

# Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre REVIEW

November 2014  
Electronic Edition



## PIER BAR, NOVEMBER EVENTS

**Remembrance Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2014.**  
We will be opening following the memorial service and serving a Mince and Tattie lunch.

**St Andrew's day celebrations on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 5pm**  
Come and enjoy a traditional Scottish meal to celebrate St Andrew's Day. 

### What's On at a Glance November 2014

**Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

**Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
→ RCA Meeting, Rousay School, 8pm

**Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Tai Chi, Church Centre, 3.15-5.15pm  
→ Taversoe InnQUIZition, 8pm

**Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Fireworks, Rousay School, 7.15pm

**Friday, 7<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Wine & Cheese, Craffhub, 7.30-9pm

**Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Ghostbusters, School, 5.30pm  
→ A Million Ways to Die in the West, Rousay School, 8pm

**Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Remembrance Service, War Memorial, 10.50am  
→ Mince & Tattie Lunch, The Pier Bar, following above memorial service  
→ Curry Buffet, The Taversoe, 12pm

**Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Tai Chi, Church Centre, 3.15-5.15pm

**Friday, 14<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Dance Class, School, 7-9pm

**Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

**Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
→ Harvest Home, Rousay School, 7.30pm for 8pm

**Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
→ RHT ATM, Church Centre, 10am  
→ REWDT AGM, Church Centre, 10.30am

**Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

**Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Mobile Library Van

**Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup>**  
→ SWRI Christmas Outing

**Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup>**  
→ Service, Church Centre, 11.30am  
→ Bazaar, Rousay School, 2.30-4pm

**Every Tuesday**  
→ Knit & Chat, Rousay School, 2-4pm



### Knit & Chat


Bring your knitting or any other craft to the Green Room  
On Tuesday afternoons, 2.00- 4.00

### Film Night

Saturday 8th November



Ghostbusters, cert. 12 at 5.30p.m.



A Million Ways to die in the West, cert. 15 at 8p.m.

Donation bucket

### Community Association Meeting

Community Association meeting from 8p.m. on Monday 3rd November in the GP room.

Anyone interested in helping with the Harvest Home or any other up and coming events should come along. We really need your help or this may be the last Harvest Home.

All existing key holders and committee members please attend.



### Remembrance Service

at  
The War Memorial  
on  
Sunday 9th November 2014  
at  
10.50am



### Firework Display

November 5th  
at Rousay School,  
7.15pm

Baked tatties and soup  
by Rousay Primary kids  
from the Community Garden.  
Donation bucket

## Community Council Meeting

The Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council meet on Saturday, 6 December 2014 at 10.15 a.m. in the Hall at the Rousay Church Centre. Members of the public are welcome to attend and view the proceedings.

If you have any items for the agenda please pass to the Clerk, Mrs Diana Compton as soon as possible.

## Mobile Library



The Orkney Mobile Library van will next visit on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November.



## Harvest Home

Saturday 22nd November 7.30 for 8p.m.

Great food, lots of dancing  
and a speaker from the mainland

Music from Kirkjuvagr

Late boat back to the mainland leaving at 1a.m.  
Egilsay and Wyre leaving 12.15a.m.  
Must be booked in advance



## Services in the Church Centre

Sunday 2nd November, 11.30am  
Local

Sunday 9th November, 10.50am  
Remembrance Service **at the War Memorial**

Sunday 16th November, 11.30am  
Local

Sunday 23rd November, 11.30am  
Local

Sunday 30th November, 11.30am  
Roy Cordukes

All welcome.



Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014

## A.G.M.

**New Members Welcome**

**Talk by Wendy Carroll**

**Working On a Cruise Liner**

### Competitions

1. 3 ideas for next year's programme  
(each one on a separate piece of paper)
2. 3 ideas for next year's competition  
(each one on a separate piece of paper)

Refreshments served

8pm at the Community Hall



## Macmillan Coffee Morning

I would like to thank the people who came to the Restaurant for Bread Broth Coffee & Cake and also to the people who gave donations. I sent the sum of **£365** to headquarters. Once again a big thank you to everybody from Itha.

## For Sale

Orders now being taken for large coo calf statue measures 29cm x 50cm . Can be painted or left natural. Ideal Xmas pressie. £59.99, deposit required of £25.00. Very heavy item.



Call Trish 821 424

## For Sale

Vauxhall Frontera 4 x 4 (diesel)  
Contact Evan at Cruannie, or telephone 821 383

## Surgery Opening Times (Tel.: 821 265)

*(Note: the Doctor will not always be present or available during these hours)*

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9:00-12:30</b>	<b>16:30-18:30</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00-11:30</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00-11:30</b>	<b>17:30-19:30</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00-11:30</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00-11:30</b>	<b>16:30-18:30</b>

If you require medical assistance in an emergency, please phone **999**. If you require urgent medical advice, and cannot wait until the surgery is open, please contact the Balfour switchboard on **888000** and ask them to page the Rousay GP.

If you need to order medication when the surgery is closed, you can leave a message on the answering machine, or e-mail us on:  
**ork-hb.gp38084-rousay@nhs.net**

Please be as specific as possible about which medications you require, to prevent delays in ordering.

The Nurse is on Rousay Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. She can be contacted directly on 821 406.



## Christmas Outing

To

The Christmas Exhibition at The Pier Art Centre,  
lunch and Christmas Shopping

ON SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

ALL WELCOME

Leaving Rousay on the 10.05am boat,  
returning on the 4.05pm from Tingwall

SWRI to pay for the bus

Names to Hilary on 821400 -  
By Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November

# Christmas Bazaar

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014  
2.30pm – 4pm  
Rousay Community Hall

**Tea/Coffee  
and a cake  
£1.00**

**Extra cakes  
50p each**



**BOOK A TABLE**

**£5 each**

**Contact Hilary Byland**

**Tel 821400**

**Before 24<sup>th</sup> November**

**Come along and join the fun**

**Proceeds to participating charities**

## The Taversoe

### Taversoe InnQUIZition

8pm Tuesday 4th

Free Entry

**Huge** Snowball Jackpot

Light Snack Supper



### Remembrance Sunday

Sunday November 9th at 12.00

Curry Buffet Following the Service at the Memorial

Please Phone to Reserve a Table: 821 325

Profits to The Poppy Appeal

### Food during November

Once again the Olds are away for the month of November

If you'd like to come in for food I would love to see you.

It would be very much appreciated if you could give me a quick call first so I can prepare and arrange for some help if required

Many thanks, Carey

Taversoe - 821 325

### Secret Santa

Only 7 weeks to Christmas

Remember to get your name in if you'd like to participate this year

Names draw will begin on Wednesday November 12th



### The Taversoe

Winter Opening Hours

Monday & Tuesday - CLOSED\*

Wednesday/Thursday/Friday - 11am to 2pm & 5pm to 11pm\*\*

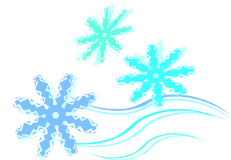
Saturday - 11am to 11pm\*\*

Sunday - 12 noon to 10.30pm\*\*

Kitchen last orders Wed-Sat 9pm & Sun 7.30pm

\* We will be open at 6.30pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month for The Taversoe InnQUIZition

\*\* If the Taversoe is empty at 9pm we will close



### Advance Notices for December:

#### Secret Santa

Tuesday December 16th

Present Swop by the Tree 8pm

Eggnog, Mulled Wine, Nibbles

#### Christmas Meals

If you are interested in coming in for a group meal during December please stop in or give me a call to arrange a date and collect a menu

Tel: 821 325





## **AGM**

The Trust will be holding our Annual General Meeting on Saturday 22 November 2014, at the Church Centre, at 10.30am. All residents are welcome but only members will be allowed to vote at the meeting. If you are not a member, but would like to be involved, please contact Helen at the Office to complete a short application form. If you are a member, you will have received an invitation letter to the AGM, along with our Chair's Report. If for any reason you have not received this, please contact Helen.

## **Potential New Community/Business Centre**

A topographical survey has now been carried out for the whole of the Windbreck site and has been passed to the architect for his consideration in the plans. The Trust has now met with HIE, Community Development Fund and Leader to start the process of obtaining grant funding to match-fund the money we already have set aside for this project.

## **Infrastructure and Innovation Fund**

We now have a controlled electrical demand in Rousay with the electric vehicle now being charged according to the turbine curtailment. As you can imagine, a few teething issues have had to be ironed out, but the system is working well, and we look forward to the installation of the thermal store in the Church Centre.

### **Grants, Loans and Education Bursaries**

Grant/loan application forms are available to download from our website, or alternatively please contact the Office.

Starting an educational course? The Trust offers bursaries for training courses and qualifications. Application forms are available to download from our website, or please contact the Office.

### **Here2Help**

The Trust currently provides a subsidy towards the cost of Age Concern Orkney's **Here2Help** service.

If you would like more information on this service, please contact Caron Jenkins at Age Concern Orkney - telephone 872438 or e-mail [caron@ageconcernorkney.org.uk](mailto:caron@ageconcernorkney.org.uk)

### **Community Broadband Fund**

To assist domestic households who may seek to improve their broadband connection speeds, the Board has agreed to put aside a total fund of £2,000 to meet the equipment and installation costs for faster broadband, until the end of March 2015. Application forms are available to download from our website, or please contact the Office.

### **Wi-Fi Centres**

Our Wi-Fi centres at Rousay School, Egilsay Community Hall, and Wyre Community Hall are fully operational. Wi-Fi broadband access is available, together with a laptop computer and printer.

### **Office 'Drop-In' Times**


Our 'Drop-In' times are usually 10am to 12 noon on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. It is better to give us a call before you come, to check we are not out on Trust business.

### **Contact Us**

**Telephone:** 01856 821229

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**Website:** [www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/rewdevtrust](http://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/rewdevtrust)

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/rewdt](http://www.facebook.com/rewdt) 

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**More Free Tai Chi Chuan & Energy Exercise Classes**  
 Due to the popularity of these classes we are continuing into November.



To book your place or for more information, please either email Helen on [Helen@rewdt.org](mailto:Helen@rewdt.org) or phone the office on 821 229.

Tuesday 4th & 11th November 2014

Church Centre

Classes start at 3:15 p.m. until 5:15 p.m.

Excellent gentle exercise for all ages and abilities.

**All Welcome**

Mike Henderson - Senior Instructor  
 Wutan Tai Chi Chuan

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.



**Free Traditional Dance Classes**



Monthly on a Friday at the School  
 7 to 9pm.  
 Next Class Friday 14th November

Excellent exercise for all ages and abilities.

**All Welcome**

To book your place or for more information, please phone Itha on 821 349.

Tutor - Mable Besant (Hoy)

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.





## The Craithub C.I.C.

### CRAFTHUB NEWS

We would like to share with you some of our recent successes at [The Craithub](#).

[The Craithub](#) hosted **24 Islands/24 Hours** in September. Unfortunately Tom Muir was ill, so was unable to attend. A big thank you to Fran Hollinrake, who stepped in to entertain us with Orkney Folk Tales. The event was a great success with 33 folk attending, including the children from Rousay Community Primary School. The Library Services commented that it had been one of the most well attended events in Orkney.

After attending Shelagh Grieve's crochet workshops, a Rousay resident has learnt to crochet, now being confident enough to join our crafters displaying their products for sale at [The Craithub](#), bringing the total now to 59 crafters, all still residents, or with family, friends connections with our 3 islands. This fulfils one of our aims to encourage the development of creativity, share and pass on traditional skills to others.

We were also very honoured to be asked to prepare a presentation at the Orkney Social Enterprise Conference in Kirkwall. Our Craithub Manager gave a presentation about the journey of [The Craithub](#), how it was set up, information about Community Interest Companies and answered questions to around 25 delegates who attended to find out about developing Social Enterprises. In the afternoon the speaker was Neil Stevenson, well-known Orkney entrepreneur and owner of Grooves in Kirkwall.

### EVENTS – Christmas Preview Wine and Cheese Evening

**Come along to [The Craithub](#) on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 7.30pm – 9pm**

Lots of ideas for Christmas gifts for all the family. Join us for an informal evening, meet friends, browse and enjoy the wealth of hand made local products from our talented crafters.

**GIFT VOUCHERS** Gift Vouchers from £5.00 upwards can be purchased from [The Craithub](#). A perfect gift for Christmas or birthdays.

### WORKSHOPS AT THE CRAFTHUB

**Crafternoon** is on Friday afternoons 2 – 4pm. Pop along with the craft you are working on to meet with others and have a natter.

**Children's Art Club** at [The Craithub](#) after school on Wednesdays from 3.15pm – 4.30pm. **Please Note – No Art Club on Wed 12 November.**

If anyone has any other ideas for crafts or skills they would like to try or improve, contact [The Craithub](#) and we will look into more workshops over the coming months.

Phone Hilary at [The Craithub](#) 821455 for further information on the above.

### WINTER OPENING HOURS

The Craithub will be open from 1.30pm – 5.30pm  
Monday to Friday during November. CLOSED SATURDAY AND SUNDAY



With Funding From Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre Development Trust



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# Letter from School Place

They forgot it! Yes, this year the UHI really did forget to bring their “doffing cap” to the Orkney College graduation at St. Magnus’ Cathedral. So I sat bare-headed throughout the ceremony while my doctoral bonnet was pressed into service for conferring degrees of the University of the Highlands and Islands. I doubt that many of the graduands were *au fait* enough with the details of academic dress to realise they should have been dubbed with a purple bonnet rather than a black one. (Does this mean that technically they all became graduates of my *alma mater*?) I am pleased to say the bonnet was returned to me afterwards. For those interested, I have managed to locate a guidebook to academic dress: “Shaw’s Academical Dress of Great Britain and Ireland” published by the Burgon Society. However, at 9¾”x7½”x1” with 452 pages, it is not really a pocket-sized “Observer’s” you can conveniently carry along to a graduation and inconspicuously refer to during the ceremony.

At the Policy & Resources Committee meeting, I was elected to serve on the OIC’s Change Programme Board. The Change Programme is concerned with transforming council service delivery through fresh approaches, in order (at a time of anticipated public-sector funding reductions) to reduce costs and, where feasible, to improve services. This is a place where the application of Edward de Bono’s lateral thinking will be of value. I know from conversations with my ward constituents (on the North Isles’ ferries, in the Sanday bus, and over breakfast at the Pomona B&B) that the public always has plenty of ideas. So please keep them coming.

At the Council’s General Meeting I suffered one failure and achieved one success. The failure was my attempt to have the Development & Infrastructure Committee’s decision to spend up to £245,000 on a fixed-links study referred back for reconsideration, which was overwhelmingly defeated. I have been congratulated by many ward constituents for my stand on this, although there has been a slight increase in the very small number who have expressed to me they are in favour of them.

My success was in getting the Education, Leisure & Housing Committee’s decision to maintain the *status quo* for pupils staying at the Papdale Halls of Residence referred back, so that consideration can be given to exploring the feasibility of incorporating some of the creative suggestions made by parents and pupils during the consultation, which could potentially permit students the option of spending three nights at home. (My amendment to this effect at the original ELH Committee meeting was defeated by only a single vote.) I believe the modern child-centred educational ethos compels us to consider this seriously.

The 14<sup>th</sup> October marked the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the sinking of HMS Royal Oak in Scapa Flow, with the loss of 834 lives. One of those lives was that of my uncle, 20-year-old Ronald Clackson, therefore, as we do every year, I attended the memorial ceremony along with two of my children. Because this was a significant anniversary, the Royal Navy brought up a minesweeper, HMS Bangor, and councillors were invited to sail on board to the buoy marking the wreck. Jointly with the Vice-Convener, I threw in a wreath on behalf of OIC. The crew of the ship were very hospitable, providing us with soup on the way out and rum-fortified coffee on the way back. My children and I were given a guided tour, which gave us an inkling, perhaps, of what conditions were like for the crew of HMS Royal Oak. Afterwards, we were interviewed in the wardroom by the British Forces Broadcasting Service (although regrettably they got some of the details of what I said incorrect).

I didn’t have enough space in my last “Letter from School Place” to mention the opening buffet of the Orkney International Science Festival, which, among other local specialities laid out for our delectation, featured my Sanday Honey! The meal was followed by the Grimond Lecture, this year about the Clipperton Project, where a group of scientists, artists and photographers explore the globe in a floating laboratory addressing environmental issues. (Sanday School pupils got the chance to join them and help with a study at Otterwick.) In tackling the world’s problems, Jon Bonfiglio, the lecturer spoke of the responsibility on all of us to be “active citizens”. “Sometimes we make mistakes and do things wrong, but it is unforgivable not to bother to do things right”, was his message — pretty well summing up my attitude as your councillor.

The buffet was also the occasion of the launch of the CD “Music for Maxwell”, telling the story of physicist James Clerk Maxwell with some of his poems set to music. In 1856, at the age of 24, Maxwell was appointed Professor of Natural Philosophy at Marischal College, Aberdeen. Four years later the college merged with King’s College (Old Aberdeen) to form the modern University of Aberdeen. King’s own Nat. Phil. Prof. was senior to Maxwell in years (though not in scientific reputation), thus he was given the new joint university chair, and Maxwell had to leave. However, Aberdeen’s loss was London’s King’s College’s gain, and it was here Maxwell was at his most productive, leading to his famous equations which form the foundations of the fields of classical electrodynamics, classical optics and electric circuit theory. 2015 has been designated the “International Year of Light” on account of its being the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his electromagnetic theory of the propagation of light, so I can’t help feeling the Orkney International Science Festival has been a year premature in its celebration of him.

Other meetings I have been to are the Creative Orkney Conference reception (where I was able to discuss the “Kirkwall Bay” lyrics written at Dartmoor Gaol), Licensing Forum, Staff Appeals Committee, and the Sanday Development Trust AGM.

I am due to be going out to Westray for their community council meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> October.

On the 17<sup>th</sup> November I shall be down in Inverness for a meeting of the UHI Foundation. Should I take my bonnet?

*Stephen*

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson

West Manse, Sanday

stephen.clackson@orkney.gov.uk



*From the community  
For the community*

## **Annual General Meeting**

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on 22 November 2014 at 10:30 at the Church Centre, Rousay. All members are welcome and we look forward to seeing as many of you as can make it. Refreshments will be provided.

The Trust is keen to hear from members who would like to become directors and a return slip has been included in the information we sent you. If you have not received your invitation letter, agenda and Chair's report please contact Helen at the Trust's office, The Manse, ASAP (821229).

If you are not currently a member but would like to come along to find out more about us, you are very welcome.

## **Thank You**

The members of the Triangle Club would like to thank all those who attended Tommy's local history event. A grand total of £292.50 was raised for the club funds.

Thanks to all who provided raffles, homebakes, sandwiches and to Tommy for his great display of maps, photos and other local artefacts. The afternoon was enjoyed by all.



## **Ladies Lifeboat Guild**

The Rousay RNLI would like to thank the RNLI Egilsay ladies and all their helpers for a great day out on Sunday 28th September.

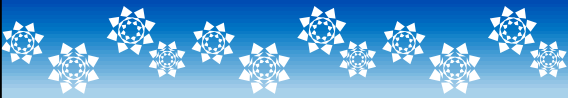
The talk given by Brian was very entertaining as well as the visit to Howan - a very big thank you to Margaret for arranging for us to visit Howan, and for the lovely food she and her helpers had set out for us on our return to the Community Centre.

In total the funds received for the RNLI was £262.00. This included funds taken on the day, the RNLI collection throughout the year, and a donation of £122 from the Egilsay Community Association which had been collected over the summer from visitors who have used the tastefully refurbished classroom to make themselves refreshments while waiting for the Ferry, etc.

A further £100.00 was also collected - it was decided that this would be donated to the 'Smile' foundation.

Thanks to all who have contributed to the RNLI - it is greatly appreciated.

## Pier Bar



### WINTER OPENING TIMES:

Monday	4.30pm to 11pm
Tuesday	4.30pm to 11pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	4.30pm to 11pm
Friday	4.30pm to 11pm
Saturday	3pm to 11pm
Sunday	4.30pm to 8.30pm

Please note if there are less than four people in the bar, we will close at 8pm.

## Rousay Heritage Trust

### Annual Trustees' Meeting 2014

Our Annual Trustees' Meeting will be held on 22 November 2014 at 10:00 (prior to REW Development Trust AGM) at the Church Centre. All trustees are welcome and we look forward to seeing as many of you as can make it. Refreshments will be provided.

The Heritage Trust is keen to hear from residents who would like to become trustees and if you are interested in becoming involved with the Heritage Trust, please come along to the meeting or contact Helen at the Development Trust Offices for more information.

We look forward to seeing you.



## Rousay Post Office



Check out Royal Mail's Special Offer on **parcels under 2kg** (large size allowance + lower price 2nd class) for this Christmas.



ALSO good news for Royal Bank of Scotland & Natwest customers: deposits, withdrawals & account balance checking all now available at your Post Office.

### Opening Times:

Monday	9am - 11am	2pm - 3pm
Tuesday	9am - 11am	2pm - 3pm
Wednesday	9am - 10am	
Thursday	9am - 11am	2pm - 3pm
Friday	9am - 10am	
Saturday	9am - 10am	

Telephone number 821 283

It pays to phone ahead if you have a lot of business, or something essential, to check the office is online, before setting out.

All items for the December 2014 Review should be received by The Editor, Kayleigh Tipper, by **Thursday 27 November 2014, 5pm.**

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