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Culbokie Bowls news

Culbokie Bowling Club has just completed another busy and enjoyable season beginning as usual with the club competitions and of course league matches. The first club competition was the Triples in November followed in January and February by the Pairs and Singles matches. These competitions are always played in a friendly spirit of fun and good humour – honestly. The results for this season are as follows:-

Triples: Willie Gunn, Brian MacQueen and Jim Miller

Pairs: Allan Forsyth and Harvey Mowat

Singles: David Bremner

Round Robin: Willie Gunn

Most Improved Member: Beryl Kilbey

In February we hosted our bi-annual Friendly with Resolis Bowling Club. As suggested by the name this is always held in a friendly atmosphere with prizes for the winners – and losers wine and nibbles followed by a tasty supper. In April we had our end of season meal out at The Priory in Beauly which is always a popular event and on Wednesday 5th April we held our AGM, Presentation of Cups, and last night of bowls for this season in the Hall.

April 12th was our annual trip to play at Inverness Stadium. Here again we were joined

> by our neighbouring club Resolis and also friends from other clubs on the Black Isle. For bowlers

used to playing on short mats this is a rather different game but everyone got used to the different techniques and had a most enjoyable evening.

Culbokie Indoor Bowling Club meets every Wednesday and Friday 7.30pm – 10.00pm from October to the end of March in Findon Hall. If you would like to give it a try come along in October. The only equipment you need is a pair of indoor shoes or slippers. There are bowls available at the Club for you to use. Issue 48 June 2017

The next newsletter is due out mid Sept 2017 - The final deadline for news is Friday 18 Aug 2017 but the sooner the better!

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Culbokie Community Trust - news

Belladrum Prize Draw

CCT is running a Prize Draw for 2 adult weekend (3 day) tickets for the Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival (3belladrum 5th August), in addition winner can also include up to 2 under 13s. The draw is limited to 50 entries so for £10 you will have a 1:50 chance of winning! The closing date is 5pm on 27th June and the draw will take place on 28th June. For full details and to enter go to www.localgiving.org/appeal/ bellatickets/. Alternatively you can pay cash to a CCT Board member. Proceeds will go to the Glascairn Community Project.

'An Evening with Ian Rankin'

In this year of the 30th anniversary of the Rebus series, we are delighted to announce 'An Evening with Ian Rankin' on Saturday 12th August at Findon Hall. Ian has entertained audiences at events and festivals around the world - so a fun and informative evening is guaranteed! Book your place by emailing info@culbokiect.org. Tickets are £15 to include some refreshments and are likely to sell out quickly. Proceeds will go to the Glascairn Community Project.

History Group.

By the time you read this we will have started clearing scrub from the Henge at Teanagairn. Archaeologists from Adopt a Monument helped supervise the work. Our thanks go to the neighbouring landowners for their co-operation in allowing this important site to be maintained. Our future aims for the site are the installation of interpretation and access across the boundary fence.

Young Bushcraft -Apprenticeship Opportunity

Learn how to make shelters in the woods; cook on a fire you've made yourself; build a bridge and learn about animal tracks. These are only some of the skills and experiences that children (8 – 12 years) can have in Culbokie Woods this summer.

CCT has organised four sessions to learn bushcraft skills from 10am-12.30pm on the 4th, 5th, 11th and 12th of July in Culbokie Woods. Booking is essential and a fee of £12 is payable for each session.

Contact Lesley Robb on 01349 877224 or email lar.robb@btinternet.com

Culbokie Community Market

The next market is at Findon Hall, Culbokie on Saturday 17th June from 10am – 12.30pm when there will also be a Car Boot sale. The summer markets will be on Saturday 15th July and Saturday 19th August when fresh local summer produce will be available as well as all the usual stalls.

You can keep up-to-date with news and events on the Facebook Page – Culbokie Community Market. If you wish to take part in a market or have a Car Boot space please contact Sylvie on: market@culbokie.org or telephone 07926 044 064.

Evergreen Lunch Club

The first Monday of each month: soup and home baking for those who are retired. All are very welcome. At Ferintosh Free Church, 12noon to 1.30pm. Contact Carol on 864993 or Helen 862546.

Culbokie Church Centre - update

We are very pleased to welcome
Rev. Terrance Burns to the linked
Church of Scotland congregations of
Resolis & Urquhart and Cromarty. His
Induction Service will be on Friday 2
June, at 7pm at the West Church in
Cromarty. Terry's first service in
Culbokie Church Centre will be on
Sunday 4 June at 10am. He and his wife
Cindy will be moving in the manse in
Culbokie, and look forward to meeting
and getting to know folk in the
community. Contact: 877452.

Church services 10am on Sunday (including Sunday School and crèche).

The Senior Citizen's Friendship Group meets on Monday 5 June, 2-4pm. There is then a break over the summer, resuming again in October. Contact: Maureen Rose (877435)

Church Café is held on Tuesday afternoons, 1.30-3.45pm.

The Walking Group meet on Thursdays at 10am for a sociable stroll. Contact: May Stevenson (877213)

Scotland's Gardens

Brackla Wood Garden Open Day



Thursday 22nd June 2017 2.00 - 4.30p.m.

Culbokie IV7 8GY (Upper Braefindon road, off Mounteagle road)

Homemade Teas, Plants for sale Admission £3.00, children free

Strictly no dogs except guide dogs
Partial wheelchair access
with assistance

The Man Friday group continues to hold regular monthly meetings on the last Friday of the month and would welcome some new faces. We heard from Roger Fothergill on his experiences as a pilot with Mission Aviation Fellowship which took him all over the world, through to flying for Loganair and landing on the only beach airstrip in the Hebrides. The May meeting will have heard Gordon Robb recounting his life as a Trading Standards Officer for Highland Council by the time that you have read this. The June meeting is still to be finalised, and in July we hope to be at Conon Bowling Club for an evening of outdoor bowls. Contact: Roger Piercy (877401)

Soup Lunch will be held on Saturday 24 June, 12-2pm in Findon Hall. There is no soup lunch in July, resuming again on the last Saturday in August.

See www.culbokiechurchcentre.org for more details.

New faces are warmly welcomed to any of these activities.

Thank you from USA

...to the people of Ferintosh including Kinkell and Urquhart for assisting us following a horrific auto accident on our first night there. I also want to let them know how much our journey made us feel like our immigrant ancestor, John Urquhart, b. 1764, was returning home.

Ruth and Paris Majon, Vineyard Haven, MA. US.

Ferintosh Fouling

Recent instances of dog fouling have been noticed in the vicinity of Ferintosh Primary School and the Community Hall adjacent. It would be appreciated if owners would please remove any mess made by their dogs in and around these areas.

- Thank you Ferintosh Hall Committee

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Ferintosh Community Council News

Firstly, I would like to introduce myself to those of you who don't know me. My name is Colin Lawrence and I was appointed Chair of the Community Council (CC) in May. I have owned a house in Ferintosh since 2000 and have lived here permanently since 2006. I became a Community Councillor (CCllrs) in 2014 and Treasurer since 2015.

In replacing him as Chair, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Bruce Morrison for his excellent leadership of the CC over the past seven years during which he has combined the roles of Chair and Secretary. I would also like to thank Iain McCallum for his hard work as Vice-Chair over the same period.

If you have been keeping an eye on the recent activities of the CC, you will be aware that we have been trying to recruit a new Chair for some time. By March it had begun to look as if we would be unsuccessful and that the CC would have to dissolve. However, a number of factors came together during April that enabled us to appoint a full complement of office holders at our May meeting. In addition to myself as Chair, Becky Richmond was appointed as Vice-Chair, Bruce Morrison will continue as Secretary and Margaret Kinsman will replace me as Treasurer.

We have reviewed the way in which the CC operates with the objective of spreading the workload more evenly among the CCllrs and in so doing making it easier to handle changes in the future. Although we are permitted to have a maximum of nine members, we currently have eight committed and enthusiastic CCllrs and in my view the Council is the strongest that it has been for some years. We have a fairly representative geographic distribution and one of our intentions is that CCllrs will deal with the issues that are specific to their locality.

Our locations are: Evelyn Campbell, Margaret Kinsman, Bruce Morrison and Becky Richmond (Culbokie); Sally Falconer (Duncanston); Iain McCallum (Alcaig); Ros MacNaughton (Balvaird); and myself (Highfield Park).

The one weakness that we have identified is that the CC has only five elected members, and this is the minimum number that is permitted for it to operate. We also have three co-opted members, which is the maximum permitted number. This places the CC in a vulnerable position should one of the elected members need to stand down, and we are considering organising an election for the places that are not currently filled by elected members.

The CC's main responsibility is to represent the views of residents. To this end we maintain an email list with more than 600 names that we use to keep residents up to date with current developments and to seek residents' views on matters of interest. We hold public meetings at 7:00pm on the third Monday of each month (except December) and I would encourage you to attend if you are available. We invite residents to participate throughout the meetings and we have a separate item for residents to raise any issues that may not have been covered. Our Highland Councillors are often in attendance. The monthly meetings rotate between Culbokie Primary School, Ferintosh Hall and Mulbuie Hall and it's usually the case that different issues are raised in each location.

I look forward to meeting you at our future meetings.

Colin Lawrence Chair, Ferintosh Community Council

Next Community Council meetings:

- Monday 19 June 7pm
- Monday 17 July 7pm
- Monday 21 Aug 7pm

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