

Newlands and Kirkurd



Parish Magazine

October 2018



Services			
	West Linton 11.15 am	Carlops 10.00 am	Newlands 10.00 am
07 Oct	Rev Stewart McPherson	Rev Stewart McPherson	Kevin Scott
14 Oct	Mary McElroy	Rev Chris Levison	Patsy Campbell
21 Oct	Murray Campbell	Murray Campbell	Rev Chris Levison
28 Oct	Rev Stewart McPherson	ECO	Rev Stewart McPherson
04 Nov			

Elder's Rota: October Ilka Roehe & Rosie Sim
 November Anne Goodall & Janette Raeburn

Cleaning Rota: October Margaret Adamson
 November Sheila Chapman

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I write this amidst boxes and clutter. Boxes temporary but clutter possibly not.

As we finalise packing up and moving into the manse at West Linton it has been and remains for now a busy and an anxious time as we fill boxes while preparing for meetings and make decisions about what comes with us, what is stored, what goes to the charity shop, and what ends up at the dump. It is a recent trend to speak of the importance of 'decluttering', but we all have to do it some time, or we choose to never move house and leave all our stuff for the children to throw in a skip after we've gone. My brother spent his career in the army and said the best way to keep your garage and loft tidy is to move every three years as that certainly reduces the amount of clutter in your life. Living in a manse for a time, however, means there is often always a spare corner or a cupboard to put something in for the meantime – in case it comes in handy, which of course it rarely does. There is always a reluctance to throw something away that was useful for a while, was a gift from someone, or is of sentimental value. And the other difficulty is that what I might call clutter, my wife may well consider sacrosanct, and vice versa.

It is so obvious to relate all this to life and the memories and thoughts we carry around with us. Things of sentiment and value that we treasure and carry gladly and lightly, while we also trail with us the memories that are heavier and burdensome that we are often reluctant or find difficult to let go. Although it appears the storage capacity of the human mind and heart are limitless, some things just seem to take up so much room and can avoid us getting into the smaller boxes where the treasures are. Some difficult or bitter memories can dominate our thinking and cause us to forget the good and more beautiful things that end up gathering dust and can become forgotten.

Decluttering is not just about rushing to the dump or indeed handing some things on to others, but about choosing to relinquish and let go of the things that have become a burden and even wear us out with their weight. It can be exhausting, stressful, and even painful. Other things require to be acknowledged for what they once meant to us and then need to be blessed, wrapped up and laid down.

I, of course, may not see it as clutter or a burden, while to others it may obviously be so. As I wrap somethings up to keep for even longer, sometimes it takes someone else to ask me why I am hanging on to it. Then I can think it through and realise I have been given permission to let it go. And decluttering brings a welcome release, a greater freedom, and a much lighter step.

Life & Work Magazine

It's that time of year again - I have to advise the Dept. before 18th November the number of Magazines required in 2019 - so please advise me by then, if anyone would like to start this publication, or on the other hand, wishes to stop it - your payment of £32 (with slight discount!) is due in November. This is, in my opinion, is a good and informative publication.

ROTAS

CHURCH CLEANING: Could the faithful helpers please let me know if they wish to change their month, but this is more **an appeal for one or two new names to join us!!** It is an important but not too onerous a job, and I'd much rather have an offer of help than have to ask!!

ELDERS: If you already know of any particular months you don't want to be on duty -equally any months that are suitable, let me know, so I can make up a draft list, so we can maybe get it reasonably accurate for the Linkage Directory!!

BLYTHSWOOD CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL

This not just a Church, but a Community Appeal for support!! I know time is always short and all boxes must be back before our only **pick-up date of 31st October!!** Leaflets are about in Lamanca Hub, Church and individuals. Spare shoeboxes are available - we'll also have a crate in the church if anyone wants just to give some things to be added to a shoebox - a few very basic items to us but vital to some families - face cloth/wipes, shampoo,moisturising cream, rulers/rubbers, Household Utensils, Candles,toothpaste/brushes, soap,underwear, socks, tights, warm hat, scarf, gloves, pencils/pens, notepads, small toy, sweets (no choc. or loose sweets, lollies) There you are, plenty to choose from - maybe not on our Christmas Wish list, but a great thrill to some. Ages go from young children, Teenagers, Adults, male and female. Thank you, in anticipation.

THE GUILD

The Guild next meets in St Andrews Old Church Hall at 2 pm on Wed 31st October, when we will be joined by Rev Nancy Norman who will be sharing some of her experiences of being a minister. We expect this to be a happy and entertaining afternoon, so please join us if you can. We always begin with a short act of worship, and end with a cup of tea and biscuits.

Members and friends are reminded that we hope to hand over some knitted beanies for seamen, to our speaker from the Sailors' Society at our next meeting on 28th November.

Margaret Habeshaw

Community Council - October meeting

The next meeting of the Lamancha, Newlands and Kirkurd Community Council will be held at the Newlands Centre, Romanno Bridge on Wednesday 17 October 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.

Talk at Newlands Church – Thursday 8 November at 7.30pm

James Ogilvie will give an illustrated talk about climbing the highest summits of the five continents of the world.

KIRKURD SWI



The first meeting of the winter programme is:

Wednesday 3rd. October, when Martin Odwyer will talk about his life as a pharmacist.

Competitions: Pill Box Outdoor flower of the month.

Monday 8th. October Meeting with Raymond Pratt, General Secretary of SWI, to discuss current issues within the SWI. St. Andrew's Leckie Church Hall, Peebles. 7:00p.m. This is open to all SWI members.

Wednesday 10th. October Invitation to Newlands WI at the Hub, Lamancha, 7:30p.m. when they are having a talk about the work of CHAS.

Please let me know if you would like to go to this.

Wednesday 7th. November Belly Dancing with Celia Buchan, Penicuik. This lady does not drive and will require transport from Leadburn and all the way back to Penicuik. Offers of transport would be appreciated nearer the time.

Competitions: A Scarf 2 Cereal Bars

We look forward to seeing everyone again at the first meeting and to welcome any new members who would like to join us.

NEWLANDS WI

The first meeting of the winter session was very well attended when we had a most interesting talk on The Royal Company of Archers. We learned about the history of The Archers, about the uniform they wear and what their duties are at the present time. After the talk many questions were asked then Janette gave a well deserved vote of thanks.

The October meeting will be held in Lamancha Hub on Wednesday October 10th at 7.30 p.m. This will be a talk by Robina Wilson from CHAS, the Children's Hospice in Scotland. Any member from Kirkurd WI who would be interested in this subject will be made very welcome to join us.



MOTHERS & TODDLERS

Hope you have all enjoyed the lovely summer and we look forward to seeing you and any new members soon.

We started up again on

Thursday 23rd. August in Netherurd Hall

10:00 - 11 :30

Adults £2 50p per child

Peggy Wills 01968 682231

Pat Graham 01721 752205



The next session of Messy Church is on:

Sunday 4 November – Remembrance and Poppies

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

All children from toddlers 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

Remembrance Sunday 11th November

There will be a service of Remembrance on 11th November and Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Cubs and Scouts are especially invited to attend in uniform.

Communion

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

Flower Festival and Harvest Thanksgiving

This was a huge success with many visitors from the linkage and beyond. The church with all the flower arrangements celebrating various aspects of its history over the past 700 years looked spectacular!

Over £1000 was raised through very generous donations and this will be distributed:

£593 to Practical Action

£414 to Newlands School

£200 to Church funds.

My heartfelt thanks go to everyone who helped to make the occasion such a success.

Jean Howat



Newlands & Kirkurd Early Learning Centre

We have spaces available at our wonderful country nursery!

We are a rural nursery with opportunity to explore and play outdoors. We spend many hours tramping through woods and fields discovering nature around us. We have a mud kitchen too!

- We have vacancies now for 2.5 years and up!
- Opening hours are Monday-Wednesday 8:30 to 14:50.
- Children 3 years and over are eligible to receive 600 fully funded hours per year of early learning and childcare.

The nursery works within the Scottish Government's curriculum for excellence.

No-one is plunged right in at the deep end and we encourage you to put a “toe in the water” first by coming to a pre-start session where you can meet other children, parents and the staff.

For more information to arrange a meeting or an informal chat phone us on 01968 660367 or email Gill at gill@newlandskids.org.uk

Visit our website at www.newlandskids.org.uk

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





3rd West Linton Rainbows, for girls aged 5 and 6 years old, now meets once a month on a Sunday afternoon in Lamancha. We had a very successful first meeting with lots of wonderful new Rainbows. Please contact Alison Turpie with your interest.

Telephone 07967 591406 or email aturpie@live.co.uk

This is also a great opportunity for any Guides wanting to assist or Young Leaders wanting to gain qualifications.

We also welcome parent volunteers and would hope that this new timing of only one commitment per month would allow more parents to become involved too.

Netherurd Memorial Hall

Pudding Night, Friday 2nd. November

**7:00 for 7:30 until the puddings
are finished.**

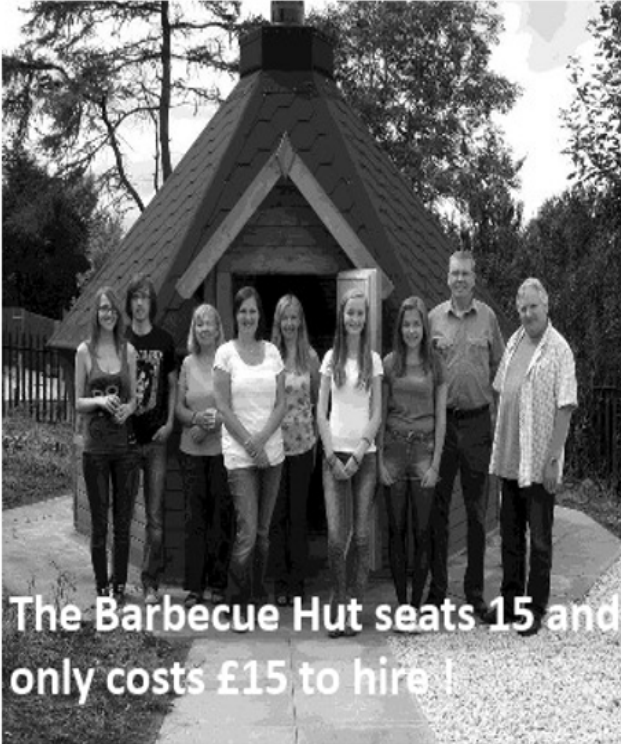


**Tickets Adults £6 Children up to 12
£4**

Tickets available from committee

LAMANCHA **hub** COMMUNITY

Lamanca 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

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



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Newlands Primary School and the Newlands Community Development Trust will be hosting the Christmas 'Lights On' at Newlands, Sunday 2nd December 2018 from 6pm at the Newlands Centre. There will be local produce on sale and Christmas performances. Come along to a fun night for all the family.

WEST LINTON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL ASSOCN.

2018

- 16th Oct The Grand Fleet in the Forth - Andrew Kerr
20th Nov Ancient Sundials of Scotland - Denis Cowan

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 Wel-
come

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

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