

DUNLOP DIARY



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HELLO

As I write to you, we have all been enjoying wonderful Spring sunshine – watching our flowers, vegetables and crops starting to grow. It is easy to think “all is well” with the world, and all too easy to ignore or forget the tragic suffering and despair of others – those living in terrorist regimes, those drowning in the Mediterranean as they try to escape, and the plight of the starving of the world, who are always with us.

In the next few weeks you will receive a Christian Aid envelope inviting you to give to those in need. In a survey several years ago by WHICH (the consumer magazine) they reported that the % of the money raised which was used in administration was the lowest of all charities in the UK. So, you know that because of all the volunteers collecting throughout Britain your gift will be well used for others.

I could not write to you at this time without mentioning the Election. Of course although I am encouraging us all to vote I'm not suggesting for a moment which way you should cast it. Although we will vote for different parties it is good to remember that we are all united at a deeper level, because we all live together in this beautiful village – and we are all loved by God.

With best wishes,
Alan Garrity

Dunlop Church - Open Sunday Afternoons

Dunlop Kirk will be open from 2pm to 4pm every Sunday until the end of October.

If you would like to see the inside of our renovated Church, take a closer look at the beautiful stained glass windows, visit the “A” listed Clandeboyes Hall (built in 1641 and one of the first free schools in Scotland) or just enjoy spending time in a peaceful building, then please come along.

Visitors will be very welcome and, as always in Dunlop, tea, coffee and biscuits will be available.

New edition – Booklet on the Stained Glass windows of Dunlop Kirk

There will be a formal launch of the new booklet on the afternoon of Sunday 28th June, when Alison Robertson, Hon. Secretary of the Scottish Stained Glass Symposium, will speak about Scottish stained glass in general and the Dunlop Kirk windows in particular.

Preview – Meantime there will be an opportunity to preview the booklet (and a chance to purchase) next **Sunday, 3rd May**, at 12.30pm, immediately after the morning service. There will also be teas, coffees and a ‘stained glass’ cake and shortbread.

Welcome Teams

May

Annette Brown
David Clement
Elizabeth Garrity
Jennifer Hunter
Alistair Martin
David Mitchell
Anne Sinclair

June

Alan Young
Fred Dinning
Liz Dinning
Kristeen Hare
Jim Mundell
Fiona Thomson
Ann Young

Creche Rota

3rd, 10th May Christine Wallace & Elma Mitchell
17th May Elaine Davison & Elma Mitchell
24th May Elaine Davison & Isabel Kerr
31st May Elaine Davison & Anne Sinclair
7th June Anne Sinclair & Annette Brown
14th, 21st June Annette Brown & Jennifer Smith

The next meeting of the **Dunlop Alzheimer's Circle of Friends** will be on Thursday, 14th May, in the church hall from 2pm-4pm. A warm welcome will be given to anyone who comes along to the meeting. There will NOT be a meeting in June.

Sunday Morning Services, in the church, at 11.30 a.m.:

Sunday 3rd May : Reader: Alastair Martin Flowers: Jean Miller
Sunday 10th May: Reader: Marilyn Bell Flowers: Jean Eckersley
Sunday, 17th May: Reader: Mike Blyth Flowers: Avril Mackie
Sunday, 24th May: Reader: Lynn Davidson Flowers: Archie Reid
Sunday 31st May Reader: Roy Wyllie Flowers: Annette Brown

Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice

An amazing £1653.85 was collected at the bag-pack at Asda organised by the Dunlop Friends of The Ayrshire Hospice.

We are delighted to have raised so much for the hospice and want to thank both the staff at Asda for their help and all the Asda customers who so generously dipped in to their pockets.

But, in particular, our thanks go to the bag-packers who gave of their time and helped to raise this magnificent total.

for sale Dunlop Kirk Windows CARDS



Cards are glorious full colour, plain inside and suitable for:
Easter, sympathy, notes, birthdays etc
All proceeds go to Dunlop Kirk church funds
Choose from "Bell Tower" or "Resurrection"
£2.00 each / £5.00 for three
To purchase please phone: 01560 484846 or 483231

W.R.I.

WEDNESDAY 27th MAY

SATURDAY 13th JUNE

Edward and Mrs Simpson
Mrs Wendy Sandiford

SUMMER OUTING

Competitions: A Royal Family Souvenir
A Packed Lunch for One Person

GUILD

Guild Rally

Monday 11th May 7.30pm

Galston Parish Church

Speaker Annabel Goldie MSP

DUNLOP GALA DAY

Saturday 6th June

Come along and join in the fun

Our fabulous activities and events include:

Crowning of gala queen, fancy dress competition, dog show, birds of prey display, children's races, Mr B-Loon, inflatable fun and much more.

Fantastic Family Fun





Dunlop Community Cinema

15th May at 7.30pm

'The theory of everything'

7th June at 3pm

'Big Hero 6'

An Evening Concert

**Who? STRATHCLYDE
UNIVERSITY BIG BAND**

**When? *Saturday 16th
May at 7.15pm***

Where? *Dunlop Church*

CREAM TEA on Sunday 10th May

Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice would like to invite you to their annual **Cream Tea on Sunday 10th May 2015** between 2.00p.m and 4.00pm.

The committee is grateful to Bertha Wilson and family for once again hosting this popular event at **Struther Farm House**.

Plants to brighten up your garden will be available for sale and donations for the home baking stall would be much appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you again this year. Tickets can either be purchased in advance from any of the committee or at the door.

All proceeds to the Ayrshire Hospice.

STEWARTON & DUNLOP SHOW

SATURDAY 23 MAY 2015

Lainshaw Holm, Irvine Road (B769), Stewarton,
KA3 3EB

The 101st Annual Stewarton & Dunlop Show will be held at Lainshaw Holm on Saturday 23 May. There will be Cattle, Sheep, Clydesdales, Donkeys and Light Horse showing and Show Jumping. For the first time there will be Chase Me Charlie jumping and Fancy Dress on horseback. The Industrial Section includes children's baking and craft competitions, you can bring your entries on the day. Popular Owl Magic returns with a variety of birds to see and maybe hold. You can enter your dog in the Fun Dog Show. You can have a try on a digger, kindly operated by Blackwood Plant Hire. There will be Vintage Tractors, Fun Fair and Trade Stands including a hog roast, bedding plants, home crafts & photography.

Ayr Beekeepers will be in the NFUS Educational marquee, you can see bees in their hives & the members will tell you about them. The final of the Primary School Drawing, Painting and Photography Competition will be held at the show, Councillor Ellen Freel of Stewarton will judge and the winners will be presented with their prizes during the prizegiving.

For the first time for the early afternoon entertainment we are having an Inter-Show Challenge between Stewarton, Kilmours and Fenwick Shows. Teams will be doing a sack race, tug of war, 6-legged-race & other games, this will be fun to watch!

For details please contact:-

Cattle, Sheep, Clydesdales & Donkeys, Trade Stands – Kirsteen Henry, tel. 01560 484970, mobile 07714 352418

Light Horses – Michelle Bunting, mobile 07716 780120

Website – www.stewartonanddunlopshow.webs.com

DUNLOP GALA SCARECROW TRAIL 2015

SAT 30 MAY - SUN 7 JUNE

Do you have a favourite TV programme, film or cartoon character? Would you like to make your own Elsa from Frozen or Tin Man from the Wizard of Oz scarecrow? Would you love to be an Oscar award winner? Then the theme for Dunlop Gala's Scarecrow Trail this year is TV and film.

This year's scarecrow trail is getting bigger and better. It will now run for over a week to give everyone a chance to see the scarecrows lurking around the village, vote for their favourites and take part in the competition hunt. The Scarecrow Trail will run in the week up to Gala Day between **Saturday 30 May and Sunday 7 June**.

Scarecrow Entry forms are available on the Dunlop Gala Facebook page, the Village Hall, the Post Office and Norman's from 1st May. **Entries close on Sunday 24 May**, so get your entry in early.

This year's winning scarecrows will all be decided by the public and every vote counts. So make sure you pick up a voting form and map and choose your favourite Oscar-Crow nominees.

There will also be the **Scarecrow Hunt**. Find **Sam the Scarecrow** hiding letters around the trail to solve the puzzle for a chance to win a **film themed prize**.

Follow us on  /dunlopgala

For more information contact dunlopscarecrows@outlook.com or Laura-Jane on 07870-999706.



Art Exhibition in the Village Hall

The next art exhibition is by **Barrie Patrick**, who previously exhibited in Dunlop five years ago. Barrie's work includes scenes in and around Dunlop and seascapes and scenes in the East Neuk of Fife.

The exhibition opens on Friday, 8th May and runs until Thursday, 11th June. The Preview is on **Friday 8th May from 7pm – 9pm**.

Come along and have a glass of wine while you have a look at Barrie's new exhibition.

THE CONSERVATORY CAFE IN MAY IMPORTANT NOTICE

As usual, there will be a Saturday Cafe on 2nd May from 12 noon to 3pm.

The cafe will also be open on Thursdays and Fridays in May *with the exception of Thursday: 7th May* when the cafe will be closed because the village hall is the polling station for the General Election.

Weekly Youth Group (11 to 18 yrs)

East Ayrshire Vibrant Communities are starting a weekly youth group on **Monday 27th April** in the village hall from 7 till 9pm.

This new group is open to young people from 11 to 18 years.

**The Village Hall
Annual Photographic Competition and Exhibition
(exhibition runs from mid-June until mid-August)
Watch for posters in Normans, the Post Office and the Cafe for all the details.**