

# KIRKY NEWS

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## Gala Civic Week

### **Sunday June 8:** *Village 5K Race*

Adults' and children's races followed by a BBQ. Register at 1.30 at Allison Park. 2pm Adult 5k, 2.30pm Kids 10-16 years old 3k, 3pm kids under 10 (with an adult) 3.30pm teddy toddle – bring a bear (50p entry). Race kids £2, adults £5 or a family pass £10 (2 adults and kids)

### **Monday June 9:** *Football Tournament*

P1-7 £2. Meet at Leisure Centre 5.30pm -8pm

### **Tuesday June 10:** *Family Beetle Drive*

£1 for adults and 50p for children on the night. Note: children must be accompanied by an adult. Thomas Chalmers Centre, 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

### **Wednesday June 11:** *Entertainer – "Tricky*

*Ricky"* Nursery to P3. Tickets £3 in advance from the Community Centre or School Office.

Tea and coffee will be available for parents. Tuck shop for children. Thomas Chalmers Centre 3.30pm-4.15pm and 4.30pm-5.15pm.

*Girls' Cupcake and Cheerleading Party.* Tickets are available from the school £3. Thomas Chalmers Centre, 5.45pm to 8pm

### **Thursday June 12:** *Disco at the Community Centre*

Nursery children: 4pm to 4.45pm; £1 on the day  
P1 to P3: 6pm to 7pm; £2

P4 to P7: 7.30pm to 8.45pm; £2

Tickets in advance from the School Office.

### **Friday June 13:** *Teddy Bear's Picnic.* Thomas Chalmers Centre 10am-11.30am

*Final Gala rehearsal at Allison Park,*

3pm (Community Centre at 4pm in the event of inclement weather).

### **Saturday June 14:** **GALA DAY**

*Judging of Decorated Houses and Judging of Arches* 9am to 10.30am;

Allison Park: *Parade* 11am;

*Coronation of Queen Elect*, 11.45am (approx);

*Carnival* 12.30pm (approx)

## News from Queensferry Churches Care in the Community (QCCC)

QCCC have now been recognised as Investors in Volunteer Standard. They will receive confirmation at the Inspiring Volunteer Awards next month when **Alison Mirtle**, who has been recognised for her voluntary work over the past 10 years with QCCC, will be presented with an Inspiring Volunteer Certificate. Currently 17 older people are on the waiting list for the QCCC Befriending Service - a service totally dependent on volunteers. Befrienders make a commitment to

visit an older person in their own home for 1-1½ hours per fortnight.

If you are interested in joining their team as a Volunteer Befriender, please contact Lorna on **0131 331 5570**. All volunteers receive a comprehensive induction, ongoing training and support. As the QCCC website has recently been updated, please visit [www.qccc.org.uk](http://www.qccc.org.uk)

## Village Show

This year's Kirkcaldy Village Show date is set for Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September in the Community Centre. Leaflets will be distributed advertising the show and all the other events very soon. Now is the time to start preparing!

## Volunteer Hub

If you are involved with a group that provides services or activities for older people you are invited to join the Volunteer Hub. The Volunteer Hub works together to share resources and support e.g. to organise training and assist with funding applications. The next meeting is on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June** at 1.15pm at the Community Centre - everyone welcome.

## Edinburgh Leisure

Activities this year have been inspired by the Commonwealth Games. Kids will be creating and recording their own 'Commie Games' experience. Each venue will be doing different things, but some of the activities going on around the city are:

- Rising to the 2014 challenge; what will each team be able to do 2,014 of?
- Creating their own medals and batons
- Learning about athletes
- Plus all the usual games, activities and fun.

For more information go to [www.edinburghleisure.co.uk](http://www.edinburghleisure.co.uk) Book before the end of May to get 20% off their very special Summer Activator Camps.

## Scotch Hop 25<sup>th</sup> Year

Everyone from kids to grannies, locals or tourists, will enjoy an evening of Scottish dancing in spectacular Linlithgow Palace. The bands are great, the dances are easy to do with guidance given and it all makes for a very sociable occasion. When is it on?

**Wednesdays** from July 16 to August 15 at 7.30pm, tickets £8.50 and kids go free. If the weather isn't good enough, then it will be held in the Low Port Centre instead. More information at [www.scotchhop.org.uk](http://www.scotchhop.org.uk) or just come along!

## Village Clean Up

Kirkliston Environment Group's annual Pre Gala village clean-up is on Saturday 7th June. Meet at Library Car Park 10 to 12 noon. All welcome and all equipment supplied.

## Commonwealth Games Baton Relay

Villagers have the opportunity to see the relay locally when the baton comes to Queensferry on Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> June. It will leave from the Hawes Pier at 8am to be carried along the High Street and up the Loan to Kirkliston Road where it will be taken by convoy to Broxburn. High School pupil Dan Grant has been chosen as one of the baton carriers.

## Buses

The No.63 route is under tender. We understand that the route will now take in Dalmeny. This should mean that pupils attending Queensferry High will be able to attend after school activities and then have transportation home to Kirkliston.

## Dear Editor

I would like to bring to the attention of your readers the accumulating 'funds' that are being gained by Edinburgh City Council. When I investigated the total so far raised by fines generated from the 'Bus Only' Lane on Eilston Road, I found that it currently stands at £60,000. So where is the money going? Could local charity groups benefit from it?

Email from; 'Should have gone to Specsavers'.

## Forth Bridge Abseil

Eighty year old Jean Sibbald took part in the Grand Forth Rail Bridge Abseil organised by the Rotary Club of South Queensferry on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May. Jean, who lives in Kirkliston, would just like to thank everybody who sponsored her and declared that she had thoroughly enjoyed the experience. By her daring deed this intrepid lady raised over £1700 for Queensferry Churches' Care in the Community. One third of the members of South Queensferry Rotary Club come from Kirkliston and they are delighted to announce that over £90,000 was raised from the abseil. These funds will benefit a whole raft of charities, both local and national.

## Kirky Guide

We hope that you are enjoying your free copy of The Kirkliston Guide that was distributed recently. If you did not receive your copy then please email the address overleaf. We also have extra copies available for a modest donation.

## New Disabled Ramp

A new disabled ramp has been built to give easier access to the Thomas Chalmers Church Centre by wheel chair users and those who have difficulty using stairs.

## Christian Action Bus (C.A.B)

C.A.B is the Parish Church's outreach for the children in Kirkliston who don't necessarily come to church. CAB continues to show children the love of God in a friendly and fun way. They have now started a monthly cooking/games night at the Church Centre from 7 to 8:15pm on the second Friday of every month. This continues until mid-July with a break over August. They seek to do the Lord's work and would appreciate any offers of help. The C.A.B can be found down at Gateside from 7 to 8pm every Friday night apart from the second Friday of the month. Enquiries contact Christina on 0131 333 0333.

## Try not to be ill!

At our Health Centre patients are having to wait for a fortnight to get a non-urgent appointment with a doctor. Meanwhile, changes are being made to the drop-in surgeries. Starting on 10<sup>th</sup> June, they will be from 8.30am-10am on a Tuesday instead of a Thursday.

## Goodbye

In July Yolande Nelson and her family are moving to their new home in England. We thank her sincerely for all her hard work editing the Kirky News since 2007, and wish her all the best for the future.

## Copy Deadline

The copy deadline for the next issue of the *Kirky News* is **August 29th**. Please email your copy to [kirkynews@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kirkynews@hotmail.co.uk)

### **Little Flyers Nursery**

4A Ingliston Road (By Edinburgh Airport)

\*Open Monday - Friday 7.30- 6pm

\*Places available for children aged 3mths - 5 years

\*Small homely nursery with extensive secure gardens

\*Preschool funding with Edinburgh City Council

\*Shift workers accommodated

Contact Debbie 0131 335 3679

### **Little Flyers Playgroup**

Kirkliston Leisure Centre

Weds, Thurs, Fri 9-15 to 11.45am

Places available for children 2 to 5 years

Contact Gillian 07749234098

### **Little Flyers**

### **After School Club @ Kirkliston**

Based in Kirkliston Leisure Centre

Opening August 2014 August

For children Primary 1 - Primary 7

Contact Michelle Mcleary on

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