

# Newlands and Kirkurd



## *Parish Magazine*

November 2018



<b>Services</b>			
	West Linton 11.15 am	Carlops 10.00 am	Newlands 10.00 am
4 Nov	Murray Campbell	Rev Stewart McPherson	Mary McElroy
11 Nov	Rev Stewart McPherson at 10.45 am	Rev Stewart McPherson at 9.45am	David Henderson-Howat
18 Nov	Kevin Scott	Kevin Scott	Rev Stewart McPherson
25 Nov	Rev Stewart McPherson	Sheena Livingstone	Rev Stewart McPherson
2 Dec	Rev Stewart McPherson	Murray Campbell	Rev Stewart McPherson

Elder's Rota:            November        Anne Goodall & Janette Raeburn  
    December        William Adamson & Sarah Magee  
 Church Cleaning:    November        Sheila Chapman  
    December        Sheila Chapman & Fay Young

Articles for the December 2018 and January 2019 Magazine to the editor by **21st November 2018**. **Please ensure submissions are made in good time and remember that the next issue will cover December and January.**

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From our Interim Minister ...

From the window of the manse where my desk is now situated, I watch the leaves change colour, fall, and, blown by the breeze, finally finding a place to rest and return to the soil. The activity has its sense of beauty and melancholy but also of ritual solemnity as the drama offers reflection for the season. For this is the season in which we remember the saints who have died in faith on All Saints Day, and, of course, on Remembrance Sunday we remember those who fell in conflict. We gather up their names as we gather up the leaves of autumn, affirm their uniqueness and recognise what they offered, recall them all and offer them into the arms of God in whom all things are gathered and remembered and no one is forgotten.

All this has special significance this year 2018, on the 100th anniversary of the end of The Great War and the signing of the Armistice on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of the year 1918. Though few remain who were alive then, there are none who were old enough to recall it, though many whose parents did, and those of us whose grandparents lived through it and who were known to us and whose stories are part of our own memories such as my late grandfather's tales of Gallipoli. But there have been many since then whom we remember because they were known to us, such as my father's diary of life as a Japanese POW, and my brother's selected stories of The Gulf, Bosnia and Ireland, and all other words spoken that echo down the years, and those unspoken which have silently rested in a secret place too painful to be swept up.

A few weeks ago, we had a trip to Krakow and took the opportunity to visit Auschwitz concentration camp where over 1 million people were killed in the most dreadful of circumstances with the backdrop of war blanketing out the horrors, the stench, and the screams. Over the door of one of the prison blocks are the words: "Those who do not remember the past are condemned to repeat it" – (attributed to George Santayana).

This is the time we sweep up the leaves, as we sweep up the names of the saints and the fallen, we sweep up the names of those known to us and the millions of unknown soldiers and unknown victims who are known to God. As we do so, and as we pray, and as we remember, may we reflect that when our lives are finally fallen and carried by the breath of the spirit, they might be lives remembered as having been laid down in love for love in the name of the one who showed us the true cost of love remembered.

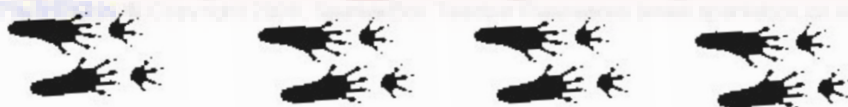
Stewart McPherson

## Remembrance Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November

There will be a service of Remembrance on 11<sup>th</sup> November 10am and Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts are especially invited to attend in uniform.

### **Ringling the Bells ...**

“Her Majesty’s Government’s ambition is for bells to ring out at 12.30pm on 11th November to commemorate the centenary of the Armistice which signalled the end of the First World War. The Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport wants bells - of any sort and in any location - across the country and worldwide to join in, as is appropriate, to mark this historic occasion“. This will be a symbolic way to give thanks for the end of war 100 years ago and will replicate the national outpouring of relief that took place at the end of the war as news of the Armistice filtered through and bells which had long been silent rang out. Bells ringing out at 12.30 will help mark the shift in emphasis from Remembrance in the morning to thanksgiving in the afternoon for the end of war and for peace. This will coincide with the start of the People’s Procession, as 10,000 members of the public march past the Cenotaph in a nation’s thank you



Don't forget to try to find the church mouse hiding somewhere in this magazine!

### **Climbing the Seven Summits**

There will be a talk at Newlands Church on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.** James Ogilvie will speak about his adventures in climbing the highest mountain in every continent, including Mount Everest. There will be refreshments, with donations to the borders Forest Trust.

### **Communion**

Communion will be celebrated on November 18 at 10am in Newlands Church. All are welcome to attend.

### **Christmas Gift Service Sunday 9 December**

This will be an all age service and everyone is welcome to attend – from babies to those in their nineties! Please bring new gifts for children up to 16. They will be distributed through the Salvation Army to children in the Borders. They should be unwrapped but wrapping paper is much appreciated.

### **Harvest Thanksgiving**

We had a great evening at the Harvest. A fantastic total of £227 was raised for Practical Action and the produce and food that was brought to the service on Sunday was given to Bethany Christian Trust. Thank-you so much to everyone who supported this, whether decorating the church, bringing food, donating money or cooking for the harvest supper.



**The next sessions of Messy Church are on:**

**Sunday 4 November – Remembrance and Poppies**

**Sunday 9 December – Journeys and Christmas**

**They are from 4-6pm in the New Church Hall at West Linton.**

All children from babies to P7 are most welcome to come and join in the fun!

After a game to start the children will do a range of craft activities, then have a song and a story and finish off with a meal together. All children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

For more information contact Jean Howat (01968 660677) [howatjean@gmail.com](mailto:howatjean@gmail.com)

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## THE GUILD

The Guild's next meeting is on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm in Newlands Church. This is our Visitor's Afternoon, when we will be welcoming Guild members from other churches around our local area. Our speaker will be Tim Bell who will be telling us about the work of The Sailors' Society which is one of the 6 new projects which are being supported by the National Guild over the next 3 years. Tim has visited us previously, and we are looking forward to hearing him again, with an update on his experiences of being a Chaplain at Leith Port.

Some of us have been knitting or crocheting beanies and these will be given to Tim to take away for the Society to hand out where needed to the sailors they help.

Our November visitors always look forward to our stalls of crafts and baking. Do come and join us too if you can – you don't need to be a Guild member.

Margaret Habeshaw

## **Community Council - November meeting**

The next meeting of the Lamancha, Newlands and Kirkurd Community Council will be held at the Lamancha Community Hub, Lamancha on Wednesday 21 November at 7.30pm. Your local SBC Councillors attend the meetings on a rota basis, so why not come along to meet them and hear what is going on locally.

## KIRKURD SWI



At the first meeting of the new session the speaker for the evening was Martin Odwyer, the West Linton Pharmacist. He gave a brief outline of his training and his career in the industry before taking ownership of the West Linton Pharmacy. He talked about the costs of prescriptions to the NHS and how many items are now available over the counter without prescription.

He also gave a brief history of the West Linton Pharmacy.

Elma Noble proposed the vote of thanks.

Competitions: Outdoor Flower of the Month 1<sup>st</sup>. Elma Noble 2<sup>nd</sup>. Margaret Adamson

Pill Box 1<sup>st</sup>. Margaret Adamson 2<sup>nd</sup>. Elma Noble

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>. November** Belly dancing with Celia Buchan, Penicuik

Competitions: Scarf 2 home made cereal bars

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>. December** Christmas Nibbles with Morag Kinloch, Elsrickle

Competitions: Home made coaster Photograph – Winter

We extend a warm welcome to anyone who would like to join us for any of the meetings.

We meet in Netherurd Hall on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30p.m.

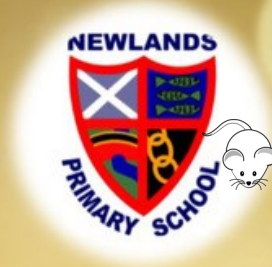
## NEWLANDS WI

The October meeting was a talk by Robina Wilson who told members and friends from Kirkurd WI about the charity CHAS (Children's Hospice across Scotland). She explained how money is raised to care for the children who need specialist care and their families. Anne Goodall gave the vote of thanks.

The competition winners were - flower of the month 1st Nancy Porteous 2nd Ellen Downie. Child's toy from the past 1st Annie Noble 2nd Cilla Davidson 3rd. Margaret Habeshaw.

The next meeting will be held in Lamancha Hub on Wednesday 14th November. A speaker will be arranged.

# Lights On



## NEWLANDS

Sunday 2nd  
December 2018

6pm - 8pm

Newlands Primary & Playgroup

*perform with*

THE WEDNESDAY'S CHOIR

*stalls from local organisations & craft businesses:*

The Rural,

Newlands Playgroup & Out of School Club

Make - up by Jo Bullough

Scentsy Candles

Perjink

Lyne Organics *& more*

*Hot refreshments being provided by* PARENT COUNCIL

[www.newlandscentre.org.uk](http://www.newlandscentre.org.uk)





3rd West Linton Rainbows, for girls aged 5 and 6 years old, now meets once a month on a Sunday afternoon in Lamancha. There is still time to register your daughter for our November meeting and before our Christmas Party in December. Please contact Alison Turpie with your interest. **Telephone 07967 591406 or email [aturpie@live.co.uk](mailto:aturpie@live.co.uk)**

**Night out at the Netherurd is now**

**Night Out at Knock Knowes**



Following the success of previous gatherings, Alison, Caz and Sarah are putting on another neighbourhood social. This will be held at:

**The Turpie Tavern @ Knock Knowes, Blyth Bridge**

**24th November at 7pm**

**BYOB and BYON (nibbles)**

**Free entry!**

Please come along and have a catch up with your neighbourhood and kick start the party season! Please don't forget to invite anyone who is new to the area so that they can get to know their neighbours. We have had a great time at these get togethers, let's keep them going!

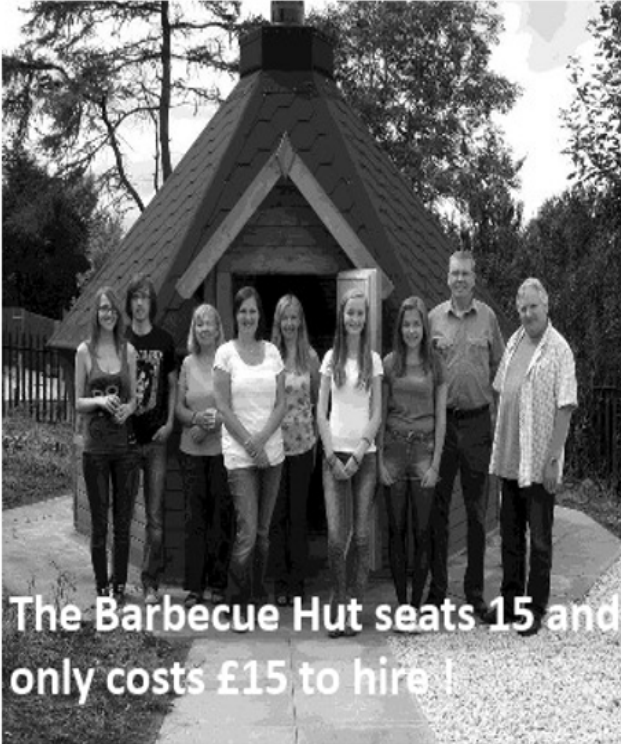
To confirm you are coming and so we can keep track of numbers please contact:

Alison on 07967 591406 or Caz 07733 448225 or Sarah 07821 039336

We can't wait to see you all again!

# LAMANCHA **hub** COMMUNITY

Lamancha Hub is a family-friendly community centre which has two multi-purpose halls (recently re-decorated), a community garden, a children's play area and a Scandinavian Barbecue Hut. Recent events at the Hub include a Christening Party and birthday parties where the BBQ hut was included in the package. We also have first-aid courses organised by a fully qualified paramedic.



**The Barbecue Hut seats 15 and only costs £15 to hire!**

Defibrillator available outside Lamancha Hub on the wall inside the gates.

## What's on at the hub

**Tuesday: Mindful Yoga**

7.30pm

Classes full!!

**Thursday: Hatha Yoga 9.30am**

Classes full!!

**Thursdays Pilates! Beginners and intermediates. First class starts 6.15pm - Second class 7.15pm**

Classes full!!

**Drumming lessons: call Ian 07847 486074**

**NEW!** Poly tunnel for use by the community! Located behind the BBQ hut!

**Tel: 01968 660008**

**Email: [info@lamanchahub.org.uk](mailto:info@lamanchahub.org.uk)**

Run by the Lamancha & District Community Association, a charity reg in Scotland, no SC035299 & a company limited by guarantee reg in Scotland no SC263766. Reg office is: Old School House, Old Moffat Road, Lamancha, Peeblesshire EH46 7BD



## **MOTHERS & TODDLERS**

**We meet every Thursday in**

**Netherurd Hall 10:00 - 11 :30**

**Adults £2      50p per child**

Peggy Wills 01968 682231

Pat Graham 01721 752205

### **WEST LINTON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL ASSOCN.**

#### **2018**

Tues 20th November      Talk on The Ancient Sundials of Scotland - Andrew Kerr.  
W.S.

#### **2019**

15th Jan      The Forbes Family, Medwyn - Alan Cameron

19th Feb      Isobel Ketchen's Cottage - Michael Clarke

19th Mar      Scottish Shale Oil Industry - Harry Knox

16th Apl      A.G.M, + ?

All meetings in Old Church Hall, W.L. at 7.30 p.m. - All Welcome

Annual Sub £10 (plus £2 per meeting) Guests £2

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