



ROUSAY PRIMARY
SCHOOL

QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 5TH JULY

DOORS OPEN AT 8PM

raising funds for Rousay primary school
are you ready for a night filled with laughter, trivia and a
little friendly competition
teams up to 4 people £10 per team
bring your own bottle
raffle

REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY!

contact Kirsty to book your table on
07850543012 or messenger

DISCOVER SAILING

& Watercraft

Rescheduled

Rousay Sailing Club. Taste & Try.

Sat. 5th July 2025 2pm til 6pm. @Rousay Pier..

See our Facebook page or contact 07488284019 for details

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2008592782726522>

rya.org.uk/discover sailing



Archaeology
Institute

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Skail farm, Rousay excavations

A Viking/Norse settlement mound &
post-medieval farm through time

7 - 25 July 2025

Image: Bob Friel @TakeTheHighView

Site open weekdays 9:30am - 16:30pm

+ OPEN DAY Sat 19 JULY

with living history

More info →



To find the site: park at Midhowe cairn / broch car park, walk down the path, turn left at shore, follow the path beyond the kirk. **Visitors welcome!**

Want to join the team for the day or more? Volunteer opportunities available for Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre residents

Contact: studyarchaeology@uhi.ac.uk



Crafthub at The Space

July dates

Pop-up Café, every Monday

11am to 3pm

7th, 14th, 21st and 28th



REWDT event at The Space:

see their site for further details

Beginners

Patchwork & Quilting

with Rosalind Johansson

Tuesday 22nd July



Registered in Scotland No SC052087

Registered Office: The Space, Rousay KW17 2PU

Info@crafthuborkney.com



LIAM McARTHUR MSP

will hold a

SURGERY

on

MONDAY

JULY 21st 2025

in

**ROUSAY SCHOOL
(GP ROOM)**

11.15 am – 12 noon

(No appointment needed, just drop in)

Orkney Citizens Advice Bureau



Will be visiting

Rousay

Wednesday 9th July 2025

when we will be in

REWDT Pier Cabin

between

10am and 3pm

Free and Confidential Advice.

Please book an appointment by **Friday 4th July** by contacting us at:

Orkney Citizens Advice Bureau

Anchor Buildings

6 Bridge Street

Kirkwall

KW15 1HR

01856 875266

bureau@orkneycab.casonline.org.uk

Rousay Music Group
hosts



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 26th July 2025

Rousay Community School

**Check posters for more details nearer
the time!**

Rousay Horticultural Society

Annual Show 2025

Sunday 3rd August

SHOW OPENS
2.30pm

PRIZE GIVING
3.30pm

Raffles

Tea & Cakes

Tattie-in-a-Bucket



**FLOWERS,
FRUIT,
VEGETABLES**

CRAFTS

BAKING

PHOTOGRAPHY

**CHILDRENS
SECTION**

Entry on show day
£3 for adults, children FREE

All exhibits to be entered on Saturday night at
Rousay School between 7pm and 8.30pm



Rousay SWI

will next meet on

Tues 9 September 2025 at 8pm

in the Community Room at The School

We will be putting our boxes together for
The Blythswood Shoe Box Appeal

See info below & guidance at

www.blythswood.org

Keep an eye on your emails for more info

CHECKLIST

Please ✓ items included and firmly secure this list on your shoebox lid.

Include the essential items highlighted in the red box.

IMPORTANT: PLEASE ONLY INCLUDE NEW ITEMS.

<input type="checkbox"/> TOOTHBRUSH & TOOTHPASTE	<input type="checkbox"/> TOY*/GIFT <small>*small toy for children such as cars, dolls, balls etc. Please only include new shop-bought toys.</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> SWEETS <i>No chocolate, split multipacks or any other food items.</i> No loose sweets, lollies or undated bags of sweets. Best before date no earlier than 31st March next year.
<input type="checkbox"/> SOAP		
<input type="checkbox"/> UNDERWEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> SCARF, HAT, GLOVES	
<input type="checkbox"/> SOCKS/TIGHTS		

Do not include used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; chocolate or any food other than sweets. Chocolate eclairs and chocolate limes are not allowed; books that are mainly words should not be included.

TOILETRIES (No talcum powder)

- Shampoo or shower gel
- Face cloth/moist wipes
- Deodorant
- Moisturising cream
- Comb/brush
- Sanitary products
- Shaving foam/razors

MISCELLANEOUS

- New make-up
- Sewing equipment
- Household candles
- Screwdrivers/pliers
- Kitchen utensils

STATIONERY

- Pens/pencils/sharpener
- Notepads/colouring books
- Rulers/rubbers

CLOTHES and other items

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Please tick the box next to who you have packed your shoebox for

- MAN
- BOY (Teen)
- BOY (8-12) Age
- BOY (3-7) Age
- ELDERLY WOMAN
- WOMAN
- GIRL (Teen)
- GIRL (8-12) Age
- GIRL (3-7) Age



Tri▲ngle
Club

Rousay Triangle Club is
now on a summer break
throughout

July and August 2025.

Our weekly Tuesday
meetings will restart on
Tuesday 2nd September
2025.

We hope everyone has a
great summer, see you

SUMMER
holiday then!



ROUSAY, EGILSAY & WYRE

MV SHAPINSAY - LATE EVENING SUMMER SAILINGS

Orkney Ferries are pleased to offer three late sailings over the summer period for Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre

Saturday July 12th *

Saturday August 9th **

EVENING SAILING TIMES

Depart Rousay 22:00	Egilsay and Wyre - on request ***	
Depart Tingwall 22:35	Depart Rousay 23:10 ***	Depart Egilsay 23:40 ***
Arrive Rousay 23:00	Depart Wyre 23:20 ***	Arrive Rousay 23:55 ***

* July 12th - Opening of the Orkney Island Games 2025

** August 9th - Orkney County Show Day

*** On request sailings must be booked & paid for in advance with Orkney Ferries either over the phone or online

Stagecoach have arranged for the 7E bus to Birsay - Dounby, which departs the Kirkwall Travel Centre at 22:00, to add a diversion to Tingwall to drop passengers to the boat.



Orkney Ferries



ISLAND GAMES – MONDAY 14th JULY

AMENDMENTS TO ROUSAY, EGILSAY & WYRE TIMETABLE

Orkney Ferries would like to advise passengers that the following amendments have been made to the Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre timetable on Monday 14th July

There will be two direct sailings into Kirkwall as the road from Tingwall will be closed for the duration of the cycling time trial

All sailings up until 09:10 will remain unchanged

Timetable after 09:10 will be as follows:

Depart Egilsay 09:30
Depart Wyre 09:50
Depart Rousay 10:05
Arrive Kirkwall 11:10
Depart Kirkwall 11:00
Arrive Rousay 12:25
Depart Rousay 14:05
Arrive Kirkwall 15:10
Depart Kirkwall 15:30
Depart Rousay 16:35
Depart Egilsay 16:55
Depart Wyre 17:15

The normal timetable will resume from the 17:30 departure from Rousay

Sailings to Kirkwall are not available online, as this is not one of our standard routes, bookings for these sailings can be made through our customer service team on 01856 872044



Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre Development Trust

Company Registration No: SC318527 Charity No: SC040407

REWDT, The Pier Cabin, Rousay, Orkney KW17 2PU Tel: 01856 821229

email: info@rewdt.org website: www.rewdt.org

Peedie Lap 2025

A big thank you to all who came and took part in our 2025 Peedie Lap on Sunday 15th June. It was a great day. Thanks also to all who helped out with the Lap and those who cheered people over the finish line. Not forgetting a huge thanks to The Crafhub for letting us use The Space and providing such lovely refreshments.

The Rousay Lap half marathon is planned for Saturday 23 August, we hope to see you all again soon.

REWDT Grants awarded to residents & groups May 2025

- 17 Well-being Grants**
- 3 Community Group Activity Grants**
- 3 Education Related Travel Grants**
- 1 Education Related Accommodation Grant**
- 1 Education & Skills Bursary**
- 1 Emergency Stay Grant**



Total amount awarded in May:

£ 7,079.70



Textile Workshop

with Rosalind Johansson

Free Patchwork Workshop for REW residents.

Shorelines Studio Patchwork Workshop
Tuesday 22nd July
11.45am to 4.15pm
At The Crafthub at the Space

Light Lunch, bakes and drinks included
No previous experience of felting needed.

To book a place email
nicky@rewdt.org
or phone 821229

Next textile workshop with Rosalind.
Save the date!
Quilting Workshop Tuesday 19 August (half day)



Funded by the Communities Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund from VAO and Scottish Government



Produce Market Coffee Morning

Buy, Swap & Sell

Do you have any Produce to sell or swap? Producers offering garden produce, eggs, jam or crafts are invited to sell or swap!

Breakfast Roll & coffee £6

Where: The Taversoe
When: 12th July
Time: 09:30 - 11:30

Any question please call Hannah on 01856 821229 or email Hannah@rewdt.org

THAW logo

REW Development Trust logo

Moorland Plant Field Day



In partnership with Orkney Field Club - led by Moorland Enthusiasts Alex Wright and Henry Memmott

When: 11th July 11.15

Where: Heart of Rousay Board Walk

Fully accessible

Ferry transport and Lunch included

Foot passenger tickets for Egilsay and Wyre residents. Return Foot passenger tickets also available from Tingwall (depart 10:40) - Rousay (depart 15:20) for OFC members.

7 seats available on the Community bus from Rousay Pier to the Boardwalk (first come first served basis)

Booking essential - RSPV by 4th July

To book please email hannah@rewdt.org or call 01856 821 229

Please specify transport needs, and any dietary requirements



Orkney Field Club



Rousay Visiting Podiatry Service



WALKABOUT PODIATRY SERVICE

Gemma Reid, BSc Podiatry Podiatrist



HOME VISIT SERVICE

Treatment of a variety of foot problems hpcp Registered

Gemma Reid, Podiatrist, is next in Rousay on Tuesday 26th August 2025

Clinic Appointments are in the Small Community GP meeting room at Rousay School.

Community Transport is also available and can be booked once you have an appointment time by emailing transport@rewdt.org or telephoning 07591 341670

Home visits can be arranged.

Appointments are £35 payable direct to Gemma at the time of your appointment. The REWDT Wellbeing 250 Grant can also be used to fund appointment cost- terms apply.

To book an appointment or to find out more please email Nicky@rewdt.org or phone 821229



The Taversoe Opening Times

	LUNCH	BAR MEALS	DINING	BAR
MONDAY	<CLOSED>	5-6.30PM	<CLOSED>	5-9 OR 11PM
TUESDAY	<CLOSED>	5-6.30PM	<CLOSED>	5-9 OR 11PM
WEDNESDAY	<CLOSED>	5-6.30PM	<CLOSED>	5-9 OR 11PM
THURSDAY	12-2PM	5-6.30PM	7-8.30PM	5-9 OR 11PM
FRIDAY	12-2PM	5-6.30PM	7-8.30PM	5-9 OR 11PM
SATURDAY	12-3PM	5-6.30PM	7-8.30PM	5-9 OR 11PM
SUNDAY	12-3PM	5-6.30PM	7-8.30PM	5-9 OR 11PM

Lunch Menu – Soup and Sandwich selection

Bar Meals – As available

Dining a selection of homemade meals: meat, fish, vegetarian and vegan using locally sourced produce. Please make a reservation if possible.

Every 2nd Sunday **Breakfast Club** between 9-11am
(Menu to follow)

Chippy/Pizza Every Friday 5-7pm latest collection.

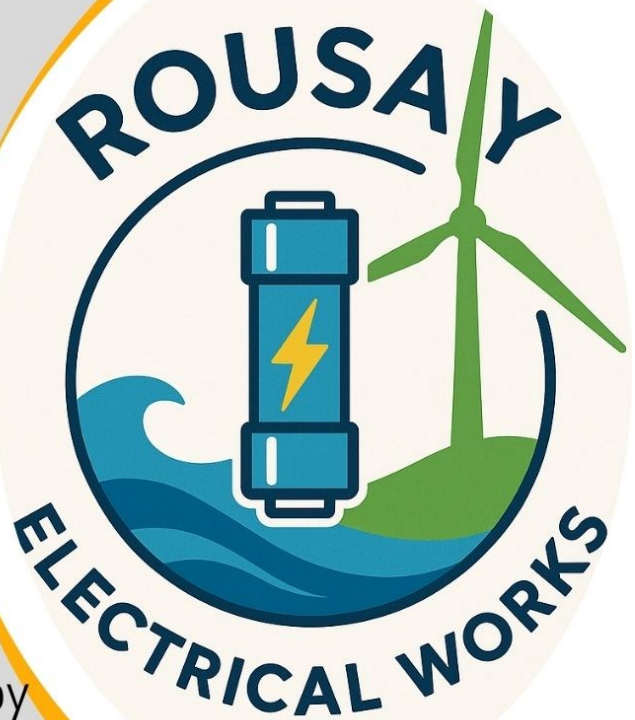


Rousay Electrical Works

(Trading as Agri Trade Services Rousay)

OUR SERVICES

- ✓ Fault Finding & Testing
- ✓ Repairs & Breakdowns
- ✓ PAT Testing
- ✓ Re-Wires
- ✓ EICR's (Electrical Installation
- ✓ Condition Report)
- ✓ Installations
- ✓ Large projects & new builds by arrangement, please call to discuss



ROUSAY, EGILSAY & WYRE ONLY

All work carried out using quality calibrated tools and testing instruments

Fully Insured, parts and labour guaranteed

Friendly & Reliable Service with transparent billing

Fully Stocked Van

Contact: Phone Chris Jacques on 07969 472362

or email us: atsrousay@outlook.com



Rousay Community School would like to thank the Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre Development Trust for their generous support which allowed our P7 pupils to participate in activities delivered on Hoy by the OIC Outdoor Education Team in April.

Pupils who attend learn many outdoor skills, experience the value of teamwork, and challenge themselves; all important values which will follow them throughout their lives.



Thank You

Dear all,

Tom and I would like to say thank you to everyone who has supported us during some pretty rough times, but we have also had many, many wonderful times and made some fabulous friends.

Thank you 🙏

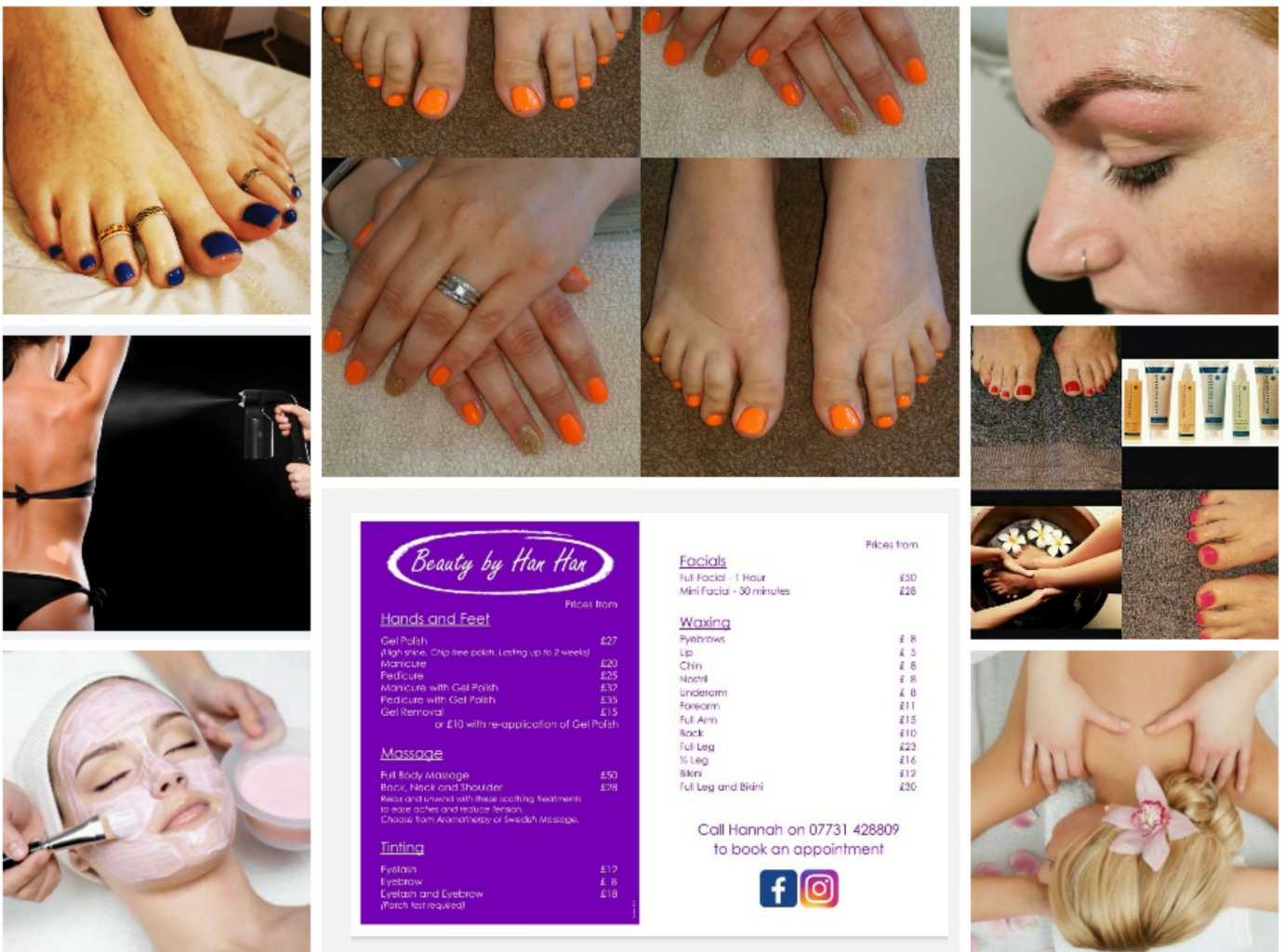
Julie and Tom Morgan

Thank You

Trevor and Jo would like to say a huge thank you to all the wedding cards, gifts and well wishes we had for the day.

Thank you to everyone who helped there's too many to name but it was very much appreciated.

Thanks everyone



Beauty by Han Han

Priced from

Hands and Feet

- Gel Polish £27
- Polish/line, Chip free polish. (Lasting up to 2 weeks)
- Manicure £20
- Pedicure £25
- Manicure with Gel Polish £32
- Pedicure with Gel Polish £35
- Gel Removal £15

or £10 with re-application of Gel Polish

Massage

- Full Body Massage £50
- Back, Neck and Shoulder £38

Relax and unwind with these soothing treatments to ease aches and reduce tension. Choose from Aromatherapy or Swedish Massage.

Tinting

- Eyebrow £12
- Eyebrow £8
- Eyebrow and Eyelash £18

(Patch test required)

Priced from

Facials

- Full Facial - 1 Hour £30
- Mini Facial - 30 minutes £26

Waxing

- Eyebrows £8
- Lip £5
- Chin £8
- Nostril £8
- Underarm £8
- Forearm £11
- Full Arm £15
- Back £10
- Full Leg £23
- 1/2 Leg £16
- Bikini £12
- Full Leg and Bikini £30

Call Hannah on 07731 428809 to book an appointment

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Hrólfsøy, Egilsøy, Vígr, Eyin Helga A new research project looking at place-names



Detail from Blaeu's *Orcadum et Schetlandiae Insularum accuratissima*, 1654.
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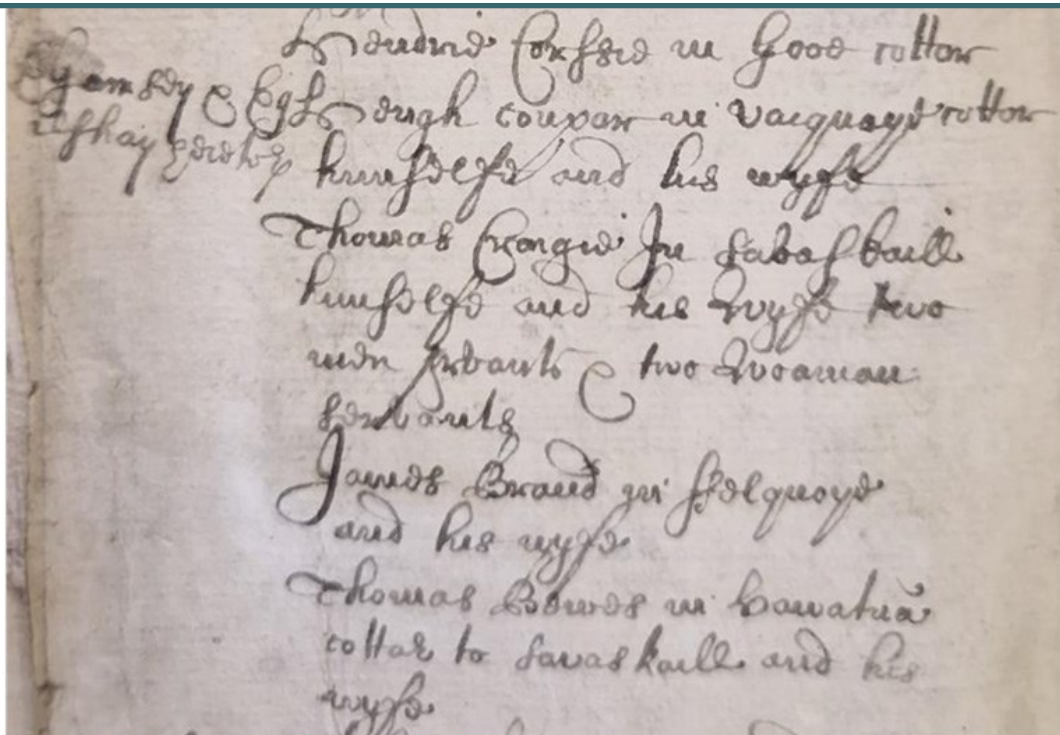
A frequent visitor to Orkney I have visited Rousay a few times, most recently in April this year staying at Lower Hammerfield. For the last year and a half I have been working on the [Ragna's Islands](#) project, which will conclude with a new translation of the [Orkneyinga Saga by Judith Jesch](#) later this year. I am now moving onto my own research which is an investigation into the place-names of Rousay (along with Wyre, Egilsay) Eday and Stronsay.

The purpose of my most recent visit was to reacquaint myself with the islands of Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre. Whilst visiting I was lucky enough to meet a few folk and talked about what I am up to and that I plan to return hopefully early next year (if not before)!

The study of place-names, many of which in Orkney date back to the Norse period, relies on early spellings found in archives collections but many places remain unrecorded until the late-nineteenth century. For such places how they are pronounced by islanders can fossilise, phonetically, the elements (e.g. 'west' and 'ness' in Westness) that make up place-names and so hearing the way they are said can help with interpretation. Surveying places in situ, particularly those where the place-name meaning is uncertain, is also essential to ground-truth any interpretations that may be drawn.

I'm very much looking forward to returning and hope to meet more folk to talk about place-names!

In the meantime here is an extract from one of the many documents I looked at in the archives. This one from the National Records of Scotland lists people liable for the payment of poll tax in the Wasbister area and was useful because, as well as people, it names the crofts! Documents of this date are quite rare and so I was really pleased to find this entry.



RH9/15/175/1, Lists of residents in Orkney liable in payment of Poll Tax, 1694-1696.

The extract reads:

Gairsey & Eg
ilshay heretors

Hendrie Corssie in Gooe, cottar
Heugh coupar in Vacquoye, cottar
himselpe and his wyfe
Thomas Craigie In Savaskaill
himselpe and his wyfe two
men s(e)rvants & two woaman
servants
James Brand in Felquoye
and his wyfe
Thomas Bewes in Hawatua',
cottar to Savaskaill and his
wyfe

If you have any queries about place-names or would like to know more, or think you can help, perhaps you have some old deeds or maps and plans with place-names, house-names or field-names, then please do get in touch!

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ROUSAY HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE - JULY

SUPERVISED SESSION OPENING HOURS

MONDAY 6.30 - 8.30pm*

TUESDAY 6.30 - 8.30pm*

THURSDAY 6.00 - 9.00pm*

SATURDAY 4.00 - 5.00pm

SUPERVISED SESSIONS

Supervisor on duty

No buddy required

* We will shut early if the gym is empty of users half an hour before the advertised close time.



HLC updates can be found on our various Facebook pages

BUDDY SYSTEM

(ends Friday July 4th)

Mon -Thur 9am to 4pm

Friday 9am to 3pm

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

(July 7th to August 19th)

Additional Supervised Sessions

Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30pm

Thursday 12.00 - 1.00pm



ActiveIslands



ActiveLife

MEMBERSHIPS

Full details: www.pickaquooy.co.uk/activelife

If you have recently become an Active member please could you give us a quick email on the address below to arrange a very brief safety induction.

ActiveLife & Activelands gives you access to the gym and Group X Classes. Budget £1 per session.

GROUP X CLASSES

Due to low numbers we will be taking a summer break from our Group X Classes.

WE'LL SEE YOU AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER

Tel: 01856 821 443

Email: rousay.hlc@glow.orkneyschools.org.uk



Have you thought about becoming a childminder?

Do you love interacting with peedie people?

Are you looking for a role that allows you to be there at the start and end of the day for your own school aged children?

Perhaps you're looking for a new, rewarding career that fits around your family, where you can make a difference to children's lives every day?

The Council is working with the Scottish Childminding Association to launch a free training and support programme aimed at encouraging up to seven people to become childminders.

The Programme for Scotland's Childminding Future is being delivered by the Scottish Childminding Association with support from the Council's Early Years' Service and the Local Employability Partnership. It covers everything a new childminder will need to do to achieve registration. Once you are registered, you can join a supportive group of local childminders who are always keen to share tips and ideas.

We are particularly keen to support people who live on islands and in rural areas to become childminders, so if you live in the country or on an island off mainland Orkney and are considering childminding as a career, we are keen to hear from you.

You'll find lots of support available to get started, including funding, training and advice through the Programme for Scotland's Childminding Future. To find out more and to register your visit interest, visit <https://getstarted.childminding.org/>

Please register your interest by Sunday 6th July

If you would like to chat further about this opportunity, please contact Catherine Diamond (Service Manager for Early Learning and Childcare) on catherine.diamond@glow.orkneyschools.org.uk or phone on 873535 ext 3220

All PSCF candidates receive:



Stephen Clackson’s Letter from School Place

— Isles-based with an international outlook.



MV Eynhallow and MV Shapinsay at Brinian

I spent a great Saturday morning in Rousay taking up an invitation to attend the AGM of the Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre Development Trust, and I very much enjoyed looking round the information displays showcasing organisations active on the islands and conversing with ward constituents. I was kindly invited to a preview of the new heritage display at the recently renovated Pier Store, and I am the first to sign its visitors’ book, just ahead of Liam McArthur MSP, who was also there.



At the Orkney schools’ in-service day, I undertook (as a registered teacher) some training on “Keeping the Promise”. “The Promise” refers to a commitment to ensure that all care-experienced children and young people (i.e. those in care, or who have been in care) in Scotland grow up loved, safe, and respected. It arose from the 2020 *Independent Care Review* recommendations. I passed the test with full marks and duly received my “Keeping the Promise Award” (shown left). Other councillors later got the chance to undertake this training too, as it is important in our role as corporate parents. Well done to Sanday Community School for being the first school in Orkney to qualify for the “We Promise Award”.

Our all-day Policy & Resources Committee meeting was a long one, requiring suspension of standing orders so it could continue after 5 pm. Details of our budget show that we are needing to draw £18.4 million from our reserves to balance our total general fund revenue budget of £118.2 million for the forthcoming financial year. (Council tax accounts for £13 million of this total.) We agreed an increase in the money allocated to ongoing maintenance of our Isles linkspans, although at present this does not include the fabric of the huts. On the item to do with OIC’s international engagement, I suggested we involve the public in order to make it more relevant and meaningful to ordinary people, with, for example, twinning arrangements at the community level. One that I have long had an aspiration to see arranged is between Sanday and the Faroe island of Sandøy. During the performance monitoring item, I brought up childcare and our “grant and subsidy” approach for child-minders in hard to sustain locations (such as the Isles). We were told the uptake had been low and that funds are still available, so I urge anyone considering registering as a childminder in the Isles to get in touch with OIC. Towards the end of the meeting, I grasped the opportunity to congratulate the staff at Kalisgarth for their very positive Care Inspectorate inspection evaluation.

Other meetings I’ve attended this month include: a confidential members’ briefing; budget-setting and planning seminars; a virtual meeting of the UHI Foundation (on which I serve as OIC’s rep), Housing Market Partnership meeting; meetings of the Education, Leisure & Housing Committee and the Monitoring & Audit Committee; and, as a guest, a special meeting of the Development & Infrastructure Committee dedicated to the “Evidence Base Report for Review of Orkney Local Plan.”

Cllr Dr Stephen Clackson
Member for the North Isles Ward,
Depute Convener Orkney & Shetland VJB

West Manse, Sanday
stephen.clackson@orkney.gov.uk

Letter from School Place is also available on-line at clackson.info



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Cllrs Clackson and Tierney discussing boats



ORKNEY ISLANDS COUNCIL