

# DUNLOP DIARY



**From the Church of Scotland, Dunlop**

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Hello

The schools are back!!

For some that is a great relief and for others there is a sense that the summer is past – even though there may be many days yet when the sun will shine – at least we hope so!

And so, in a sense the year “begins” again. Our children and grandchildren face new challenges as they move to new situations. I guess it has always been like that, and we wouldn’t wish it any other way. But in the world of today we know it is not a world without the uncertainties which cause concern.

I don’t need to list them. There are issues for our society and our world to be addressed at every level. No one can accurately foretell the future, and that may be just as well.

Christians, like everyone else face the same challenges. Because people believe doesn’t mean that they have life easier than anyone else. However, it does mean that they have a resource to face life – with all its joys and challenges and heartbreaks.

With best wishes,

Alan Garrity

**New Communicant classes** – at a date and time to be decided to suit those who wish to take part. If you are thinking about joining the church and would like more information, please speak to Rev. Alan Garrity (01560 486879) or Margo McMurdo, Session Clerk (01560 484824).

## *Churches on the Air Event – Saturday 12 September 2015*

From 10am until 4pm on **Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> 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 callsign GB0DPK. 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 in front of the Church with tea and coffee being available for visitors inside from 2pm to 4pm.

## *Harvest Thanksgiving Service in October*

Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> October, will be our **Harvest Thanksgiving Service** and on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October the Church will be open from 2pm to 3pm to receive donations of fruit, flowers, plants etc.

The Conveners are Brian McGaw, Linda and Andrew Pinkerton.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

The new session of the Sunday School resumed on the 23rd August and we warmly invite all children between 3- 16 to come along and join us each Sunday. We have a busy programme of bible stories, games, crafts and activities as well as special events held throughout the year.

Boys and girls up to 7 will meet in the Clandeboyes Hall, while the older children will go up to the Church Hall.

There is also a crèche for under 3s during the service, also in the Clandeboyes.

Our annual COFFEE MORNING will be held in the Church Hall on Saturday 26th September from 10:00- 12:00 with the usual raffle, toys, home -baking, and refreshments. Tickets will be available shortly.

## CHURCH ROTAS

Date	Flowers	Readers
Sept 6th	Christine Reid	Roy Wyllie
13th	Jeanette Picken	Anne Sinclair
20th	Marlyn Thom	Simon Gill
27th	Bill McLatchie	Elizabeth Garrity

## Creche Rota

6th & 13th Sept Anne Miller & Maureen Jackson  
20th Sept Linda Pinkerton & Maureen Jackson  
27th Sept & 4th Oct Linda Pinkerton & Alastair Martin  
11th Oct Alastair Martin & Pamela Young

## Welcome Teams

### September

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

### October

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

## DUNLOP FUN RUN

### Sunday 13th September

Do you enjoy a stroll in the countryside? Are you looking for a challenge? Do you have a budding athlete at home? Do you like cake? If the answer to all these questions is YES! Then come along and take part in this year's RunDunlop, the community fun run with a cake at the end.

Starting at 2pm on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> with a choice of 2k, 5k and 10k races, there is a distance to suit everyone. The 2km is a great opportunity for children to run, walk and have a laugh with family and friends. You could take the pram or the dog, take your time and enjoy the walk. For those who prefer something a little more challenging, the 5km and 10km routes should make you sweat. No matter which distance you choose, you will be helping to raise funds for Dunlop Primary School and other local organisations.

Registration for the races can be done in advance online via [www.rundunlop.wordpress.com](http://www.rundunlop.wordpress.com) or from 12.30-1.45 on the day. Entry costs are £14 for the 10k, £8 for the 5k and £2 for the 2k. So, whether you're young, not-so-young, fit or not-so-fit, a dedicated walker, amateur jogger or club runner, come and join us, the race is open to all abilities and wheelchair accessible. We can only hope that this year's race will be as successful as last year's. The sun shone for our runners and spectators and thanks to donations made by local businesses, our runners went home with some great prizes. We were most grateful to KellyBronze Scotland, Replicade, Woods Associates, KP Brown Associates, Struther Farmhouse, Mundell Landscapes, The Canny man, Bowfield Hotel, Cineworld, The Auld Hoose and The Village Inn who all donated generously to the cause. If anyone is interested in sponsoring any of the prizes this year, we would love to hear from you. We can be contacted via our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/rundunlop](http://www.facebook.com/rundunlop) or by email [rundunlop@outlook.com](mailto:rundunlop@outlook.com)

For all potential runners, joggers or walkers, we hope to see you on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. There's a cake with your name on it....

**Dunlop Alzheimer's Circle of Friends .**  
On Thursday 10th September we are  
Holding Musical Minds in the church hall  
from 2pm till 4pm  
All very welcome. Tea, coffee home baking  
served.

## W.R.I.

**FRIDAY 25th September**  
**ANNUAL CATERED WHIST DRIVE**  
in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

## WEDNESDAY 30th SEPTEMBER

**"The Dogs Trust"**  
**An Illustrated Powerpoint Presentation**  
**By Emma Louise Livingston**

Competitions: 3 Sandwiches Different Fillings  
3 Wheaten Scones  
Nancy Miller Trophy 1lb Plain Gingerbread

**Dunlop Bowling Club**  
**COFFEE MORNING**  
**In the clubhouse**  
**Saturday 5th September**  
**10.00—12.00**  
**Games on the green**  
**(weather permitting)**

## Ayrshire Doors Open Days on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Throughout September, free access is available to hundreds of fascinating buildings across Scotland. All are of architectural or cultural interest and the full programme is available on [www.doorsopendays.org.uk](http://www.doorsopendays.org.uk) **Dunlop Kirk** will be participating in the Ayrshire Doors Open Days on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

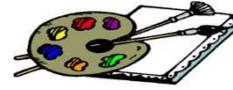
Everyone is very welcome to join our morning services at 11.30am and the church is also open every Sunday afternoon until the end of October, from 2-4pm.

## Dunlop Village Hall

All the usual activities have started back this month – Highland Dancing, Tae Kwon-Do, Sewing, two Art classes with new leaders, youth group, children's cookery class and Keep Fit.

We also have a couple of new activities – guitar and percussion music lessons and post-natal keep fit.

For more information about these and other events and activities please see our website: [www.dunlopvillagehall.org.uk](http://www.dunlopvillagehall.org.uk)



### *Art Exhibitions in September*

The current exhibition in the Village hall is by Art Group 1 and will run until Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September. There will be an open evening for an exhibition by the second Art Group on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm and all are welcome. Viewing is recommended as the standard of work in both shows is extremely high.

These are the last exhibitions from classes led by Nina Russell as she now leaves to develop her work with Centrestage Communities in Kilmarnock.

### *The Conservatory Cafe*

**The Conservatory Cafe** in the village hall is open on Thursdays and Fridays from 11.30am to 2.30pm and on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> September and Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October from 12 noon to 3pm.

Please come along for light lunches, teas, coffees and home baking - and a chance to see the latest art exhibitions.



Dunlop Community Cinema Club, with the on-going support of Film Hub Scotland, is now launching its second season. The club aims to show quality independent and foreign films, with a view to extending the existing choice for our current audience, and also entice new viewers into the cinema. Membership for this second season costs just £20, which provides free entry to all 6 films.

To become a member of the Film Club simply email [dunlopcinema@outlook.com](mailto:dunlopcinema@outlook.com), or join at the first screening.

Please note: you don't have to be a member to attend individual films, and the cost to 'drop-in' is the usual entry fee of £5, £3, or £12 for a family ticket.

Dunlop village hall events:

Sep 5 Film Club: Hannah Arendt (12)

A look at the life of philosopher and political theorist Hannah Arendt, who reported for The New Yorker on the war crimes trial of the Nazi Adolf Eichmann, and coined the famous phrase

'the banality of evil'.

"von Trotta beautifully turns the often invisible passion of thought into immersive, dramatic cinema" BBFC

Sep 12 Northern Soul Night featuring recent BBC documentary 'Northern Soul: living for the weekend' followed by 2 Northern Soul DJs. Dust off your dancing shoes and show us your moves!

Sep 18 Second Best Marigold Hotel (PG) – Of course! Did you think we wouldn't?!

Oct 3 Film Club: X+Y (A brilliant young mind) (12) with Sally Hawkins & Eddie Marsan

'This heart-warming and life-affirming story follows the unconventional and at times comic relationship between student and teacher and the unfathomable experience of first love.'

"This story of an autistic algebra whiz is an emotional knockout" The Telegraph

Oct 16 Far From The Madding Crowd (12) with Carey Mulligan, & Michael Sheen

Oct 24 Vinyl Night – Time to get into your attic, retrieve those well-loved records and show them off to the village connoisseurs.

# DUNLOP LUGTON

## community council

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**Parking** – An issue that arises regularly at Community Council meetings is the frequency of irresponsible parking in the village, and the problems this causes. Parking on the pavements (eg at the station) prevents people on mobility scooters and parents with buggies from getting past, parking at narrow sections of road makes it difficult for vehicles to pass, parking in restricted areas outside the school is dangerous and irresponsible. There is no easy solution to the lack of parking in the village and nobody wants to see parking restrictions imposed and yellow lines appearing, so when you park your car, please don't just think of your own convenience – think about pedestrians and other road users and park responsibly.

**Defibrillator** – in a joint venture between the Community Council and Dunlop & District Community Company, a defibrillator will shortly be installed outside the Village Hall. Once installed, a training session will be arranged for anyone interested in knowing how to use it. Watch the Notice Boards for details.

**Hanging Baskets** – The Community Council hope you have appreciated the colourful hanging baskets around the village this summer. There's still time to make a contribution towards the cost – please hand donations to the Treasurer, Andrew Pinkerton, or any member of the Community Council.

**Next Meetings** – the next meetings of the Community Council are on Thursday 3 September and Thursday 1 October 7:30pm in the Village Hall. Please come along and contribute.

### Care for your community

As many of you will be aware one of the most powerful and valuable features of life in and around Dunlop is the strength of its community spirit. This is clearly evident in the wide range of clubs and activities available within the village and is also reflected in the open to all public facilities run by local volunteer groups.

Unfortunately two of these facilities have in the recent past been the subject of distressing vandalism. Within the children's play area of the Park a section of the slide has been destroyed, apparently by a child using another child's scooter as a hammer. There are also reports of a child using a pellet type gun in the park and firing it in another child's face. More recently there are also reports of wilful damage to plants and shrubs in the Wee Garden.

In addition to the extra volunteer time and effort required to resolve these damages there is also considerable cost, the section of slide alone will be around £450 of locally raised funds, your money, to replace.

Fortunately, thankfully such incidences are not common and as such are all the more alarming and upsetting when they do occur. To help take care of your facilities, support those who voluntarily maintain them and keep our community a safe happy place to be it is important that we all do what we can to minimise these incidents.

It's also possible that those responsible and maybe their families need some extra support and guidance so if you can help identify the culprit/s please contact Stewarton police office on 101, it can be in confidence and it will make a difference. Thank you.

Dunlop and Lugton Park Association

### **Information on banking services**

Royal Bank of Scotland in Stewarton will close on 28th October. We are left with 4 choices

- 1) Use services of Dunlop Post Office
- 2) Use Bank of Scotland in Stewarton
- 3) Banks in Kilmarnock
- 4) Use internet banking