

Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre



REVIEW



June 2014

Electronic Edition



Rousay Community Association The Big Lunch

Sunday 1st June
Rousay School

Bring your own picnic lunch,
followed by a car boot sale

Lunch from 12.30pm

Car Boot 2pm - 4.30pm
£4 per car

Games, Stalls, Raffles

Fun for all



Services for June in the Church Centre

Sunday 1st June, 7.30pm
Songs of Praise
Come and sing
your favourite hymns

Sunday 8th June, 11.30am
Local

Saturday 14th June, 11.30am
Roy Cordukes

Sunday 22nd June, 11.30am
Local

Sunday 29th June, 3.30pm
Roy Cordukes

All welcome



Treasure Hunt, Fish & Chips



Sunday 8th June

Pier Restaurant

TH 3pm, F&C 5pm



Strawberry Teas

Sunday 22nd June
3-4.30pm
Church Centre

Come and enjoy
local strawberries with home bakes



Mobile Library

The Orkney Mobile Library
van will next visit on
Thursday 12 June.

Taversoe InnQUIZition

Tuesday June 3rd
Fun Quiz 8pm
Free Entry
Snack Supper
Snowball Jackpot £184



What's On at a Glance

June 2014

Sunday, 1st

- The Big Lunch, Rousay School, 12.30pm
- Car Boot Sale, Rousay School, 2pm - 4.30pm
- Songs of Praise, Church Centre, 7.30pm

Tuesday, 3rd

- The Taversoe InnQUIZition, 8pm

Wednesday, 4th

- REWIRED Board Meeting, The Manse, 7.30pm

Sunday, 8th

- Service, Church Centre, 11.30am
- RNLI Treasure Hunt, 3pm
- RNLI Fish & Chips, 5pm

Thursday, 12th

- Mobile Library Van

Saturday, 14th

- Service, Church Centre, 11.30am

Sunday, 15th

- Chinese Buffet, The Taversoe, 12.30pm

Tuesday, 17th

- REWGCC Meeting, Church Centre, 7.30pm

Sunday, 22nd

- Service, Church Centre, 11.30am
- Strawberry Teas, Church Centre, 3pm-4.30pm

Saturday, 28th

- Armed Forces Day, Breckan Hill / The Taversoe

Sunday, 29th

- Service, Church Centre, 3.30pm



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should be received by
The Editor by

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The Taversoe

Summer 2014

Bar Opening Times

Monday - 11am to 5pm
Tuesday to Saturday - 11am to 11pm
Sunday - 11am to 10.30pm

Food Served

Monday - Noon to 5pm*
Tuesday to Saturday - Noon to 9pm
Sunday - Noon to 7.30pm

*Should you wish to book a table on Monday evening please call and we will do our best to accommodate you
If the bar is empty at 10pm we reserve the right to close



ARMED FORCES DAY

28 JUNE 2014

Armed Forces Day Saturday June 28th

Assault on Breckan Hill

All Soldiers, Tanks, Horses & Nurses Welcome
Come Ready for Water Bomb Battle

Costume Prizes

Traditional Village Fete with

Face Painting, Games, Stalls & BBQ

Join Us for a Fun Filled Afternoon

Posters for Further Information Out Soon

Evening Adults Fancy Dress at The Taversoe



Chinese Buffet

Sunday June 15th

Buffet at 12.30

(extra sitting at 2.30 if needed)

Booking Required

Tel: 821325

Drystone dyking courses

will commence on 14th June at Cogar at 10am. Can the people who wish to take part bring a mason's hammer or a hammer and bolster if possible but not essential. Thanks to the people who expressed an interest.

Anyone else wishing to take part is welcome to turn up on the day.



Thank you to all those who exhibited artefacts for the 1914-1918 First World War Exhibition last month.

Afternoon Teas and raffles raised

£190

for The Royal British Legion.

Thanks again for all those folk who attended.

Kids V Grown Ups

All the pupils and staff of Rousay Primary School would like to say a huge thank you to all those who attended the Kids V Grown up Quiz on 16th May. Thank you to those who donated raffle prizes and to the parents who joined the grown ups quiz team.

We raised **£127.26** towards our Outdoor Education.

Special Refuse Collection

There will be a special refuse collection on Tuesday 3rd June.

Please book items for collection with Orkney Islands Council (873535).

Eric Shortland



Stone Chippings Scheme

At the end of another hard and wet winter, £5,000 of turbine income money has been put aside to assist in redressing private roads or tracks with scalplings.

Residents of Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre can apply for a grant from the Trust by using the Stone Chippings Scheme Grant Application Form which, together with the Scheme's Terms and Conditions can be downloaded from the Trust's website, or by contacting the Office.

This Scheme is open now and has a Closing Date of 24 June 2014. It is planned that scalplings will be delivered from July 2014.

Broadband

After a long wait for information, a great deal has happened rather quickly. At a number of meetings with Community Broadband Scotland in the past month, the Trust was informed that those areas where there is a commercial option available to provide broadband at speeds of 2Mbs or more, will not be able to benefit from Community Broadband Scotland funding. Currently in Rousay there is a commercial option available, and we welcome that broadband provider to our islands.

To assist domestic households who may seek to improve their broadband connection speeds, the Board have agreed to put aside a £2,000 fund, to meet the installation costs of faster broadband solutions, up to £199 per household until the end of March 2015. A grant application form can be found either on our website or by contacting the Office.

Summer of Sports

The Trust has been successful with our grant application to the BIG Lottery's 2014 Communities Fund, for £2,000 towards the costs of this year's Rousay Lap and to also offer all residents the chance to try out various sports that are currently not available on our isles.

Further funding has been applied for, from the Big Lottery Celebrate Fund to extend the sporting activities, but for now we can put on 4 once-a-week bus trips to the Mainland swimming pools during the first 4 weeks of July. The funding will also cover some taster exercise classes, traditional dance classes and a taster Clay Pigeon shoot that the Rousay Gun Club will be kindly hosting for us. All activities (and the ferry/bus travel to the pools) will be free, and places will need to be booked.

More information will be available soon, so watch out for posters and on our website and Facebook page, or you can contact the Office for details.



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

Wi-Fi Centres

Our Wi-Fi centres at Rousay School, Egilsay Community Hall, and Wyre Community Hall, are fully operational, where 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.

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Rousay Allotment Association



Allotment news

The allotment is now looking much tidier, with the site strimmed and majority of plots rotavated. The trees are doing well down the edge of the site.

Wormeries

The allotment Association has recently purchased 3 wormeries, which should make good compost for the coming year.

Allotment A.G.M.

There will be an A.G.M. meeting for all allotment plot holders and associate members on Wednesday 2nd July at 8pm at The Church Centre. All welcome.

Fees are now due, £5 for associate members, which gives you the benefit of hiring equipment and other offers from time to time. Please call in to see Helen at the Development Trust offices to pay your dues, or pay on the night of the A.G.M.

Plots Available

There are a couple of plots available this season, one in the polytunnel, the others outside. The outside plots are rotavated ready to get started on, which is a great advantage.

The poltunnel plots are great value at £10 for the year, the outside plots are £20 including a shed. Please contact Hilary on 821400 if you are interested in taking a plot.

Equipment Hire

Members can hire the equipment from the Allotment Association. The prices are as follows.

Rotovator	£10 a day plus fuel used	If you require someone to do the rotavating for you this will be £10 an hour for the man.	
Strimmer	£2.50 an hour plus fuel	Trailer	£10 a day or £2.50 an hour.
Shredder	£10 a day	including a 15m extension cable, goggles and collection bag	

To book hire for any of the equipment contact Hilary on 821400

Happy gardening!



The Craffhub C.I.C.

CRAFTHUB NEWS

The Craffhub has now been open one year and is continuing to expand. When we opened we had 15 crafters, now we have 50, all still residents of Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre, or with family/friends connections with the islands. As well as these crafters, our newest addition at The Craffhub is Sourin Style, the Rousay Primary children's jewellery venture. We are delighted to include their unique jewellery at The Craffhub, encouraging our talented youngsters. Pop along today to see the Sourin Style display.

FACEBOOK



Have you liked us on Facebook yet? Regular updates are posted with information on workshops and new stock. Take a look today.

ORKNEY NATURE FESTIVAL

As part of the Orkney Nature Festival The Craffhub hosted an exhibition of wildlife photographs by local photographers from Rousay – Max Fletcher, Bob Trigg, Craig Hollingsworth and Chris Cox. Many visitors and locals popped into The Craffhub to enjoy the superb exhibition of our local talent. If you missed the exhibition, the photographs that were not sold are still for sale, with one third of the cost going to the RSPB.

WORKSHOPS AT THE CRAFTHUB

Drawing Workshop – The 6 week Drawing Workshop sessions have now finished. Several folk have requested that we arrange a Drawing Workshop in the evening. Please contact Hilary to discuss the best day for this, so we can plan more sessions.

If anyone has any ideas for crafts or skills they would like to try or improve, contact The Craffhub and we will look into more workshops over the coming months.

Art Club – Every Wednesday after school 3.15pm – 4.30pm. £2.50 a session including refreshments and materials. **PLEASE NOTE - NO ART CLUB ON WEDNESDAY 4th June.**

Crafternoon – Every Friday afternoon 2 – 4pm. Craft drop in session, bring your own crafts - £1

Crochet Workshop on Mondays, 2 – 4pm - £5 a session including materials and refreshments. Tutor – Shelagh Grieve

Phone Hilary at The Craffhub 821455 for further information or to book your place on these workshops.

SUMMER OPENING HOURS

The Craffhub will be open every day 11am – 5.30pm every day.



With Funding From Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre Development Trust



Take home a little piece of Rousay



*Jewellery designed and made by
the pupils of Rousay Community School
On sale at the Rousay Craifthub*

Rousay, Egilsay, Wyre & Gairsay Community Council

Please find below item that have come to the attention of the members this month and which you might be interested in. If you have any comments, contact the members of the REWGCC: Mr Angus Firth, Ms Chris Cox, Mr John Garson, Mr Richard Koster, Mr Eric Shortland and Mr Richard Tipper.

Points of Interest

REWGCC Meeting – Tuesday, 17 June 2014 @ 7.30 p.m.

The Community Council meets on Tuesday, 17 June 2014 at 7.30 p.m. in the Hall at the Rousay Church Centre. Members of the public are welcome to attend and view the proceedings.

Consultation Documents

These documents are available to be viewed by the public and if you have any comments please contact the members above.

Development Briefs and Design Statements – Draft Supplementary Guidance

The purpose of this consultation document is to seek CC views on guidance used in the planning application process to development briefs and design statements. The Supplementary Guidance sets out guidelines to be followed in accordance with the policies included in the Orkney Local Development Plan.

The document can be viewed on the OIC Website under Development Briefs and Design Statements and it is the Draft Supplementary Guidance May 2014, from the Stromness or Kirkwall Libraries or by arrangement with the Clerk.

Your comments would be welcome on this matter and should be provided to one of the members above by the 15.6.14 so that the Clerk can correlate all the information and pass it on to Democratic Services.

Letter from School Place

I hope everyone had a happy Easter. On Easter Sunday, my wife (who played the keyboard), her visiting aunt and I attended an agape meal in the community wing of Sanday School. This is the first time such a thing has been tried in Sanday. It is a communal religious meal distinct from communion, dating back to the Early Church. The word agape (pronounced /əˈɡɑːpeɪ/) derives from the classical Greek ἀγάπη meaning brotherly love. Members of the congregation were tasked with bringing different foodstuffs for the meal, and some of them were also involved (in a lay capacity) in the preaching. One of the short sermons expressed the hope that the world will learn to live in peace, starting in our own small communities where we should endeavour to get on with one another. A message surely all of us will endorse.

My contribution to the agape meal was honey. My bees are now very busy collecting pollen and nectar to feed their expanding brood. I have been clearing the debris from the floor of my hives to send to SASA (Science & Advice for Scottish Agriculture) for checking for disease. So far all my samples have been clear. It is important for as many Orkney beekeepers as possible to do this in order to corroborate our assertion that Orkney is free of Varroa, essential evidence if we are to convince the authorities to grant statutory protection to Orkney's bees. (See the last but one "Letter from School Place".)

At the conclusion of the latest ordinary General Meeting, a further Council photograph was taken, this time including the officials as well. This was the last General Meeting at which our long-serving Director of Education, Leisure & Housing, Leslie Manson was present (or photographed). The next General Meeting, a special one, was to select his successor. Our choice was Wilf Weir, who will be leaving his post as Head of Education, Policy & Resources at Aberdeenshire Council to take up his new position this autumn. Leslie served OIC for 37 years, sixteen of them as Director of Education, missing Dr Hugh Marwick's record in that office by only a few months.



Speaking of long service, I attended a memorable evening of nautical conversation and sea shanties at the Orkney Sailing Club to celebrate the centenary of the Norwegian sailing training vessel, the "Statsraad Lehmkuhl" (above). There was a fine buffet, crowned by a commemorative cake baked and iced with a sculptured picture of the ship by Sue Spence. Sue's husband, Lord Lieutenant Bill Spence noted how the arrival of the ship in Orkney each year seems to coincide with the arrival of the good weather. He presented specially engraved whisky glasses to the crew as souvenirs of the event. My own souvenir was Kaptein Seidl's lapel badge of the ship, which he gave me to use as a pass to board her next time she docks in Kirkwall.

Receptions are the least onerous of the councillors' duties, so I attended another one, this time at the inaugural lecture of Orkney College's Professor Jane Downes, entitled "Archaeology of Sustainability". It was a very accessible lecture, and explained the famous Easter Island statues (*moai*) in terms of ritualisation in the face of ecological disaster. At the end of the lecture, I asked if archaeologists of the future might be looking back at the remains of Orkney's wind-turbines in the same way!

Staying with the historical theme, I was at the official opening of Sanday's new Heritage Centre. Community Council Chairman John Dearness delivered a detailed speech on the development of the Centre. There was a good turnout of around 100 people, who were able to enjoy a good spread before going inside to browse the exhibits.

A number of ward constituents have requested information on the bow doors (or "visors" as they are technically known) of the Earls and when they will be functioning again. I have been in touch with Orkney Ferries, who say they are doing all they can to get approval for a solution as quickly as they can so they can resume normal business as soon as possible.

I attended North Ronaldsay's Community Council meeting on such a gloriously sunny day that at the Bird Observatory I was served my dinner outdoors on the veranda! Other meetings I have been to include a seminar to review OIC's standing orders, Stronsay Development Trust's AGM, and a UHI Foundation meeting in Inverness. In the coming month, I shall be staying at home for Sanday's community council meeting (17th June) and going out to Westray for theirs (23rd June), and I'll be in Stronsay again for their parent council AGM. If anyone wishes to speak to me while I am on their island, please get in touch.

This month marks the passing of two years of my term of office ----- three more to go!

Stephen

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson
West Manse, Sanday
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The Nature Festival on Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre



On Wednesday 14th May, 35 people boarded the *mv Eynhallow*, to begin two days exploration of Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre as part of this year's Orkney Nature Festival.

The morning began with a very warm welcome from the Craft Hub who served teas and coffees while visitors looked at the arts and crafts on display as well as the stunning wildlife of Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre captured in the photographs of Max Fletcher, Bob Trigg, Craig Hollingsworth and Chris Cox - everything from Sextant Beetles and Puss Moths to curious Buzzards and accumulations of seashells.

At 10am activities began and Paddy took a group for a leisurely tour of Rousay by minibus, whilst a large party began a walk at Faraclett, guided by plant and bird experts Eric Meek and John Crossley. The sunny morning showed the landscape off at its best with stunning views over the terraced hills and along the North Coast. Rare plants were discovered - Alpine Bearberry and Least Willow, last seen 15 years previously! The sight of Puffins bobbing on the water was a delight to many of the visitors. An unexpected detour to look for *Primula Scotica* took us 'off piste' and unfortunately we found ourselves heading in a different direction to what had been planned - thank you and apologies to Laura at Faraclett whose farmyard we unfortunately found ourselves walking through to return to the start of the walk.

Lunch at the Taversoe was very much appreciated with many helpings of cake eaten before afternoon activities commenced. The weather had turned a little colder, but enthusiasm was certainly not dampened when Julie Gibson guided a large group around the pre-historic sites at Midhowe, fascinating participants with her enthusiastic and informative interpretation of the area.

Many folks returned home on the ferry having had an excellent time on the island, whilst a hardy few stayed on for an evening walk along the North West coast - where arctic skuas performed for a delighted audience. The day finished back at the Taversoe with drinks and music - an excellent ending.

And then it was on to Egilsay and Wyre! Over 40 people braved a chilly morning with a steadily increasing wind to visit these two islands. Our first stop was tea and coffee at Egilsay's Community room followed by exploration of RSPB's Onziebust reserve where calling wading birds could be heard over the fields as we headed past flag iris, bog bean and other wetland plants to sand dunes and the beautiful white sandy beach. The 'woolly bear' caterpillars of the Garden Tiger moth were plentiful throughout the walk and plenty of curious beach finds provided clues as to what lived in the kelp beds off shore.

Elaine Clarke from the World Heritage Site Ranger service provided excellent interpretation at the St Magnus Kirk, where people marvelled at the amazing quality of the stonework, before heading down to the pier for our final port of call - Wyre.

The windy weather didn't put off a small group who headed west for a walk to the Taing, exploring the shoreline and lochans for birds, plants and beach treasure. On returning to the Wyre Heritage Centre, folks had chance to learn more about the island from the wonderful historical displays as well as get a glimpse of the wildlife underwater in the Wyre Sound from a photographic display describing the diversity of habitats there.

Cubbie Roo's Castle couldn't be missed and Elaine Clarke led a group to the site where we learned about inhabitants from times gone by and also found Wall Rue - a rather aptly named plant that grows only at this site in Orkney. The group also marvelled at the abundance of lichens growing on gravestones in the nearby kirkyard - there must be particularly clean air in Wyre!

So much to see on three islands and so little time! Two days wasn't nearly enough, but a good time was had by all and the Nature Festival team would like to say a very big thank you to all those who helped with organising the events from all three islands - everyone from individuals and landowners to community groups and businesses who helped make a really enjoyable two days.

Anne Bignall, RSPB - Community Engagement Officer



For Sale

Great condition 26 flat screen TV with Freeview .. 75.00
 Stihl large petrol trimmer working but pull cord stiff. 50.00
 Petrol generator for tools. Needs good service.
 Offers please.

Folding double buggy. 15.00.

Job lot. Iron, kettle, toaster, lamp, coffee percolator, 15.00

Job lot pictures plus frames.

2 heavy duty commercial vehicle spring/coil clamps.
 Ideal for tractor. Van. Etc. Offers please

Mountfield petrol lawn mower.
 Working but needs cord reattached, 30.00

821 424

BOAT FOR SALE

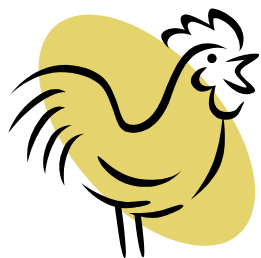


On hardstanding at Warsett, Egilsay

Offers in the region of £4000

Buyer collects

Contact
 phone 01856 821238
 email christinacox21@hotmail.com



Free

Rhode Island Red Cockrell

Free to good home

Sally 821 383

Wanted

Cattle crush, Haybob spares or repair, land roller, bale handler for tractor front loader, also short double acting ram for loader.

Anything considered. Tel: Sarah or Stu 311

Wanted

A single bed with mattress

Contact Sean 821 407

AroundRousay.co.uk



Have a look at our Facebook page for the latest news and events:

www.facebook.com/

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Lost Cat

If you find/see a black and white cat in the Frotoft area, please can you let me know.

Thanks, Helen 821 410

Surgery Opening Times

Tel.: 821 265

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

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



Become a **REWIRED** director

REWIRED Limited manages the community turbine, which is the main source of income for the Development Trust. We are looking for two additional directors for the REWIRED board.

If you would like to help to keep an income flowing into your community and can spare an hour or two, just five or six times a year, or would like to know more about becoming a director, please contact Michelle Koster (Turbine Manager), at the Office (821 229).

Road Casualties June/July

PLEASE, would drivers be extra careful during the coming weeks when driving between approximately Cubbie Roo and the Rousay School, especially the straight stretch of road from Bellona down to the school where vehicles not uncommonly reach speeds close to 60 m.p.h.!

A large colony of Common Gull nest behind Bellona every year and the young birds are frequently to be found using the road to practice their lift off skills! In 2013, 23 of these young birds were flattened into the tarmac by passing vehicles. Other casualties included Oyster Catcher and larger gulls.



Thank you.
John Vetterlein (Springfield)
For the RSPB and others.

Marion's Shop & Filling Station

As the sole licensee for retail petroleum spirit on Rousay, we are pleased to advise that we now have two refurbished fuel dispensers.

Our thanks go to the REW Development Trust for their grant. Without their help, we would not have been able to provide fuel to the public service vehicles, and to the general public.



Autumn Bridge Class

Bridge players or anyone keen to learn to play should please contact
Doreen, 821223, or Sheena, 821222,
so that we can gauge interest in a class which could be arranged later in the year.

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