

Aberlemno Guthrie & Rescobie

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Church Services

March

10.00am Rescobie 11.30am Aberlemno

April

10.00am Guthrie 11.30am Aberlemno

May

10.00am Aberlemno 11.30am Rescobie

June

10.00am Aberlemno 11.30am Guthrie

July

United Services at 10.00am

7th Aberlemno 14th Rescobie 21st Aberlemno 28th Guthrie

August

United Services at 10.00am

4th Aberlemno 11th Rescobie 18th Aberlemno 25th Guthrie

September

10.00am Guthrie 11.30am Aberlemno

Holy Week

18th April Maundy Thursday Communion – Rescobie at 7.00pm

19th April Good Friday Service at Aberlemno at 7.00pm

21st April Easter Day 10.00am Guthrie 11.30am Aberlemno

Communion Services

Aberlemno 26th May 10.00am and 6.30pm

Guthrie 28th April 10.00am

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Guthrie

March 2019

Dear Friends

One of the great things about being a School Chaplain is that it means that I keep learning new things too. Over the last few weeks some of the children and I have been looking at Christian Symbols. The other week we were looking at Lent symbols and we discovered that one was Praying Hands. I am sure you have all seen just such a picture.

It reminds us that during the forty days in the wilderness which we remember at Lent Jesus was spending time in prayer, to prepare for His ministry. Perhaps too often we think about the temptations and forget this was a time of prayer.

Many of us give up something for Lent, with greater or lesser success. However, it might be worth considering making our Lent a time when we take more time to pray. None of us will be able to spend forty days in the wilderness (tempting though it sounds in our modern world) but we can spare a few minutes each day. Prayer comes in all forms and we certainly don't need any expertise to do it. In fact one of the most helpful ways of praying is simply to sit in silence and think about things that concern us and to remember the blessings that we are thankful for.

Throughout His busy earthly life Jesus took time out to be quiet and pray. I am convinced our society today would benefit so much if more of us followed His example.

Wishing you every blessing this Easter,

Brian



Sunday School Dates

3rd March Rescobie at 10.00am and Aberlemno at 11.30am

31st March Rescobie at 10.00am and Aberlemno at 11.30am

5th May Aberlemno at 10.00am and Rescobie at 11.30am

2nd June Aberlemno at 10.00am and Rescobie at 11.30am – Prize Giving Family Service

Aberlemno Community Council

For the most recent sets of minutes from the Community Council and the date of the next meeting please refer to the Community Council pages of www.Aberlemno.org

Chantel Fenton
Secretary
Aberlemno Community Council

We would like to thank the Community Council for their continued support of our newsletter

Aberlemno Treasurer's Report

Our retiring offerings from the Family service and Christmas Eve service amounted to £203.25. This sum was gratefully received by Lippen Care who have asked me to pass on their thanks.

The final accounts for 2018 are currently in the process of being audited and will thereafter be submitted to Presbytery. According to my calculations, we have managed to balance the books and ended last year with a surplus of £1,475. In today's financial climate and uncertainty, this is a great achievement!

The 'Smartie Saver' has been a tremendous success and during 2018 raised over £900 so we are to continue this throughout 2019. A perfect way to find an avenue for your loose change on returning home from Tesco/Asda (other stores are available, of course!)

It also gives a considerable 'boost' to the fund raising figure of our Church.

The fund raising events are essential in keeping our Church financially sound and I would like to thank all the helpers and our friends and families who supported the events during last year.

We are beginning our fund raising this year with our annual Coffee Morning at the Guide Hall, Forfar on Saturday 6th April. It's my favourite fund raiser and I look forward to seeing you all there.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our Minister, Rev. Brian Ramsay for his invaluable advice and guidance during 2018 in my role as Treasurer.

Lorna Hooghiemstra
Treasurer
February 2019

GUTHRIE AND RESCOBIE TREASURER'S REPORT

Our Christmas retiring collection raised £164.00 and we received a very nice thank you letter from Lippen Care.

The Christmas Concert by the Strathmore Singers in Rescobie Church raised £200.05 and was a most enjoyable afternoon.

Our thanks once again to the Guild for their generous donation of £1200.

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Guthrie and Rescobie Guild

Once again the Guild must thank all those who have supported us throughout the year, with the result our treasurer Maureen Broomfield gave a healthy report with £1804.01 in the Bank.

Guild members agreed to give our projects, £100 to the Boys Brigade, £150 to join up the dots, £150 for young farmers in Malawi and £1200 to Guthrie and Rescobie Church. The Congregational Board have agreed that some of this money will be used to redecorate the interior of Guthrie Church Hall.

This year the World Day of Prayer is at Letham Church on Friday 1st March at 2.00 p.m. All welcome. Also The Songs of Praise is at Letham on Thursday 23rd May at 7.30 p.m.

The Guild meets at Guthrie Church Hall on the second Tuesday of each month at 2.00.p.m. Everyone welcome.

We hope to hand out sunshine bags once again as many of you support them and they always bring good results.

Smiling is infectious
You catch it like the flu
When someone smiled at me today
I started smiling too
I walked around the corner
And someone saw me grin
When he smiled I realised
I'd passed it on to him
I thought about the smile
And then I realised its worth
A single smile like mine
Could travel round the earth
So if you feel a smile begin
Don't leave it undetected
Start an epidemic
And get the world infected.

ABERLEMNO HALL

Spring is in the air and Aberlemno Hall Committee are looking forward (hopefully) to the results of the community's hard work last year. Sacks of bulbs were planted at the church and along the road so there should be an impressive display of daffodils to come.

The Community Safety day on Saturday 16th saw a range of services on display in the hall. Arranged by the Community Council the event saw a fire engine in our car park and a wide range of people finding information of how to be safe. The Community Resilience representative from Glen Ogilvy and Eassie and Nevay Hall demonstrated how the community can use a hall as a base for a number of support services and how the community can work together to prepare for emergencies – from providing defibrillators to co-ordinating services in event of extreme weather and everything in between by developing a network of local contacts. If interested get in touch and we will pass your details on.

As we gear up to longer nights and the return of visitors to view the Stones, the Hall Committee are planning to open the Pictish Room once a month – details will be available on our website (aberlemno.org) for those who would like to look in.

We are also planning a Rail Sale (Clothes and Accessories) on the weekend of 23/24 March and a Plant sale in May – again check the website or the noticeboard at the Hall for details.

Our AGM will be held in May as usual and all are welcome to attend. If you would like to get involved and see the events you want available in the Hall, do join us and help make the Hall a centre for community activities.

Isabelle Davies
Chair, Aberlemno Hall Committee

GUTHRIE HALL

As you will see enclosed with the newsletter is the schedule for the forthcoming Guthrie Flower Show, due to take place on 10th August. There are classes for everyone with either produce, crafts, home baking or flower arranging. Please come and support this event even if you don't wish to enter into any of the classes. Tea and biscuits will be served and there will be a plant sales table too, which promises to have some very interesting plants at very reasonable prices. A fun show for the community.

We have sorted out the schedule of events for this year which are vital for fundraising as well as being community based. We hope you will come and support as many of these as possible and we look forward to seeing you. Please mark the dates in your diary. It is our policy to keep the ticket prices at very affordable levels to enable everyone in the community to take part.

Steven Carcary holds Scottish dancing evenings every second and fourth Wednesday of most months from 7.45pm. Everyone is welcome. Contact Steven for more details on 07952 026633.

The Men's Club meets every Tuesday evening. All welcome. For more details contact Neil Ross on 01241 828323.

Aldbar WRI meet the second Thursday of each month and would be delighted to see new members. Contact Mrs Daun on 01307 464935.

Angus Embroiderer and Textile Artists hold meetings twice a month. There is a warm welcome to new members. Please contact Pat Beaton for more details on 01241 828092.

NEW Highland Hustle is a keep fit class based on highland dancing on every Monday 6.15 to 7pm. Great fun and suitable for all ages and fitness levels. Hannah Pinner is the instructor and available for more information on 077927 87172.

Why not use Guthrie Hall for your own private party, wedding, anniversary or event? Very reasonable rates. Good off road parking. Holds up to 80 people. Superb venue with first class facilities. Contact Christine Shand for more details or to book on 01307 819473.

EVENTS FOR 2019

Hall BBQ and duck race 1 pm Sunday 16th June. Please bring what you would like to drink. All food supplied as well as tea and biscuits.

Flower Show 10th August from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Tea and biscuits served.

Craft Fair Saturday 26th October from 11.00am to 4.00pm and Sunday 27th from 12 noon to 4.00pm.

Christmas Dance on Friday 20th December from 7.30pm. Bring your own drinks and nibbles.

PARISH REGISTER

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Aberlemno

Transfer

Mr Lachlan Macleod to Balgay Parish Church

Guthrie and Rescobie

Deaths

Mr Iain Morrison, formerly of Lea Park and former
Session Clerk of Guthrie and Rescobie Church on
19th November 2018

and Mrs Pat Morrison, formerly of Lea Park on
14th February 2019

Mrs Marjorie Roberts, The Stables, Fonah on
12 February 2019

Mrs Agnes McKinnon, formerly of Arbroath on
24th November 2018

Mr James Rae, Letham on 29th November 2018

Mr Eric Galloway, formerly of Oathlaw and Wemyss Farm
on 30th January 2019

**Any items for the September Newsletter should
be given to Mr Ramsay by 18th August 2019**

Guthrie Hall Flower Show

Entry Form

Class Numbers (e.g.1/3, 2/1, 2/2 etc)

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Number of class entries

Name.....

Address.....

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Entry Number (given when you hand in this form)

Guthrie Flower Show

Saturday 10th August 2019

Guthrie Village Hall

2 - 4pm



- Show entries and forms to be handed in to hall
11 am - 1pm 10th August 2019
- Entries to be removed 4pm promptly
10th August 2019

Thanks to all who enter and to everyone involved in organising this fun event!

Class 1 ... Flowers

- 1) Vase of cut garden flowers
- 2) Unusual container with wild flowers
- 3) Wine glass of flowers of one colour
- 4) A single rose
- 5) Jar of edible flowers

Class 2 ... Vegetables

- 1) Trio of tatties
- 2) 3 stalks of rhubarb
- 3) Summer salad selection in a bowl
- 4) 3 apples ready or not
- 5) Handful of herbs in a jam jar

Class 3 ... Produce

- 1) Jar of summer jam - with date and flavour label
- 2) Victoria sponge with a summery twist
- 3) 2 fruit muffins
- 4) Jar of marmalade- with date and flavour label
- 5) 3 Shortbread fingers

Plates supplied must be used for display of produce

Class 4 ... Handicraft

- 1) Garden apron
- 2) Handmade plant label
- 3) Garden Mobile
- 4) Decorated flower pot
- 5) Your favourite garden photo, unframed - maximum size 5x7 inches

Class 5 ... Children

Age groups - up to 7 years and 8 -12 years

- 1) Plant grown from seed in recycled container
- 2) Best crooked stick - maximum size 60 cm
- 3) Funniest vegetable
- 4) Handmade plant label
- 5) Drawing or painting of garden

All vases/containers you provide are at your own risk regarding loss or breakage

All produce and work must be made/grown by you

There will be a fun competition for children to take part in throughout the day so do bring the wee ones along 😊