

From the Church of Scotland, Dunlop

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In Scotland we used to talk about the Three (not quite!) Rs of education - Reading, wRiting and aRithmetic. In Dunlop this June we have our own Three (well, two!) Rs of aRena, Recycling and Royalty!

Yes, June in Dunlop means Gala Day. Hurray!

This year's event, on 2nd June, is the 10th Gala Day - with a wide of range of events in the park, centred around the aRena.

A new aspect to the Gala Day is Recycling with the introduction of (Y)our new Environment Policy which is not only printed in the brochure for us all to read, but is the inspiration for the theme of this year's Scarecrow Trail. I'm looking forward to seeing how people have put their rubbish to good use to make their scarecrows. Rubbish! There's another R! Did you know that there are three Rs of the environment?

All three are in the Gala Day's new policy - Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

And of course, our Gala Day wouldn't be complete without that final R - Royalty! Our Royal Party of Gala Queen, her Consort, Lady in Waiting and Royal Herald. Royalty who represent school, village and community!

I wish our young Gala Day Royals, Sophie, Ella, Charlie and Tristan all the very best, and thank everyone who works so hard for months to make this one special day happen.

Alison

Dunlop Kirk – Services and Events

All warmly welcomed

Sunday Morning Worship - 11.30 am

Sunday Crèche – 11.30 am Sunday School – 11.30 am

Exploring the Bible, Tuesdays in Caldwell Vestry 10.30am

Evening Service Wednesday 6th June 6.30pm in rear Church Hall

Dunlop Primary School 2018 Prizegiving

This will be on Friday 22nd June in Dunlop Church at 1:30pm.

CHURCH ROTAS

Date	Flowers	Readers		
June 3rd	Linda Pinkerton	Sheila Wyllie		
10th	Marion King	Anne Sinclair		
17th	Jeanette Picken	Bob Brown		
24th	Marjorie Hamilton	David Clement		
July 1st	Beverly Kirk	Beverly Kirk		
8th	Brian McGaw	Marilyn Bell		
15th	Sybil Stirling	Alastair Martin		
22nd	Jean Spence	Netta Howie		
29th	Jennifer Hunter	Roy Wyllie		
Aug 5th	Jean Currie	Mike Blyth		
12th	Dorothy Brown	Alison Howie		
19th	Anne Young	Simon Gill		
26th	Diane Morton	Brian McGaw		
Creche Rota				

Jun	3rd,10th,17th	Netta Howie	and Pamela Young
	24th	Anne Sinclair	and Linda Pinkerton
July	1st,8th,15th	Graham Kilgour	and Christine Wallace
	22nd, 29th,	Marilyn Bell	and Jen Smith
August	5th	Marilyn Bell	and Jen Smith
	12th,19th,26	Ruth Wilson	and Alastair Martin

DUNLOP W.R.I.

Saturday 9th June Summer Outing to Garrion Bridge Wednesday 18th July Fish Tea Largs

Wednesday Coffee for Christian Aid on Wednesday 16th May 10-12 raised £365. Many thanks to all who supported us. Your help will change lives for the better. (We believe in life before death). Irene Kerr and Marilyn Bell.

Welcome Teams

June	July
Mike Blyth	Jimmy Howie
Carolyn Blyth	Douglas Bell
David Clement	Marilyn Bell
Carol Fraser	John Campbell
Netta Howie	Alison Howie
Calum Macdonald	Isabel Kerr
Mitchell Wilson	Andrew Pinkerton
	Linda Pinkerton
Welcome team for August	

Welcome team for August Sandy Hutchison, Lynn Davidson, Jess Duncan, Irene Kerr, Margaret Robb, Roy Wyllie and Sheila Wyllie

The next meeting of the **Dunlop Alzheimer's**Circle of Friends Musical Minds will be on
Thursday, 14th June, in the church hall from
2pm-4pm. The group is meant for anyone
affected by Alzheimer's or dementia, but all who
are interested will be made very welcome.
Our musicians will be Eddie and Bill.
Theme is old-fashioned games. See what you can
remember—come along for some fun.
Contact Susan Shorrock 482109 or Jean Spence
428593

CHRISTIAN AID FUNDRAISING

Together we raised £4865.20!!

So, THANK YOU if you ate bacon rolls and pancakes, bought plants, donated by envelope, drank coffee with cake, worked as a helper, bought raffle tickets or puzzled over the quiz. It was all worthwhile - let's do it all again next year!

There were 9 correct quiz entries and the winner drawn from the hat was Janette Weadon.

Well done. Thanks, Alison

OPEN SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

The church will be open every Sunday afternoon from 2pm – 4pm from now until 28th October. If you would like to spend some time in a peaceful building or to have a closer look at the beautiful stained glass windows, please come and visit the church.

The Clandeboyes Hall, alongside the church, is an 'A' listed building, which was built in 1641 and was one of the first free schools in Scotland. Behind the Clandeboyes is the Hans Hamilton Tomb and the marble figures of this former minister and his wife have now been reinstated. You can visit both the Hall and the Tomb.

Greeting cards and a booklet about the wonderful stained glass are on sale.

If you are out for a walk, please drop in. You will be very welcome and, as always in Dunlop, tea, coffee and biscuits will be available.

CREAM TEA

Sunshine, balloons and bunting were in evidence to celebrate the 30th Cream Tea to be held at Struther Farmhouse in aid of the Ayrshire Hospice. The Dunlop Friends are delighted to have raised £2929 and would like to thank everyone who attended, who donated to the baking stall and raffle, sold tickets and to the Committee and volunteers involved in making the day a success.

We are, once again, immensely grateful to Bertha and family for continuing to host this popular event in their home.

The Dunlop community cinema

We have our Friday night, 1st June, Gala Movie - 'The Greatest Showman'. Hugh Jackman's musical Tour de Force as P.T. Barnum, the showman who rose from nothing to create a spectacle that became a worldwide sensation. Currently wowing audiences across the world this is a rousing musical fantasy filled with a stellar cast and lots of pizzazz, so come along and start the Gala weekend on the right note.

As ever, we have delicious ice-cream, sweet (and salted) popcorn and soothing wine and beer...so please come along and enjoy.



CONSERVATORY CAFÉ – SUMMER OPENING TIMES

The café will be open from 9am on Gala Day, Saturday 2nd June, for hot rolls, teas & coffees and home baking, and will also have a 'pop-up' café in the Gala Field to serve everyone who is setting up and arriving early.

During the summer, the café will be open as normal on Thursdays and Fridays during June, but will be closed during the school holiday period.

HANGING BASKETS

The hanging baskets will be arriving in the village in time for the Gala and once again the Community Council are grateful to the Lugton Burns Club for their generous donation towards the annual costs.

To keep the plants healthy, the baskets need to be watered regularly, especially during hot weather, so if you have a basket near your home it would be good if you could give it some water and keep it looking fresh.

DUNLOP GALA SCARECROW TRAIL 2018 SUN 27 MAY - SUN 3 JUNE

It's that time of year again and scarecrows will shortly start springing up all as part of Dunlop's Gala events. The theme for this year's Scarecrow Trail and the environment and we are encouraging people to use recycled ma-



around the village is science, nature terials and waste.

Don't worry if you don't have a front garden, you can still take part. Back by the window competition. popular demand is

This year's scarecrow trail will once again run for a week to give everyone a chance to see the scarecrows lurking around the village, vote for their favourites and take part in the competition hunt. The Scarecrow Trail will run in the week up to Gala Day between **Sunday 27 May and Sunday 3 June**.

Scarecrow Entry forms are available on the Dunlop Gala Facebook page, the Village Hall, the Post Office, Merito, Struther Farmhouse, the Canny Man and Norman's from 1st May. **Entries close on Sunday 20 May**, so get your entry in early.

This year's winning scarecrows and displays will all be decided by the public and every vote counts. So make sure you pick up a voting form and map and choose your favourite entry.

There will also be the **Scarecrow Hunt**. Find **Sam the Scarecrow** hiding letters around the trail to solve the puzzle for a chance to win a **prize**.

Keep an eye out for Sam the Scarecrow arriving in Norman's window in the lead up to the Scarecrow Trail.

Follow us on f /dunlopgala

For more information contact <u>dunlopscarecrows@outlook.com</u> or Laura-Jane on 07870-999706.

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

You still have plenty of time to get those entries ready for our annual photography competition. The handing in deadline is June the 15th when entries can be handed in to the Conservatory Cafe between 12 and 2 pm, or phone to arrange a time that suits you. Entry forms can be downloaded from the Dunlop Village Hall website...dunlopvillagehall.org.uk.

The theme is Dunlop Days, so anything local...views, wildlife, family, or all three!

The entry fee is £5 for up to 5 photos. Children's entries are free.

The children's section has two categories, primary and secondary.

Photos should be no larger than A4, and all entries will be displayed by us in A4 clip frames.

Don't forget that the open evening and prizegiving will be on Friday the 22nd of June, when all the photos will be on display, and the prize winners announced.

Selected photos will be used for our Dunlop Days calendar for 2019, so you might end up in print!

For more details, please refer to the village hall website, or phone Ellenor on 07811045600, or Shiona on 07506951620.

Dunlop Gallery — Exhibitions

The current exhibition in the Conservatory Cafe is by the Thursday Dunlop Art Group. These local artists will be showing their latest work from the 16th of May till the 21st of June. Please come along when the village hall is open. For further details contact Ellenor at 07811045600, or Shiona at 07506951620

Please Note: There will be no Diary in July and August, so the next Diary will be due to be delivered at the beginning of September.

The Dunlop Diary Deadline for September is 21st AUGUST Tel: 01560 482966 Email: douglasbell@talktalk.net