Wemyss Bay Village News

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Wemyss Bay Community Association

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month in the Inverkip Hotel. If you are interested in finding out what is going on in the village or the upcoming events we are organising please come along. We are a friendly group who make all our visitors most welcome.

Any articles, information or queries should be directed to meesh_barrett@hotmail.com. The closing date for the May edition will be Friday 23rd April .

Gala Weekend

The Association has started the preparation for this year's Gala. It will take place on the 11th and 12th of June. As always we require a lot of help from the villagers to make the weekend the success it always is. If you can help out in any way please let us know by attending a meeting or approaching a member of the Association.

More information will be provided in next month's news.

Friday Evening Family Disco – 11th June 7.30pm

The Community Centre is celebrating its 21st birthday this year. For this reason we have decided to celebrate this and have an 80's themed disco.

Wemyss Bay's Got Talent – Back by popular demand!

After last year's success, Wemyss Bay's Got Talent returns to this year's Gala. We are looking for Wemyss Bay's greatest talent, so whatever your age, whatever your talent, this is the contest worth entering.

Application forms will be available in the Spar Shop from Friday 1st May.

Craft Stalls – Handmade soaps, jewellery, cards, personalised gifts, and many more

This year we are introducing craft stalls which we hope you will enjoy browsing or treating yourself.

There is still room for a few more stalls. If you are interested in having a stall contact - Bobbie McCabe (bobbiemccabe@btopenworld.com)

Tug of War

Another new event for Saturday's entertainment is the tug of war. Are you a group of strong men or women? Would you like to get your street together and verse another street?

It's all about having fun so come on sign up and have a laugh. Details to follow in next month's news.

Inverclyde Academy

1. School closes at 2.30pm on 1/4/10 and reopens at 8.50am on 20/4/10.
2. Easter Supported Study sessions will be held on the 6th, 7th and 8th April from 9.30am until 1pm for S3 - S6 pupils. Information on subjects available and enrollment form coming home with pupils on 25th March.
3. S1 reports will come home with pupils on 30/4/10.

Waste collection
Your black bin will be collected on Tuesdays the 13th & 27th April. Your blue and brown bins will be emptied on Tuesdays 6th & 20th April.

Bible Club and Youth Group
Bible Club and Youth Group will be off for much of April due to the Easter school holidays. There will be no club on the 5th, 12th or 19th April. Both clubs will resume on Monday, 26th April. Bible Club is from 6.15pm to 7.30pm and is for children in P1 to P6. Youth Group is from 7.45pm to 9.30pm and is for young people in P7 and high school. New children and young people are always welcome on Monday evenings. The clubs are run by Strathclyde Bible Ministries (SBM) and there are no fees for either club. If you would like further information, please contact Stephen Renton on 01505 355994.

Inverkip and Wemyss Bay Community Council
The next Business Meeting of the Community Council will be held on Thursday 1st of April in the Inverkip Hotel at 7.30pm.

David Cairns MP
Families in Wemyss Bay need their cars and petrol prices are important to you. But have you noticed that as soon as you leave Inverclyde the price per litre drops by several pence?

Local people shouldn't have to pay more for their fuel than those living in Paisley or Glasgow. I have repeatedly complained to Tesco and Morrisons about the prices charged at their petrol stations but they are just not listening.

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Contact Details:
David Cairns MP
20 Union Street
Greenock
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Tel: 791820 Email: cairnsd@parliament.uk

Stuart McMillan MSP
A recent meeting hosted by the Inverkip and Wemyss Bay Community Council, which I attended, representatives from Transport Scotland and AMEY discussed the Review of Junctions report. Transport Scotland has since undertaken a video survey of the road network and is investigating safety measures for the Bankfoot roundabout. I am happy to provide further information.

In a debate regarding Climate Change I voted for the amendment against the building of the new Hunterston power station. To date the Carbon Capture Storage (CCS) technology has not been proven and I could not justify millions on tonnes of CO2 being pumped into the atmosphere.

Upcoming Surgery; Friday 9th April 15:15 – 16:00 at Wemyss Bay Station.

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Holy Week Services

Sunday 28th March - 11.00am	Palm Sunday Incorporates Cradle Roll Service.
Thursday 1st April - 7.30pm	Maundy Thursday: Joint Service with Inverkip congregation in Skelmorlie & Wemyss Bay Church Hall Incorporates Holy Communion & short dramatic re-enactment
Friday 2nd April - 7.30pm	Good Friday: Joint Service with Inverkip congregation Inverkip Church
Sunday 4th April - 7.00am	Easter Dawn Service at Meigle Beach (Followed by tea & bacon rolls in church hall)Thereafter Short in side aisle of church
Sunday 4th April - 11.00am	Easter Service
Sunday 11th April 11.00am	Morning Service with short order of Holy Communion thereafter Retiral Offering to the Scottish Down's Syndrome Association
Sunday 18th April 11.00am	the Revd Alastair Cherry (Presbytery Clerk)
Sunday 25th April 11.00am	Morning Service
Sunday 2nd May 11.00am	Morning Service

The Da Capo Singers will be holding a concert in the church on the16th May at 3.00 pm. They will perform a mixture of religious and popular music. Tickets will be available at a price of £5.00.
For further information contact Siona Leitch 01475 521596

The last soup day will be until the autumn will be Good Friday, 2nd April 12.15pm – 1.30pm in Skelmorlie & Wemyss Bay Parish Church Hall. We will celebrate with a selection of delicious desserts and some Easter treats!
Alpha Get-together for all those who have already attended an Alpha Course is too held at the Manse: Sunday 25th April at 2.30pm. Coffee and Cake

From the Parish Manse

Just these words…to say A Happy Easter! Eastertime is the great reminder of the resurrection theology which is at the centre of the Christian faith. Ours is a resurrection belief, which means that that you have to let an old way of life die so that a new way might be born. And that doesn't happen without a struggle.

The story of the Emperor Moth tells of a man who came across a cocoon of an emperor moth and took it home in order to watch it open out. Eventually a small opening appeared and the moth struggled for several hours trying to force its body out. Then it seemed to stop making any progress.

Thinking he would help things along the fellow took a pair of scissors and snipped off the remainder of the cocoon so that the moth could get out. Sure enough the moth emerged – but with a swollen body and shrivelled wings. He watched the moth, expecting the wings to enlarge and expand in order to support the body which would simultaneously contract to its proper size.

Neither thing happened. In fact that little moth spent the rest of its life crawling around with a swollen body and shrivelled wings. It was never able to fly. Why? Because the restricting cocoon and the struggle required for the moth to emerge is part of the creative process. It is the creator's way of forcing fluid from the body into the wings so that the moth, having achieved its freedom, is ready for flight. It doesn't happen without a struggle,

It's no different for us in our spiritual journey, if we want to become all that God intends us to be. But we're not meant to do it on our own. We are a part of God's family and that means supporting one another as we travel along life's way.

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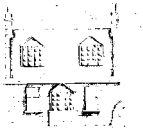

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YOUNG people across Inverclyde are this week electing Inverclyde Youth councillors. Eleven candidates are vying for places on Inverclyde Youth Council which aims to get the views of Inverclyde's young people heard in their community.

The youth council, which is supported by Inverclyde Council Community Learning and Development staff, will chair young people's issue-based groups and forums in and feed the information from these up to the Scottish Youth Parliament at a national level.

In turn, any issues and initiatives arising at Scottish Youth Parliament will be fed through the youth council to the youth groups and forums of Inverclyde.

The youth council gives an opportunity for young people to be a part of the decision-making process for themselves in Inverclyde, influencing youth services and facilities and making positive changes. Young people aged from 12 to 25-years can vote and are urged to look out for a ballot box in their area, including in schools.

The wards are Port Glasgow and Kilmacolm; Gourock Inverkip and Wemyss Bay; and Greenock. The results will be announced on 30 March.

YOUTH Council Elections -- Joe Gibson

My Personal Statement: I am outgoing and I like to know what is going on in my area so that I can help young people to make a change. I am 12-years-old and I live in Wemyss Bay. I am a young man who plays football, goes sailing and enjoys many other sports. I also play guitar.

My Manifesto: I am keen to stand in the Youth Council because I want to make a change and help our community. You should vote for me because I want to help all young people of Inverclyde. I will put young people first because we are the future.

Country Club

The final open Club Meeting of the Session will be held on WEDNESDAY 7th APRIL at 2:30pm in The CHART ROOM, KIP MARINA, Inverkip, when the speaker will be Mr DAVID O'NEILL on the subject of "WORK of THE HESSIOLHEAD WILDLIFE TRUST"

All members, old and new, and visitors will be made welcome.

Despite the serve winter we have had an excellent Session and hope this will be maintained when we recommence in early October.

Details of the Club may be obtained from the secretary ANN HAIG on tel.522316.

Anonymous Articles

While we are happy to print articles and withhold the sender's name, if requested, we must have a note of the person's name and contact details before we can print anything. This is to protect us, should someone later complain about an article.

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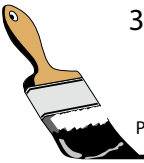

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