



Midmar Newsletter

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Dear fellow residents,

I write this three days after the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games and Team GB are in possession of four medals. According to those in the know, they hope to win more medals in Rio than in any other overseas Olympics. Time will tell.

The brand name 'Team GB' is relatively new and was apparently developed in 1999 as a deliberate strategy to unify all participating athletes under one banner. What cannot be denied is that success at the Olympics appears to have gone hand in hand with the adoption of the name 'Team GB'.

The word 'team' has become a catch word of business, education and a variety of organisations these last few years. The other day, while in Inverurie, I came across a poster in a charity shop urging people to 'join their team'. A great many companies and organisations have embarked upon team building activities in recent years. They argue that this helps enhance social relationships, helps create situations where trust and support are nurtured and helps people accept and respect each others differences. Certainly they appear to be convinced that such exercises foster cooperation and the sharing of responsibility and consequently achieve, collectively, more than any one individual.

This summer we have seen two examples of teamwork in Midmar. The garden has been brought back to life as a result of the efforts of Beth Smith, Jackie Randall and the team, comprising all ages, who they enlisted. It's a joy to behold. Towards the end of May many of you attended a very special event at the hall. It comprised a presentation of Midmar past and present, a first class afternoon tea and the planting of a tree in memory of our past chairman, John Andrew.

As chairman of the hall committee I am indebted to all those who have given generously of their time and labour to enhance the outward appearance of the hall and to help us celebrate another milestone in its history. Two success stories made possible by teamwork at its best. To all concerned 'Well done'. Your community is richer as the result of your hard work!

Alistair McRobb, Hall Chairman

RACENIGHT

on Saturday 24th September 2016
at Midmar Hall



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until 12am

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Donna Miller

07801 815383 / 01330 833996

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new outdoor playground equipment.

MIDMAR HALL 100 CLUB MEMBERSHIP

The Midmar Hall 100 Club raises funds to help maintain the Hall and now it's that time of the year again where you get the chance to be a 100 Club member. If you are unsure how the Club works and have never been a member before, then let me explain.

For a small annual subscription of £15, you will be allocated a membership number which will be entered into a monthly draw. These draws will take place each month from June 2016 to April 2017. Numbers will be drawn during a Hall user group session. This could be playgroup, bowling, Community café etc. The winners will be announced on Facebook and on the Hall website. You will be notified by e-mail if you provide your contact details on the membership form. Prizes each month will be £30, £20 and £10.

May 2017 is when we have our annual draw where the prizes are £100, £50, £30 and £20. As you can see, by the prize awards it's well worth joining the 100 Club!

This year you can enter as many as five names from the same household on one form. You will find a form to pull out in the centre pages of this newsletter. Please complete the details and send, together with your payment to Pamela Black at the address shown. If you require additional forms, you can download one from our website www.midmarhall.com or call Pamela Black on 01330 833682. Forms and payment may also be dropped into the Hall post box, where Pamela will collect them.

Remember, if you are not in it, you won't win it, so get in touch now for your chance to be a winner!!!





Midmar Hall '100 Club'

Prize Draw

Membership Form 2016 - 2017

Midmar Village Hall
'100 Club'
c/o Pamela Black
Comers Croft
Midmar
Aberdeenshire
AB51 7QB

For an annual subscription of £15 you will be entered in to the monthly draw from June to April
First Prize: £30 Second Prize: £20 Third Prize: £10

The annual '100 Club' event to be held in May 2017 will have prizes as follows:
First Prize: £100 Second Prize: £50 Third Prize: £30 Fourth Prize: £20

(This form allows up to 5 members of the same household to enter)

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

e-mail: _____

(your e-mail address will be used to advise you of the winners and to keep you in touch with '100 Club' and Hall events)

I enclose cash/cheque* for the annual membership of £15 per person (payable to Midmar Hall '100' Club).

*Bank transfer details: Sort Code: 82 61 00 Account No. 00396512 (Please use your name as a reference).

*indicate payment method

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please return completed forms to the above address as soon as possible
Tear off slip will be returned to you with your Membership Number.

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Member Name(s): _____ Member No(s): _____

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Member Name(s): _____ Member No(s): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

(Organiser)

The purpose of the '100 Club' is to raise funds for the upkeep of Midmar Village Hall
Contact Details: Tel: 01330 833682 or e-mail: info@midmarhall.com



Midmar S.W.I.

Midmar S.W.I. restart monthly meetings on the 14th of September with a jewellery demonstration by Anne Marquiss . Then Aileen West will show the Midmar Ladies how to make Hedgehogs from old paper back books on the 12th of October. This is followed by a flower arranging evening on November 9th by Sara Findlay and Eilidh. All meetings are held in Midmar Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm and everyone is welcome.

For further details contact Michelle Paterson tel 01330-833490 or Judith Stokoe tel 01330-833719.

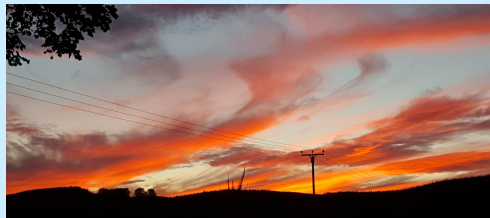
Cluny, Midmar and Monymusk Community Council.

The Community Council have continued to meet over the summer months of June and August with the next meeting scheduled for September 22nd at Cluny Church Hall commencing at 7-15pm. Anyone with local problems or queries is very welcome to attend. A constant item on the agenda at the moment is the Blackhillock to Kintore power line. There is still no confirmed route and the Community Council have advised SSE of local residents concerns and objections. SSE have a web site that lays out their proposals.

Midmar Community Councillors are Richard Fyffe tel 01330-833295 and Judith Stokoe tel 01330-833719.

Newsletter Cover Winner

Congratulations to Iain Black for his beautiful sunset captured in August. The colours are fantastic.



MIDMAR SHEET MOVIES PRESENTS



FLUSHED AWAY

SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

3.30pm

BYO Sandwiches

Drinks & cake

Cert PG



All donations to go to New Loo
Funds



UNTOUCHABLE

SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER

7.00pm

BYOB

(& reading goggles - sub-titles but worth it!)

Cert 15

STOP PRESS....

Midmar Hall AGM

Open to All

Monday 7 November

7.30pm

New committee members welcome





I hope you all had a good summer and managed to get a break, even for a very short time. As I write this the sun is shining and it is hot, but I presume that when you read this, the temperature will have sunk and the hot days of the summer will be just a memory.

We are very lucky in Midmar to have such a beautiful Church building, but not only that, to have a stone circle right by it. Apparently, it was fairly common to build a

Church near a stone circle, but over time most of the Churches by the stones have disappeared and Midmar Church is the only one left in the country. As it is so rare, we decided some years ago to open the Church on three afternoons a week to offer hospitality to those who are visiting the stone circle and Church. We have had visitors from all over the globe and more locally. Sometimes we have had previous Ministers visit and also return visits from those who have attended the Church but have moved away. There is always a kettle on and some biscuits available and also, if needed, a listening ear.

The New Testament is full of references to hospitality. For example, when Jesus sends out his disciples to tell everyone about him, he tells them to stay in the houses where they are welcomed. In the case of someone refusing them hospitality, they are to move on. We have accounts of Jesus eating with strangers, with friends and ultimately at the Last Supper with his disciples. Hospitality is paramount to Jesus' ministry and he taught that it is necessary to offer hospitality to all.

The idea of offering hospitality was taken up by the early monasteries and continues to this day. At some monasteries or abbeys, there are opportunities to stay amongst the community and share their lives for a short while. The monasteries offer hospitality, not just sustenance and a bed, but also a place to stop for a while and stay still and quiet to refresh the mind as well as the body.

At Midmar Church we can't offer what the monks can offer, but we can offer a place of quietness, of stillness, a place which has been used for worship for hundreds of years. We can offer sustenance and someone to chat with.

So, please do come and meet us at the Church. It is open from 1-3pm most Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Come and see and sit and chat. We are open for all!

Rev Elspeth McKay

Midmar events



18th Sept 3.30pm

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24th Sept 7pm

**Cluny and
Midmar Senior
Citizens**

St. Andrews
afternoon
26th November
1pm to 5pm

Day	Activity	Venue
Monday	Rising 5's (for our pre-school children)	Midmar School
	Book Club (Last Monday of the month)	Various
Tuesday	Playgroup	Midmar Hall
	Toddlers	Midmar Hall
	After School Club	Midmar School
	Upholstery Classes	The Little Theatre
	Bowling (October through to March)	Midmar Hall
Wednesday	After School Club	Midmar School
	SWRI (2nd Wednesday of the month)	Midmar Hall
	Whist (4th Wednesday of the month)	Millbank Bowling Club Hut
	Playgroup	Midmar Hall
Thursday	Mobile Library (fortnightly)	Hall car park
	PiYO	Midmar Hall
	Upholstery Classes	The Little Theatre
	After School Club	Midmar School
Friday	Community Cafe (1st Friday of the month)	Midmar Hall

Garioch Blend with
Eddie Rose and Bill Gray
16th October, 2pm
Tel: 01330833209.

s at a glance

ue	Time	Further Information
chool	10am -12pm	Barbara Harrison 860421
	8pm -10pm	Alistair McRobb 833715
all	9.30am -11.30am	Frances Millward Frankie19701@live.co.uk
all	9.30am -11.30am	
chool	3.15pm - 6pm	MASC - 07856732341
Byre	7pm - 9pm	Kay Hourston 833515
all	7.15pm - 9.15pm	Alan Blackie 833482
chool	3.15pm - 6pm	MASC - 07856732341
all	7.30pm -9.30pm	Judith Stokoe 833719
owling	7.30pm -10pm	Isabel Birse 833209
all	9.30am -11.30am	Frances Millward Frankie19701@live.co.uk
ark	9.45am - 10am	
all	9.30am - 10.30am	Angie Barclay 07796076445
Byre	10.30am-12.30pm & 1pm - 3pm	Kay Hourston 833515
chool	3.15pm - 6pm	MASC - 07856732341
all	10am - 12pm	



12th November 7pm



Midmar Playgroup

Tues 9.30-11.30am
Wed 9.30-11.30am
2.5 to 5yrs

Come meet other local mums & kids.
Contact Frances: frankie19701@live.co.uk
Get Involved. Get Chummy Up!!



You can find more information on our
website at Midmarhall.com
or on our Facebook page

Hall AGM
7th November
7.30pm

Cluny and Midmar Senior Citizens committee.

The annual Treasure Hunt which was held at Millbank Bowling hut in June attracted 24 Cars. Charlie Anderson Glenkindie compiled the clues which proved difficult for some. Everyone enjoyed the hunt and returned for a welcome fly cup and of course the answers. Quite a large raffle was drawn and the results proved successful, £500 to our funds.

Summer bus trip went to Gordon Castle Gardens Fochabers, this was a very productive place, many of the fruit, veg and cut flowers are used in their restaurant and sold in the shop, cider is produced from their vast array of apples and pears.

We then went via the coast road to the Cullen Bay Hotel for a delicious High Tea.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

St. Andrews afternoon sat.26th nov 1 to 5pm.Three course meal and entertainment at Kemnay Bowling Club

ALL AGE OVER 60 RESIDING IN CLUNY MIDMAR AREA

WELCOME TO ATTEND

Annual Concert with Garioch Blend Eddie Rose and Bill Gray

Sunday 16th Oct 2016

Tickets £10.00 incl. of refreshments

2pm start, doors open 1pm.

Get your tickets early as they sell very fast

Tel: 01330833209.

Bloomin' Marvellous



Many thanks to all who helped in the hall garden this summer, it looks beautiful. We are still happy to accept donations of perennials, shrubs and evergreens. Also any volunteers to do work in the Autumn would be gratefully received. Please contact Beth Smith (830085) or Jackie Randell (830135)



Summer
2016



travel counsellors



Hi, my name is Kathleen. I am an independent Travel Counsellor based in Sauchen, Aberdeenshire, with over 14 years experience in the travel industry.

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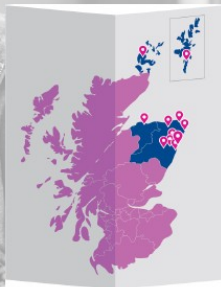
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We look forward to hearing from you.



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Closing date for submissions to the Winter newsletter is the 19th November 2016. This covers events December, January & February.

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