

DUNLOP DIARY



From the Church of Scotland, Dunlop

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Dear Friends,

Sunday, 22nd February will be my last Sunday in Dunlop Kirk. My wife and I are going to the Outer Hebrides, where I will be minister of Manish Scarista congregation, in South Harris. The Church of Scotland has no serving ministers at all just now in the Presbytery of Uist, which takes in North and South Harris, Benbecula, and North and South Uist; I am going so that there will be at least one minister there.

We are both very sorry indeed to be leaving everyone. It has been a real privilege to be here. I hope that a minister will very soon be called to become minister of Caldwell and Dunlop, and will have a very fruitful and happy ministry.

Arrangements are being made in relation to ministry during the vacancy, and announcements will soon be made, so that everyone knows what is happening.

I wish you well, and I hope that all will go well with you.

Best wishes,

David Donaldson.

DUNLOP GUILD

Tuesday, 3 February at 7.30pm in the Church Hall

The entertainment will be by the as yet unnamed Barbershop Choir. As well as some four-part harmony songs, there will be other well-known songs and poems with a World War I theme. Everyone welcome.

March

Flowers

1st	Anne Sinclair
8th	Sandra King
15th	Margaret Hunter
22nd	Jeanette Picken
29th	Bertha Horne

CHURCH NEWS

I am sure most of you will already know that the Revd. Dr. David Donaldson and his wife, Jean have been called to the Manish-Scarista Parish on the Isle of Harris.

We are all very sad that David and Jean are leaving us but send them off to Harris with our prayers and best wishes for their Island adventure. We are very appreciative of all that David and Jean have done in the Parish and community and they will both be greatly missed.

David and Jean have requested of both churches that there should be no collection or presentation because we are all friends, and what Jean and David would greatly value are your best wishes and prayers.

The date of David's last service in Dunlop Church is Sunday, 22nd February at 11:30am.

We will have a farewell cup of tea after the service.

The Revd. Gavin Niven of John Knox, Stewarton Church has been appointed as Interim Moderator during the vacancy.

Margo McMurdo - Session Clerk 01560 484824

Welcome Teams

February	March
Mike Blyth	Jimmy Howie
Carolyn Blyth	Douglas Bell
Carol Fraser	Marilyn Bell
Netta Howie	John Campbell
Margaret Hunter	Alison Howie
Calum MacDonald	Isabel Kerr
Bill McLatchie	Andrew Pinkerton
Mitchell Wilson	Linda Pinkerton

Creche Rota

1st, 8th Feb Netta Howie & Aileen Dunlop
15th Feb Aileen Dunlop & Greer Thomson
22nd, Feb 1st March Greer Thomson & Maureen Jackson
8th, 15th March Maureen Jackson & Isabel Kerr

Baptisms:

7th December: Charles Howard Alexander Hutchison

14th December: Thomas Parker Wilson McFarlane

Deaths:

24th December: Mr. James Murray.

2nd January: Mr. Jim Dunlop.

Multi-purpose Extension – Dunlop Kirk

You may recall that during the major repair and refurbishment of the church the original vestry was altered to provide toilets (including a wheelchair access toilet) to meet current building standards. This meant that there was no longer a private space for the minister to meet with anyone who wished to speak to him before or after the service and there was no easily-accessed crèche space for babies and toddlers.

To solve this problem of privacy and space it was proposed that we build an extension and it was hoped that the multi-purpose character of the extension would also allow flexibility for congregation and community use.

Because of the listed building status of the church and its sensitive setting within a churchyard filled with graves, a pre-planning meeting was held with Historic Scotland and East Ayrshire Council last year to explore various options.

After much deliberation, it was agreed that the most appropriate site for any additional accommodation would be alongside the former vestry, where it would be less visible and where there were no gravestones. As a first step in a complicated process to obtain all necessary approvals, a planning application has now been submitted to East Ayrshire Council, but everyone should be aware that it is likely to be some time before we are in a position to proceed and designs may change during the approvals process.

Dunlop Kirk Strategy Group

Sunday Morning Services, in the church, at 11.30 a.m.:

Sunday 1st February: Preacher: Les Kirk Reader: Alison Howie Flowers: Doris Livingston

Sunday 8th February: Preacher: Rev. Iain Roy. Reader: Lynn Davidson Flowers: Janette Miller

Sunday, 15th February: Preacher: The minister Reader: Mike Blyth Flowers: Nellie Nisbet

Sunday, 22nd February: Preacher: The minister. Reader: Sheila Wyllie Flowers: Susan Shorrock

On Sunday, 15th February, the young people of Dunlop and Caldwell churches are serving a soup and sandwich lunch in Dunlop Village Hall at 12.30 p.m., to raise money to help in the fight against Ebola. Would you like to help us in this fight? You can, Just come along and enjoy lunch with us. Adults: £5; children: £2. If you wish to donate baking, please let Debbie, Audrey, or Jean know – or the minister. Thank you.

W.R.I.
WEDNESDAY 25th FEBRUARY

BULB SHOW (Schedules given out)

ON OUR GARDEN
An Illustrated Talk by Mrs Andrea Jones
 (No Other Competitions)

GUILD

FEBRUARY

3rd Alan Garrity & Friends
 17th Heart For Art (Project)
 24th Interguild at St Columba's with K.D.C.U.

Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice

Bagpack in Asda on Saturday 28th March 2015

The Dunlop Friends of the Ayrshire Hospice kindly request your help to raise funds for a very worthy cause. As funds raised are usually proportionate to the number of helpers available, we hope to encourage as many people as possible (yes men too) to give up two hours of their time. So, please join us on Saturday 28th March – no previous experience required!!!
 If you can help, please contact either Andrena Reid on 01560 483696 or any other committee members.

**Art & Photography Exhibition by Stewarton Academy Senior Art Students
 Dunlop Village Hall from 5th February to 12th March**

This is the first exhibition by senior students from the Art Department at Stewarton Academy and it is a great opportunity to see our artists of the future. The Open Evening is being held on **Thursday, 5th February from 7pm – 9pm**, when teas, coffees or a glass of wine will be available. The range of work on display will be still life, design work and photography portfolios. Please come along and support these young people.



Dunlop Community Cinema

Upcoming Films

Friday 20th Feb Pride

Saturday 7th February Selfish Giant

Saturday 7th March Boyhood



**WEDNESDAY
 COFFEE**



Restarts Wednesday 4th February.
 10am—11.30am
 in rear church hall
 All welcome

Volunteers urgently needed. Speak to Irene Kerr or Marilyn Bell

LODGE DUNLOP CALEDONIA No. 1408

A Way of Life and a Moral Education

The regular meetings of the Lodge during February 2015 will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm
 Thursday 12th Exemplification of Entered Apprentice Degree
 Conferred by the Lodge Office Bearers

 Thursday 26th Illustrated Talk on Masonic Stamps of the World
 by Bro. David Johnstone
 Visitors most welcome on both occasions
 Hugh B. Gilbert PM Secretary

Dunlop & District Community Company – The Village Hall

Dunlop and District Community Company held their annual AGM on a very windy and wintry night on 14th January.

Two Directors, Kevin Brown and Jane Whiteford, stood down at this meeting, and Sue Scott who had been co-opted during the year was elected onto the Board of Directors.

The village hall continues to provide a meeting place for a variety of activities and social occasions. Please see our website www.dunlopvillagehall.org.uk for the latest calendar of events.

Our thanks go to all our volunteers who help to keep the place running as without their commitment the hall and especially the café could not function.

We are always looking for new volunteers so please get in touch if you can help us and do contact one of the Directors (details on the website) if you are interested in joining our Board which is currently short of members.

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