

ROUSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



Burns Supper

8pm

Friday 25th January

Music from **The Gablos**



REWDT DEVELOPMENT

RCA

Interested in volunteering for the Burns Supper?

Please contact Julie Morgan.

Thank you.



- Monday 7th January**
- REWDT Project Manager Meet & Greet, The Craffthub, 10am - 12pm
- Tuesday 8th January**
- SWI Open Meeting, Rousay School, 8pm
- Friday 11th January**
- Parent Council Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am
 - Book Club, The Craffthub, 1.30pm - 3.30pm
 - Friday Weigh-In Club, Islands View Surgery, 5pm
- Tuesday 22nd January**
- Your Island Your Choice 2 (applicants meeting), The Craffthub, 7pm - 8.30pm
- Friday 25th January**
- Burns Supper, Rousay School, 8pm
- Regular Events**
- Every Monday**
- Coffee Morning, Craffthub, 11am - 1pm (10am-1pm on 7th)
 - Bridge, Rousay School, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
- Every Tuesday**
- Yarn & Yap Drop-In, The Craffthub, 11am - 1pm
 - Rousay Tai Chi Chuan (from 22nd January onwards), Rousay School, 3.15pm-4.15pm (Energy Exercises) & 4.15pm-5.15pm (Tai Chi Form)
 - Boxercise, Rousay School, 7.15pm (7pm for absolute beginners or to refresh)
- Every Wednesday**
- Triangle Club, Church Centre, 9.45am-1pm
 - Fatburn Extreme, Rousay School, 7pm
- Every Thursday**
- Coffee Morning, The Craffthub, 10am - 11am
 - Computer/Digital Drop-In, The Craffthub, 11am - 1pm
- Every Friday**
- Rainbows & Brownies, Rousay School, 3.10pm - 4.30pm
 - Teenage Social Group (except 25th January), The Craffthub, 6.30pm - 8.30pm
- Every Sunday**
- Fatburn Extreme, Rousay School, 11am
- Coming Up**
- Saturday 2nd February**
- REWDT Projects Open Day, Rousay School, 4pm - 8pm
- Tuesday 5th February**
- Taversoe InnQUIZition, The Taversoe, 8pm
- Saturday 9th February**
- REW&G CC Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am
- Friday 22nd February**
- Traditional Dance Class, Rousay School, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
- Friday 15th March**
- Rousay Parent Council Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am
- Friday 22nd March**
- Traditional Dance Class, Rousay School, 7.30pm - 9.30pm
- Saturday 27th April**
- REW&G CC Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am
- Friday 10th May**
- Rousay Parent Council Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am
- Friday 28th June**
- Rousay Parent Council Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am
- Saturday 29th June**
- REW&G CC Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am
- Saturday 3rd August**
- Rousay Show Entry Evening, Rousay School, 7.30pm - 9pm

SWI Scottish Women's Institutes

Gary Foubister will be giving a talk on Trading Standards


Competitions:

1. An old peculiar utensil
2. A winter photo

This is an OPEN MEETING
Everyone welcome

Tuesday 8th January, 8pm
Rousay School

RCA



Underage drinking

It has come to Rousay Community Association's attention that there was underage drinking at the recent Harvest Home.

This will not be tolerated.

If a young person is under the influence at community events, they will no longer be welcome at community events.

To submit an article, or to subscribe, please contact The Editor:

E: kayleigh@aroundrousay.co.uk T: 01856 821360
 W: Howdis Meadow, Rousay, Orkney, KW17 2PR
 Deadline for next edition: **Sunday 27th January, 5pm**
 Please note: late articles are not guaranteed to be included.

The Taversoe - 01856 821 325



Bar Opening Hours

Monday - Thursday - CLOSED

Friday - Sunday - 6pm to 11pm*

* If the bar is empty at 9pm we reserve the right to close early



Food Service

There will be no food served, unless by special arrangement

The Taversoe InnQUIZition



There will be no InnQUIZition in January 2019

The next one is on February 5th 2019

Wanted

Flat screen TV up to 32" Office type swivel chair

If anyone has either of the above items for sale - please contact me with details (price/location etc)

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Mike Topham Ivy Cottage 07729 616 530

Your Islands Your Choice 2



22nd January 2019

7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Crafthub

Meeting to share application ideas.

Do You Have a Project Idea That Benefits a Rousay Group or the Community in Any Way?

If so, contact Helen at the REW DT – we want to ensure the £5,563.00 allocated to Rousay is used to benefit our community. There will be a meeting on 22nd January 2019 at 7 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. at The Crafthub for all those wishing to make an application to present their ideas to the community. Applications will then be voted on over the following two weeks.

VAO this year have secured £5,563.00 funding for each island. Projects need to come under one or more of the following themes, if you have an idea for Rousay, and are not sure if it matches the themes below, please speak to Helen at the DT offices before 22nd January, to see how your project idea can be taken forward: -

- Digital Connectivity
- Work and the local economies
- Housing and communities
- Getting around
- Influence and engagement



Rousay Tai Chi Chuan

RESTARTS ON 22 JANUARY 2019

With our new tutor Jim.

Every Tuesday at the School.

1st hour Energy Exercises at 3:15

2nd hour Tai Chi Form at 4:15

£2.00

Come for one or both.

All ages and abilities welcome.



Thanks to REW DT for part funding this programme



www.facebook.com/orkneytaichi



THE CRAFTHUB Community Interest Company

The Pier, Rousay

CONTACT : crafthub@btconnect.com or phone **821359**

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

To all our volunteers, customers & staff.

LOYALTY CARDS

now available
drop in any time to collect
yours!

JANUARY OPENING

Start dates for regular sessions

Friday 4th January - Teenage Social Group 6.30pm to 8.30pm

(every Friday except last Friday in the month)

Monday 7th January - Coffee morning 10am to 1pm

Tuesday 8th January – Yap and Yarn 11am to 1pm

Thursday 10th January –

Coffee Morning 10am to 11am

Computer / digital drop-in session 11am to 1pm – Laptop and printer available to use or bring your iPad, laptop, kindle, phone etc for help with computer / digital problems.

WINTER OPENING

Monday
11am to 3.30pm

Tuesday
11am to 3.30pm

Wednesday - Closed

Thursday
10am to 3.30pm

Friday - Teenage Social Group
6.30pm – 8.30pm

Saturday & Sunday - Closed

Check website for updates

Book Club

Next meeting

Friday – 11th January

1.30pm to 3.30pm

Yap & Yarn Drop-in

Crochet, Knitting, Spinning - Murray Stewart

Every Tuesday 11am to 1pm - £3

Computer / digital Drop-in

Help with Phones, Laptops, iPads, Kindles, PCs

Every Thursday 11am to 1pm

Coffee Mornings

Every Monday – 11am to 1pm

Every Thursday - 10am to 11am

Coffee & Cake £3



Please check our website www.crafthuborkney.co.uk for updates on opening times, upcoming workshops and events or go to our facebook page



Islands View Surgery
The Surgery will be
CLOSED

on
Tuesday 1st January
&
Wednesday 2nd January

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 Hospital Switchboard on **888 000** and ask them to page the Rousay Nurse Practitioner.

The surgery will be open as usual on Monday 31st December and from Thursday 3rd January.

Surgery Opening Times

GP present on Monday and Friday mornings, and until 14:10 on Wednesdays.

Monday	09:00-13:00	
Tuesday		14:00-18:00
Wednesday	09:00-11:00	16:00-18:00
Thursday	11:00-15:00	
Friday	09:00-11:00	16:00-18:00

Blood Pressure Monitors

If you have one of the Surgery's home blood pressure monitors, please return it. Consider this an amnesty – we don't care how long you've had it, we just want them back!

Season's Greetings

Maggie and John would like to take the opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Healthy Christmas and a Happy New Year. We would also like to say a big thank you to all those who have helped throughout the year – The ferry crews for always being so helpful and obliging, the fire crew for always turning out whatever the cause!! To Nick for his willingness to drive the ambulance when needed and Chris who just willingly got roped in!! So a big thank you again!!

On a more serious note: The New Year will see the start of the Friday Weigh in club so all you folk who have enjoyed your festivities please feel free to come along for help, support and advice.

FIRST Date: Friday 11th January 5pm Old and New members welcome!!

Allotment
Association

Allotment Association

Plots are available now and the equipment is still available for hire.

For information about the allotment plots, polytunnel plots or equipment hire, please contact Ian on 07879 496686.



*From the community
For the community*



Happy New Year

The directors and staff would like to wish all REW residents a very happy New Year, our office will be open as usual from 3rd January 2019.

REW DT Projects Open Day

Save the Date – Saturday 2nd February to 4 to 8 p.m.

The REW DT will be holding an open day to share information about the projects we are currently working on and answer any questions or concerns you may have. The projects are: -

- Purchase of Land at the Trumland estate – via the Scottish Land Fund grant award
- Development of the land as voted on by you all last summer and any further ideas you may have that fit in with this.
- The creation of two part-time posts connected with the Trumland land project
- Rural Housing Fund project and the development of land at the end of Johnstons Road for housing.
- Aspiring Communities Funding for Community Care – what this is and the creation of a REW Well-Being Co-ordinator post
- Possible development of the Pier Restaurant for community use following the results of the January Community Mandate.

Come along and speak to directors and staff about our exciting plans for 2019 onwards.

Pier Restaurant

Some of you may be aware that the REW DT board has been approached with regard to purchasing the Pier Restaurant and turning this into a permanent community venue. The board has agreed to consult with the community to ascertain how you would like us to develop the area and for what community activities. If the response shows this is something the community would like the REW DT to do, we will also be asking if the REW DT should purchase using our own funding or go for external funding for the purchase. External funding would be applied for any renovating/redevelopment costs for the Pier Restaurant and external land to meet as many of your suggested usage as is possible.

The community mandate will be posted to all households mid-January. Please make sure you have your say.

Gill Wigley's Meet & Greet

Gill will be at the Craithub on January 7th from 10am to 12 noon if anyone wishes to speak to Gill regarding the REW DT and what we do. Gill will also be able to help you with grant applications, car club membership and anything else you need connected to the work of the REW DT. So, come along for an informal chat. We look forward to seeing you.

Does Your Organisation or Community Group Need Financial Support

Why not let the REW DT support you in finding external funding opportunities and then help you with your grant application. If you would like to speak to staff about this offer, please contact the office.

Alternatively, Megan McEwen from VAO in Kirkwall also offers to support community groups with finding funding opportunities.

REW DT Website

We apologise for the continuing issues with our website not working correctly. This is being addressed now with the creation of a new and improved, user friendly website. This may take a little while, so we ask you all to be patient with us. If you need information or forms, please let the staff know at the office and they will be happy to help.

Stone Chippings

Bryan Kemp is still delivering chippings to REW. Bryan & Davey are about half way though the 24 properties awaiting chippings. Bryan or Davey will be in touch directly with residents who have been notified of their award regarding delivery and spreading dates. Please be patient, we will get to you as soon as we can.

Computers & Printers for residents to use

The REW DT has donated two older laptops and two printers (previously used on DT projects, now cleaned with updated Microsoft programmes installed) to The Crafhub for any residents to use free of charge during their opening hours. The computer and printer are also still available for use at the DT offices at the Manse during office opening times.

Getting Online for the Over Fifties

This helpful free service has been set up to encourage and help our 'slightly older folk' to get online. The focus of the club is to offer a friendly service where Clare Daintith will help you with any issues, big or small on iPads, Hudls, Kindles, Smartphones, any other tablets and general laptop usage.

If anyone would like some IT Support in their own home, so you can keep in touch with family and friends or to set up internet banking and any other online issues please give Clare a call on 01856 821287.



Clare will be setting up a monthly drop-in computer club at the Manse with refreshments and baked goods and the internet. If anyone is interested in attending, please let Clare know. Dates are still to be confirmed and will be advertised in The Review.

Our Current Grant Schemes



Well Being Grants

Apply for sporting, craft, arts, and other non-certified learning and general well being courses, workshops, and events, including OIC's ActiveIslands & ActiveLife memberships. Open to individuals and groups.



Educational Bursary

Apply for up to 80% of the cost of a nationally-recognised qualification.

A maximum of £500 (adults) & £100 (children) per financial year.



Driving Lessons

Apply for up to 80% of the cost of your driving lessons with a qualified instructor.

A maximum of £500 per financial year.

General Grants

Looking for funding which doesn't fit into one of our specific grant funds? Individuals and groups are also welcome to apply for funding from our 'General Grants' fund.

If you wish to apply for funding, please download an application form from our website, or contact the Office to speak to a member of staff.

All applications must be received a minimum of **two weeks** before the training/event/payment due date, whichever is earliest, as well as a minimum of **two weeks** before the planned Board meeting date, to allow sufficient time for applications to be processed.

Opening Hours

Monday	10am-3pm (<i>drop-in</i>)
Tuesday	10am-3pm (<i>drop-in</i>)
Wednesday	10am-3pm (<i>drop-in</i>)
Thursday	<i>By appointment only</i>
Friday	<i>By appointment only</i>

Outside of these hours, the inner door to the Manse may be locked, to allow staff dedicated time to complete their work, without distraction.

Occasionally, all of the staff are away from the office on DT business, so if you wish to speak to us, it is always better to phone first, to make an appointment.



Regular help with a range of household tasks, at a rate subsidised by the Trust.

Contact Gillian at
Age Scotland Orkney direct:
01856 872438
gillian@ageconcernorkney.org.uk

Car Club

Hire our electric car from as little as £2.50 for 1 hour, or for as long as you need (e.g. 24 hours costs £18).



Book the car online or via the Office.
Car Club FAQs and T&Cs are available online.

Shredded Paper for Composting

We occasionally have bags of shredded paper available for composting. If anyone would like a bag, please contact the Office.



Free Wi-Fi access (plus access to a laptop and printer):
10am to 3pm (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday).
Contact us to arrange an appointment outwith these times.

The next two Board Meetings are planned for
Wednesday 16th January 2019
& Saturday 23rd February 2019

Telephone: 01856 821 229

E-mail: info@rewdt.org

Website: www.rewdt.org



Facebook: www.facebook.com/rewdt

Directors:

John Garson (Chair), Kayleigh Tipper (Vice-Chair), Hilary Byland, Christina Cox, Clare Daintith, Carole Maguire, Alison Mainland, Bryan Milner, Eric Shortland. Mark Hull is a co-opted director.

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ROUSAY, EGILSAY, WYRE & GAIRSAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**VERMIN ERADICATION SCHEME**

There is a limited amount of funding available to residents of Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre to request funding towards eradication of vermin.

Requests should be in writing to the Clerk, Mrs Emma Soames, at the address below, or emailed to rewgclerk@gmail.com

Mrs Emma Soames
Clerk to Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council
Langstane
Rousay
KW17 2PT

INTER-ISLAND TICKET BOOKS

Inter-island ticket books can now be requested to allow travel between Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre. Requests should be in writing to the Clerk, Mrs Emma Soames at the address below or by email to rewgclerk@gmail.com

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DATES OF MEETINGS 2019

The next community council meeting is to be held on Saturday, 9 February 2019 at 10:15 a.m. in Rousay Primary School.

Additional dates are:

27th April
29th June
31st August
9th November

A reminder that requests for financial assistance and other correspondence needs to be submitted no later than 10 days prior to the meeting dates. Dates are also subject to change, and agendas are advertised locally prior to meetings.

Rousay Community Room Bookings

Community Rooms must be booked in advance.
Failure to book may lead to the room you require being unavailable.

To book for your function, contact Laura:
Mobile: 07884 041 901
E-mail: lar.06@hotmail.co.uk

Thank You

Mark and Helen would like to thank Kirsty and the Parent Council for arranging Rousay's beautiful Christmas tree.

It looks wonderful.

Stephen Clackson's Letter from School Place *Reporting on the work of your councillor in Orkney and beyond*

December 2018

The consultation on Council charges is now live. **The deadline for completion of the survey is Friday 18 January 2019.**

Details of the survey can be found online at <http://www.orkney.gov.uk/Council/C/consultation-on-council-charges.htm>

Paper copies are available at the Council Offices, but I have requested that they also be made available on the ferries, at Kirkwall Airport and distributed to community council clerks and link officers in the North Isles, and I hope this will be done.

The proposed charge for the Papdale Halls of Residence will now be forming a separate consultation. From the charges I originally identified as potentially having a detrimental impact on the North Isles, these three remain in the survey:

- Increases to landing fees at Council airfields;
- Increased charges for special (bulky) household waste collection and disposal;
- Introduction of charges for overnight parking of campervans.

I urge as many North Isles' residents and organisations (e.g. development trusts and tourism groups) as possible to engage in this survey, so that our views are not drowned out by the wishes of folk on the Mainland. (Remember, among the "top 5 issues" for the Kirkwall community is a "review of Junior High School provision on the isles" !!! — see my October *Letter*.)

As we who live here know, job opportunities on many of our islands are very limited, and so some island residents obtain employment on the Mainland. But, unlike for somebody already living on the Mainland, a daily commute to/from work for an islander with a job over there is often impossible. In these circumstances, the islander has no choice but to rent (or buy) a second home on the Mainland. The costs involved in maintaining a second home in order to be able to work represent a considerable financial barrier to employment for Isles' residents, and I believe OIC could help lower this barrier by applying a second-home council-tax discount to those in this situation. I first brought this proposal up at the Policy & Resources Committee meeting under the item "Council Tax—Charging on Empty Properties & Second Homes". Councillors with such properties declared an interest and a total of 8 had to leave the chamber. Of the remaining councillors, 2 others supported me and 9 opposed. However, given that in our Council Plan we state we have "*the long-term aim of achieving sustainable working populations on every one of our islands*", at the subsequent General Meeting I tabled an amendment, which has succeeded in getting the matter referred back to the next Policy & Resources Committee meeting for reconsideration. As I said at that General Meeting: "We expect the Scottish Parliament to 'island-proof' its policies with regard to Orkney—similarly, we have the duty to 'island-proof' our policies with regard to our outer isles".

I was lucky to be in town on the day of the Kirkwall Grammar School Art Exhibition, at which the work of those taking National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher art & design was on display. It demonstrated an impressive array of talent.



A display of excellent artwork by a Kirkwall Grammar School student from the Isles

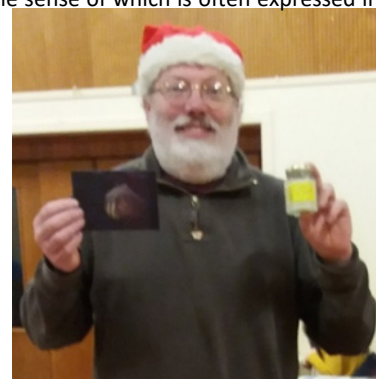
Other meetings I have attended this month include: a "Lower speed communities" workshop, an Orkney Tourism Week networking event, the AGM of the Sanday Development Trust, a meeting of the Orkney & Shetland Valuation Joint Board in Lerwick, and a board meeting of Orkney Ferries Ltd. Rather than going to the Christmas Tree Lighting Festival at Kirkwall Cathedral, this year I stayed in my ward and enjoyed the Christmas tree lighting event at Sanday School.

2019 promises to be an interesting year. In March, the United Kingdom is set to leave the European Union, followed in May by Orkney Islands Council's mid-term reshuffle. The Chinese have the proverb "寧為太平犬，莫做亂離人", the sense of which is often expressed in English as "May you live in interesting times".

Happy New Year!

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson
West Manse, Sanday
stephen.clackson@council.orkney.gov.uk

You can download "Letter from School Place" from lfsp.pbworks.com





ROUSAY HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE

(01856 821 443)

Opening Hours

Supervised Sessions

Monday	19:00 - 21:00 *
Tuesday	19:00 - 21:00 *
Wednesday	x x x
Thursday	19:00 - 21:00 *
Friday	x x x
Saturday	16:00 - 17:00
Sunday	x x x

* The gym will close at 20:15 if empty

Buddy System

Term Time Buddy System

Monday	08:30 - 17:00
Tuesday	08:30 - 15:00
Wednesday	08:30 - 17:00
	19:00 - 20:00 **
Thursday	08:30 - 17:00
Friday	08:30 - 15:00
Saturday	x x x
Sunday	11:00 - 12:00 **

** During Rousay FBX

Unfortunately the Buddy System hours may be subject to change.

We will publish any changes on our "RHLC Buddy System" Facebook page.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

FATBURN EXTREME

WEDNESDAY 7pm & SUNDAY 11am
ROUSAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL HALL

BOXERCISE

TUESDAYS @ 7.15pm

(7.00pm for absolute beginners and those wanting a refresh)

ROUSAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL HALL



Keep up to date with our official Facebook pages

"Rousay Healthy Living Centre"
"Rousay Fatburn Extreme"
"RHLC Buddy System"
"Rousay Boxercise"

Our standard Opening Hours will resume on Monday January 7th



MEMBERSHIPS

ActiveLife Monthly rates

Individual - £19.99 & Family - £29.99

ActiveLife Annual rates

Individual - £239.88 & Family - £359.88

ActiveIslands Monthly Rates

Individual - £12.50 & Family - £17.50

ActiveIslands Annual Rates

Individual - £150.00 & Family - £210.00

Budget Rates (conditions to qualify)

50p per activity/class/gym session

Full details: www.pickaquoy.co.uk/activelife

GOODBYE!

After over ten years at the RHLC Paddy has decide to retire. We thank him for his dedication over the years and are assured of his continued presence at the gym, although as a customer

WELCOME!

In the New Year Murray Stewart will join the RHLC team as a Leisure Relief Assistant. After his successful recruitment Murray is keen to get started, and we wish him a warm welcome