

Voluntary Action Angus

Weekly Bulletin

14th June

Voluntary Action  **ANGUS**

Third Sector Interface

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We hope you enjoy reading some of the latest information and updates from the third sector, across Angus in this weeks Voluntary Action Angus TSI bulletin.

There will be no VAA weekly bulletin on Friday 21 June

VOLUNTARY ACTION ANGUS

Volunteers' Week Celebration event!

To mark 40 Years of Volunteers' Week, Voluntary Action Angus held a celebration to acknowledge the incredible efforts of Angus volunteers, past and present, on Saturday 8 June 2024.

The commemorative event was a great opportunity to thank our community of dedicated volunteers and as part of this, we unveiled a sustainable 'Thank you!' with a new community seat situated outside our offices at the Angus Third Sector Centre, in appreciation of Angus Volunteers.

We would like to say thank you to everyone who joined us for an afternoon of celebrating all things volunteering in Angus.

A special thank you to Granny Bettys Larder for providing the delicious catering and James Salmond, for leading the unveiling with the bagpipes.

View photos from the event [here](#).



Saltire Summit Award Celebration

To celebrate 40 years of Volunteers Week, Voluntary Action Angus held a Saltire Summit Award Celebration event in Arbroath this afternoon!

Young volunteers from across Angus who are aged 12 to 25, achieved 200+ volunteering hours or have gone above and beyond expectations were nominated for a Summit Award by their volunteer managers.

Our Youth Development Worker, Adhamh presented the young volunteers with their certificates at the award ceremony. The turnout was fantastic and we had a great afternoon celebrating the achievements of the volunteers and Volunteers' Week.

We would like to say thank you to everyone who joined us and a big congratulations to all of the volunteers who received a certificate!



Social Enterprise Business Support

Voluntary Action Angus, in partnership with Firstport, The Circle and Business Gateway are delighted to be hosting an in-person event aimed at supporting the growth and development of established and start up social enterprises in Angus.

Join us to hear about:

- Fully funded support for all stages of social enterprise business
- Business Support and expertise available at local level
- Funding opportunities and social investment options
- Training and other resources available

Where and when?

Thursday 20th June from 1pm-4pm at Voluntary Action Angus, 5-7 The Cross, Forfar DD8 1BX

Sign up via Eventbrite [here!](#)



We are hiring!

Voluntary Action Angus is looking for an enthusiastic and creative Marketing Officer to join the team!

You can find more information on the position [here](#).

For further information or to request an application pack, please email katrina@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk



SOCIAL ENTERPRISE SCOTLAND

The Social Enterprise Awards Scotland 2024 are now open for applications!

The Social Enterprise Awards Scotland are back for 2024, celebrating the incredible work and impact of social enterprises across the country.

The awards celebrate the incredible work and impact of social enterprises across Scotland. They are an opportunity to showcase the very best of the sector, highlighting the vital role social enterprises have in supporting communities, building places, and making a positive impact on our environment and wellbeing.

Applications close on **Monday 8 July**.

Find out more **here**.



ANGUS ALCOHOL AND DRUGS PARTNERSHIP

Breaking Free Online Training

Breaking Free Online is a confidential, evidence-based digital treatment and recovery programme for people experiencing problems with alcohol and/or drugs.

Do you want to support someone through your work, a family member or friend to use the Breaking Free Online resources?

Then come along to the BFO information session where you can build your confidence to support someone else to use the resource. It can be used for any substance not just alcohol and can be accessed at any time day or night.

Find out more **here**.



CARNOUSTIE GOLF LINKS TRUST

Community Benefits Programme

At Carnoustie Golf Links, we're passionate about supporting community development and because of this, we set up our Community Benefits Programme in 2014. So far, we're really pleased to have been able to donate nearly £400,000 to local services and organisations.

If your group or organisation is looking for funding, then find out more about our Community Benefits and apply **here**.

Applications will close on **Monday 15th July at 5pm**.



FIRSTPORT

Social Innovation Challenge

The Social Innovation Challenge funds and supports innovators to kick-start solutions that tackle some of the most pressing challenges of our time. This year the Social Innovation Challenge focuses on breaking barriers to better health and wellbeing.

Inequalities within the building-blocks of health and wellbeing are driving negative outcomes for many in our society. Firstport are looking for innovative ideas that tackle these deep-rooted issues.

Can you help solve this issue? The most impactful social enterprise solution will receive £50,000 and tailored support.

Find more information **here**.



LINKING LIVES UK

Good Conversations - Online volunteer training



Linking Lives is proud to offer a training course aimed at enhancing volunteering skills in under three hours. The online “Good Conversations” course is for all volunteers who help at a community activity. This could be a community cafe, lunch club, Foodbank, Warm Welcome, toddler group or any other type of drop-in centre.

Find out more and sign up for the free training [here](#).

ANGUSALIVE

Signal Tower Community Garden and Courtyard Cafe

This is an informal update on the Signal Tower Community Garden and Courtyard Café development, along with information on how your community group can get involved.

Where and when?

Monday 17th June from 10.30am-12pm
at Signal Tower, Arbroath

For more information, contact
susan.curran@angusalive.scot

NEW IN 2024!
**Signal Space Community
Garden & Courtyard Cafe**

Please join us for an informal update on this exciting project and find out how you and your community group can get involved. Refreshments will be provided.

Signal Tower Museum
Monday 17th June 11.00am - 12.00pm
RSVP by email to: susan.curran@angusalive.scot

ANGUSALIVE
Museums, Gardens & Archives

WOMEN'S RAPE AND SEXUAL ABUSE CENTRE

Advocacy Service Drop-in's

Are you a survivor of sexual violence and wish to explore advocacy support? Whether you have reported to police or are considering to report, we welcome you to come in for an informal chat around advocacy support options. We are also happy to answer any questions you may have.

Where and when?

Tuesday 25th June from 10am-4pm
Tuesday 20th August from 12pm-6pm
Tuesday 22nd October from 10am-4pm

All sessions are at 38 Castle Street, Forfar

For more information, email advocacy@wrasac.org.uk



BT

Volunteers available, could your project or organisation make use of them?

BT have teams of 12 willing and enthusiastic staff members who have volunteering time to give to organisations and community groups in Angus over the next few months. Their volunteers are looking to create an impact, make a difference and can, potentially, return a couple of times to your project. Projects need to be time limited and may need to fit within certain staff working patterns, but could cover a range of different tasks and activities.

If you think you have a project that could fit the bill, then contact Voluntary Action Angus with a short description of the project in mind and they will put you in direct contact with the BT team.

Email info@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk or contact your Locality Worker.



UNDER ONE RAINBOW

Volunteer with us!

Under One Rainbow is a safe space online for young LGBTQIA+ people aged 25 and under. We are looking for volunteers to help achieve our goals and build a community.

Find out more and apply **here**.



WELLBANK VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Wellfest Event Volunteer Crew

We are looking for an Event Crew of twelve volunteers comprising three Traffic Marshalls, six General Crew and three Bar Assistants, for the Wellfest at Wellbank Village Hall on **Saturday 10th August 2024**.

Find out more and apply **here**.



CANINE CONCERN SCOTLAND TRUST

We are looking for therapets!

Do you own a friendly, outgoing, though not too boisterous dog who loves to have a fuss made of them? Canine Concern Scotland Trust are looking for new additions to our therapet service in Angus.

Find out more and apply **here**.



CHEST HEART & STROKE SCOTLAND

Virtual Peer Support Volunteer needed!

Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland are looking for a Virtual Peer Support Volunteer for our Women's Health Group.

Find out more and apply **here**.



SUBMITTING YOUR CONTENT

Would you like something added to our next bulletin? If so, send your submission to info@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk by **5pm** on **Wednesday 26th June**.

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