

DUNLOP DIARY



From the Church of Scotland, Dunlop

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Hello

In 1988 Elizabeth and I drove to Berlin and when we were there we went through Checkpoint Charlie, the famous border crossing from West Berlin to East Berlin (the year before the Berlin Wall fell). On our return we passed through the Checkpoint, but still had to cross to the American Sector. Due to a misunderstanding by the border guards we were asked by armed soldiers (“at gunpoint” might be stretching it a bit – but tense enough!) to return to the Checkpoint to resolve the issue.

During our visit we approached The Brandenburg Gate from West Berlin but couldn't go through it because right across it was a section of the almost 12ft high Berlin Wall. It was only by going through Checkpoint Charlie that we could walk down Unter den Linden to see the other side of the Gate. I looked at the photos I took then – hardly a person there.

Earlier this month I revisited Berlin - saw the tourist trap which Checkpoint Charlie has become since there is no border there – and walked through the Brandenburg Gate teeming with happy people – drinking coffee in al fresco cafes and eating ice cream!

For me that was an example of how what would appear to be the same has actually changed in character. The sites in Berlin are the same but how people experience them is significantly different.

That thought has something to say to us about the world we live in and about the faith we hold dear. Because of our changed understanding of our world and our universe we recognise that though some things are essentially the same we are in a new relationship with them.

It's the same with faith. The faith we held when we were children is just not appropriate for us as adults. God is the same – in a similar way as the Brandenburg Gate is the same – but we must relate to them in a new way. Isn't that exciting?

Best wishes,

Alan Garrity

Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice:

The annual Craft Fair in aid of the hospice will take place on Friday 4th
November in the village hall.

Please come and enjoy 20 different crafters, home baking,
a raffle and the last chance to buy your
Ayrshire Hospice Christmas Cards.

Open from 7.30 till 9:30 pm

Entrance £2.50 which includes tea with home baking.

CHURCH ROTAS

Date	Flowers	Readers
6th Nov	Janice McGregor	Sheila Wyllie
13th	Joan Howie	David Clement
20th	Morag McNaught	Elizabeth Garrity
27th	Margaret & Emily	Simon Gill
Dec 4th	Betty Robertson	Alistair Martin
11th	Jess Duncan	Roy Wyllie
18th	Aileen Howie	Anne Sinclair
25th	Ann Howatson	Beverly Kirk

Volunteers are required for rota for church flowers. Please phone Jeanette Picken 01560 484806

Creche Rota

30th Oct, 6th and 13th Nov Elma Mitchell
 13th, 20th and 27th Nov; Linda Pinkerton
 20th, 27th Nov and 4th Dec; Netta Howie
 4th, 11th and 18th Dec; Alison Howie
 11th, 18th and 25th Dec; Anne Millar

Church Services:

Morning Worship every Sunday morning at 11:30am. **All welcome.**
 Crèche, Sunday School and VIK group meet in the church at 11:30am.

13th November 2016 Remembrance Sunday
 11:30am and 12:30 at the War Memorial.

Baptisms

Abbie Rose McCabe 16th October 2016.

“Let the little children come to me”

Deaths

Mr Len Mitchell September 2016
 Mrs Jean Miller 10 October 2016

“Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted.”

GUILD

NOVEMBER

1st Ann Dempster
 15th The Haiti Project
 Richard Woods
 Sat 19th COFFEE MORNING (Fair Trade Stall)
 29th Visit to Paisley Abbey (arrive at 2.30pm)
 Tea £2.50 + suggested donation of £3

Welcome Teams

November

Jimmy Howie
 Douglas Bell
 Marilyn Bell
 John Campbell
 Alison Howie
 Isabel Kerr
 Andrew Pinkerton
 Linda Pinkerton

December

Sandy Hutchison
 Lynn Davidson
 Jess Duncan
 Irene Kerr
 Margaret Robb
 Roy Wyllie
 Sheila Wyllie

DUNLOP S.W.I

SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER
LAYING OF RURAL WREATH
Janet Howie & Catherine Glen

WEDNESDAY 16th NOVEMBER

A.G.M.

Learn to Crochet
With Jean Spence & Christine Wallace

Competitions: A Pineapple Loaf
 A Fridge Magnet
 A Small Knitted Santa (given pattern)

DUNLOP & LUGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ROADS

After many months of letters and phone calls, Ayrshire Roads Alliance have now offered to meet representatives of the Community Council to have a full discussion on local issues with regard to roads in our area. If there are matters you particularly want raised, please make sure a member of the Community Council knows about it.

PHARMACY

The Community Council has been contacted by an individual interested in establishing a pharmacy in the village. He is looking for premises, so if you know of anything suitable that might be available now or in the future his contact details can be provided.

NEXT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Thursday 3rd November 7:30pm
 Thursday 1st December 7:30pm

Finally, thanks to all the volunteers who organised planters and watered the hanging baskets around Dunlop and Lugton over the summer – if you enjoyed the displays, the Community Council is happy to receive donations to help offset costs and fund next year's displays.

AYRSHIRE HOSPICE CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards in aid of the Ayrshire Hospice are once again on sale at 8, Stewarton Road, Dunlop from now until the Craft Fair on Friday 4th November. The cards are in packs of 10 - all one design- and cost £5.00 per pack for the large cards, £4.50 for medium and £4.00 for small. A classmates box of 30 cards in 6 designs costs £6.00. If you would like to purchase cards please telephone Jennifer on 01560484828 to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Dunlop & District Community Company – Dunlop Village Hall



Christmas Art Exhibition 2016

A Cheese and Wine Open Evening on **Thursday, 17th November** from **7 - 9pm** in the Conservatory Café – Admission free

The Dunlop artists (in alphabetical order) are :
Marsha Burke, Charlie Jamieson, Susan MacColl, Gillian Park and Frank Paterson, with more to be confirmed.

Dunlop & District Community Company

Dates for your diary: -

Children's Film – 'Jungle Book' Sunday 6th November

Dunlop Cinema – 'Eye in the Sky' Friday 11th November

Christmas Art Exhibition – Thursday 17th November

Christmas Café & Fair - Saturday 3rd December 10 till 2pm (please see poster)

Dunlop Cinema – 'The Bishop's Wife' Sunday 11th December

10th Anniversary weekend 14/15th January 2017

AGM - Wednesday 18th January 2017

All lost property has now been removed but will be kept for a further week before being donated to the Ayrshire Hospice. Please contact Linda Pinkerton 01560 484534 for further information



Jungle Book (PG) 6th Nov at 3pm Jon Favreau's new adaptation of the old classic: 'a terrifically enjoyable piece of old-fashioned storytelling and a beautiful-looking film: spectacular, exciting, funny and fun' The Guardian

Eye in the sky (15) 11th Nov at 7.30pm Helen Mirren, Alan Rickman (in his last onscreen role) and Aaron Paul star in this tense thriller: 'a rivetingly suspenseful drama that deftly intertwines elements of ticking-clock thriller and tragic farce' Variety

The next meeting of the **Dunlop Alzheimer's Circle of Friends** will be on Thursday, 9th February 2017, in the church hall from 2pm-4pm. There are no meetings in November, December and January.

Christmas Fair



Dunlop Village Hall

SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2016

10AM TILL 2PM

IN THE CAFÉ – TEA, COFFEE AND LUNCHES

IN THE HALL -

HOME BAKING

KNITTED GOODS

CHRISTMAS TREES

CHRISTMAS CARDS

WREATHS

SWEETS

JEWELLERY

WRAPPING

GIFTS

BAGS & PURSES

HANDICRAFTS

GLASSWARE

AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

Nominating Committee: Caldwell linked with Dunlop Parish Church

The Nominating Committee is now in place and we are actively seeking a new minister. If you have any information that you think might help us in our quest, please contact Lesley Beaton: 01560 484989 or Loraine Strang: 01505 850601

DUNLOP PLAYERS' PANTOMIME

This year's Dunlop Players' pantomime is Once Upon A Time and will be performed in the Village Hall on Thursday 24th and Friday 25th November at 7.30pm and Saturday 26th November at 6pm, with a matinee on the Saturday at 1.30pm. Tickets are now on sale at the Hall on rehearsal nights, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7.30pm, Sundays 2-5pm, from Norman's, the Post Office, Annick Art, through our Facebook page, or by phoning Pat Douglas on 01560 485235 or 07702 091398.

Great news -they are coming back to Dunlop!



What? *An Evening Concert*

Who? **STRATHCLYDE UNIVERSITY BIG BAND**

When? *Saturday 19th November at 7.15pm*

Where? *Dunlop Church*

The award winning Strathclyde University Big Band plays a wide range of jazz orientated music, including arrangements performed by Count Basie, Buddy Rich and Maynard Ferguson, Marty Paich and many others. The band also features a vocalist with music in the style of Ella Fitzgerald, Natalie Cole and Julie London. Eclectic, accessible and engaging, the band regularly performs in Glasgow and beyond.

Tickets £5 can be obtained from

 *Fiona Thomson* 01560 486715
Marge Cuthbertson 01560 484524
Carolyn Blyth 01560 484846



This band's last performance in Dunlop was exceedingly popular so you are advised to get your tickets in good time