

*CRUDEN
PARISH
CHURCH*

*BULLETIN
SEPTEMBER 2012*



Approximately 150 people from the three Cruden churches sharing together in the millennial open air service on 29 July

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DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER 2012

EACH WEEK

Sundays 10.00 am Children's Sunday Club in the Old Church & Stables

- Sunday 2nd : **MORNING SERVICE** 10.00 am Church
Service conducted by the Rev Fred Coutts
Cake Stall in Hall after the service
- Wednesday 5th : Coffee and Chat 10.30 am Old Hall
- Sunday 9th : **MORNING SERVICE** 10.00 am Church
Service conducted by the Rev Fred Coutts
- Monday 10th : Watch and Talk Group 7.30 pm
Burnview, Main St., Cruden Bay
- Saturday 15th : **COFFEE MORNING** 10 am – 12 noon Hall
in aid of Malawi and Mission Aviation Fellowship
- Sunday 16th : **MORNING SERVICE** 10.00 am Church
Cruden Church Walk 11.30 am Tolquhon
- Monday 17th : Kirk Session 7.30 pm Hall
- Sunday 23rd : **MORNING SERVICE** 10.00 a Church
- Monday 24th : Guild 7.30 pm Old Hall
- Sunday 30th : **MORNING SERVICE** 10.00 a Church
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
Service conducted by the Rev Fred Coutts

The Minister will be on holiday from 28 August to 12 September, and then from 25 September to 12 October. For both periods, pulpit supply and pastoral cover will be provided by the Rev Fred Coutts who can be contacted on 01779 841320.

PARISH REGISTER

*denotes Cruden Parish Church member

BAPTISMS

Sophie Elizabeth Siddle, Sandray Lodge, Upper Mossend, Hatton.
Isla Eve Gaskill, 8 Manse Terrace, Hatton.

WEDDING

7 July Richard Winton & Christine Chalmers, 35 Manse Road, Hatton.

DEATHS

*Mr Thomas Duncan, 4 Aulton Cottages, Cruden Bay.
Mr Thomas Sutton, 11 Castlewoods, Cruden Bay
Mr Alexander Watson, Sunnybank Care Home, Cruden bay

NEW MEMBERS

Mr & Mrs Gaskill, 8 Manse Terrace, Hatton
Ms Irene Triplow-Siddle, Sandray Lodge, Upper Mossend, Hatton.

HOLY COMMUNION



30 September
10 am

Duty Elders Beatrice Fawkes, Betty May, Peter Slamaker, Sandy Smith, Robert Petticrew, Betty Smith, Mary Bratton, Irene Will, Shonah Taylor, Robert Esson

**CHANGE - THE HYMNBOOK TO BE USED FOR
ALL OF SEPTEMBER WILL BE CH4**

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL COME OUT
ON **30 SEPTEMBER**. Copy for inclusion to be handed
in (preferably by email) to the Manse as soon as possible.

SUNDAY MORNING DUTIES

10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas	Junior Church
2 Sept	Marilyn Samways Shonah Taylor	Anne Smith	Margaret Adams Norma Forman	Karla Buswell Helen Smith Irene Siddle
9 Sept	Mary Bratton Rosemary Reid	Anne McNaughton	Elizabeth Bruce Betty Forrester	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid Brenda Cadger
16 Sept	Mary Bratton Rosemary Reid		Alison Neilson Lewis McKechnie	Karla Buswell Helen Smith Irene Siddle
23 Sept	Iris Durno Lewis McKechnie	Jean Beedie	Anne Cadey Doreen Buchan	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid Brenda Cadger
30 Sept	Iris Durno Lewis McKechnie	Marilyn Samways	Mary Bratton Betty Morris	Karla Buswell Helen Smith Irene Siddle
7 Oct	Dorothy Cruickshank Betty May	Rosemary Reid	Liz Carnie Sharon Clark	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid Brenda Cadger
14 Oct	Dorothy Cruickshank Betty May	Marine Bruce	Kathleen Craig Rosemary Reid	No Junior Church
21 Oct	Debbie Mackintosh Betty Forrester	Joyce Willox	Dorothy Cruickshank Helen Cay	No Junior Church
28 Oct	Debbie Mackintosh Betty Forrester	Muriel Cantlay	Irene Stott Fiona Stephen	No Junior Church

WATCH AND TALK GROUP

The first meeting of the Watch and Talk Group for the new session will be on Monday 10 September at 7.30 pm and once again Marilyn Samways has kindly agreed to host it at 3 Main Street, Cruden Bay. All former members, and any one else who may be interested, can be assured of a very warm welcome.

Annette Garden

FROM THE MINISTER *16 August 2012*

Dear Friends

MESSY CHURCH A NEW INITIATIVE OF CRUDEN CHURCH

It is an unlikely name for an initiative being taken up by many churches, but Messy Church is a reaching out to those, especially the young, for whom church is not and will not be a part of their Sunday morning. Several churches in our area have started a Messy Church, usually on a midweek afternoon after school where children come along only if accompanied by an adult. All round the country there have been positive reports on the success of these ventures. Look out for further details about Messy Church in Cruden starting in October.

WINDOWS PROJECT

Having successfully replaced the two temporary windows in the Old Church, we are applying, through our architect, for permission to replace further windows. A very generous person has offered to fund the replacement of the large window between the two doors. Fundraising will continue to back up future applications for grants. In that respect you may be interested in the calendar pictured on the next page of this Bulletin.

WEST CHURCH

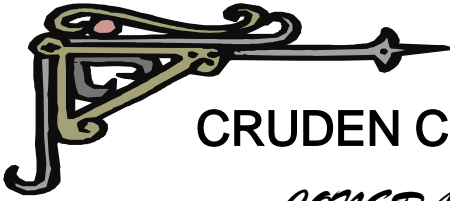
At long last the Council have granted the outline planning permission for our ground at the West Church in Hatton. The Kirk Session now requires to take a decision about placing the site on the market.

2012 CELEBRATION

The open air service on St Olaf's day at St Olaf's Well was an outstanding success according to everyone who has spoken to me about it. The weather was kind to us and approximately 150 people enjoyed the service led by Bishop Bob Gillies. Pictures can be viewed on our website. Next comes the Flower Festival (in two days' time as I write this) and then later, in October, we have a visit from the Moderator of the General Assembly to round off our millennial celebration.

Your friend and minister

Rodger Naylor



CRUDEN CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS

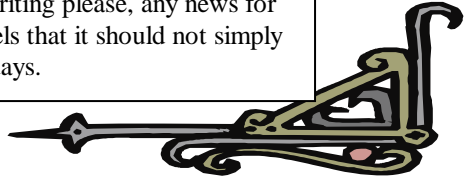
to **Mrs Margaret Cruickshank, 12 Manse Road, Hatton** who will be celebrating her 80th Birthday this month.

to **Mr & Mrs Beattie, 19 Slains Crescent, Cruden Bay**, who will be celebrating their golden Wedding this month.

to **Mr & Mrs Bateman, 100 Braehead Drive, Cruden Bay**, who will be celebrating their Ruby Wedding this month.

to **Mr & Mrs Smith, 2 McKenzie Crescent, Peterhead** who will be celebrating their Silver Wedding this month.

The minister would welcome, in writing please, any news for this feature in the Bulletin. He feels that it should not simply be a list of anniversaries and birthdays.



AVAILABLE FROM SEPTEMBER



**Cruden Country
Calendar 2013**
Sold in aid of the Cruden
Church Windows Fund

VISION STATEMENT OF CRUDEN PARISH CHURCH

In Cruden Parish Church we are committed to providing regular and meaningful worship within the tradition of the Church of Scotland and as part of the worldwide Church of Jesus Christ.

We will use, through Christian fellowship and education, our God given resources, which are rich and varied, to encourage the development of Christian faith and practice in all ages and groups within the church and the community.

We will let our awareness of the needs of the congregation, the community and the world direct our church life and the activities and projects we will support.

Members might be interested to know how we endeavor to fulfil the third paragraph in our Vision Statement with particular reference to the world at large. This centre page spread will show you.

CHRISTIAN AID *The final figure sent to Christian Aid after Christian Aid Week was an excellent £3,380. Well done the people of Cruden!*

COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF MALAWI & MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP

The Church continues to support work at Ekwendeni Hospital in Malawi and any support given is always gratefully received.

Mission Aviation Fellowship exists to deliver aid both spiritual and physical to people living in some of the remotest and isolated communities in the world through the use of light aircraft.

Why not come along to the Church Hall on Saturday 15th September from 10.00am till noon and discover more about Mission work in the wider world. Tickets price £3.00 are available from Annette Garden and Robert Esson to whom prizes for tombola and raffle can be given.

On behalf of the Kirk Session, one off our elders, Betty May has entered into correspondence with MPHATSO NGULUWE, Director of Malawi's Livingston Synod Aids Project (LISAP), who succeeded our previous Missionary Partner, Andy Gaston, in this responsible position. This will enable us to continue our support in a knowledgeable way

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

Can you help us brighten some ones Christmas? Please read the enclosed leaflet, look out a shoebox and take time to do some shopping. The leaflet gives details of things you can include. Parcels can be left with Rosemary Reid, 11 Manse Rd Hatton or brought to the church.

Closing date for parcels 31/10/2012

SUPPORT TO MALAWI

Our Church continued to donate to Ekwendeni Hospital during 2011 and 20 boxes and a suitcase filled with sheets were sent via the Blytheswood van. A donation of £100 was given to the Raven Trust to recognise their work in transporting goods to Africa and our Treasurer received a letter of thanks. This year we have sent a further 8 boxes, and, in response to the Bed Linen Appeal initiated by Robert Esson, bed linen to the value of £136. 90 was sent to Ekwendeni Hospital. The Church has also donated £500 to LISAP (Livingstonia Synod Aids Project)

A grateful thanks goes to all those who so faithfully provide the goods with which we fill the boxes, in particular the ladies who knit baby jackets, blankets, hats and gloves for older children,

The Raven Trust identifies the following needs for the hospital - hand tools, text books for nurses and agriculture students, marigold gloves, sheets and blankets in good condition. If anyone would like to donate knitting wool we would be grateful.

2012 could be the year in which we don't just maintain our support for Ekwendeni but increase it. The need is great. Please remember in your prayers those who work in the hospital and those who rely on all that the hospital provides.

Annette Garden

CRUDEN CHURCHES WALKING GROUP

16 JUNE – THE GORDON WAY

Our group of 6 gathered at Hatton and after a discussion on the 'challenging nature' and profile of the route and weather conditions we opted for the eastmost section of six and a half miles rather than the slog of the whole eleven miles. After dropping some of us off at the Bennachie Visitor centre our drivers did a circuit of the hill, heading south past the Lords Throat and Glenton to drop 1 car at the informal car park at Towmill on the 8992 and return past the Maiden Stone to our starting point.

A steady climb along well-marked paths took us up through the forest and clear of the trees at the long disused Pitgaveny quarry. A steep rocky section, negotiated with sticks, took us on to the shoulder of the hill from where we had excellent views of Millstone Hill and the Vale of Alford to the south, the tops of Oxen Crag and Mither Tap remaining shrouded in mist behind us. A couple of fledglings inadvertently flushed out by us on to the path escaped into the undergrowth again, their mottled plumage perfect camouflage against the heather.

A lack of signage at a couple of points on the route caused us a little hesitation but after consultation with maps and each other, we continued confidently. The forest track gave way to rough grassland for the last mile and we squelched through whins and broom to the 8992 and our transport, leaving Priests' Wood and Sluie Hill for another day. We rounded off our trip with coffee and cakes at the Inverurie Garden centre before heading home.

22 JULY – BALMEDIE TO NEWBURGH

With the blustery wind behind us, we set off from the picnic area at Balmedie Country Park through the extensive dune system to the shoreline. We were pleased to welcome Robert Petticrew's youngest sister, Ruth, over on holiday, and we were also accompanied by Alison's dog, Molly, who gave everyone she met a tail-wagging greeting.

After all the publicity about the Trump golf course, we decided to have a look at it ourselves and clambered up the dunes, first at the south most green where a couple of Americans were putting out, then just north of

the temporary clubhouse, the local coastguard station there a prominent feature behind the undulating fairways.

As we neared the Ythan Estuary at Newburgh, the incoming tide continued to sweep in forcing us up onto heavy going soft sand. The beach there was crowded with anglers, bird watchers and picnicking families enjoying the sunshine and the spectacle of seals bobbing in the water. We were “signed in” to the imposing Newburgh on Ythan golf clubhouse for coffees (no eats!) before heading home.

22 JULY – GLENLIVET

On returning to Glenlivet Estate after a 6 year gap, the group enjoyed the same beautiful sunshine as last time. The attractive low level Livet Path split neatly into three sections, the first along the river with expansive views over the Ladder Hills, the second over the moorland Braes along the “smuggler’s path” where a Golden Plover sat on a tussock close enough and long enough for all of us to have a good look at it before flying off, its white underwings clearly visible as it rose. The last section contoured round the Bochel where the grassy sheep track gave way to a ploughed field! and back to our starting point at Allanread.

We enjoyed a leisurely picnic lunch there, serenaded by a tuneful Willow Warbler, then headed on to the nearby Clash Wood walk, a short attractive forest walk with open views over the surrounding countryside, and on the last downhill stretch, through a break in the trees, a glimpse of the craggy Ben Rinnes.

We stopped at the recently opened Glassware and Coffee Shop in Dufftown for tea before heading home, considering that perhaps next year we might return to the area to do part of the Tomintoul spur of the Speyside Way

Margaret Wisely

CRUDEN GUILD

The Guild begin their new session on 24 September at 7.30 pm in the Old Church Hall when our minister will conduct a Face-to-Face interview with Eilidh Whiteford, MP. Former and new members will be made most welcome.

MEMO

RESTARTING Sept 5th Cruden Church Coffee and Chat

in the Old Hall on the
first Wednesday of each winter month
at 10.30 am to 12 noon

ALL ARE WELCOME

2012 Sep 5 Oct 3 Nov 7 Dec 5
2013 Feb 6 Mar 6 Apr 3

THANK YOU

very much to all tea/coffee ladies (and men!) who have helped serve our teas and coffees every week.

Without these volunteers providing a welcome cuppa we would miss the fellowship enjoyed after our Sunday services.



Lots of people have been on the Teas Rota for many years and I very much appreciate your commitment.

I am pleased to say that we have had ladies offering to go on the rota – a delightful change from friendly persuasion!! However, if anyone else would like to help with the teas, please let me know.

You are only on tea duty once every 2/3 months and you can change dates with others if a date is unsuitable. Thanks also to those who donated tins of biscuits, though biscuits are bought and paid for, courtesy of the Teas Fund.

Wilma Moir (01779 841516)