

April 2019

What's On this month in Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre

Saturday 30th March - Sunday 7th April

→ Bag the Bruck

Tuesday 2nd April

→ The Taversoe InnQUIZition, The Taversoe, 8pm

Thursday 4th April

→ Orkney Mobile Library visits Rousay & Egilsay

Sunday 7th April

→ Chinese Buffet, The Taversoe **PRE-BOOK**

Wednesday 10th April

→ Easter Workshop, The Crafhub, 11am - 2pm

Wednesday 17th April

→ Easter Workshop, The Crafhub, 11am - 2pm

→ Rousay Community Association AGM, Rousay School, 8pm

Monday 22nd April - **EASTER MONDAY**

→ Service, St. Mary's Chapel, Westness, 11.30am

Friday 26th April

→ Book Club, The Crafhub, 1.30pm - 3.30pm

→ Traditional Dance Class, Rousay School, 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Saturday 27th April

→ REW&G CC Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am

Regular Events

Every Monday

→ Coffee Morning, The Crafhub, 11am - 1pm

→ Bridge, Rousay School, 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Every Tuesday

→ Yarn & Yap Drop-In, The Crafhub, 11am - 1pm

→ Rousay Tai Chi Chuan, Rousay School, 3.15pm-4.15pm (Energy Exercises) & 4.15pm-5.15pm (Tai Chi Form)

No Tai Chi on 2nd, 9th, or 16th April

→ Boxercise, Rousay School, 7.15pm

(7pm for absolute beginners or to refresh)

No Boxercise on 16th April

Every Wednesday

→ Triangle Club, Church Centre, 9.45am-1pm

→ Fatburn Extreme, Rousay School, 7pm

Every Thursday

→ Coffee Morning, The Crafhub, 10am - 11am

→ IT Digital Help, The Crafhub, 11am - 1pm

No IT Digital Help on 4th April

Every Friday

→ Rainbows & Brownies, Rousay School, 3.10pm - 4.30pm

→ Teenage Social Group, The Crafhub, 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Every Sunday

→ Fatburn Extreme, Rousay School, 11am

Coming Up

Friday 10th May

→ Rousay Parent Council Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am

Thursday 30th May

→ Orkney Mobile Library visits Rousay & Egilsay

Friday 28th June

→ Rousay Parent Council Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am

Saturday 29th June

→ REW&G CC Meeting, Rousay School, 10.15am

Thursday 25th July

→ Orkney Mobile Library visits Rousay & Egilsay

Saturday 3rd August

→ Rousay Show Entry Evening, Rousay School, 7.30pm - 9pm

Sunday 4th August

→ Rousay Show, Rousay School, Show opens 2.30pm (prize-giving at 4pm)



Snooker Club

Annual Memberships are now due

New members welcome

£50

Ask Robert or Russell.



Traditional Dance Classes

As the last dancing class on 29th March was cancelled because of ill health it will now be the last Friday in April instead.



ROUSAY NEEDS



ROUSAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Revised Date

Rousay Community Association AGM

Wednesday April 17th
 Everyone Welcome
 All key holders should attend

Rousay Horticultural Society



Rousay Show 2019

Seeds for the **Strawflower & Longest Carrot** entries will be available on Easter Sunday, at the RNLI Easter Egg Hunt, together with **seed tatties!** If you can't make it, please contact Kayleigh for your seeds and pots (e-mail: kayleigh@aroundrousay.co.uk), or Shelagh Grieve for your seed tatties.

To submit an article, or to subscribe, please contact The Editor:

E: kayleigh@aroundrousay.co.uk T: 01856 821360

W: Howdis Meadow, Rousay, Orkney, KW17 2PR

Deadline for next edition: **Saturday 27th April, 5pm**

Please note: late articles are not guaranteed to be included.

April 2019

The Taversoe

01856 821 325



Opening Hours

Monday and Tuesday*
CLOSED

Wednesday to Friday
12pm to 2pm & 5pm to 11pm

Saturday and Sunday
12pm to 11pm



Food Service Hours

Monday and Tuesday
CLOSED

Wednesday to Friday
12pm-2pm & 5pm to 8pm

Saturday and Sunday
12pm to 8pm



The Taversoe InnQUIZition

Tuesday April 2nd 8pm
Snowball Jackpot
Light Snack Supper

* The bar will be open from 6pm
on the first Tuesday of the month
for The Taversoe InnQUIZition

EARLY CLOSING

If the bar is empty at 9pm we reserve the right to close early



Chinese Buffet

Sunday April 7th

Please Call to Book a Table



My Favourite Thing to Make for Dinner is a Reservation



Service for EASTER
at St Mary's Chapel, Westness,
Easter Monday 22 April
at 11.30am.

All very welcome.

Rousay Tai Chi Chuan

Jim is away at a
Tai Chi Course for the
first three weeks of April.

Classes will re-start on
Tuesday 23 April at the School.

1st hour Energy Exercises at 3:15
2nd hour Tai Chi Form at 4:15
£2.00 come for one or both.

All ages and abilities welcome.

If anyone wishes to practice during
these 3 weeks, please contact Helen,
07879686509.

Thanks to REW DT for part
funding this programme

www.facebook.com/orkneytaichi

Orkney Mobile Library
Visits to Rousay & Egilsay in 2019:

4th April
30th May
25th July
19th September
14th November



**THE 2019 ROUSAY, EGILSAY & WYRE
TELEPHONE DIRECTORY WILL BE AVAILABLE
STARTING 22nd APRIL!**



Master sheets of the information we currently hold for the *REW Telephone Directory* are still available at the Shop, the Church Centre, the School, the Rousay Post Office, and the Wyre Post Office until 9th April.

**Please take a look and add, edit or remove
your telephone number on one of these sheets.**

**You can also contact Kira at the School with any changes
on 01856 821 226
or by email at admin.rousay@glow.orkneyschools.org.uk**

The new directory will be available for purchase at the School, the Shop, and the Rousay, Egilsay & Wyre Post Offices starting 22nd April for £2.50 per copy.



**Hydraulic hose repairs
&
Hydraulic oil in stock**

Available from Danny Hall

Call 07919 335 744

RCA

Rousay Community Room Bookings

Community Rooms must
be booked in advance.

Failure to book may lead to the
room you require being unavailable.

To book for your function, contact Laura:

Mobile: 07884 041 901

E-mail: lar.06@hotmail.co.uk

Orkney Citizens Advice Bureau

Orkney Citizens Advice Bureau
has an outreach visit to Rousay:

28th August 2019

11.30am to 2.30pm

Church Centre.

We are there to advise on any issue.

To make an appointment or arrange a home
visit, please contact (01856) 875266, no later
than Thursday 22nd August, thank you.

**Allotment
Association**

Allotment Association

Plots are available now and the equipment is still available
for hire.

For information about the allotment plots, polytunnel
plots or equipment hire, please contact Ian on 07879 496686.



*From the community
For the community*



Changes to our grants

Having listened to the views within our community, the REWDT grant and bursary schemes are changing from 1st April 2019.

We will now offer grants that will give more choice and flexibility to our residents. New forms currently being developed will make it easier for all residents to apply for assistance if they wish. Listed below are the new and updated schemes REWDT will offer.

The Well Being 100 Fund

Up until 31st March 2020 (and to be used before this date) an award of £100 is being made available for all residents. Both children and adults can apply for help with the cost of well-being courses and activities. This can also be used for family 'Active Island' or 'Active Life' memberships, and the total cost will be divided equally between family members. This fund is for non-certified and non-educational courses, that meet the Trust's charitable aims and objectives.

The Driving Lesson Fund

This fund will re- open again for 1 year only from 1st April 2019– 31st March 2020 to support residents to gain their first driving licence, or to regain their licence if it has been removed for medical reasons. The maximum grant is £500 per person.

Child Ferry Tickets

This grant is available for all children resident in our 3-island group, in full time education. Parents, guardians, or those caring for children can apply for a book of 50 child tickets per child and these can be used however they wish. Maximum of 1 book of 50 ferry tickets per child up to 31st March 2020. Children must be resident at the address submitted on the application form for 12 months of the year (evidence may be requested).

Education Bursaries Fund

The awards for adults will be £500 per person per financial year, with no more than £1,500 being awarded in any rolling 5-year period. This limit applies accumulatively.

- From 1st April 2019, **100%** of this annual limit will be covered. It applies to the cost of any education, training or developmental nationally recognised qualification or course.

The awards for children will be £100 per child in primary or secondary education.

- From 1st April 2019, **100%** of this annual limit will be covered. It applies to any cost of any education, training or developmental nationally recognised qualification or course.

Currently all the forms are being updated and will be available on the website in the upcoming months. In the meantime, to obtain an application form please ring or call into the office.

Completed forms can be sent in either on paper to the Trust Office, or e-mailed to grants@rewdt.org



Free Wi-Fi access

(plus access to a laptop and printer):

Monday: 10am to 3pm
Tuesday: 10am to 3pm
Wednesday: 10am to 3pm

Contact us to arrange use outwith these times.



Regular help with a range of household tasks, at a rate subsidised by the Trust.

Contact Gillian at
Age Scotland Orkney direct:
01856 872438
gillian@ageconcernorkney.org.uk

Car Club

Hire our electric car from as little as £2.50 for 1 hour, or for as long as you need (e.g. 24 hours costs £18).



Book the car online or via the Office.

Car Club FAQs and T&Cs are available online.

Shredded Paper for Composting

We occasionally have bags of shredded paper available for composting. If anyone would like a bag, please contact the Office.



Our Current Grant Schemes

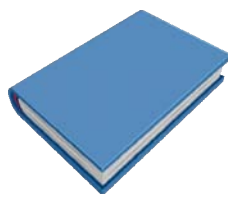


Well Being 100 Fund

Apply for 100% of the cost of well being activities, including Active Islands/Life memberships.



A maximum of £100 per person, up to 31st March 2020.
Open to adults & children.



Educational Bursary

Apply for up to 100% of the cost of a nationally-recognised qualification.



A maximum of £500 (adults) & £100 (children in primary/secondary education).



Driving Lessons

Apply for up to £500 towards the cost of your driving lessons with a qualified instructor.



A maximum of £500 per applicant.



Child Ferry Tickets

Apply for one book of 50 ferry tickets for children (5-18, in full-time education).

General Grants

Looking for funding which doesn't fit into one of our specific grant funds?
Individuals and groups are also welcome to apply for funding from our 'General Grants' fund.

Ready to apply?

Currently all the forms are being updated, and will be available on the website in the coming months. In the meantime, to obtain an application form, please ring or call into the office. Completed forms can be sent in either on paper, or electronically to grants@rewdt.org

All applications must be received a minimum of **two weeks** before the training/event/payment due date, whichever is earliest, as well as a minimum of **two weeks** before the planned Board meeting date, to allow sufficient time for applications to be processed.

Does Your Organisation or Community Group Need Financial Support?

Why not let REW DT support you in finding external funding opportunities and then help you with your grant application. If you would like to speak to staff about this offer, please contact the office. Alternatively, Megan McEwen from VAO in Kirkwall also offers to support community groups with finding funding opportunities.

Opening Hours

Monday	10am-3pm (<i>drop-in</i>)
Tuesday	10am-3pm (<i>drop-in</i>)
Wednesday	10am-3pm (<i>drop-in</i>)
Thursday	<i>By appointment only</i>
Friday	<i>By appointment only</i>

Please feel free to call in with any queries, advice, or grant applications during drop-in times. Outside of these hours, the inner door to the Manse may be locked, to allow staff dedicated time to complete their work, without distraction.

Occasionally, all of the staff are away from the office on DT business, so if you wish to speak to us, it is always better to phone first, to make an appointment.



Telephone: 01856 821 229
General E-mails: info@rewdt.org
Grants E-mails: grants@rewdt.org

Visit our website:
www.rewdt.org



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APRIL @ The Craffhub cic

The Pier Rousay 01856 821359 Craffhub@btconnect.com

SCHOOL HOLIDAY - EASTER WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL + WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL

11AM TO 2PM

BOOK CLUB Friday – 26th April

1.30pm to 3.30pm

COFFEE MORNINGS –

Every Monday 11am to 1pm

Every Thursday 10am to 11am

YAP & YARN – EVERY TUESDAY

11am to 1pm

IT DIGITAL HELP –

THURSDAY 11TH, 18TH 25TH

11am to 1pm

APRIL OPENING

MONDAY

11AM TO 3.30PM

TUESDAY

11AM TO 3.30PM

WEDNESDAY

11AM TO 3.30PM

THURSDAY

10AM TO 3.30PM

FRIDAY

11AM TO 3.30PM

6.30PM TO 8.30PM (TEENAGE SOCIAL GROUP)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

CLOSED

HAPPY EASTER
From us all



Please check our website www.craffhuborkney.co.uk for updates on opening times, upcoming workshops and events or go to our facebook page

Stephen Clackson's Letter from School Place

March 2019

Reporting on the exploits of your councillor in Orkney and beyond

If I hadn't booked an extra night in Kirkwall at short notice, I would have missed the reconvening of our unexpectedly adjourned General Meeting - adjourned because Paul Wheelhouse (Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands) delayed announcing the Scottish Government's contribution to running Orkney Ferries. When it came, the figure was a disappointing £5.3 million, £1.5 million less than our carefully-calculated and reasonable request. This has left us with a shortfall, which is, regrettably, having to be mitigated by a 3% increase in ferry fares from the 1st April. It angers me that the Scottish Government, which is so generous in its funding of ferries for the Western Isles, is forcing us to undermine our commitment to isles-proofing and our commitment to supporting our fragile communities with the Hobson's choice of either increasing fares on what are already the most expensive routes in Scotland or reducing what is already a woefully inadequate service. No other community is treated as badly by the Scottish Government as the communities of Orkney's North Isles are. I urge members of the public, businesses, community councils, development trusts, trade unions etc. to support OIC by writing to Nicola Sturgeon, Paul Wheelhouse, Maree Todd (our regional SNP MSP) and asking them why the Scottish Government discriminates against us and is so determined to deny us the level of transport services enjoyed by the rest of Scotland.



The two Earls meet at Loth, July 2013.

I took advantage of a quiet spell at OIC to get away from sea-going ferries for a few days and make a pre-Brexit visit to my elder son (see photograph below) who is on a year's *Erasmus* student exchange to the Technische Universität Graz in Austria, a country that has been landlocked since the implementation of the 1919 Treaty of Saint-Germain-en-Laye (in World War 1, Baron Georg von Trapp, made famous by "The Sound of Music", commanded U-boats in the Austrian Navy.) The Austrians may not have many ferries, but their trains, buses and trams are all wonderfully integrated and inexpensive, and travel is a joy there.

Other meetings I have attended in Orkney this month include those of the Orkney & Shetland Valuation Joint Board, Shapinsay Community Council and the Board of Orkney Ferries Ltd.

CLr Dr Stephen Clackson
West Manse, Sanday
stephen.clackson@council.orkney.gov.uk

You can download "Letter from School Place" from lfsp.pbworks.com





ROUSAY HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE

(01856 821 443)



Opening Hours

Supervised Sessions

Monday	19:00 - 21:00 *
Tuesday	19:00 - 21:00 *
Wednesday	x x x
Thursday	19:00 - 21:00 *
Friday	x x x
Saturday	16:00 - 17:00
Sunday	x x x

* The gym will close at 20:15 if empty

Buddy System

Term Time Buddy System

Monday	08:30 - 17:00
Tuesday	08:30 - 15:00
Wednesday	08:30 - 17:00 19:00 - 20:00 **
Thursday	08:30 - 17:00
Friday	08:30 - 15:00
Saturday	x x x
Sunday	11:00 - 12:00**

** During Rousay FBX

Easter Holidays

Monday April 8th - Sunday April 21st

Additional Supervised Session

Monday 8th & 15th - 15:30 - 16:30

Wednesday 10th & 17th - 15:30 - 16:30

The Buddy System relies on the goodwill of the school staff. Due to staff shortages the hours may occasionally need to be amended at short notice. On these occasions we would appreciate it if you could make sure you are ready to leave the school promptly to ensure mainland staff can catch return boats home.

We will publish any changes on our "RHLC Buddy System" Facebook page.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

FATBURN EXTREME

WEDNESDAY 7pm & SUNDAY 11am
ROUSAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL HALL

BOXERCISE

TUESDAYS @ 7.15pm

(7.00pm for absolute beginners and those wanting a refresh)

NO BOXERCISE ON APRIL 16th.
REMEMBER THE GYM HAS A SUPERVISED SESSION AT 7pm

ROUSAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL HALL



YOUR VOICE... If you have any suggestions for services provided by the RHLC, from equipment to classes to music, and all in between we'd love to hear them



ActiveIslands



ActiveLife

CHARGES

Please note there will be a price increase on **ActiveLife** memberships from Monday April 1st.

Monthly Individual - £22.50

Monthly Family - £32.50

The **ActiveIslands** and the Budget memberships will remain unchanged.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Full details: www.pickaquoy.co.uk



Keep up to date with our official Facebook page and groups:

"Rousay Healthy Living Centre" "Rousay Boxercise"

"Rousay Fatburn Extreme" "RHLC Buddy System"



ORKNEY ISLANDS COUNCIL