

DUNLOP DIARY



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Hi Folks!

My eye has been caught by the death of Brian Rix, the actor-manager and theatre producer. In the 1950's when I was a young national serviceman in the London area, he was the top of the bill in the Whitehall Theatre with full houses for his farces.

Later, in my church drama group, I produced and acted in one of his great hits, "Chase Me, Comrade", a cold war spoof, in which I had to speak Russian (my version!) and run in and out of cupboards and curtains. Great fun!

But Brian Rix had a serious side, and, when his first child, Shelley was born, suffering from Down's Syndrome, he became gradually immersed not only in her disability but the learning and other disabilities of many more.

Ably supported by his Scottish wife he gave up his theatre success, became secretary general of Mencap, an outspoken apologist for the handicapped. And a fund-raiser par excellence.

In the church we sometimes talk about 'the call' to ministry. Myself, I prefer to call it 'a job' in which one can be dedicated and hard-working. Brian Rix is a good example of how you do not need to be a minister to be 'called', and no one worked harder than he did for others.

Brian knew there was more to life than success, money, acclaim. His daughter's need taught him that.

Blessings to you and your families

Iain Roy.

The Vacancy *Disappointing news*

On Sunday 14th August 2016 an intimation from Rev Gavin Niven, Interim Moderator was read to the congregation by Margo McMurdo, Session Clerk :

I, Rev. Gavin Niven, Interim Moderator, have to inform you that the Revd Billy Burnside who was elected as the minister of the charge of CALDWELL linked with DUNLOP has withdrawn.

This means that the congregations will require to renew their search for a minister.

As the Nominating Committee was discharged following upon the election of a minister it will be necessary for me to arrange for the election of a fresh Nominating Committee following the same procedure as when the discharged committee was appointed.

Gavin Niven, Interim Moderator

I understand this is very disappointing news but we believe God has a plan and we must move forward with Him in Faith and also pray that He continues to support and encourage the Rev. Billy Burnside.

*Margo McMurdo
Session Clerk, Dunlop Church of Scotland.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The new session of the Sunday School started on 21st of August for children aged 3--11. We have a busy programme of Bible stories , games , songs , and crafts planned. As usual we meet in the church before the service at 11:30 and finish around 12:30 . There is also a crèche for the under 3s which leaves under supervision during the early part of the service. We would love to see some new faces this year so why not come along and meet us?

CHURCH ROTAS

Date	Flowers	Readers
4th Sept	Christine Reid	Anne Sinclair
11th	Irene Kerr	Roy Wyllie
18th	Marlyn Thom	Alistair Martin
25th	Bill McLatchie	Alison Howie
2nd Oct	Harvest	Marilyn Bell
9th	Jeanette Picken	Netta Howie
16th	Netta Howie	Brian McGaw
23rd	Fiona Walker	Mike Blyth
30th	Susan Shorrock	Communion

Creche Rota

28th Aug and 4th, 11th Sept; Aileen Dunlop
11th, 18th and 25th Sept; Greer Thompson
18th, 25th Sept and 2nd Oct; Maureen Jackson
2nd, 9th and 16th Oct; Pamela Young
9th, 16th and 23rd Oct; Annette Brown
30th Oct, 6th and 13th Nov Elma Mitchell

Baptisms

Amelie Fernandez-Millar 10th July 2016.

"Let the little children come to me"

Deaths

Calum Campbell	19 July 2016
Margaret Wardrop	3 August 2016
Betty Johnston	22 August 2016

"Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted."

Welcome Teams

September	October
Alan Young	Mike Blyth
Fred Dinning	Carolyn Blyth
Liz Dinning	Carol Fraser
Kristeen Hare	Netta Howie
Jim Mundell	Margaret Hunter
Fiona Thomson	Calum MacDonald
Anne Young	Bill McLatchie
	Mitchell Wilson

DUNLOP S.W.I

WEDNESDAY 28th SEPTEMBER

Life and Work in the N.H.S.
By Miss Janice Gillan

Competitions: 3 Paradise Slice
Knitted Hot Water Bottle Cover
Nancy Miller Trophy Lemon Drizzle Cake

FRIDAY 30th September
ANNUAL CATERED WHIST DRIVE
in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

The next meeting of the Dunlop Alzheimer's Circle of Friends will be on Thursday, 8th September, in the church hall from 2pm-4pm. Entertainment will be by Eddie. A warm welcome will be given to anyone who comes along to the meeting.

Saturday Café – 3rd September

The Saturday café reopens on 3rd September from 12 noon till 3pm. Please come along for tea, coffee or a light lunch. You can also enjoy the home baking!

Put a note in your diary – Saturday Café – first Saturday of every month.

OPEN SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

The church will be open every Sunday afternoon from 2pm - 4pm from now until 30th October. If you would like to spend some time in a peaceful building or to have a closer look at the beautiful stained glass windows, please come and visit the church.

The Clandeboye's Hall, alongside the church, is an 'A' listed building, which was built in 1641 and was one of the first free schools in Scotland. This will also be open on Sunday afternoons.

Greeting cards and a booklet about the wonderful stained glass are on sale.

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

Dunlop & District Community Company

A new term is under way and over the summer the village hall has had a 'spring clean' and we would now like to get rid of all unclaimed/ unwanted coats and jackets and other miscellaneous items left in the halls. Please therefore do come and check that you have not left anything behind as we will donate all clothing, still unclaimed by the end of September, to the Ayrshire Hospice. Please take time to read the enclosed leaflet with all that is going on in the halls. Notable dates for your diary are as follows: -

Thursday 15th September – Art Exhibition Open Night (Wednesday class)

Friday 16th September – Cinema *'Florence Foster Jenkins'* starring Meryl Streep and Hugh Grant.

Thursday 29th September – Art Exhibition Open Night (Thursday class)

Friday 7th October – 'Volunteer Thank You Night', come and enjoy a glass or two of wine and hear what's going on. New volunteers required so please come along on the night or phone 484534 for more information.

Friday 28th October - Ceilidh

Churches on the Air Event – Saturday 10 September 2015

From 10am until 4pm on **Saturday, 10th September**, Dunlop Church will participate in the 'Churches on the Air' Event. The annual event is organised by radio enthusiasts who are also active Church members in order to exchange messages of greeting and fellowship between Churches of all denominations throughout the UK. Last year we exchanged greeting with over twenty other Churches from various denominations throughout the UK using the special call sign GB0DPK. Contact was also made with a number of stations in Europe and further afield. The event will also aim to demonstrate to young (and not so young!) people a little of the origins and technology of the radio communications we all now take for granted. All are welcome to come and see the station in action. It will be located next to the Church with tea and coffee being available for visitors inside from 2pm to 4pm.

Ayrshire Doors Open Days on 3rd and 4th September.

Throughout September, free access is available to hundreds of fascinating buildings across Scotland. All are of architectural or cultural interest and many are not normally accessible to the generally public. In Ayrshire, there are 12 new venues this year and energy saving homes will also feature. The full programme is available on www.doorsopendays.org.uk. **Dunlop Kirk** will be participating in the Ayrshire Doors Open Days on **Sunday 4th September** from 1-4pm. The church is a 'B' listed building with the Clandeboyes Hall and the Hans Hamilton Tomb, both 'A' listed buildings, adjacent to the church. Teas and coffee will be available and guides will be on hand to show visitors around the church and churchyard.

Everyone is very welcome to join our morning services at 11.30am and the church is also open every Sunday afternoon until the end of October, from 2-4pm.

September Art Exhibitions – Dunlop Art Groups I, II and III

We are fortunate to have three talented art groups meeting weekly in the village hall and we are pleased to have all three groups give us an opportunity to see their art work over the next 9 weeks, starting with Art Group I.

The details are as follows:

The current exhibition in the village hall is by Dunlop Art Group I – the Tuesday class – and will run until **Thursday 8th September.**

Contact: Liz Osborne – email: lizosb1@btinternet.com

The second exhibition will be by Dunlop Art Group II – the Wednesday class – and will run for three weeks from **Friday 9th September** until **Thursday 29th September.** There will be an Open Evening on **Friday 9th September** from 7pm till 9pm.

Contact: Gillian Park – email: Gillian@gillianpark.com

The third exhibition will be by Dunlop Art Group III – the Thursday class – and will run for three weeks from **Thursday 29th September** to **Thursday 20th October.** There will be an Open Evening on **Thursday 29th September** from 7pm till 9pm

Contact: Marsha Burke – email: bigredhen@talktalk.net

Please come along to the two Open Evenings on 15th and 29th September, meet the local artists, enjoy a glass of wine and view their latest work.

Viewing is also available when the hall is open for other events and of course during Cafe opening hours on Thursdays and Fridays and on Saturdays 3rd September and 1st October.

Dunlop Community Fun Run Sunday 4th September 3pm

Run, walk or push a pram, dress up, bring the dog (on a lead) and come and enjoy the great outdoors. Open to all ages and abilities and we look forward to seeing a wide range of participants, young and old, take to the quiet country roads around Dunlop.

Choose your distance: 5miles, 5K and 2K for children and anyone else who just wants to have fun.

Registration is in the Village Hall from 1.30pm until 2.45pm.

Prices: 2k fun run £2 (under 3s free)

5K road race £10 (£8 SA members) Over 11s only

5 mile road race £12 (£10 SA members) Over 15s only

Under 16s need parental consent

Huge thanks to the Monk family for donating the top prize in the men's and women's 5 mile race: a fabulous free range KellyBronze turkey in time for Christmas. Look them up at www.kellybronzefarmers.com

For those not in the running for first place, there is always the post race free cuppa and cake for 5K and 5 mile runners. Refreshments also on sale in the village hall.

Follow us on facebook: Dunlop Community Fun Run, email us at rundunlop@outlook.com or check out our website www.rundunlop.wordpress.com from where you can book online. You can also register on the day: either way please pick up your race numbers from registration before it closes at 2.45pm and remember to sign parental consent forms for under 16s

Funds raised for Dunlop Primary School PA, charity number SC032689

Look forward to seeing you on the 4th!

Do you care about Dunlop and Lugton and want to make our area a better place to live?

Dunlop & Lugton Community Council is a voluntary organisation run by local residents to act on behalf of the area. As well as having a statutory role to represent the community to East Ayrshire Council, the Community Council facilitates various activities to improve the villages and surrounding rural areas. It brings local people together to help make things happen, it supports and influences local initiatives and champions matters of concern on behalf of the local community.

Here are some examples of the work done by your Community Council:

Organising the hanging baskets and plants at the station

Successfully campaigning against the ward boundary changes

Making representation about the condition of roads and pavements

Commenting on local planning applications

Monitoring crime in the area

The views of everyone in the Dunlop and Lugton area need to be represented so if you care about your community please get involved and support the Community Council. It meets on the first Thursday of every month in the Village Hall at 7:30pm.

Dunlop Community Cinema

And we begin again – our 5th year of running!

This month, we are pleased to be showing

Florence Foster Jenkins on **Friday 16th September**
at **7.30 pm**

Meryl Streep and Hugh Grant sparkle in Stephen Frear's (director of Philomena) funny and heart-warming bio-pic about a woman trying to sing...who can't!



Please note we are not running a separate film club this year, however we *are* offering a season ticket for all 9 adult films (Sept- May) at a fantastic price of **ONLY £30!!** If you have a season ticket you will then be able to reserve your seat!

You can buy a ticket at the cinema nights, or by contacting us on dunlopcinema@outlook.com.