MAGNUS MARATHON 1st JULY

On Sunday 1st July, Andy will be running the St Magnus marathon (Kirkwall to Birsay) for Macmillan Orkney. Sponsor forms are in the shops and there is a Just Giving page https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/andy-whiteman for those who would prefer to donate in this way.

Thank you in advance to anyone who is able to support him in running for this very worthwhile cause.

Andy and Shirley Whiteman.

STRONSAY'S MACMILLAN SPRING WALK 2018

Total for Stronsay's Macmillan Spring Walk was £1,780 - many thanks to everyone who helped in any way!

Sheena Cooper

HOTEL QUIZ NIGHT 23 JUNE

Quiz night at the hotel raised a total of £190.00 for Macmillan. A grand night was had with thanks to the Quiz master, Dominic and his glamorous assistant Donna. A Ploughmans at half time fed the little grey cells and a win via a tie break was had by St Johns. All in all a good time, looking forward to the next one!!

STRONSAY'S MASSIVE WEEKEND 18/19 AUGUST

See poster in this edition

HOW TO CONTACT THE LIMPET

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

The next edition of the <u>Limpet</u> will be published on <u>Thu 26 July</u>. Items for inclusion in that edition should be submitted by 7pm on <u>Sun 22 July</u> Contact details are on the back page. The Limpet's website address is http://www.stronsaylimpet.co.uk



Annual General Meeting

Friday 20th July

7.30pm

Stronsay Community Centre

Everyone Welcome!

Members will receive formal notification along with relevant nomination and proxy forms in the post. All those wishing to become a member please fill in the following form and drop it to the address below.







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Election of Directors

The Stronsay Development Trust is a community-based organization formed in August 2004. The Trust is charged with promoting the sustainability of our community by gathering ideas from the residents, identifying projects, and turning these into fully- realized community assets.

If you feel passionately about your Island, feel you can offer something back to the community then why not stand for election as a director and work towards a sustainable future for Stronsay.

Directors will be elected at the Annual General Meeting on 20th July 2018.

All Directors are volunteers and must be a full member of the Trust, if you are not already a member, please complete a membership application form first.

Director Nomination forms will need to be completed and returned no later than **Thursday 12**th **July**.







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Nomination for the appointment of a Director/Trustee

At the Trust's AGM on 20th July 2018, members will be invited to vote for nominees for vacancies on the Board, and for those standing for re-election. Should you wish to nominate yourself or a fellow member, please complete the following details:

I	(member) hereby nominate
	(myself or nominee)
for appointment as a Direct	tor/Trustee of the Stronsay Development Trust.
Signature (member)	
Date	••••••
Organisation represented b	y nominee (if <u>any)</u>
This form must be returned	i to the following address by Thursday 12th July:
Stronsay Development Trus Unit 1, Wood's Yard	st
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A full list of nominations will be published on the island before the AGM.







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Application for Full Membership

I wish to apply for full membership of the Stronsay Development Trust and can confirm:

- I am resident within the community (defined by the Stronsay Community Council area) and I am aged 18 or over
- I am entitled to vote at a local government election in a polling district that includes this community
- I support the aims and activities of the Stronsay Development Trust.

I understand that membership is free and that I will undertake to pay a maximum of £1 if requested on the winding up of the company.

I consent to my personal details being kept by the Trust, and understand that the Trust will not pass these to a third party, unless it seeks my specific permission.

Full Name:
Address (including postcode):
Email address:
Tel No:
Date:
Signature:







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Competition Time!!

The Development Trust Office located at Woods Yard is in need of your skills. We are surrounded by beautiful scenery outside but inside our walls are bare.

The Trust would like to fill the walls of the office with the talents of its community, therefore we are asking for submissions of a number of pieces to be placed on display at the upcoming AGM and voted on by the community and a selected judging panel.

The winning pieces will then be put on permanent display in our office with a custom plaque for each piece highlighting the creator's details.

We will be looking for a number of pieces in various sizes, and can include but not limited to photographs, paintings and textiles. Items can depict Stronsay Past, Present and future, highlight local craft and can only be limited by your imagination.

Further Prizes to be announced!! Deadline for submissions Wednesday 18th July at Woods Yard.

Please feel free to contact Anna Bliss-Davis for further details on 01857 616410 or email cdostronsay@gmail.com







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Broadband Services

Discussions have been underway with Trading standards with regards the Broadband service here on Stronsay, they have indicated it would benefit them to have more information from multiple sources in order for any action to be carried out.

We invite members of the community that may be dissatisfied with their Broadband services to complete the attached reply slip and drop it into the Development Trust office at Woods Yard, Whitehall, KW17 2AR.

Your personal data will be treated as strictly confidential and will be shared only with Trading Standa as part of an overall report. We will only share your data with third parties outside of the organizat with your consent.		
As a member of the Stronsay Community services and give permission for my det Broadband report.		
Name	Date	
Signature	_	
Preferred Contact		
Broadband Provider	Average Download Speed if known	
Any Further Comments		

The North Isles Sports 2018 Stronsay report

The North Isles Sports took place on the 16th June 2018. We started off with the team draws at 10:30 AM. After that at 10:45 soup and sandwiches took place in the school hall and the cooks worked very hard. Then at 11:30 the sports started. It was a very entertaining start. Someone from radio Orkney interviewed a Stronsay competitor named Aimee Alison Carr.

At 3:00 the team events started and everyone did very well. Soon it was the fabulous tug 'o' war and Stronsay WON!!!!!!!!!!

Then it was presentation time, Stronsay won two shields, one went to the tug 'o' war gang and the second Elaine Harcus for the best Stronsay competitor! The overall winner was Westray. Second came Sanday, then Stronsay, then Papay. The boat was about to leave so Westray, Sanday and Papay had to leave.

In the evening there was a dance to celebrate 'The North Isles Sports.' Everyone was so happy and proud!

The End By Millie Hannah Dennison And Melvin Phillip Holland







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Photographs courtesy of Roger Neville-Smith

THE WIZARD OF OZ

The nursery and primary pupils and the staff of Stronsay school recently put on a production of "The Wizard of Oz". They have been working very hard on it for over four months as their primary class project. The show took place on Saturday 2nd of June 2018 at 6 pm in the school hall. Over one hundred people were present in the audience.

Way back in January the primary pupils all watched the film version of Wizard of Oz, and they loved it. After that they all read through the script which helped them all to decide which parts they would like. All of the pupils auditioned for at least two parts. The teachers watched the audition tapes and allocated roles.

After that they repeatedly rehearsed their lines and they practised getting into character. They also practised the songs and chose the lines where the characters sang their solos. Meanwhile Gaynor, Barbara and Mrs Evans started making costumes and props. The cast and teachers worked on improving the script. The three new pupils that arrived (The Dailys) were given roles at the last minute. They worked very hard, doing a perfect job!

Lots of staff and visitors helped put the show together and to make it happen. As the day got nearer the pupils put together three long to do lists. Some people set up the stage, painted the scenery and made some final touches to costumes and props. Soon it was the dress rehearsal which the secondaries and teachers seemed to enjoy. The next day it was the real performance which some people found nerve-racking but most found exciting. After all the hard work, everyone felt proud and a sense of achievement. The show was very well received. Thanks to everyone for coming to support the show and SOS. It has created many lasting memories!!

One of the funny moments was when the Wicked Witch of the West (Lilly) threw her burning torch at the Scarecrow (Melvin) but it accidentally landed in Dorothy's basket. The second funny moment was when the witch wailed, "I'm still melting!" as she was waiting for the music to stop! Another little mistake which was amusing was when Dorothy (Millie) went to oil the Tin Man (Sam) but could not find the can so decided to mime. Lion (Wilbur) came to the rescue with the real prop! Also, in the dress rehearsal, Lion had a bit of a bad mane day and threw it off stage.

By P4-7 pupils

(Photographs by Roger Neville-Smith on next few pages)







































SEA LEVELS

Sometime in September, SEPA (Scottish Environment Protection Agency) will be visiting Stronsay to hold a meeting and give details of potential flood alerts. Having some experience now of paleo-climatology (ancient climate modelling) and the rapid changes now taking place one of the effects of which is a sea level rise of nearly a foot since 1990; 12 successive years of progressively higher global temperatures; and the rapid spread of desert areas, etc., I have had growing concerns for a number of years that some properties on the sea front in Whitehall could soon be in danger of flooding due to a combination of high or Spring tides, strong winds and tidal surges. I, Stephen Clackson (OIC councillor, West Manse, Westray) and SEPA it turns out are all "on the same page". The science defies scepticism or an ostrich-like burying of heads. Without the provision of coastal defences as a matter of urgency, I for one will be compelled to move off Stronsay within a couple of years or so. But this is not about me; it affects many and not just here. The polar and sub-polar ice is melting at an increased rate as global temperatures rise. I have had no time to consider this further but in time for next month's issue there will be a comprehensive analysis which I shall hand to your editor, Bruce Fletcher, in good time.

Regards,

Robin James, 9 Whitehall, phone 07799 545988

THE PUPPET DAY

We are telling you about the puppeteer visit that happened on the 4th of June 2018.

At the beginning of the school day the S1-S4 did some creative storytelling. 5 minutes after they finished the upper primary learnt how to use the puppets; they also met the naughty but very funny puppet. The upper primary used the puppets to perform the story of Inaf, the first time without an audience.

After break they practised a story called Omumbo Rombongo which was a story about a tortoise that has a dream about a tree with all the fruit in the world on it. They let the crowd join in with songs.

After lunch the lower primaries came and performed Farmer Brown which was about a farmer who was growing things for his party and the animals kept stealing them.

After that it was time when everyone performed their plays.

Because we had some spare time we did a play called Superden. It was about a village that was invaded by a dragon. The dragon said that he would not burn down the village if they chucked him a little girl to eat every day so they did. But Superden got fed up and killed the dragon.

By Dan and Lilly



























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OPEN FARM DAY AND CORNER HOUSE CONCERT

Sunday 10th June was a fun-packed day in Stronsay. Throughout most of the day there was a steady flow of visitors to Kirbuster Farm Open Day. It was great seeing the donkeys, hairy piglets, goats, dogs, buffalo and a cute kitten that I would have taken home in an instant if I could have. The mouth-watering smell of BBQ buff-burgers drew the crowds to the big byre where Naomi and helpers were cooking up a storm and we were entertained there by the younger folk singing and playing a tune or two. A lot of painting was going on, both on faces and stones. It now seems that quite a lot of these colourful stones have been distributed all over the island for folk to find. I spotted a lady-bird stone in the village! Stronsay crafters were there too with some of their lovely products for sale and our local spinners showed how to twirl fleece into yarn. Thank you Naomi and Russell for a great day and wouldn't it be grand if we could have another Open Farm day next year – no pressure then!

In the evening the Hall opened its doors for a concert by the fabulous Corner House band. Stronsay's Silver Darlings started off with a couple of tunes and then we were entertained by the very talented trio Louise Ethan and Ethan, playing their own unique take on Orcadian and Apalachian traditional styles in new and exciting arrangements. They seemed to thoroughly enjoy their stay in Stronsay - so much so, that instead of heading back on the morning boat, they stayed and went exploring until the evening ferry. Many thanks to the Stronsay Community Association who organized the concert and provided a wonderful supper, also to Gaynor for her invaluable support. The Concert was sponsored jointly by Stronsay Community Association, Stronsay Development Trust and Stronsay's Silver Darlings.

Simone

Photo by Roger Neville-Smith and Iain Johnston.





NORTHVET COURSES ON STRONSAY IN 2019

By Carrie Stout

I have been told there is a very high possibility of getting Northvet out again at the beginning of next year to do some more courses for folk. The following courses would be available to do in Stronsay. If you would like your name provisionally down for any of them, please let me know ASAP as spaces are limited and also a rough indication of when in the year it would be more suitable for you.

- Calving (full day)
- Care of newborn calf (1/2 day)
- Cattle mobility & foot trimming (full day)
- Understanding minerals, trace elements & supplements (1/2 day)
- Common ailments of backyard poultry (1/2 day)

Ideally we would look at combining ½ day courses to fill the day but can still be open for people to attend either morning or afternoon course.

#Stronsaystones

You may have spied some colourful, painted stones around Stronsay. They're a little bit of fun, and some treasure for the kids (and big kids) to hunt over the summer holidays. There are lots of places taking part in similar stone-painting fun, indeed some of the Stronsay stones have already gone on holiday to Sanday after the North Isles Sports!!

How it works:

If you are on social media, you can follow #stronsaystones on Facebook and Instagram.



1/ Decorate a stone and write #stronsaystones on the back

- 2/ Post a photo of the stone on Facebook / Instagram, letting folk know it will be hidden and to show off your artistry!!
- 3/ Hide the stone, somewhere not too obvious.
- 4/ When you find a stone, take a photo and re-hide the stone elsewhere on Stronsay.

STEPHEN CLACKSON'S LETTER FROM SCHOOL PLACE

Keeping you in touch with what your councillor is doing for you at OIC and beyond

On the 30th May the *Islands (Scotland) Bill* was passed unanimously in the Scottish Parliament, which, when it receives Royal Assent, will become the *Islands (Scotland) Act 2018*. This is the crowning achievement of the *Our Islands Our Future* project initiated by former OIC Convener Dr Steven Heddle and the Constitutional Reform Working Group, of which I was a member. The Act is "to make provision for a national islands plan; to impose duties in relation to island communities on certain public authorities; to make provision about the electoral representation of island communities; and to establish a licensing scheme in respect of marine development adjacent to islands". Scottish Ministers will have a duty to consult island communities before making any material change to a policy, strategy or service likely to have an effect on an island community which is significantly different from its effect on other communities. This is the so-called "island proofing" concept.

We now need a corresponding culture change at OIC for "proofing" our own islands. Encouragingly, in the *Non-linked Isles Locality Plan 2018-2021* drawn up by The Orkney Partnership, one of the aimed-for outcomes (informed by the *Your Island Your Choice* survey) is that "'Isles-proofing' is applied to all new local policy developed by the Council ...".

At the meeting of our Policy & Resources Committee, the OIC Chief Executive agreed to consider a formal process for doing this. The OIC Leader said that "when we are looking for a thousand extra jobs" in Orkney through an "islands deal", "we also need to bear that in mind that we are looking for extra jobs, new jobs to go to our islands." I shall be keeping watch!

At the same meeting, the good news was reported that OIC has been invited to join the HYSEAS III project consortium and thereby get a free, hydrogen-fuelled ferry to be trialled on the Kirkwall-Shapinsay route. A more contentious issue was that of the provision of free school meals for all pre-school and nursery children. I have difficulty with Government Scotland coming up with schemes and then failing to fund them properly. Personally, I would prefer the money they are making available for their "flagship" *Early Learning & Childcare* to be given directly to parents to spend at their discretion, either to support a parent to stay at home and bring up their children themselves in the traditional way, or to be spent on childcare to permit both parents to go to work. In fact, the whole *Early Learning & Childcare* and associated *Named Person Scheme* reminds me uncomfortably of how things were done in some Eastern European countries back in the communist days, when children had to be brought up in the party dogma: "Give me a child until he is seven, and I will give you the man."

NB: All children entitled to free school meals and P1 to P3 pupils will continue to have their school lunches paid for by OIC.

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After the meeting of the Orkney College Management Council, members were treated to a tour of the new premises of the Institute for Northern Studies at Scott's House in Hatston (see photograph below). The building might not look much from the outside, but its large windows give a splendid panoramic view of the town across Kirkwall Bay, which compares very favourably with the famous view across the Sound of Sleat from that other UHI institution, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig on Skye.

We all live close to the sea and frequently travel across it, so it is critical that all children in Orkney should learn to swim. Therefore, at the meeting of the Education, Leisure & Housing Committee, I tabled an amendment to reverse a proposal from the Pickaquoy Centre Trust to remove the 50% discount for children's swimming lessons enjoyed by holders of the ActiveLife card. Regrettably, my amendment failed, 8 votes to 3.

Other meetings I've attended in Kirkwall this month include those of the Monitoring & Audit Committee, Orkney Health & Care Committee, the Board of Orkney Ferries, and my first meeting as an OIC member of the Council of the Society of the Friends of St Magnus Cathedral. I was also at the Community Council Conference and was pleased to see all eight of the North Isles community councils represented. (Unfortunately, the conference clashed with the official opening of the Kalisgarth Community Garden, so sadly I had to turn down an invitation to come to Westray for that.) Community Council Conferences are going to become a regular event, the next one being planned for the 2nd October.

Beyond Orkney, I travelled to Thurso for a meeting of the Dounreay Stakeholder Group. It is here that I learned of the proposed vertical launch facility near Tongue for sending small commercial satellites into space. I wonder if there is scope for Orkney to be involved in such a project, for example by hosting a satellite tracking station in the North Isles.

Out in the Isles, I went to a meeting of the Sanday School Parent Council (where it was reassuring to hear that inspectors had rated the nursery "very good" for the quality of its management & leadership), and meetings of both Westray's and Shapinsay's community councils. It was unfortunate that I had to miss the North Isles Sports in Stronsay, particularly as my younger daughter was competing in the 100m, 200m, 400m (which she won), high jump, long jump, relay and netball.

I shall be coming to Eday for their community council's meeting on the 27th June, then there is only the General Meeting of the full council to come before our summer recess. As an Isles councillor who actually lives in the Isles, I have to do a lot of travelling and spend many nights away from home in order to carry out my council duties, so I am looking forward to the recess for time to catch up on all those tasks I've had to neglect in the meantime.

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson

West Manse, Sanday

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Letter from School Place can be downloaded from Ifsp.pbworks.com

MORE ON THE "NELLIE" DISASTER

In last month's Limpet there was an article about the "Nellie" disaster. Here is a followup letter and some photographs from Bill Miller.

In 2010 I wrote an article about the Nellie disaster, in which the owner, James Bracewell and his crew were lost on Grice Ness, Stronsay in a violent storm.

As a result of this, I was contacted by a lady whose uncle, William Henry Forrest, and his son, Stanley Forrest, had been two of the unfortunate crew members who had perished on that night. She supplied me with photographs of both men which I will attach here.

I also came across several verses of poetry which had been written about Bracewell's salvage workers, who had spent some time working on the Wanja out of Sanday. I do not know who the author was, but it was obviously someone with a sense of humour who knew the men personally, and was having a bit of fun with them.

In early May, this year, I met up with Dereck and Avril Souter from New Zealand, who, having read my article in the Limpet, had decided to visit Orkney to find out what they could about the Nellie disaster, James Bracewell being Avril's Great Uncle.

I spent a delightful afternoon with them In Kirkwall and supplied them with all the information and photographs I had relating to the disaster. They in turn supplied me with photographs of Mr Bracewell, and gave me an insight into his life as a salvage operator around Scarfskerry in Caithness, in the North of Scotland, where Avril's mother used to go and spend school holidays with her uncle James. Photos of Mr Bracewell attached, along with a photo of Stronsay woman, Jessie Fiddler, to whom he was engaged at the time of his death.

Dereck and Avril spent a day on Stronsay where they were shown around by Julie Andrews, and were delighted with the reception they received from everyone they encountered. They were particularly pleased to have been able to see the area where the Nellie was lost, and were delighted to have met Nana Peace, who was able to tell them all about the circumstances surrounding the loss of the Nellie, and the fact that her father, my Grandfather, Willie Rendall, late of Clayquoy, would have been the last person to see the Nellie as she passed Burgh Head that fateful night, shortly before being smashed to pieces on the rocks. They were also very interested to hear from Nana about her finding a wooden, circular breadboard at the Housebay beach, which had the names of all the Nellie's crew written on it in pencil. We wonder why! Were they fearing the worst and decided to throw this overboard to give people a clue as to where they might be found in the event of a calamity befalling them. Housebay is well South of where the Nellie sank and where the bodies were later found, so the mystery of the breadboard must remain a mystery.

I hope this little update is of interest to your readers.

Bill Miller, Kirkwall.

THE WANJA SALVAGE CREW

THERE LIVES UPON THE WANJA I'M SURE YOU'LL ALL AGREE A VERY SCRUFFY LOT OF MEN THE SALVAGE COMPANY.

THE BOSS OF ALL IS BRACEWELL
HE'S GENERALLY ALL GREASE
DID YOU KNOW HE BURST THE BUTTONS
OF HIS BRAND NEW DUNGAREES.

THEN EVERYONE KNOWS STUDHOLME HE'S BLACK FROM HEAD TO HEELS AND SINCE HE CAME FROM SANDAY HE'S NICKNAMED "WAGGON WHEELS".

THEN THERE'S THE FORREST FAMILY OLD BILL, THEY ALL DO FEAR HE CROONS JUST LIKE BING CROSBY AND LIKES HIS PINT OF BEER.

YOUNG BILL IS SAFELY TIED UP TO A BLACKBURN PIECE OF SKIRT HE IS NOT LIKE HIS BROTHER WHO IS AN AWFUL FURT.

THE YOUNGEST SON IS STANLEY HE'S VERY LIKE HIS DAD HE'S VERY NICE TO SPEAK TO BUT A DEVIL WHEN HE'S MAD. AND THEN THERE'S HARRY FRANCIS
THE BABY OF THE CREW
HE SWEARS A LOT FOR POOR OLD COOK
AND HIS "BLUE PENCIL" STEW.

THEN THERE IS TIMID JIMMY
I THINK WE'LL NEED TO TAME HIM
HE WON'T COME OFF THE SHIP ATALL
AND I CAN HARDLY BLAME HIM.

AND THEN THERE'S JIMMY SUTHERLAND
HIS HAIR IS RED IN HUE
HE'S A POOR UNLUCKY BEGGAR
HIS EYES ARE BLACK AND BLUE.

NEXT THERE'S JOHNNIE THOMSON HE'S VERY GOOD AT DARTS AND SOMETIMES ON THE WANJA RE-ECHOES WITH HIS —"SWEET VIOLETS"

THE COOK, HE MAKES HIS STEWS AND CAKES WITH ALL HIS MIGHT AND MAIN AND WHAT IS O'ER, HE TAKES ASHORE AND GIVES TO MARY JANE.

IN SPITE OF ALL THEIR SCRUFFY WAYS AND THEIR FLIVVERS MIGHTY DIN GOD BLESS THE WANJA SALVAGE CREW FOR WE LOVE THEM ALL LIKE SIN.



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THINK KILTS THINK KEITH

Where creative minds meet



Creative Textiles Competition

1st May - 31st August

To celebrate 13 years of the Keith Kilt and Textile Centre

(formerly the Keith Kilt School), we are launching a "Creative Textile Competition"

to highlight the weavers in Scotland and to be proud of our Scottish Heritage!

Here are our fantastic sponsors, and the prizes that they're offering!

Johnston's of Elgin - Two metres of cashmere
House of Edgar - A kilt length of Tartan
Lochcarron of Scotland - Kilt length of Tweed
The Machine Shop, Fochabers - £100.00 voucher
KKTC - £100.00 voucher towards one of our courses
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River Isla Design - Designer Clutch in Tweed or Tartan

Wm & A.M Robb Ltd Glasgow - £50.00 Voucher for haberdashery Knock News - Free quarter page advert

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PURR-FECT

By Ellie from Newfield

We are soulmates Of that there is no doubt, Two of a kind you would say, Isn't that what life's about? Not always perfect So often out of tune Yet singing from the same sheet Under the same moon. Rubbing along together The direction clear as day. Steering a straight course There is no other way. Together-ness and forever-ness Even unto the end. Not only a soulmate But a very precious friend. Fate brought us together Pre-destined from the start For the moment we two met We shared the same heart. And hasn't it always been That they endear themselves to you? The Queen of Sheba they tell me Was loved by quite a few. Inseparable are we My wonderful, faithful cat Who as I write these words By my side she is sat. No cat was ever so faithful No queen rewarded so well as that And I must count my blessings, I who was owned by this cat.

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SALES, WANTS, GREETINGS, THANKS

STRONSAY'S MACMILLAN SPRING WALK 2018

Total for Stronsay's Macmillan Spring Walk is £1,780 - many thanks to everyone who helped in any way!

Sheena Cooper

CHURCH SALE 31 MAY - THANK YOU

A huge and heartfelt thank you to all who donated goods and prizes for the Church sale on Thursday 31 May, to all who came along and supported our fund-raising so well and to Roger and Viv for such a huge and healthy looking array of plants for sale.

This event raised an amazing total of £715 toward Church funds so thanks once again one and all.

THANK YOU

Thank you for all the kind offers of help with shopping etc whilst Claremont was "in quarantine".

Bruce Fletcher

ARE YOU PLANNING AN EVENT? PLEASE CHECK THE STRONSAY DIARY

If you are planning an event please check the diary of events on Stronsay (which can be found at http://visitstronsay.com/events) to ensure that your planned event won't clash with something already announced; it will also enable other organisers to avoid clashing with your event..

If you want your event to appear in the diary please contact the editor of the Limpet editor@stronsaylimpet.co.uk with details - what is it, where is it being held and, most important, the date and time.

Local sales, wants, etc are free!

The cutoff date for adverts to be included in the next edition of the *Limpet* is on the front page Contact details for the *Limpet* are on the back page

SALES, WANTS, GREETINGS, THANKS

LOOKING FOR A ONE BED SELF-CONTAINED PROPERTY TO RENT ON STRONSAY

I am Scottish and a retired teacher currently living in Poland. I plan this projected move to Stronsay to be permanent and would be interested in a long-term lease.

From any time during the second half of this year.

Feel free to contact me by email with any questions: adouglas@post.com

Many thanks, Andrew Douglas

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

BAYVIEW, WHITEHALL

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

We're not looking to leave the Stronsay, it's just time to find something smaller. Please contact Dave or Jill on 616308

BAYVIEW UPDATE (1 June 2018)

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

WANTED

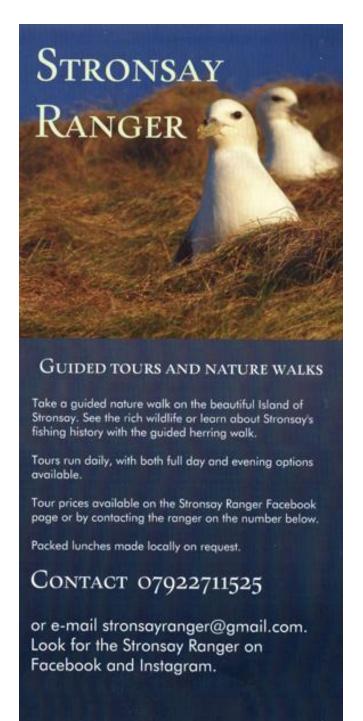
3 or 4 bed property for long term rent on Stronsay.

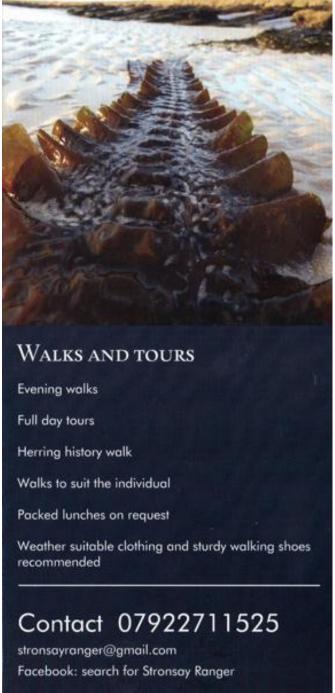
We are a family of 5 (parents and 3 boys) with one well behaved dog. We are looking to relocate to Stronsay anytime from August 2018. We have experience in various sectors, but the majority of our experience is in event management and marketing and we have a lot of ideas that, we feel, could help to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

Bond and references available. Many thanks Kelly and Craig Hooper

Local sales, wants, etc are free!

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Orkney Buffalo

Kirbuster, Stronsay

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

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

Sunday the 10th June saw our first Open Farm Sunday on Stronsay. We were blessed with a lovely day, and hope everyone that came along had an enjoyable time at Kirbuster meeting our animals and seeing the fine range of crafts and other displays.



Many thanks for all those that helped us with the day, the craft trail folk for bringing their treasures and demonstrations, Mike and Gaynor and all the youngsters for the fantastic tunes, Vicky

and the boys for the stone work (2), Leah and friends for the face-painting, Roger for some cracking photos of the day (we always forget to take any!) and Erynn, burger flipper extraordinaire!

(Hope we haven't forgotten anybody!)



Fresh supplies of buffalo meat available. Pick n' Mix still on offer if you'd like to try a few bits and pieces at a great value price (compared to individual pack prices) - choose any 4 items for £20, 6 items for £30 or 10 for £40



dozen buffalo sausages
600g piece of brisket
800g silverside roast* counts as 2 items
1kg silverside roast* counts as 3 items

1.5kg silverside roast counts as 4 items

2 rib-eye steaks* counts as 2 items
2 sirloin steaks* counts as 2 items
4 x 5oz buffalo steak burger
2 x packs of ready-to-eat slow-roasted silverside

For more info just give us a bell, msg on Facebook or pop past Kirbuster. Fresh free range eggs available at the farm, in the porch!

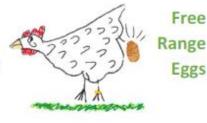
Russell & Naomi Bremner











3 x ready-to-bake or ready-to-eat hand-made pies

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Small removals, man with a van service, light haulage and goods transportation in Orkney and Scotland



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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.



STRONSAY FISH MART

Phone 616401

Open 6 days a week from 11am to 3pm (closed Thursdays)

Sunday 1st July 2018

- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Lasagne, chips and garlic bread
- Stuffed chicken wrapped in bacon, vegetables and potatoes
- Banoffee pie (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 8th July 2018

- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Roast beef, Yorkshire puddings, vegetables and potatoes
- Macaroni cheese, chips and garlic bread
- Fruit crumble (cream / ice-cream)
- Ice-cream and fudge sauce

Sunday 15th July 2018

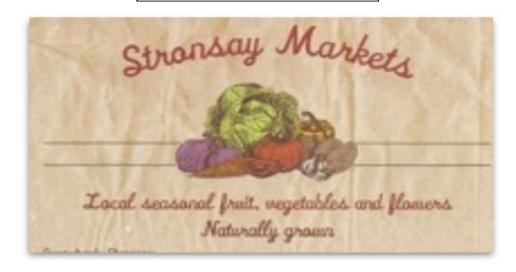
- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Steak pie, vegetables and potatoes
- Quiche, chips and salad
- Cheesecake (cream / ice-cream)
- Pear sponge and chocolate custard (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 22nd July 2018

- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Battered haddock, chips and peas
- Chicken curry, rice and Naan bread
- Gateau (cream / ice-cream)
- Trifle (cream / ice-cream)

Sunday 29th July 2018

- Soup of the day and homemade loaf
- Sweet and sour chicken, egg fried rice and prawn crackers
- Beef olives, vegetables and potatoes
- Tiramisu (cream / ice-cream)
- Apple pie and custard (cream / ice-cream)



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

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

I will supply a list each week with availability
Please look at my Face book page "Stronsay Markets" or
send me an email "stronsaymarkets@gmail.com and I will put you
on my mailing list





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- Bathroom supply
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Call Patrick on **07933 488283**

Email: patrickmcgrathltd@gmail.com



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Website: www.oldmansebandbkildary.co.uk

STRONSAY HOTEL

Phone 01857 616213

Six days a week (Tuesday - Sunday) 5pm to 9pm

NOTE—closed Monday

TAKE AWAY MENU

Homemade lasagne + chips	£5.95
Homemade chicken curry + rice or chips	£5.95
Homemade chicken & bacon pie + chips	£6.50
Breaded haddock + chips	£5.50
Battered haddock +chips	£6.50
Breaded wholetail scampi + chips	£6.50
2 sausages + chips	£3.00
2 fish fingers + chips	£2.80
"Stronsay beast burger" + fries	£4.50
"Stronsay cheese beast burger + fries	£5.00
Portion of chips	£1.30
Half portion of chips	£0.80
Portion of cheesey chips	£2.10
Half portion of cheesey chips	£1.10
Portion of onion rings	£1.20
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Half cheesey chips = minus 20p Cheesey chips = add 80p Half chips = minus 60p Half rice = minus 60p



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- All mechanical work undertaken.
- Tyres
- ECU/ABS/airbag diagnostic testing
- Welding specialist
- MOT prep work
- Home start
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Local business adverts are free!

LOCAL BUSINESSES

Orkney Star Island Soap & Textiles

Traditional hand crafted soaps, balms, bath fizzies and hand spun yarns, woven throws, wall-hangings



Craft Trail: Isles View, Stronsay, Orkney
Tel: +44 01857 616 281

Email: info@orkneystarislandsoap.co.uk

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

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



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Tieve Studios, Berryhill Road, St Ola, Orkney KW15 1SF. Online shop <u>www/belliemdesigns.com</u>

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

LOCAL BUSINESSES

HAIRDRESSER ON STRONSAY

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

Computer, tablet or phone misbehaving or running slowly?

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

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

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

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

Want to extend your home network coverage?

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

£6 an hour.

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

Stronsay Junior High School Kitchen Assistant

17.5 hours per week (Monday to Friday 10.30 - 2.30, Term Time only position) Permanent £18,511 pro rata (including Distant Islands Allowance)

We require an enthusiastic kitchen assistant who can help to provide the meals service at Stronsay Junior High School. Duties include serving meals, basic food preparation, operating the till, setting up and clearing down the dining area, washing up and cleaning.

You must hold an Elementary Food Hygiene Qualification or equivalent.

This post is subject to membership of the Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) Scheme in respect of regulated work with children.

For an informal discussion about the post, please contact Anne Harrison, Catering Manager on (01856) 879238.

Closing Date: Sunday 22 July 2018

Full details on this link:

https://www.myjobscotland.gov.uk/councils/orkney-islands-council/jobs/kitchen-assistant-122455



JULY SPINNERS

Saturday 14th July, Church Hall, 11am-2.30pm, £2/person, refreshments available, please bring your own lunch.

JULY STITCHERS

Thursday 26th July, Church Hall, 7pm-9.30pm, £2/person, refreshments available.

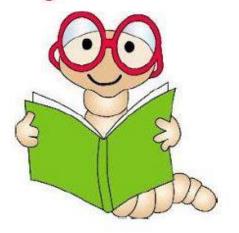


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Stronsay Bookworms



... will be meeting again on

Wednesday August 22nd @ 7.30pm

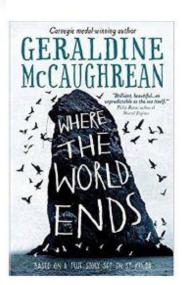
at the Stronsay Hotel

We will be talking about

Where The World Ends

by Geraldine McCaughrean

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



Everybody welcome.

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STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Ian Cooper Vice Chair: Shirley Whiteman

SAFETY WORK PLANNED FOR KIRKYARDS

The Orkney Islands Council Democratic Services Manager has advised that work on headstones found to be in an unsafe condition is about to begin at kirkyards in Orkney. Orkney Islands Council announced recently that in common with local authorities across the country, it is carrying out a safety review of the county's burial grounds.

"To date, we have found that a handful of headstones need immediate attention," said Darren Richardson, the Council's Head of Infrastructure and Strategic Projects.

"This will start as soon as possible. We will also carry out repairs to around 20 headstones that need urgent work to make them safe.

"Many other headstones need attention and we will plan how best to progressively address this in the coming weeks."

Orkney's kirkyards date back over a considerable period and some of the headstones are extremely old. Others have been affected over the years by the wind, rain and frost.

If records allow, the Council will contact family members and advise them of the action that has taken place or is planned.

Darren Richardson added: "We have a responsibility to inspect burial grounds and make sure they can be visited safely. We will do our best to get in touch with families in advance to let them know that work is planned. Sometimes, however, we will need to take more immediate action if the inspections show this to be necessary.

"It is important to reiterate that relatives have responsibilities to keep family graves in good order and we would ask that people check on headstones and make sure they are in a safe condition. As part of this current process we expect to be tracing relatives of affected headstones at some point in the future."

People with any concerns, or in need of further information, should get in touch with customer services at the Council on 01856 873535 and provide as much detail as possible about the location of their relative's headstone.

Colin McAlpine, Stronsay Island Link Officer

15 June 2018

STRONSAY HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE supervised sessions

All Supervised Sessions will run from 4.30 pm to 6.30.pm

MONDAY	4:30—6:30
TUESDAY	Buddy system
WEDNESDAY	4:30—6:30
THURSDAY	4:30—6:30
FRIDAY	4:30—6:30
SATURDAY & SUNDAY	Buddy system by request

The gym can be accessed throughout the day if you have a 'buddy' to go with.

A code is required, please speak to one of the team if you have any questions Inductions by appointment only Andy - 616277 or Julie - 616335 Gym during supervised sessions - 616449

STRONSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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

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

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

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

For details and booking contact Colin on 616446.

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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KIRKWALL MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS TO STRONSAY

Dates of mobile library van visits to Stronsay in 2018

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

PEEDIE LIBRARY

The Peedie Library will be open in the Church Hall between 3pm and 5pm on the following dates. There is **NO** charge for this service. Please join us to change your books and enjoy a tea or coffee with a biscuit and a chat.

- Monday 6 August
- Monday 1 October
- Monday 3 December

STRONSAY MEDICAL PRACTICE GP & NURSE COVER

In an emergency always phone 01856 888000

GP:

24th June - 2nd July = Oli Cooper 3rd - 8th July = Roger Neville-Smith 9th - 22nd July = Laura Good 23rd - 29th July = Roger Neville-Smith 30th - 31st July = TBC

COMMUNITY NURSE

24th June - 25th June = Shirley Whiteman 26th June - 4th July = Maxine Piper 5th - 10th July = Shirley Whiteman 11th July = TBC 12th - 25th July = Shirley Whiteman 26th - 31st July = Maxine Piper

KIRK NEWS

Locum minister—Scott Daily Manse telephone 616286

Services start at 11am unless otherwise stated.

Sunday Club will now take a break for the summer.

Children continue to be very welcome at all services and a creche is available each week.

For details of services see the kirk's website:

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

STRONSAY MEDICAL PRACTICE

In an emergency phone 01856 888000

Surgeries by appointment only

Phone 616321 to book an appointment Monday 9:30—10:30, 15:30—16:30 Tuesday 9:30—10:30, 14:30—15:30 Wednesday 9:30—10:30, from 14:00 Thursday—no surgery Friday 9:30—10:30, 15:30—16:30

Ordering repeat prescriptions

Phone 616321

Please note the changed email address <u>orkney.stronsay@nhs.net</u> Website <u>www.orcadespractice.co.uk</u>

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

Collecting prescriptions

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

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 phone 01856 888000

USEFUL INFORMATION

POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES, etc

Monday to Saturday 8:30am—5:00pm

Post collection times 07:30, Monday to Saturday

Bank day Tuesday 09:15-14:45 (closed 12-1 for lunch)

Island Link Officer...... Fishmart office 10 to 12 on Tue, Thu & Sat. Phone 616475

SDT Office Wood's Yard 10am - 11am Mon-Fri. Phone 616410

Sunday service at the Kirk ... 11 am (see https://tinyurl.com/ybbqoq23)

Our Lady's chapel, pier head Mass 11.20am (weekdays), 10.30am (Sundays & Holy Days)

Next Special Collections 3 August 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 616321	Kirkwall Police 101
Neil's on Wheels 616454	Vets:
Manse 616286	Flett & Carmichael . 01856 872859
Nurses 616480	Northvet 01856 873403
Olivebank 616255	Dentists:
Post Office 616499	Orkney Dental 01856 872030
Registrar 616239	King Street 01856 875348
Star Island Soap 616281	Deyanov Dental 01856 877118
SDT Office 616410	Golgotha monastery 616210
Stronsay Hotel 616213	(Email contact@the-sons.org)
Taxi 616335	

JIM HOLLAND HAULAGE—DELIVERIES

Catalogue deliveries made on Wednesday and Friday only.

Large items will be delivered on Saturday.

HOW TO CONTACT THE LIMPET

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











