

KIRKY NEWS

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DEAR EDITOR,

I am deeply concerned about the lack of maintenance on the much-used pathway between the new cemetery and the bowling club. Before the car park for the health centre was built, a hard-core path extended to the end of the site. The area to the rear of the car park was grassed over and this has become overgrown and used for dog fouling. The path itself, as it meets the car park, has become a quagmire. The path is well used by people going to and from the Bowling Club, the church and the Gateside area. Concerns have been raised with the Community Council but nothing has happened. How long have we to put up with this?

Concerned Reader by Email

GREAT NEWS ABOUT THE BUSES

Villagers have expressed delight at the success of the recent campaign to rescue our depleted bus services. We hope to get a new subsidy package from the City Council and the likelihood of a speedier tendering process for future services. Our thanks to everyone who is helping to bring about these welcome changes.

MOVEMENTS AT THE MALTINGS

It has been good to see rapid progress being made in the site preparation work at the foot of Path Brae. Ambassador Homes hope to complete the culverting work, construct retaining walls throughout the site and have all the new ground levels established by late summer. However, they do not intend to start building the new houses until early next year. At least we will finally be spared having to live with the unsightly wilderness that has blighted this part of Kirkliston for so long.

KIRKLISTON GUIDE – DON'T GET LEFT OUT!

Following a successful bid for funds from the Community Council, the *Kirky News* team are compiling a guide to services and activities in Kirkliston. This **free** directory will be distributed to all *Kirky* residents and is being written by locals for locals.

We want to list community, sports, youth, music and church groups etc plus details of local businesses such as plumbers, electricians, hairdressers and childminders.

You should have received a form to fill out with your Christmas edition of the *Kirky News*. We would like to make this guide as comprehensive as possible, so please could you return this to Robert Brechin at 5, The Square, Kirkliston by **Friday 26 April**. Additional forms are also available from Rob. Alternatively you can email us at kirkynewsdirectory@hotmail.com We would also welcome recommendations for groups and businesses.

AGM AND COPY DEADLINE

Kirky News will be holding its AGM on **May 21 2013** at 7pm in the Community Centre. All are welcome to attend. The copy deadline for the next issue of the *Kirky News* is **May 17 2013**. Please email your copy to kirkynews@hotmail.co.uk

NEW EDITOR

The *Kirky News* is looking for a new volunteer editor to join the team. We are a friendly bunch that meet four times a year for two hours to put together the next issue. It also entails answering emails, collating copy to go in the newsletter and proofreading (about four hours' work in total). No experience is necessary although a basic knowledge of Microsoft Word and using email would be useful. For more information or to let us know you're interested, please email us at kirkynews@hotmail.co.uk or, alternatively, come along to our next meeting on **May 21 2013** at 8pm in the Community Centre (after the AGM).

KIRKLISTON ENVIRONMENT GROUP (KEG)

KEG continues with its litter picks on the second Saturday of each month. Despite the rain, a good number of hardy supporters turned out on March 9 2013 to tidy up the way in to Kirkliston from South Queensferry. The bulbs that have been planted over the last few years are about to burst into bloom and promise a cheery display

GUIDES

Kirkliston Girl Guiding would like to thank the following for their kindness and support through their donation of prizes for the Christmas raffle:

R.Bennie & Sons, Undertakers; Frank McMullan's Garage; Conifox Nurseries; Fourways Takeaway; Newliston Arms Hotel; Kirkliston Bowling Club; Star Stores, Kirkliston; Kirkliston Pharmacy; Nadia Aitchison; and Janet Melrose.

FRIENDS OF PIKES POOL

Friends of Pikes Pool are looking for volunteers to help work in the park. Tasks include litter picking, widening paths, painting and lots of manual labour. Contact the group either through their website, www.pikespool.co.uk or their Facebook page under Pikes Pool/Cammies.

COFFEE MORNING

Friday April 19, 10am to 12pm, in aid of Down's Syndrome Scotland

Following on from last year's huge success (thankyou once again; over £1,200 was raised) and to celebrate World Down's Syndrome Day which is on March 21 2013, a coffee morning will be taking place in the Kirkliston Community Church from 10am to 12noon on Friday April 19. There will be many stalls including home baking, cards, books, homemade chutney and mini manicures, not to mention the great tea, coffee and home baking from the café. Face painting and some activities for the kids will also be available. There will be a prize draw on the day with some great prizes too.

KIRKLISTON PRIMARY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (KPSA) Family Fun Fayre, Saturday May 11, 2pm to 4.30pm Kirkliston Primary School

KPSA are organising an afternoon of fun, food and fitness activities for the whole family which will take place on Saturday May 11 from 2pm to 4.30pm in the

school. There will be a range of outdoor activities to try, as well as an inflatable obstacle course and bouncy castle. There will also be some indoor games and stalls including tombola, home baking and raffle. A BBQ selling locally-produced burgers will be on hand throughout the afternoon. Admission is £1 for adults and 50p for children. All money raised will be used to support projects in the school.

KIRKLISTON VILLAGE SHOW Saturday September 7 2013

Attention all crafters, artists, photographers, bakers and gardeners! Put Saturday September 7 at the Community Centre in your diary, because the Village Show is on the horizon. If you love taking photos, drawing, planting or are simply competitive, come along and have a go. Anyone can take part, no matter what your age. Refreshments are provided and there is also a raffle, as well as the chance to win cash prizes and even trophies – see you there!

A big thankyou to David Munro for his many years of excellent service on the Village Show committee. David has been a very valued member for over 40 years. He will be sorely missed and is wished the very best in his future endeavours. Of course, it is expected that he and his exhibits will be at this year's show!

KIRKLISTON PARISH CHURCH New Sunday Service Times 10am Traditional Morning Worship

This is a shorter service of traditional hymns, bible readings and teaching, with coffee and fellowship available in the Church Centre from 11am, after the service.

11.30am Contemporary Worship

This new service is family friendly and more informal, with a Praise Band and audiovisual presentations. It also offers a Crèche for pre-schoolers, Sunday Club for primary school children, and a Youth Group for secondary pupils. Go early for coffee and fellowship in the Church Centre before the service.

Joint services will be held for Communion and special events, commencing at 10.30am.

As from April 7 2013, the times of the regular services will be reversed:

**10am Contemporary Worship
11.30am Traditional Worship**

Celebrate Easter at Kirkliston Parish Church

Join the journey through Holy Week and study *The Faces at the Cross*.

March

25 at 7pm	<i>The plot thickens</i>	Caiaphas
26 at 7pm	<i>Thirty pieces of Silver</i>	Judas
27 at 7pm	<i>Before the rooster crows</i>	Peter
28 at 7pm	<i>What crime has he committed?</i>	
	(Communion service)	Pilate
29 at 7pm	<i>Good Friday: Remember Me!</i>	
		The Robber
31 at 10.30am	<i>Easter Sunday: Rolling Stones</i>	
		The Angel

Little Coffee Stop, Fridays from 9:30am to 11:15am, Thomas Chalmers Centre

Do you have or look after under fives? If so, the Little Coffee Stop is a toddler group with a difference. The aim is to give mums, dads, aunts, grans etc an opportunity to take some time out and relax and enjoy 20 minutes in the café, sampling delicious home bakes and/or bacon rolls, while your little ones play happily in the crèche provided. The group has proved to be

incredibly popular and is indebted to the help and support received. The group continues to require help in both the café and crèche and would like you to get in touch if you think this might interest you. Email littlecoffeestop@me.com or call Helen on **07525 941501** for more information. The group runs during school term time only, **re-opening on Friday April 12.**

Stories, Songs and Silliness, Wednesdays from 2pm to 3pm, Thomas Chalmers Centre

Not another group for under fives? Well yes and no!

This is a group for mums, aunts, dads, grans, grandads and childminders to meet together and enjoy half an hour of songs, dancing, storytelling and lots of silly actions. It's great for babies right through to four year olds. Designed particularly for adults to interact with their little ones and enjoy the experience together, the initial programme is followed by some free play for the children and coffee and tea for the grown ups. If you would like to know more, call and speak to Helen on **07525 941501** or email littlecoffeestop@me.com

KIRKLISTON COMMUNITY CHURCH

There is a holiday club at the Community Church

April 1 to 5, 10am to 11.30am, called *Champions*

for primary age children. The club will involve games, stories, prizes and a snack. The café area will also be open on the Tuesday and Thursday of that week.

There are two live events at the Acoustic café with **Yvonne Lyon** coming back after her sellout gig last year, on **May 11** and **Cathy Burton** will be performing on **June 9**.

Every Sunday there is a Prayer Meeting at 10:30am followed by a Morning Service from 11am to 12.30pm. Communion is on the first Sunday of the month.

Dynamite every Tuesday 3.30pm to 4.30pm at Kirkliston Primary School.

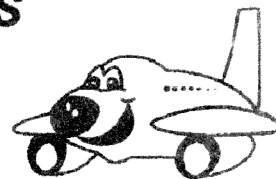
Prayer Meeting first Tuesday of the month at 8pm.

Café Thursdays 10am to 2pm and Fridays 10am to 12pm.

Men's Football Friday from 8.45pm at Kirkliston Leisure Centre.

For more information, go to www.kirklistoncc.com

LITTLE FLYERS PLAYGROUP KIRKLISTON



We are a long standing playgroup originally started in Thomas Chalmers Church Hall and now more recently moved to Kirkliston Leisure Centre.

Fun activities / arts and crafts and a large outdoor area. We welcome children from 20 months to 3 years old. Childcare vouchers accepted.

Opening Hours –

09.15 - 11.45 Wed / Thu / Fri

Call Jen on **07749 234098** or email littleflyers@hotmail.co.uk