

KIRKY NEWS

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KEG AND KIRKY NEWS COFFEE MORNING

KEG and the **Kirky News** would like to say a huge thank you to all those who helped at or came along to support our coffee morning on February 25 at the Thomas Chalmers Centre. **We are delighted to announce that we raised £800.** We would also like to thank Kwik Fit for donating a service and MOT for the silent auction. The free entry-ticket raffle was won by Graham Leith, the quiz by Gill Davidson and the Kwik-Fit silent auction by Jim Thomson.



BEWARE OF THE BUS GATE

Kirklands Park Street was designed to be a Bus Gate, ie a road link prohibiting general traffic to 'rat-run' through it whilst allowing the new housing development to be more easily served by public transport. Cameras near its junction with Maude Place are about to be activated to identify any unauthorised vehicles, and offenders will be fined £60 (reduced to £30 if paid within 14 days).

GALA DAY NEWS

Denise Tulloch has been chosen as this year's Queen Elect. If you would like to see the results of the full draw then please visit the Gala website:

www.kirklistongala.co.uk

This year also saw the first open nomination process for the crowner. Nominations were invited for an individual who has played a key role or made a difference to our community. Congratulations go to Alison Bruce who has been chosen to crown this year's Queen Elect.

Fundraising

Race Night, Friday 30 March, 7.30pm, Newliston Arms. Tickets £5 each and include a disco and nibbles.

Easter Coffee and Children's Craft Morning, Monday 2 April, 10am to 12pm, Community Centre.

Door-to-Door Programme Selling

Volunteers are needed to sell programmes. Can you help? Contact **Alison Hancock** or **Karen Kilpatrick** by email ally_hancock@hotmail.com or karenk1971@hotmail.co.uk or by calling 0131 333 3549 or 07787 449265.

Gala Day Greetings

The programme will include a section for family and friends to post a greeting for a child taking part in the Gala Day. Each message costs £2.50. If you would like to include a message then please contact **Alison** or **Karen** – details above.

Programme Advertising

To advertise in the Gala Programme, please contact **Alison** or **Karen**.

Parade

In previous years, there has been a best dressed float competition. This year, this is being extended to a best dressed entry competition. If you would like to submit an entry (any sort of vehicle such as a car, bike or community group), please contact **Anne Durkin** at annedurkin@tiscali.co.uk with your details.

Additional drivers are also needed to help pull the floats. If you, family or friends can help by providing a 4X4 with a tow bar, please contact **Anne Durkin**.

KIRKLISTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

Youth Club for 12 years and over is running every **Wednesday, 7pm to 9pm** until March 28.

Children's Club for P1 to P7 is running every **Friday from 4pm to 6pm** until March 30. Both clubs will resume again after the Easter Holidays.

KIRKLISTON LEISURE CENTRE

Please note the new opening hours at Kirkliston Leisure Centre: Monday, Wednesday and Friday – 5pm to 10pm; Tuesday – 4.30pm to 10pm; Thursday – 1pm to 10pm; Saturday – 10am to 1.30pm. Membership has been reduced to £17.99 a month.

REVISED BUS SERVICE

The 747 Jet service is now operating via Kirkliston, stopping on Queensferry Road near the village centre. The Jet 747 route operates every 20 minutes between Inverkeithing Rail Station, Ferrytoll Park and Ride and Edinburgh Airport, seven days a week.

LITTLE COFFEE STOP

Coffee, bacon rolls, home-bakes and a free crèche! If you have a young child you are caring for, why not come along on a **Friday** morning between **9.30am** and **11.25am** to the Parish Church Centre. If you have any queries or might be interested in volunteering for either the Café or the Crèche, please contact **Helen Hogg** on 07525 941501 or **Maggie McConnachie** on 07545 270001.

KIRKLISTON NOW ON FACEBOOK

Kirkliston, Once Known as Cheesetown is now on facebook. Local resident, Agnes Rothney, set up the page "for all the people who live, left and love our wee village". There are already lots of interesting old photos, comments and messages. Go to the page and ask to join the group.

CORRECTION

We would like to apologise for an error in the December edition of the Kirky News (Issue 38). It has been brought to our attention that the bonfire and fireworks display on November 5 was organised and run by Friends of Pikes Pool.

FRIENDS OF PIKES POOL

Friends of Pikes Pool is run by local volunteers. Most of the BIG clean up has almost finished and the park is already looking better. It's now the season for planting and children are very welcome to get involved. There will be further events throughout the year.

As the group do not get any funding support from the Council, any donations, from plants and seeds to tools and equipment, would be gratefully received. If you're interested in helping out, contact Dean Schmid, via **contact.pikespool@gmail.com** or **07968 343727**. The group are also on facebook and have a website, **www.pikespool.co.uk**

A BIG THANK YOU

On behalf of the residents of Allan Park/Humbie Road, Brian Douglas would like to thank the Kirkliston Environment Group and, in particular, Rob Brechin for reinstating the previously derelict rose/shrub feature to its former glory. It should also be noted that KEG would encourage the community to take ownership of this feature and maintain it to the best of their ability.

QUEENSFERRY CARE IN THE COMMUNITY (QCCC)

For anyone not familiar with QCCC, it is a voluntary organisation providing day care, befriending, support services and advice to carers, older people and families in the communities of Kirkliston, South Queensferry, Dalmeny, Newbridge, Ratho and Ratho Station. If you would like to know more about day care, befriending, advice and information for carers and volunteering opportunities, please call **0131 331 5570**.

Queensferry Care has two fundraising events coming up:

May 14 – Annual Golf Event at Dundas Parks Golf Club, Dundas Castle. For further information and to enter a team of four, email Jan at **jan.wemyss@qccc.org.uk** or call **0131 331 5570**.

The cost of a team has not been decided as yet, but last year it was £60. A raffle is also held with lots of golf prizes to be won. The event takes place in the afternoon, usually commencing at 1pm, and light refreshments will be available before and after.

June 10 – Forth Rail Bridge Abseil; for further details contact Jan as above.

QCCC has been awarded money to fund a project to strengthen the volunteering capacity in South Queensferry, Dalmeny, Kirkliston, Ratho, Ratho Station and Newbridge. The fund has a specific aim of supporting community and voluntary groups working with people over 65.

QCCC would welcome the opportunity to hear from any groups who are working with or providing any type of service or support to older people. Please phone Lorna Russell on **0131 331 5570** or email **lorna.russell@qccc.org.uk**

KIRKLISTON FLOWER SHOW

If you can plant, sew, knit or craft, get yourself ready for the annual Village Show because it is back and better than ever. On Saturday September 1, there will once again be the chance to enter your baking, crafts, flowers, fruit and veggies and win cash prizes and even perhaps a trophy, have a shot at the tombola and enjoy teas and coffees. All ages can take part.

AGM AND COPY DEADLINE

Kirky News will be holding its AGM on **May 28 2012** at **7.30pm** in the Community Centre. All welcome.

The deadline for the next issue of the Kirky News is **May 21 2012**. Please email your copy to **kirkynews@hotmail.co.uk**

FERRY BARBERS

No Appointment Required
07825006911
37 The Loan
South Queensferry
Monday to Friday 9am – 6pm
Saturday 9am – 3pm

(ACROSS FROM SCOTMID)

FERRY DRYCLEANING SERVICE

NIDDRY CASTLE GOLF CLUB

WOULD WELCOME NEW MEMBERS IN ALL CATEGORIES

The 18 hole course is located in the village of Winchburgh only 10 minutes from Kirkliston amid rolling parkland with views towards the Pentland Hills. The standard scratch is 69 (par 70) with a yardage of 5914. The club holds both open and closed events throughout the season for both ladies and gents and promotes a lively and friendly atmosphere.

If you would like to join us please phone on **01506 891097**, visit our website: **www.niddrycastle.co.uk** or come along to the Clubhouse at Castle Road Winchburgh.

TRY BEFORE YOU BUY

Bring this advertisement to the Club to get a free round for one person – advance booking essential.