

KIRKY NEWS

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A MESSAGE FROM SANTA

I shall be visiting the village on Christmas Eve and hope to get a chance to meet you all. As the village is getting bigger, and I have to be back at the North Pole in time to start delivering all your presents, I will be starting my round at 2.30pm this year. I haven't decided yet what my route will be but one of my Elves is working on it. I will make sure that everyone will have a chance to see my route on Kirkliston Community Council's Facebook page. I am also posting notices around the village and asking the school and nurseries to pass on the information. Can I ask you all to help me by gathering at the stopping points advertised and I will do my very best to keep to the times shown. Merry Christmas everyone. Bye for now! See you on Christmas Eve.

OUR OWN CHRISTMAS TREE

Thanks to **Conifox Nurseries**, Kirkliston is to have its own Christmas tree sited near the traffic lights courtesy of the **Newliston Arms** (who are providing the electricity). Following a grant from the Community Council **Kirkliston Environment Group** has purchased lights. A real community effort!

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The floral display placed by Kirkliston Environment Group at the entrance to the village on Newliston Road has given a colourful display over the summer. The tubs have now been replanted and, if left alone, they will flourish over the winter months.

THE ROTARY CLUB of South Queensferry are organising a carol service in Kirkliston Parish Church on Tuesday 9th December 7.00pm with lots of local children taking part. Tickets at door £2 adults, children free – followed by mulled wine & mince pies.

CHRISTMAS AT KIRKLISTON PARISH CHURCH

Sun 7th 7.00pm Tear Fund Christmas concert tickets at door £5
Tues 9th 7.00pm S Queensferry Rotary Club Carol Service
Mon 15th 6.30pm Carol singing starting at Kirklands Park Sheltered Housing
Thurs 18th 9.30am School Christmas Service

Thurs 18th 7.00pm Commemoration service for the bereaved
Sun 21st 10.30am Sunday service including Sunday Club Nativity play
Wed 24th 6.30pm Kirkliston Churches Together Family Service followed, in the Square, by mince pies, mulled wine and Santa
Wed 24th 11.15pm Candlelit Watch-Night Service
Thurs 25th 10.30am Christmas Day All-Age Service

KIRKLISTON COMMUNITY CHURCH

Join us at 11:00am on Sunday mornings.

December events:

Dec. 6th 10:00am-2:00pm Christmas Market
Dec 21st 11:00am All age Christmas service
Dec 21st 6:30pm Carol service
An evening of music, readings and choral singing to celebrate the story of Christmas
Dec 24th 6:30pm Joint Christmas Eve service at Kirkliston Parish Church
Dec 25th 10:30am Christmas Day service
Events are held at 70 Main Street, Kirkliston (except Christmas Eve). More information website www.kirklistoncc.com.
Facebook www.facebook.com/kirklistoncc
You can also contact their pastors Colin MacPhie or Clive Parnell on 0131 333 3482.

KIRKLISTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

Offer a wide and varied programme all year round. Pop in to pick up a programme or for more info please contact the staff on 0131 333 4214
The family Room is open every day, with lots of toys for under 5's, an ideal meeting place where toddlers can have fun and play whilst their parents/carers chat over a coffee.

Live Music on Saturday 13th December

With the brilliant band 'FULL CIRCLE' and local support *BYOB* Tickets £5 include snacks and refreshments **ALL WELCOME**. Book your table A.S.A.P Doors open at 7.30pm!

Santa at Kirkliston Community Centre! – Parties being held on *Saturday 20th December*
Toddlers to Primary 1's - 2pm to 3.30pm
Primary 2's to Primary 7's - 4.30pm to 6pm
Tickets £2 - numbers limited. Book A.S.A.P

QUEENSFERRY CHURCHES CARE IN THE COMMUNITY

Stuck for a Christmas present for friends or family? Give them a surprise present of an Abseil from the iconic Forth Bridge and support QCCC in its work with older people

and carers - Treat yourself to the thrill of a lifetime! Contact Jan - 0131 331 5570 Monday or Friday

Thankyou, Kirkliston, for your continuing support of QCCC's work with older people and carers. Without your help through fundraising, volunteering or attending local events, QCCC would not be able to provide its high level of service. Best wishes from QCCC to the community over Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Almond Supper Club The club meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, 4.30 - 7pm in The Haven Transport is provided to and from the Club For more information contact Lorna McKenzie, Senior Support and Development Worker at The Haven 0131 331 5570 or lornamc@qccc.org.uk

Kirkliston Carer Information Café meets on the first Friday of each month in Kirkliston Community Centre 10.30am-12noon.. If you would like further details contact Gillian Smith, Carer Support Worker on 331 5570 or email gillian@qccc.org.uk

Thursday Day Care Members and staff wish to thank all volunteers for their support throughout the year. 'Thursday Club' is for older people living in Kirkliston who are socially isolated and have health issues. The Club gives the opportunity to get out once a week, meet with other people, have fun, have a meal served, and to be advised on facilities and services available locally. To find out more please contact Liz, Gillian or Aileen at The Haven on 0131 331 5570 or visit www.qccc.org.uk for details of all services provided.

GALA DAY NEWS

The nomination process to choose the 2015 crowner is under way. If you know someone who makes or has made a difference to our community then please nominate them and give them the recognition they deserve (closes 20th December).

The draw for the 2015 Queen and court will be taking place on Tuesday 3 February, 7pm in Kirkliston Community Church, Main Street. All welcome. For information go to <http://kirklistongaladay.btck.co.uk/>. All P1 and P7 age children who are resident in Kirkliston (irrespective of school attended), are able to take part in the 2015 Gala Day. If you know of someone who would be eligible please let the committee know so that they will be sure to be included.

You can contact via Facebook page or email morrison1@googlemail.com

Fundraising events include a Burns Supper and Ceilidh on Sat. 31st Jan at, 7.30pm in the Bowling Club and a Race Night on Sat 14 March 7.30pm also in the Bowling Club. With a disco and hot buffet. As ever the committee is collecting items for the Gala Day tombolas (bottles, gifts, toys etc) or raffles prizes as well as looking for race sponsors. If you would like to sponsor a race please contact lisaemackay@hotmail.co.uk or via the Facebook page. Tickets are available at the School or Community Centre.

BUS SERVICES

While the 651 service from Dunfermline to Livingston is being withdrawn, a direct service to St John's will be maintained by the 21A and 21B.

The rumour circulating that the 63 service will be stopping appears to be without foundation.

THE POST OFFICE business is now likely to transfer to the newsagents.

George and Ellen Mavor will continue to provide their other services at 66 Main St.

DOG OWNERS

The most complaints passed to the Community Council concern dog fouling. Inconsiderate dog owners are to be targeted by the dog wardens. Those caught can expect a hefty fine.

Do the do, pick up the pool!

COPY DEADLINE

The copy deadline for the next issue of the Kirky News is March 13th 2015. Please email your copy to kirkynews@hotmail.co.uk

LITTLE FLYERS PLAYGROUP KIRKLISTON

***We are a long standing playgroup at
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***