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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Orkney matters 2	Tue 2 Jul
Mobile library van visit	Mon 15 Jul
Stronsay Stitchers	Thu 25 Jul
Massive Weekend!	Fri, Sat, Sun 16, 17, 18 Aug
Stronsay SWRI centenary	Sat 7 Sep
Bingo	Sat 28 Sep
Bonfire Night & quiz	Sat 9 Nov
Christmas Craft Fair	Sat 23 Nov
Christmas Tree lighting	Sat 30 Nov
Hogmanay Dance	Tue 31 Dec

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>

A KINDLY REMINDER FROM GERAMOUNT SURGERY

We understand that on occasions you cannot attend your booked appointment at the surgery, but if for whatever reason you cannot attend your appointment, could we please ask that you inform the surgery as soon as possible. This then allows the appointment to be given to another patient.

COMPANIONS GROUP

Meets on Wednesday 10, 17, 24, 31 July in the Fishmart Café at 2pm for a cuppa & cake whilst chatting and catching up with the news.

The next edition of the Limpet will be published on **31 July 2024**, the deadline is 7pm on that date. Contact details for the Limpet are on the back page of every edition.

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STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Shirley Whiteman Vice Chair: Damian Stout

LOGANAIR – INTER ISLAND BOARDING CARDS

Please be advised that following a recent HIAL Security Audit it has become necessary to issue boarding cards, as a way to cross reference to who is on the manifest.

A printer is being installed and once working Loganair will be issuing boarding cards at KOI only.

Stronsay Island Link Officer
12 June 2024



The Orkney Partnership
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Orkney Matters 2

*Come and be part of the conversation
about what matters to you*

Stronsay Hall

Tue 2 July
7.30pm

Original artwork by the Inner Isles Wellbeing Group for Orkney Matters 1



Stronsay Youth (P6, P7) (S1 upwards)

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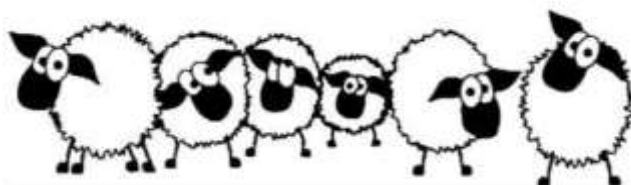


STRONSAY MEN'S SHED

The Stronsay Men's Shed have their own Facebook page up and running now, if you would like to contact them direct please do pm them.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61558772842680>

Stronsay Stitches



Stronsay Stitches - Thursday 25th July

7.00pm-9.00-pm, Church Hall, £2.00/person

We are an informal group meeting monthly doing our own stichy things. You can bring any project you're working on such as crochet, needlework, knitting etc. Everyone welcome.

Christmas Craft Fair Saturday 23rd November

For more information or to book a table please contact Simone on 616 281 or PM Facebook.

MOBILE LIBRARY VAN VISITS 2024

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For further information go to web page <https://orkneylibrary.org.uk/mobile-library>, send an email to 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

STRONSAY SWRI - CENTENARY!

Stronsay SWRI will be celebrating their 100 year anniversary on Saturday 7th September 2024. We will be having a buffet meal in the community centre for all present and past members! If anyone has any old photos/memorabilia that they'd be happy to share, please contact me as soon as possible, we'd hopefully have a slideshow on the TV of old photos. Also any stories or memories that you have would be appreciated, thank you!

Sheena Cooper

Stronsay
Orkney's Island of Bays

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STRONSAY'S MASSIVE WEEKEND!

16th, 17th, 18th AUGUST 2024



Stronsay Community Association Presents; with funding from Cooke Aquaculture;

Stronsay's MASSIVE Weekend!

Friday 16th August:

Community Hall; 7:30pm

-QUIZ WITH CASH PRIZE followed by JAMMING SESSION-
Come along and start your weekend with
a cracking night at the hall- Please bring along your Instruments if
you have any!
-Hot food on sale, Bar open and Raffle tickets available-
Adults: £3 Under 16's: Free

SATURDAY 17th AUGUST:

Community Hall; 11am

Get your 5-a-side teams ready!

-Fun Netball-
-Fun Football-
-Team Games-
-Obstacle Race-
Also open inside at the Community Hall:
-Carnival Style Games-
-Inflatables -

Community Hall will be open and available for
Hot food, Tea, Coffee and Drinks!
-Raffle tickets available-

Community Hall; 8pm

Dance to The Stronsay Band!

Adults: £5 under 16's: £1
-Bar-
-Supper-
-Raffle tickets available-

Sunday 18th AUGUST:

Community Hall; 12pm

Get your thinking caps on for your float ideas!

-Floats-
-Kirkjuvagr Dancers-
-Kirkwall City Pipe Band-
-Craft Sale-
-Vintage Club-
-BBQ-
-Inflatables-
-Carnival Style Games-
Raffle Tickets on sale until 2:30pm!

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ORKNEY ISLANDS COUNCIL

Landlines in the UK are going digital, and that includes here in Orkney.

Although the landline isn't going away, we know that you may have questions or would like to know more about this industry-wide change. Representatives from BT's new home phone service, Digital Voice, will be in Kirkwall during July to answer any questions you may have around the switch to digital.

Where and when: 23 July between 14:30 and 18:00, 24 July between 10:00 and 14:00 at Orkney Library & Archive. You don't have to pre-book, just turn up.

For more information visit www.bt.com/digitalvoice.

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>.

STRONSAY CHESS CLUB



Meets from 12 to 2pm every Friday in the Fishmart Café
Chess sets provided

Records of a Bygone Age
Stronsay Schools Part 8 –
Epidemics, old buildings and a trip to town

In last month's article we left the Central School under the headship of recently appointed Papa Westray man and war veteran John Drever, a role he was to hold until he retired. Although he was apparently quite a forceful character and one who undoubtedly left a lasting impression on all his pupils, Mr Drever seemed to bring some badly needed stability to the school. This opinion has been formed mainly by reading through what was a fairly mundane school logbook of the time which was, of course, written by Mr Drever so may not always be a full and fair representation.

The school again acknowledged the importance of agriculture to the island by closing at 1.00 pm on 13th February 1924 to allow pupils to attend the ploughing match at the nearby farms of Errigarth and the Bay. This was the first ploughing match to be held in Stronsay since 1891, although 'helping' matches had been held in 1922 and 1923.

For some unknown reason the school had been downgraded from a four to a three teacher establishment in September 1923 but in December 1924 its four teacher status was reinstated and the additional post soon filled with the appointment of Miss F D Windwick from Kirkwall.

On 12th February 1925 the school was closed all day to allow staff and pupils to attend the induction of Rev Milne to the Established Church. This was the church which is now part of the Linkshouse steading and Rev Milne's Manse would have been the Old Manse, recently renovated by Steve and Yvonne Weaver.

After just over 2 years in post, Miss Windwick resigned in February 1927, with Miss Maggie Jessie Banks from Stromness being appointed in her place and taking up her duties that same month. Miss Banks, later Mrs Fiddler, was destined to become another stalwart of the school in Stronsay.

The school reopened on 29th August 1927 without the services of Fair Isle man Walter Munro, who had died the previous week at the age of 31. Mr Munro, who was lodging at Hazelbank and had been less than a year in post, had developed appendicitis and had undergone an operation for this at the Balfour Hospital but failed to recover after the operation.

Miss M A Sutherland was soon to be appointed in his place while Miss C L Manson was appointed as temporary teacher in place of Miss Banks who was off under medical certificate for 3 months. Miss Manson left upon the return of Miss Banks in October.

The school closed at 1.30 on 6th February 1929 for the induction of Rev Millar to the Established Church, the post vacated by Rev Milne in March the previous year. It appears that his appointment would have been very much on an interim basis as the Established Church, with their church at Linkshouse, and the United Free Church, who worshipped where the Church is today, united later that year to form the Church of Scotland as is today.

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On 29th April 1929 it was recorded in the log that there was a great deal of illness in the island, with some being very ill. Dr Bannerman had visited by motorboat from Kirkwall the day before and Dr Matheson had come across from Sanday to visit the Glebe, where some of this sickness prevailed, around the same time. Why these doctors visited is unclear but it is possible there may have been no resident doctor in Stronsay at the time. Dr Robert Rosie, who had served the island faithfully for 30 years, had died in March the previous year and his daughter Irene, herself a qualified GP, had acted as locum for a time. New appointee Dr R H Mackay was certainly in place by June 1929 although he may not have taken up his duties by that time or possibly, as a young doctor, he may have been seeking a second opinion on this illness.

In the school log entry of 1st May Mr Drever recorded that there was still much illness in the island and that there had been another death that morning. (This was of 26 year old James F Miller of the Glebe whose brother Peter had died a week earlier aged 21.)

With only 19 pupils out of a roll of 94 turning up to school on 2nd May and one less the following day, Mr Drever recorded that *'The people seem frightened to send their children to school on account of the disease "not peculiar to Orkney" which has broken out. But many of the children are down with the flu and other are excluded. It is to be hoped that this cloud will soon pass over, for it has been trying to teach in school this week', adding '(The disease is cerebro-spinal meningitis – "Spotted Fever".)'*

Attendance on 8th May was still very poor, with Mr Drever noting that *'Perhaps some parents are frightened to send their children because of the spotted fever.'*

Following a telegram from the local Sanitary Inspector, to try to break the hold of this highly contagious disease all Stronsay schools were instructed to close on 14th May, only reopening on the 27th. It later transpired that the disease was in fact Poliomyelitis and had taken the lives of 3 people on the island while leaving a number of others with disabilities of varying degrees of severity.

Mr Drever was a keen singer and apparently expected all his pupils to be prepared to sing, recite poetry and otherwise perform regardless of their talent. He was also the instigator and organiser of many concerts in the island, with school pupils and older residents all taking part. One such Christmas Concert, open to all on the island, was recorded as being held in the Drill Hall (now the Community Centre) on 20th December 1929.

In what was now an annual event, the 1930 ploughing match was held in a Whitehall field just above the North School and school was once more dismissed at 1.30 pm to allow pupils to attend.

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James Shearer from Park of Hunton with his team dressed in their best harness competing in the ploughing match at Errigarth in 1932. He went on to win the Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland medal as best ploughman and also the cup for the best ploughed rig at that match.

When the school reopened after the summer break on 25th August 1930 Miss Banks had transferred to Kirkwall Burgh School and Miss Lena Stout, who was later to marry local man James Fotheringhame, had transferred from Papa Stronsay to the Central School with uncertificated teacher Miss Cathie Swanney taking over as teacher in Papay.

In January 1932 Miss M A Sutherland left the Central to take up the post of head teacher in Hoy, with her place being filled by Miss Anna F Baird. Around the same time Miss Stout was transferred to Flotta, to be replaced by Miss Jean Gunn from Caithness.

The ploughing match that year was held at Errigarth on 10th February and, as this was quite near to the school, the teachers took the pupils down to the field to view the event.

In what was a most unusual and welcome event at the time the school was shut on 7th June 1932 to allow Stronsay residents a day return trip day to Kirkwall by steamer. This was a venture organised by the Stronsay branch of the SWRI, who arranged the charter of the SS Earl Thorfinn to leave Stronsay for Kirkwall at 7.00 am, with the SS Earl Sigurd similarly chartered to leave Kirkwall at 7.00 pm to convey the weary trippers back home. 135 passengers availed themselves of the opportunity, with return fares set at 5/- (25p) for adults, with children travelling at half price. This may well have been the only trip to Kirkwall many folk would have had in that year, and was one of only two days each year (the other being the County Show day) where it was possible for islanders to go to Kirkwall and return on the same day. This was the first of what was to become an annual event right up until the coming of new ferries and a daily roll-on roll-off service between Kirkwall and Stronsay in 1991.

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With the SWRI by now having a strong presence in Stronsay it was noted that on 2nd June 1933 WRI stalwarts Miss Gorie and Miss Baird both went off to Kirkwall with the Stronsay SWRI to take part in the annual Drama Festival.

Another HMI inspection took place on 13th June 1933 where it was noted that *'The infant classes are well taught; the children act right and interested, while their progress and proficiency are good. Their reading, writing, arithmetic, oral answering and handwork are very creditable for this stage. The junior classes are taught by a probationer. The general nature of the work is very satisfactory. Good features are the oral and written composition, spelling and neat penmanship. In the senior classes the work is not all that could be desired at this stage. In arithmetic mental calculations were slowly performed, while in a written test the accuracy was only fair, and the work was very carelessly arranged, which in itself leads to faulty reasoning and error. In written composition the matter was meagre and the expression often incorrect and uncouth. The sentence conventions, punctuation, grammar and idiom requires more attention. The standard of penmanship and weakness is also low. Exercise books, however, showed some signs of greater care in the work of the last two months. Brisker and fuller oral answering is a desideratum, and regular practice in oral composition should be given to secure greater freedom and correctness of speech. A period of history was well known and with considerable detail, geography too was satisfactory. The advanced division continues to do good work, and the profession is overtaken in a very satisfactory manner. The walls and ceilings are discoloured and grimy: all four rooms should this year be repainted in some more suitable colours.'*

Miss Baird transferred to Finstown in August 1933 while Miss M A Firth, who came from Finstown herself, took up duties for the start of the 1933/34 session.

Photographer Mr Gray came out from Kirkwall on 10th January 1934, taking photos of pupils at all four schools.

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This photo of the older school pupils is probably one of those taken by photographer Mr Gray in 1934

Back Row - Gordon Miller, Stanley Matches, Sydney Swanney, Jackie Cooper, Johnno Peace, Ernie Laughton, Ernie Cooper. 2nd Row - Head Teacher John Drever, Jackie Mitchell, Jim Maxwell, Alf Bews, Jim Work, Doy Stout, Jim Williamson, Jim Burghes, Willie Cooper, David Home, and teacher Peggy Swanney. 3rd Row - Jean Leslie, Loma Reid, Mabel Muir, Nora Coleman, Emily Wylie, Margaret Stevenson, Mina Anderson, Mary Allen, Margaret Miller, Ella Chalmers, Nan Rendall, and Mary Hutchison. 4th Row - Elsie Fotheringhame, Alice Chalmers, Rene Muir, Winnie Fotheringhame, Jean Stout, Mary Stevenson, Elma Miller, Rita Shearer, Nora Clements, Carrie Chalmers, and Margaret Eunson. Front Row - David Shearer, Bob Fotheringhame, Hunter Ramage, Isba Lennie, Eunice Ramage, William Work, and Ernie Fiddler.

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An image of the younger children, again thought to be one of Mr Gray's photos from 1934.

Back row - Miss Gunn (Teacher); John Dennison; John Drever, Schoolhouse; Alan Fotheringhame; Willie Miller; Jim Chalmers, Castle; Robert Work, Lodge; Willie Grieve; Tom Anderson; Miss Gorie (Teacher). 2nd row - Peter Burr; Norman Chalmers; Ernie Laughton; Jim Burghes; Willie Stout; Reggie Swanney; T Shearer, Castlehill; Henry Rendall. 3rd row - Bessie Wylie; Cathie Chalmers; Mary Drever; Connie Cooper; Molly Laughton; Sheila Coleman; Rita Stout; Margaret Cooper; Ruby Chalmers; Pat Chalmers; Sonny Miller; Edwin Cooper? Front row - Ruby Cooper; Connie Chalmers; Jessie Anderson; Marian Horne; Anna Grieve; Megan Burr; Violet Grieve; Betty Reid; Barbara Burghes; Iris Williamson, Castlehill; Joy Miller, Hunton.

Praise was given to pupils by Mr Drever when, on 17th January 1934, he recorded in the log *'This is a terrific morning, the rain is pouring and many of the pupils almost drenched when they come to the school and their clothes must be dried. 67 are present out of 92 – an excellent attendance for such weather and the long distance of some.'*

On 29th November 1934 the school was shut for the day by the wish of HM King George V to celebrate the marriage of his son Prince William to Princess Marina of Greece. Pupils would have been delighted the following year when, on 6th May 1935, they were given another day's holiday, this time to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of King George V and Queen Mary's accession to the throne.

The log entry of 20th December 1934 records that all teachers, pupils and friends from the four island schools were invited to the biennial social and to see the Christmas tree in the school. Tea was served at 12 noon, with proceedings being finished at 2.00 pm.

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In August 1935, after 3½ years in post, Jean Gunn moved on to pastures new and Miss Helen Inkster from Egilsay took over. Helen (Nell) Inkster was later to become Mrs Groat and was to be another teacher of long standing in Stronsay.

King George V decreed another public holiday on 6th November, this time in celebration of the marriage of his third son, Prince Henry the Duke of Gloucester, and Lady Alice Montagu Douglas Scott and the school was shut again for Parliamentary Election on the 14th. Sadly there was to be yet another day off school for pupils on 28th January 1936, this time for the funeral of King George V who had died on 20th January.

Miss Gorie was absent on 13th November 1935 to enable her to attend the farm dispersal sale at Clestrain, which had been tenanted by her family for many years and later bought by them from the Balfour estate.

Pupils were again released from school early to allow them to attend a ploughing match at the Bay on 19th February 1936.

Allen Kent Smith, originally from Waterside and a prospective student at Edinburgh Training College, began a 3 week teacher training post in Miss Firth's room on 10th September 1936. He was to go on to graduate MA from Edinburgh University and then at the outbreak of war volunteered to join the Royal Navy's Fleet Air Arm. There he became a pilot but sadly was lost when his plane crashed on 15th November 1942.

Weather was again the main topic in the log book in January 1937, with Mr Drever reporting gale after gale, one of which saw the loss of the Finnish cargo vessel Johanna Thorden and 25 of her crew. Due to these incessant gales less than half of the pupils were in attendance for much of that time. This poor attendance carried on through February and March due to an outbreak of whooping cough in the island.

Another public holiday was announced for 12th May 1937, this time to celebrate the coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth,

In January 1938 the National Bible Society of Scotland presented all the pupils over 9 years of age - 56 in all - with a New Testament..

In March 1938 the number on the roll had fallen to 71, with Mr Drever noting this as '*surely the lowest it has ever been*'. That same month Miss Inkster left the island, with her place being taken by John D Mackay. The following month Dr Bannerman from Kirkwall visited the school and, along with Stronsay's recently appointed Nurse Slorach, examined 26 pupils, with Nurse Slorach to make monthly visits thereafter. Nurse Slorach was later to marry Alfie Meil from Samson's Lane and, known as Nurse Meil, became a highly respected island nurse until she emigrated to Australia in 1958.

28th June 1938 was again a very poor day with a gale and driving rain from the north-west, with only 30 pupils attending school. Mr Drever recorded that these stalwarts must have been drenched going home in afternoon, and that six pupils who were studying French came down to the Schoolhouse at 3.35 to hear the last of a series of talks in elementary French on the wireless.

A school inspection in August 1938 was quite scathing about the school premises which, it said, were in great part antiquated and congested. Better heating arrangements were needed in two classrooms, with one of the smaller rooms having too little floorspace for the number of pupils being taught there. It was recommended that these classrooms and the offices should be modernised and a staffroom added.

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Pupils were congratulated on their attendance record and teachers commended for their work. The probationer teacher of Junior 1 and Senior 3 was singled out for special praise where it was noted that her teaching showed originality and promise of success.

This probationer teacher who, it seems, may have been Miss Firth, transferred to Shapinsay in August 1938 and was replaced by Mrs Jessie Wilson, who was put in charge of Junior 1 and Senior 3. It was noted at that time that Miss Gorie was teaching the infants and Junior 2 class, Seniors 1 and 2 were being taught by John McKay and the Post Qualifying classes were in the charge of John Drever.

The school was closed on 6th December 1938 as it was to be in use as the polling station for the County Council election to be held that day. This election saw Ralph Fotheringhame of Boondatoon receiving 57 votes while the successful candidate, Duncan J Macrae of the Hotel, secured 180 votes.

The 1939 session opened on 28th August with a note in the log recording which classes each teacher was in charge of, this time in what was to become the more familiar Primary and Secondary designations. Miss Gorie was still in her familiar role in charge of the infants and Primary 1, Mrs Jessie Ann Wilson was teaching P2 and 3 and James Sinclair was in charge of P4 and 5. (John D Mackay had been transferred to Kirkwall to carry on correspondence work.) The Secondary division remained under the care of Mr Drever.

The school had just opened with classes assembling on the morning of Monday 4th September 1939 when a wire came through to the Clerk of the School Management Committee to say that all schools must remain shut that week due to war having been declared the previous day.

It reopened at the usual time the following week with one boy, an evacuee from Edinburgh, being admitted to the school. This was James Fotheringhame from Edinburgh, a son of former teacher Lena Stout and James Fotheringhame, who came to stay with his grandparents at Hescombe.

Part 9 will be in next month's Limpet.

Ian Cooper

June 2024

Stephen Clackson's Letter from School Place
Orkney's only regular councillor newsletter—reporting back to the folk of the North Isles since 2012.

A reader enquiry prompts me to make an *addendum* to the paragraph in last month's [Letter](#) about the 50th anniversary of the first election to Orkney Islands Council, namely that the "Westray" ward included Papa Westray. Likewise, the "Rousay" ward included Egilsay and Wyre, however at this point I need to make a *corrigendum* to my statement that the five wards I cited covered today's North Isles Ward, because back then Gairsay was included in the "Evie & Rendall" ward, represented by George Stevenson. (Father of the current West Mainland councillor, Dr Jean Stevenson, George Stevenson later went on to represent Eday and Stronsay at School Place.)



Speaking of anniversaries, the 8th June marked the 75th anniversary of the first publication of George Orwell's dystopian, and disturbingly prophetic, novel *1984*. Back in the actual year 1984, we were complacent, as none of it seemed to have become true (at least not here), but we are in a very different place now, a few decades further on. And what is truly terrifying is how we have voluntarily invited "telescreens" into our homes and even into our pockets !

We held a Special General Meeting to establish formally the Orkney Towns Board tasked with disbursing the £20 million funding we will be receiving from the UK Government's Levelling Up Fund. The Towns Board will be chaired by the former North Isles councillor and former OIC Convener, Stephen Hagan.

At the first meeting of the Education, Leisure & Housing Committee after our "reshuffle", I am pleased to say I was re-appointed to serve on the UHI Orkney Stakeholder Group (the successor to the Orkney College Management Council), and I will continue as OIC's representative on the University of the Highlands & Islands Foundation. I am still on the Sport & Leisure Services Review Short-Life Working Group (which concerns, among other facilities, Isles swimming pools and Isles healthy-living centres), and I have been appointed to the Housing Strategies Consultative Group, which it is particularly important to have North Isles representation on. At the corresponding meeting of the Development & Infrastructure Committee (D&I, of which I am not a member) I had hoped to be nominated for one of the positions on the Harbour Authority Sub-Committee reserved for non-D&I members, but regrettably my colleagues did not support me for this.

I attended the wreath-laying in Kirkwall marking the 80th anniversary of the start of the D-Day landings. The Convenor spoke of the part Orkney played when, in the run-up, the home fleet used Papa Westray for target exercises and firing practice, which would for real on D-Day suppress the enemy's defences overlooking the Normandy beaches. Sea shells are not the only sort of shell one can find fragments of on Papay's beaches.

At our Policy & Resources Committee meeting, I supported Cllr Dawson's amendment not to approve an allocation of another £400,000 to the Island Games, but we were in a minority of two. I appreciate there are some competitors who would be disappointed if the Games could not go ahead through lack of funding, but, on the other hand, there will be a lot more people disappointed when cuts have to be made in council services because we now have £400,000 less to spend on them.

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Other meetings I have attended at School Place this month include: an informative seminar on rural & agricultural development and the study report on maximising potential in the isles; a school attainment seminar; a confidential members' briefing with the Chief Executive; an interesting update on the Orkney Community Vertical Farm Island Growth Deal Project; a meeting of the Monitoring & Audit Committee; and a "Teams" presentation from the CEO of Inverness & Cromarty Firth Green Freeport Ltd. This month, I also had another online-only meeting of the University of the Highlands & Islands Foundation.



Whilst in Lerwick for a meeting of the Orkney & Shetland Valuation Joint Board, a few of us took the opportunity to visit the Shetland Abattoir and speak to people involved in running it. I think their operating model could work in Orkney.

I managed to get out to North Ronaldsay to be physically present at their community council meeting, and I was virtually present at the meeting of the Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council.

Singing along with *Orkney Rocks*, there was plenty of audience (or should I say congregation) participation at the official opening ceremony of Sanday's Cross Kirk following its purchase earlier this year by the Friends of Sanday Kirk Ltd (FOSK). In my letter of support for funding (see [Issue 132](#)), I'd stressed that the building would be "the best venue [on the island] for community events such as concerts and choirs", and so it proved to be. Well done to all involved in the FOSK in securing this community asset on behalf of and for the people of Sanday.

I missed the 75th anniversary North Isles Sports in order to attend the first graduation of my daughter, Frideswide. The weather was just as inclement in St Andrews as on Westray, I understand. I also missed catching up with and welcoming Westray's new headmistress, Julie Muir, who, like my daughter (and my other three children) was brought up on Sanday.

Thanks to the invaluable endeavours of my son Wulfric, clackson.info now has a positive SSL certificate again, so you won't get messages when you try to log onto it alleging that the site is unsafe and will steal your data (which it never would've done).



Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson

Member for the North Isles Ward,

Depute Convener Orkney & Shetland VJB

West Manse, Sanday stephen.clackson@orkney.gov.uk



Letter from School Place is also available on-line at clackson.info

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STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Chair: Shirley Whiteman Vice Chair: Damian Stout

STRONSAY WAR MEMORIAL PLANT DONATIONS

Stronsay Community Council would like to thank all those who kindly donated plants to the Stronsay War Memorial garden.

Nathan MacTaggart, the war memorial's volunteer gardener, has worked hard to plant these and members would also like to thank him for his work, which it is hoped will be appreciated by all.

CMC 5 June 2024

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Please contact me for details and prices

I am GTCS, DBS and PVG Scheme registered.

I have valid, current Safeguarding and Prevent certification

References available if required

All enquiries and services provided are treated in confidence as far as possible and according to KCSIE legislation 2023

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Stronsay at War

The Stronsay Heritage Society is planning to create a display and accompanying booklet for the Stronsay Heritage Centre to document *life in Stronsay* during the First and Second World Wars.

We are hoping that folks both in and outwith Stronsay will send us copies/scans/photographs of the following types of items:

- Written memories or diaries (of life in *Stronsay* or from *Stronsay* folk experiencing life elsewhere because of the war)
- Photos (of Stronsay or of Stronsay folk)
- Letters
- Postcards
- Memorabilia or Souvenirs
- Ration Cards
- Recipes or household hints
- Fashion
- Products/Labels/Advertisements from local businesses
- Invoices/Receipts
- Certificates or Awards
- Programmes of Events, Fundraisers or Appeals
- Newspaper clippings about Stronsay



We can also borrow your originals and scan them ourselves if that's easier for you.

Naturally, if you'd like to donate any wartime-related artefacts or original photos to the Heritage Centre, we'd be very glad to receive them.

Please contact Jennifer Graham (07973 716278)
or Ian Cooper (616 322)
or via email: heritagesocietystronsay@gmail.com



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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

Interest invited. Not currently with external agent.

Viewing by advanced appointment only. Flexible entry date.

Offers invited above £130k. Finance options from seller.

Leo Martini-Brown

lmartinibrown@yahoo.co.uk

RECYCLED CARDBOARD LOGS

The recycling centre has plenty of recycled cardboard logs. They are a bargain at only £7.00 for 30 logs. Available at the recycling centre or call Viv on 207.

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 Mick for all taxi work and Sinclair Haulage 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

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SWIMMING POOL - OPENING TIMES

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

To book a private hire phone Elsie on 616238.

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

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 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 Anne-Maree Carter email annemaree.carter@btinternet.com

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>



EQUIPMENT FOR HIRE

Located at Wood's Yard we have a cabin full of great pieces of equipment including E-bikes, kayaks, wetsuits, beach games, sports equipment, accessibility aids and more.

STRONSAY ON YOUTUBE

- [Bicycle tour of Stronsay in August 2022 \(poor audio quality\)](#)
- [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 \(taken from inside the harbour\)](#)
- [Five reasons to visit Stronsay](#)

HANDY EMAIL ADDRESSES:

Ebenezer Stores stronsaystores@gmail.com

Olivebank m.williamson1@btconnect.com

Fishmart café fishmartcafehostel@gmail.com

For telephone numbers see the back page of this edition.

OUR LADY'S CHAPEL, PIERHEAD

OPEN FOR PUBLIC MASSES

Our Lady's Chapel on the pier is 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.youtube.com/c/TransalpineRedemptorists>

The broadcast runs from 4pm – 5:30pm. Hours shown are approximate.

4pm - 4:30pm Short talk by one of the priests.

4:30pm - 5pm Recitation of the Rosary.

5pm - 5:15pm Saint Patrick's Breastplate & prayer to Saint Michael.

5:15pm - 5:30pm Devotions & prayers of the day led by one of the brothers.

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>

ISLES SPECIAL COLLECTION ROTAS



The dates for isles special collections up to 30 September 2024 are detailed below.

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

Please note that payment for collection is required on application and prior to collection. **Only items that are on the request form will be collected by the contractor.**

Special collections from commercial premises can be arranged by contacting Development and Infrastructure on telephone number 873535 extension 2320.

Eday

Week Commencing: 29 April 2024 and 22 July 2024

Graemsay

Week Commencing: 20 May 2024 and 09 September 2024

Hoy and Flotta

Week Commencing: 15 April 2024, 1 July 2024, and 2 September 2024

North Ronaldsay

Week Commencing: 10 June 2024 and 19 August 2024

Papa Westray

Week Commencing: 3 June 2024 and 12 August 2024

Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre

Week Commencing: 6 May 2024 and 5 August 2024

Sanday

Week Commencing: 20 May 2024 and 19 August 2024

Shapinsay

Week commencing: 13 May 2024 and 19 August 2024

Stronsay

Week Commencing: 13 May 2024 and 05 August 2024

Westray

Week Commencing: 06 May 2024, 08 July 2024, and 16 September 2024

For further information on refuse and recycling services please refer to the Council's website www.orkney.gov.uk

LOCAL BUSINESSES



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GUIDED MARINE SEAFARIS: £450 Four Hours (15/5-15/9)

A Calf of Eday.

B. Start Point

C Whale Point

D Vat of Kirbister



BESPOKE CHARTER Minimum 2 Hours-

£180 from Stronsay, £200 from Eday or Sanday. Then £80 per hour up to 8 hours



KIRKWALL

From the North Isles, either Stronsay/Eday/Sanday, is £350.

Collect at Kirkwall and bring out to either Eday/Sanday or Stronsay is £530.

REGULAR RUNS INTER ISLANDS:

A regular 35 minute Saturday Stronsay/ Sanday run commences in May to improve island links- AM/PM times. An unsubsidised fare scale depending on passenger numbers aboard one way on departure. Up to two children free each with a full fare adult. Card Payments accepted prior to departure. One way fares :-

1 = £50	2= £40 each
3= £35 each	4= £30 each
5= £25 each	

- Specialist PADI leisure diving and snorkelling insurance.
- Fishing rods hire £15, Some tackle, bait and gear available to purchase.
- Snorkelling gear hire: £15 per mask/snorkel/weights/flipper set in adult and child.

- Advise Skipper of passenger details on booking form. RYA and a local shorewatch system.
- PFDs (lifejackets) are provided for adults and children (15-40kg).
- Wear sensible shoes, trousers and warm clothes and waterproof gear. Toilet aboard.

- Chemical loo.
- Skipper's discretion applies at all times in carriage for safety.
- Please allow some flexibility for Orkney weather conditions. Criteria Risk approx.F5-6 23 kts See- [UK MET](#), [WINDY](#) [Orkney Harbours](#)



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Local honey in season according to availability.

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Tel 01862 842357 Email oldmanse.kildary@btinternet.com

Web www.oldmansebandbkildary.co.uk

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Contact Margaret McAnally - [Holmsgarth Crafts](#) | Facebook
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Tel: (+44) 01857 616 281

Email: info@orkneystarsoap.co.uk

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

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



COMMUNITY BUS



We have now extended the days and service of the bus.
You can now book the bus between 9:00 and 3:00 Monday-Friday and we can arrange to drop/collect at the plane or ferry on request.

Call Mick 616 376

ADVANCE NOTICE – SUMMER BREAK

There will be no bus service or taxi available Friday 5th July - Friday 19th July

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Tel 01857 616207 Mob 07500682867 Email ebenezer@stronsay.org

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- Tyres
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Reasonable prices.

Contact Craig or Christine for more information.

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LOCAL BUSINESSES

STRONSAY HOTEL & PUB

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100083375340593>

Bar Opening Hours	
Monday	Closed
Tuesday	6pm - 12am
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	6pm - 12am
Friday	5pm - 1am
Saturday	5pm - 1am
Sunday	6pm - 12am
Contact StronsayHotel@Gmail.com	

FISHMART CAFE OPENING TIMES		
Monday (Seasonal) 12pm - 3pm / May - end of September		
(Breakfast only served from 7am - 10am on weekdays)		
Tuesday	CLOSED	
Wednesday	7am - 2pm	
Thursday	7am - 2pm	
Friday	7am - 2pm	
Saturday	9am - 2pm	(Breakfast served all day)
Sunday	11am-2:30pm	(Breakfast served all day)

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STRONSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

As from 25 March 2024, the following have been confirmed as members of Stronsay Community Council:-

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Shane HOURSTON	Housebay Cottage, Stronsay, KW17 2AJ tel: 07593965600 email: s.hourston@yahoo.co.uk
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Leonardo MARTINI-BROWN	Brynley Cottage, 12 Whitehall, Stronsay, KW17 2AS email: lmartinibrown@yahoo.co.uk
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Damian STOUT Vice Chair	Linksness, Stronsay, KW17 2AT tel: 616258 email: damiienstout@btinternet.com
Shirley WHITEMAN Chair	St. John's Cottage, Stronsay, KW17 2AT tel: 616438 email: shirleywhiteman@icloud.com

The role of a Community Councillor is to ensure that they work for the best interests of the whole community and remain representative of, and accountable to, the represented community.

If you have a community related issue that you wish to bring to the attention of the Community Council, please contact any of the above members, or the Clerk, tel: 616446 email: stronsaycc@gmail.com

CMc
25 March 2024

USEFUL INFORMATION

Post Office opening hours Monday to Saturday 8:30am - 5:00pm. Sunday closed all day
 Post collection times Ebenezer post box 7:30am, Monday to Saturday
 Bank (RBS) Thursday 9:30am to 3pm (closed 12-1 lunch), phone 616262
 OIC Special collection. Week Commencing Monday 05 August 2024
 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 . <https://tinyurl.com/orkmoblib>
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

Airy Fairy 616231 Bank (<i>Thursday only</i>) . . 616262 Community council 616446 Companions Club 616352 Craftship Enterprise 0778 511 1126 Doctor 616321 Ebenezer Stores 616339 Ebenezer Oil Heating . . . 616207 or 07500 682 867 Fish Mart 616401 Golgotha monastery. . . . 616210 or contact@the-sons.org Hall bookings 616263 or annemaree.carter@btinternet.com Highland Fuels 01856 873766 Island Link Officer 616475 Kirk secretary 616238 Limpet editor 616297 Medical emergency 616321 Neil's on Wheels 07723 304 260 Manse 616284 Nurses 616321 Olivebank 616255 OIC out of hours 01856 873535 Post Office 616499 Red House Plants 616377 Registrar 616239 Scottish Fuels 01856 873105 SDT office 616410	Silver Darlings 616412 Sinclair Haulage 600404 Star Island Soap 616281 Stranded seals, etc 616207/206/498 Stronsay Band 616335 Stronsay Pub & Hotel . . . 616407 Stronsay school 616246 Stronsay taxi, school . . . 616376 or transport, mechanic 07508 884 024 diagnostics & repairs Balfour hospital (24/7). . . 01856 888000 Water problems (24/7) . . 0800 0778 778 Electricity general enquiries 0800 048 3516 (<i>lines open Mon-Fri 8am-5pm</i>) problems (24/7) . . . 0800 300 999 power cut (24/7). . . 105 Police (non urgent) (24/7) 101 Kirkwall Library 01856 873166 Dentists: Daisybank Clinic . . 01856 870547 Deyanov Dental . . . 01856 877118 Com Dental Service 01856 888258 Orkney Dental 01856 872030 Vets: Flett & Carmichael . 01856 872859 Northvet 01856 873403
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