

Kirky News

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CHRISTMAS IN KIRKLISTON

The newly formed Christmas In Kirkliston team have been busy securing funds for this year's Christmas lights. To purchase, maintain, insure and erect the lights they need to raise £8,000. The team have now secured the major portion of funding for 2017 through generous donations from the Rotary Club, Community Council, Edinburgh Airport Community Fund and Almond Neighbourhood Partnership and they would like to thank them all, most sincerely, for their generosity. There is still a need for further funds and CIK will gratefully receive any size of donation. On offer, too, are a variety of lamppost sponsorship deals. If you would like to donate or sponsor a lamppost then please email ChristmasInKirkliston@gmail.com for more details. Also look out for the new Christmas In Kirkliston Facebook page.

SCOUT HALL

A huge thank you to Chris McKinnis of CM Steel Bathgate who supplied hardcore for the lane along to the hall at a very reasonable cost and to Walker Homes who funded it. As there is now no mud coming into the hall, Kirkliston Scout Group are very grateful to both businesses.

NORTH WEST CARERS CENTRE

This is a small charity providing services to unpaid carers (someone who is responsible for providing and arranging care and support for someone who cannot support themselves) in the North West of Edinburgh. They support 'from Cradle to Grave', with the youngest carer 4 years old and the oldest in her 90s. All services are free to carers and the person looked after. While originally in Drylaw and Granton the group now covers the Forth, Inverleith, Almond and Western Partnership areas. Projects cover young carers (under 16), alternative to day-care (respite) service for people with dementia, peer support and one-to-one support from staff. There is also a dementia singing group, carers support group and respite service in S. Queensferry which could benefit Kirby News readers.

KPC SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB

The autumn session commences on **Tuesday 12th September** from 7.30pm - 9.30pm with the group meeting every Tuesday evening till 5th December. Membership is £6 and nightly fees are £2.50 for members and £3.50 for non-members. An Autumn Fall Dance is being held on **Saturday 28th October** from 7.30pm with dancing to Lindsay Weil's Band. Tickets are £7 and can be obtained on a Tuesday evening or by calling 0131 331 4194.

KIRKY KRAFTERS

KK would like to thank everyone who donated their old Christmas cards for recycling. They are very busy preparing for their Christmas sale, which takes place this year on **Saturday 4th November** in the Kirkliston Parish Church Centre with all their cards on sale as well as decorative candles, fused glass and contributions from the art club. Put the date in your diary.

SCOTTISH WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

After the summer break, the SWI (Rural) Committee look forward to welcoming members to the Community Centre on **Tuesday 12th September** for the first meeting of the new session. Do come along, not only to have a chat with friends that you haven't seen over the summer but also to make new ones. There will be food to be chewed over, plus a quiz, to test your knowledge (Chat, Chew & Quiz is the theme!). Please come early to book in, as there is never enough time to do all that is planned. Doors open at 6.45 with the Committee on hand to welcome members both old and new. There are lots of activities and outings planned for the 2017/18 session to hear about. See you there!

DORCAS LUNCH CLUB

September 19th sees the start of this session's lunch club in the Thomas Chalmers Church Centre 12.00 to 1.00pm with delicious, freshly prepared food available. Come and enjoy.

KIRKLISTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

A vacancy has arisen on the Council due to the resignation of one member. If anyone within the community would like to put their name forward or would like further information, contact Neil Davidson, KCC Secretary on 0131 333 2214 or neildavidsonkcc@btinternet.com. Please respond by **Friday 22nd September**.

EVENING ART GROUP

With the new session about to get under way, half a dozen Kirkliston ladies will be returning to Winchburgh Community Centre on **Wednesday evenings (7.00-9.00pm)** to work on their own projects with advice from a professional artist on alternate weeks. All are very welcome to join this friendly, informal group.

MINI KICKERS

Mini Kickers meet at Kirkliston Leisure Centre. Please come along and join the under 5's fun with classes at the Centre on **Thursdays from 1.15 - 2.00pm**. As available spaces are limited book now on 0131 333 4700 or email info.klc@edinburghleisure.co.uk

ANYONE FOR GARDENING?

Part of an elderly resident's kitchen garden is no longer being used and now needs some TLC. If you would like to grow your own vegetables or flowers on a 20'x30' plot, let Kirky News know and your details will be passed on.

KIRKLISTON CHILDREN'S GALA

The AGM will be held on **Tuesday 19th September** at 7.30pm in the Community Centre. Do come along for a glass of wine, some nibbles and to find out more about what is involved in the preparations for Kirkliston's annual gala. New members are encouraged to join the committee and it would be great to see as many people as possible to ensure that next year's gala is the best ever.

RETRO GAME SHOW

Come on down to the Children's Gala Retro Game Show Night which takes place on **Friday 29th September** at the Bowling Club. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets are priced at £5 per person (adults only) by email to kirkliston.gala@aol.co.uk or through the Facebook page.

KIRKLISTON ENVIRONMENT GROUP

Although there has been a reasonable response to the request for new members, no one has come forward yet to take over either the role of Chairman from Robert Brechin or that of Secretary from David Batty, both of whom intimated 12 months ago that they would be stepping down. Rather than wind up KEG at this stage the Group's activities have been suspended. If anyone is willing to take on either of these roles would they please contact David on 0131 335 3604.

KIRKLISTON COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday Morning Service is presently at 11.00am but in October there will be two services, one at 9.30am and the other at 11.30am. All are welcome with groups for children and a crèche for babies and toddlers.

The Café will re-open in October 10.00 - 12.00 every Friday during term times serving delicious homemade scones and bacon rolls - all with a friendly welcome.

'Toddlers' is on every Thursday during term times from 9.30 - 11.15am. Parents, carers and their children are made to feel welcome during a time of play, refreshment and song.

Join in an evening of acoustic music supporting Tearfund at the Tearfund Acoustic Café on **Wednesday 20 September at 7.30pm**. Tickets are £5 each (concessions available) via Eventbrite.

KCC invite you to their 'A' Party with a prize for the best fancy dress costume depicting the theme of the letter 'A'. All are welcome on **Tuesday 31st October** from 1.15 - 2.00pm.

GET WELL

Readers will be pleased to learn that after a worrying eight weeks in hospital, our ex-postmistress Ellen Mavor is at last showing signs of improvement. We all send her our best wishes for a full recovery.

KIRKLISTON VILLAGE SHOW

Entries for the Village Show, held on September 2nd in the Community Centre, were slightly down on previous years, perhaps related to the opening of a new bridge nearby.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION PLATE (Highest Points in Show) - Tom Milne

JOHN DRYSDALE MEMORIAL TROPHY (Second Highest) - David Denholm

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ROSE BOWL (Flowers) - David Buchanan

D. B. MARSHALL TROPHY (Vegetables) - Tom Milne

CHARTERS CUP (Industrial) - David Denholm

DAVE MUNRO MEMORIAL CUP (Industrial Classes 90-106) - Yelena Craig

MAURICE PEARCE MEMORIAL CUP (Flower or Vegetable) - Tom Milne

WILSON FLORAL ART BOWL - Joan Wright

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ART CUP (Art Section) - Shella Kite

COMMUNITY COUNCIL FIGURETTE (Photography) - David Denholm

BOWLING CLUB GOBLET (Home Brew) - Tom Milne

COMMUNITY QUAICH (Craft) - Yelena Craig

JUNIOR CUP - Lauren MacNeill

MACKIE & BRECHIN CUP (Children's) - Isla Banks

HIGHEST NUMBER OF ENTRIES - Tom Milne

A special mention to all who took part in the Kirkliston Environment Group's 'Grow a giant onion' competition. Well done!

Loredana Crolla managed to Guess the Dog's Birthday (10 August), and won the dog.

NEW TO THE VILLAGE

A new resident has emailed the editor to say how much his family are enjoying being in the village and are delighted to receive their copy of Kirky News.

TALK TO US

Let us know what you think of the new format!

Deadline for copy for the winter edition is **17th November**.



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