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Clackmannan Community News

Welcome...

...to the Spring Summer 2024 edition of Clackmannan Community News!

Pump Track Update

Contractors On Track are building a cycle pump track in Clackmannan on behalf of the Council later this year. The £139,000 project at King George V Park is being funded by the Council, along with sportscotland who have provided a grant of £50,000.

The investment from sportscotland comes from the £8million Cycling Facilities Fund, which aims to build on the growing interest in cycling by developing a network of facilities across the country and deliver a tangible benefit from the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships in Glasgow and Scotland.

It has been made possible through a £4million commitment from Scottish Government and £4million from sportscotland through National Lottery funds. The Clackmannan project aims to provide a high-quality recreational space for young people, and is now entering a crucial phase of online and in person consultation with the local community.

This six-week period of consultation seeks to engage residents and community groups in shaping the features and difficulty levels of the track.

As part of the consultation, a dedicated website has been launched, at www.ontrack.cc/clackmannan with an Instagram page at www.instagram.com/clackmannanpumptrack, showcasing other examples of pump tracks and providing a platform for feedback. Residents are encouraged to explore these examples and



share their preferences to help inform the design process. In addition to the online platform, two consultation events will be held in the coming weeks.

These events will offer opportunities for face-to-face engagement, allowing residents to voice their opinions and suggestions directly to the project team.

Councillor Scott Harrison, spokesperson for sports, leisure and active living, said: "By actively involving residents in the decision-making process, the Council aims to create a vibrant recreational space that meets the diverse needs of Clackmannan's young people.

"With community input at its core, the new pump track promises to be a fantastic addition, not just to the Clackmannan community but to Clackmannanshire Council who have grasped this opportunity to improve the lives of their local communities by investing in cycling facilities."

Chief Executive of sportscotland, Forbes Dunlop, said: *"It's hugely encouraging to see the number of organisations like Clackmannanshire Council who have grasped this opportunity to improve the lives of their local communities by investing in cycling facilities."*



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Clackmannan Community Council

The Community Council meet on the third Wednesday of every month. These meetings take place in the Town Hall at 7pm and anyone is welcome to attend. If you want to contact the Community Council please email clackmannancc@gmail.com or message us via our Facebook page or our website which you can find at www.clackmannancommunitycouncil.uk

The Alexander Park upgrade is nearing completion and the fencing should be finished in March, the park is being well used by all age groups. There are 2 issues we still hope to address in the park: the first is the excess water and this is being investigated just now; the second is one that is totally within the community's control and that is dog poo. We would urge everyone walking their dog to make sure they pick up their dog poo and put it in the bins provided, we want everyone to be able to enjoy the park and the town.

As part of a joint effort with Clackmannan Development Trust and Coalfields Regeneration Trust, we recently launched the Community Action Plan. The plan includes the community's priorities and once the park upgrade is finished the Community Council will continue to fund raise to support these priorities. You can access the action plan via our www.crtconnect.org.uk website via the QR code, but you do need to look for the action plan section on the front page and then click on Clackmannan.

The town centre work is due for completion soon and hopefully this will attract some new businesses to Clackmannan Main Street.

The gap site in Lochies Road is moving forward with planning permission now in place for 8 new houses.

We are disappointed that we are not yet seeing progress on the repairs to the Tolbooth but hope to see this moving forward very soon.

We are continuing with our fundraising events and are grateful to everyone for the support. Please follow us on Facebook or use our noticeboards and the local paper for details of all our upcoming events.

Our annual senior citizens event was held in December, the feedback on the afternoon was very positive and we already have our date for this year's event, so put Wednesday 11Th December in your diaries and watch out for updates in all the usual places.

Other planned events so far include Bingo Teas on 23rd April and 31st May, and Rock in the Alexander Park with the fabulous Rock Choir entertaining us on Saturday 15th June, with stalls and activities for all ages. For the first time we are hosting a fashion show in Clackmannan Town Hall on Friday 6 September with lots of fabulous bargains to be had, watch all the usual places for more information about all our events.

As always if you would like to know more about the Community Council or help at any of our events, please get in touch using the details above.



Senior citizens event



Senior citizens event

Nia MOVING TO heal with tRuthful rhythms

"If you're looking for a way to get your heart pumping and work up a good sweat without hammering your knees, your hips, and your ankles, try **Nia**." *Real Women Magazine*

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Moving to Heal classes can be done sitting in a chair, standing, or a combination of both, and are suitable for those returning to exercise after recovering from Covid, another illness or injury, living with a chronic condition, and can help deal with stress / anxiety, or other mental health challenges.

Any first class is £3.60, then it's £5.60 thereafter, & current classes are
Monday 7:15-8:15pm - **Nia**
Tuesday 9:15-10:15am - **Nia**
Friday 9:15-10:15am - **Moving to Heal**
- all at Clackmannan Town Hall -
BOOKING REQUIRED

For more information, please contact Ruth by any of the following methods: call her on *07765546159;* email *truthful.rhythms@gmail.com;* or visit *truthful-rhythms.weebly.com* - classes are also offered online which can be done in the comfort of your own home.

Clackmannan Primary School

Playground Improvements at Clackmannan Primary

This session, we have representatives from each class who are working together to consider how we can improve our school grounds. The children have gathered opinions from their classmates and researched the different options available. The children have helped apply for a grant and we are waiting to see if our bid has been successful.

We plan to create a wildlife area around the woods in our grounds with log seating, bird feeders, magnaposts (to help us look closely at wildlife) and areas with wildflowers and plants. Other areas of the playground will be improved by adding more equipment to allow children to enjoy physical play e.g. places to climb, jump, balance, play basketball and have fun!

At the recent Community Action Plan launch, we connected with the Conservation Volunteers who are keen to work in partnership with us as we make improvements to our grounds and the environment. We look forward to seeing our plans turn into reality over the next few months.

Exciting times ahead!

Citizen Leaders

We have recently formed a Citizen Group who will work with CDT to help drive change in our community. Our first challenge is to tackle dog fouling around our school. Keep an eye out for our posters and poo bag distributors.





Clackmannan Primary School Citizen Group



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Clackmannan Heritage Group

Heritage Events for 2024

During the year we will be looking at life in Clackmannan in1524, when James V, the King of Scotland, was 12 years old. To celebrate this anniversary, we are running monthly challenges in partnership with the primary school. Each challenge is aimed at promoting civic pride, and the question being asked of our young folks is 'What would you do if you were in charge?'

So far we have run a successful litter picking challenge and rewarded those that took part with a trip to Alloa Athletic, kindly organised by the club.

February's challenge was a re-run of the popular Dog Poo Detectives initiative.

The main industries in Clackmannan 500 years ago were farming, fishing and forestry and we are planning to host markets in Spring and Autumn to bring together local food producers to let us sample their products and highlight job opportunities in these industries.

Watch out for the forest school, family tree planting, outdoor storytelling and even foraging events during the school holidays too!

Key Dates for Your Diary:
Bruce Family Visit – Saturday 15th June
Harvest Festival and Ceilidh - Saturday 14th September
Doors Open Day - end of September

Civic Trust Award for Redevelopment

In the 1950s and 60s County Architect William Higgins Henry sought to improve substandard properties in the High Street and Main Street by demolishing some of the 18th and 19th century tenements and terraced houses, reusing significant elements from these in the rebuilding. The replacement buildings were mostly built on the footprints of the original buildings, with some alterations on High Street to create small courtyard developments off the main thoroughfare.

The redevelopment was recognised when it won a Civic Trust Award in 1959 for quality, sympathetic and sensitive design in a historic townscape.

Many of these new buildings incorporated recreated traditional features such as crowstepped gables, corbelling and carved skewputts. Traditional building materials (or appropriately sympathetic materials) were used, such as harling in either white or cream/beige, pantiles, and some timber sash-and-case windows. Stone was used for details around base courses, window dressings and door surrounds, as well as forming distinctive arched pends giving access to back courts.

Particular examples of reused details are found on the south elevation of 2 High Street, where there is a reset panel carved with a garland enclosing the date 1702 and the initials TT and MC. Also, a reused door lintel bearing the dates 1668 and 1738 above and below the initials WMCR; at the left end of the lintel a cleaver and axe, at the right end a knife, so presumably this came from the house of a butcher. There is an unusual two-sided sundial on the corner.

Information taken from The Buildings of Scotland, Stirling and Central Scotland by John Gifford and Frank Arneil Walker and the website https://canmore.org.uk/





Tower Tours and Bruce Family Visit

On the morning of 15 June 2024, 65 members of the Bruce Family from the USA will be visiting Clackmannan. They have arranged private tours of the Tower, are interested the local history and the Parish Church graveyard in particular. Historic Environment Scotland (HES) asked the Heritage Group to assist during the visit. We will receive some training to allow volunteers to help HES with the tours of the Tower. We the hope that this leads to the Tower being open more frequently with a limited HES presence.

HES have scheduled an additional three opportunities to visit Clackmannan Tower on the afternoon of 15th June 2024.

Visits will be by pre-booked and by guided tour only at 3pm, 3:55pm and 4:50pm. Visits will last approximately 45 minutes. Bookings will open on 27th May and close at 12 noon on Thursday 13th June. To book, please email visitoropsadmin@hes.scot. If email is not possible, call Historic Environment Scotland on 07775 535452.

People considering booking onto the tours should be aware:

- There are a lot of steps within Clackmannan Tower. There are also low lintels, including one which is very low and deep (most adults need to bend over to pass through the space).
- Sturdy footwear and outdoor clothing are essential, as access is via a field, a spiral staircase and uneven floors and part of the tour is outdoors.
- Although the tower will be swept during the week leading up to the event, birds within the tower will leave guano, therefore masks are recommended.
- Parking is on a residential street only and is some distance from the tower.
- Please report to the tower 5 minutes or so prior to the time of your tour. The tour will last around 45 minutes.
- The data (names/phone numbers) being collated by HES may be shared with those partners collaborating with us to facilitate access to the tower. It will be used for that purpose only.
- There is no charge for admission to the property but donations can be made on HESs website
- There are no toilets at the property.

Butterfly Garden

Garden ideas for the spring and summer.

If you need advice or tips, please come to the Garden and speak to the volunteers.

April: Buy summer bedding as plugs and grow them on. Pinch off spent bulb flowers. Plant climbers to add height to your garden.

May: Support tall herbaceous plants while they are small. Plant out summer bedding but beware of late frosts. Sow and plant tender vegetables outdoors.

June: Prune spring flowering shrubs. Sow biennials, including polyanthus, and winter pansies. Plant up patio containers for a summer display.

July: Cut back perennials that have flowered to encourage a second flush. Prune early flowering clematis. Plan for autumn vegetables by sowing seeds.

August: Weed borders but look out for welcome self-sown seedlings that can be replanted. Prune vigorous shrubs and climbers. Dead-head roses

September: Plant bulbs outdoors for next year. Prepare tender perennials for overwintering. Overhaul borders, planting and dividing hardy perennials.

October: Plant up containers for winter and spring displays. Plant hedges of all kinds, bare-rooted trees and shrubs.

On Saturday 13 April from 10am to 12 noon the Butterfly Garden volunteers will be holding a gardening event on seed sowing for kids and adults. You can take a seed tray home to watch the seedlings sprout. Seeds, compost and containers will be provided. Wear suitable clothing.

Clackmannan Town Hall Timetable

Monday	Puddleducks toddler group	9.15 - 11.00am
	NIA	7.00 - 8.00pm
	Line dancing	5.00 - 8.00pm
Tuesday	NIA	9.00 - 10.30am
	Karate	4.00 - 6.15pm
	Highland dancing	6.30 - 7.30pm
	Zumba	7.00 - 8.00pm
Wednesday	Coco moos	9.15 - 10.30am
	Line dancing	7.00 - 8.00pm
Thursday	Tap dancing	4.00 - 8.00pm
	Yoga	6.00 - 7.45pm
	Line dancing	8.00 - 9.30pm
Friday	NIA	9.00 - 10.30am

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Get Involved!

Would you like to get more involved with local projects, and help make Clackmannan a better place to live, work and visit? There are lots of ways to get involved with the work of the Development Trust. It's rewarding, fun and a great way to meet people. Don't feel that volunteering is not for you - everyone has something valuable to share!

Here are some of the things we are looking for help with over the coming months:

- Clean-up Clackmannan Litter Pick in preparation for the Bruce visit (late May – early June)
- Tree Planting and Woodland maintenance in and around the town (directed by The Conservation Volunteers and experts from the University of Stirling)
- Research relating to the Royal Forest of Clackmannan including Gaelic speakers if possible.
- Volunteers to join the Custodians of the River project
- Production, casting and running of our Halloween event
- Planning and fundraising for Light Up Clackmannan

Contact hello@clackmannandevelopmenttrust.org to sign up.

Citizens Of The Month Award Winners

Well done to the winners of the first Citizens of the Month, who enjoyed a Trishaw ride to watch Alloa Athletic in February to reward them for their litter-picking efforts at the end of last year.

Huge thanks to Alex Brown, Andy Graham and everyone at Alloa Athletic FC for their help and support to arrange this fitting reward for the boys' hard work. Not all of the group were able to attend on the day, which had to be rearranged due to terrible weather in December, but it's safe to say that Lucas and Kai had a brilliant time meeting manager, players and enjoying the game.

"Thank you so much for recognising them for this. It really boosts morale in the community when they are treated for good behaviour. The boys really enjoyed themselves and said the rain was worth it!" Heather, mum to Lucas.

Well done and thank you to all the litter-pickers, and we look forward to awarding more Citizens of the Month throughout the year.







Free Family-Friendly Activities for the Holidays!

BIKE REPAIR WORKSHOPS
1st and 8th April at the Bruce Lounge
Bike repair workshops for children and adults – learn how to fix your own bike!
Kids (Primary 6+) from 10 – 1
Adults from 2 – 5
Scan the QR code to book your free space.

EBIKE TASTERS AND INFORMATION STAND
3rd and 10th April
Come and try an eBike at our stand outside the Bruce Lounge from 10 – 1 pm

GAMES IN THE PARK
4th and 11th April
Join us for a game of rounders in the park next to the Chinese, from 2 – 5 pm

BUTTERFLY GARDEN SEED SOWING EVENT
13th April at the Butterfly Garden from 10 - 12
Visit the community garden and take a seed tray to watch the seedlings sprout!

FOREST SCHOOL PROPOSAL
We are in talks with outdoor play provider Outlet to provide family-friendly outdoor play and learning opportunities for the community to enjoy this Easter.

Tuesday 2nd April
10am-12am Family Outdoor Session for ages P1-P4
12 spaces
Spend family time together in nature doing activities including mud kitchens, tree swings, mudslide, tree climbing, craft and toasting marshmallows on the campfire!

1pm-3pm Grow Wilder Drop- off event for ages P4-P7
12 spaces*
'Grow Wilder' allows children the opportunity to try things such as building dens, making tree swings, playing, hunting for bugs, climbing trees, making bows and arrows, building and lighting fires, toasting marshmallows WITHOUT parent supervision!
**Reserved for winners of the Dog Poo / Detectives Citizens of the Month award*

Tuesday 9th April
10am-12am Family outdoor session for ages P1-P4
12 spaces
Spend time together playing in nature doing activities including mud kitchens, tree swings, mudslide, tree climbing, craft and toasting marshmallows on the campfire.

1pm - 3pm Bushcraft drop-off session for teens
12 spaces
Join us to try your hand at some bushcraft techniques. Build natural shelters, filter water, light fires and more.

Stay tuned to our social media and website for booking link and details of where to meet.

An Introduction to Astronomy – Part 1

The Sky above the Earth

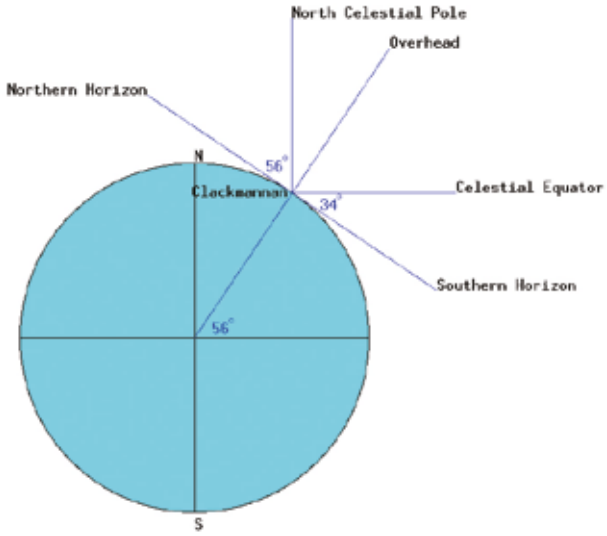
The Earth spins on its axis once every 24 hours, causing the sun, moon, and stars in the southern sky to appear to move from east to west. In the northern sky, stars appear to move anticlockwise around the north celestial pole, whose angle above the horizon is the same as the observer's latitude (Figure 1). One star, Polaris, is very close to the pole, so hardly moves at all and is easy to find (Figure 2). 90° from the pole is the celestial equator, a circle dividing the sky into the northern and southern hemispheres.

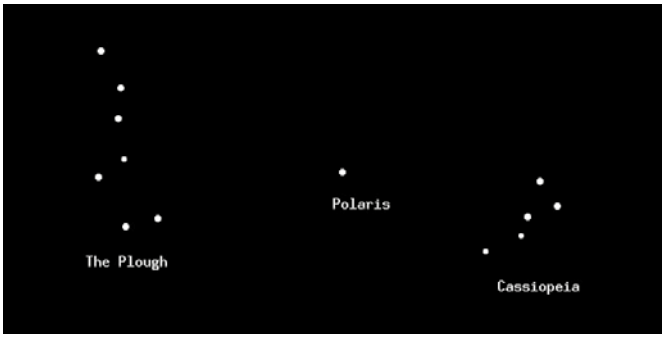
Clackmannan's latitude is 56° north of the equator, so Polaris is about 56° above the northern horizon. Stars more than 34° south of the celestial equator never rise above the horizon here. Looking due south, the celestial equator is 34° above the horizon.

As we travel south, Polaris appears lower in the sky, until we cross the equator, when it drops below the horizon. We can also see southern stars not visible from Clackmannan, which would not happen if the Earth were flat. In Madrid, 900 nautical miles due south of Clackmannan, Polaris is 41° above the horizon.

Question: What's the Earth's approximate circumference?
Answer: 900 * 360 / (56 - 41) = 21600 nautical miles.

This article was contributed by Clackmannan resident Donald Fisk.





Clackmannan & Kincardine Medical Practice

Waiting Times Guidance

As part of the Scottish Government Waiting Times Guidance review a patient information leaflet has been created. This leaflet provides information on what a patient can expect, along with their responsibilities, whilst waiting for their appointment/treatment within secondary care.

Pneumococcal vaccine

The pneumococcal vaccine, which protects against diseases such as meningitis and pneumonia, is available for those aged 65+. Most people only need one dose, which will help protect them for life. For more information visit nhsinform.scot/pneumococcalvaccine

If you or your child have a health condition, you may be eligible for a pneumococcal vaccine to protect against illnesses including meningitis and pneumonia. To check who is eligible visit nhsinform.scot/pneumococcalvaccine

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Clackmannan Parish Church l/w Sauchie and Coalsnaughton

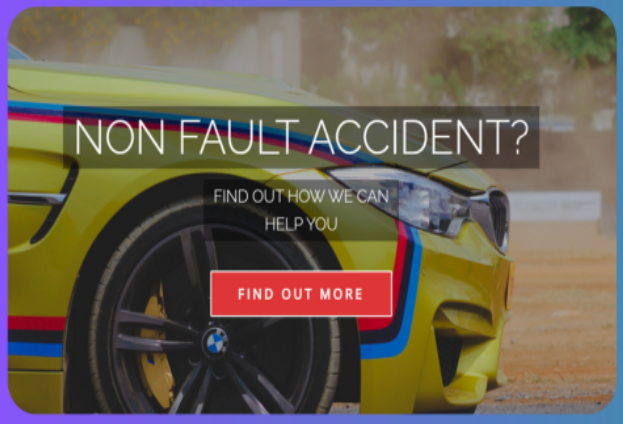
I have some good news to share, by the time you receive this newsletter we will have a new minister in post. The Rev Austin Wicks will have been inducted to be minister at a service on the 7th March 2024.

As we are now a linked charge, he will have to carry out two services on a Sunday: one at Sauchie and Coalsnaughton starting at 10am and then Clackmannan at 11.30am. Please note the later starting time for the service at Clackmannan. Recently we had an offer from an organist who has been doing intermittent playing for our services to become our full-time organist and she will start at the beginning of April. This is very good news for us as we have not had a fulltime organist for over 1½ years. Our manse has been put up for sale and has had several groups of visitors, however, as yet, we have not received any offers. We are currently carrying out a feasibility study to explore if anything can be done to the inside of the church which will change the ruling that we have to sell the property within 5 years.



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Discover Clackmannan Maps

New Discover Clackmannan Maps are on the way - these are updates to the Heritage Trails Map detailing more local points of interest. Designed with both locals and tourists in mind, the map has four suggested local walks and two cycle routes, in fact all routes can be both walked or cycled.

Scan the QR code to link to Komoot app to follow the routes on your phone.

Loan an E-Bike



Thanks to funding from the Energy Savings Trust, we have added 2 more eBikes to our fleet. We now have four eBikes available on free loan to local residents aged 18+ for up to six weeks at a time. The eBikes come with panniers for shopping or carrying your work stuff, and we would like to see them used as your everyday transport.

eBikes are powered by electric motor, providing up to 15mph powered assistance to the back wheel while you pedal, making cycling up hills a breeze. A full battery charge costs approximately 21p and gives you over 60miles of cycling - great value for money! All we need to secure a loan is proof of ID and safe storage for the eBike.

John Fairley made use of the new eBike for February's Saddle Up Sunday ride to the Kelpies and was amazed how easily he cycled up Look-about-ye Brae. An eBike owner himself, he was very impressed by the ride quality. Why not give one a go and see for yourself?
We also have a range of standard bikes available for free loans, with training and support provided as required.

Bike Bus Restarting from April

We hope to restart the School Bike Bus from Clackmannan to Lornshill after the Easter holidays on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We need more volunteer Cycle Ride Leaders to do so – please contact us if you are interested in doing the Ride Leader training, or if your child would like to cycle to school. We follow a well-established route, using cycle-friendly roads and dual-use paths.

Bikeability is Back!

Bikeability for Primary 5 starts next term! We are also offering bike lessons to any child that missed out on the Play on Pedals training offered by the school and who needs a bit of support to learn to cycle before P5. This can be arranged for a time and date to suit you - contact Scott to find out more.

Bike Repair Drop-In Sessions

Free bike service and repair drop-in sessions are held on Tuesdays afternoons 1 - 4 and Thursday mornings 10 - 1 at the portacabins, just off Kirk Wynd. Scott is happy to look at bikes outside these times by prior arrangement. Donations of bikes are always gratefully received – Scott can bring an old bike back to life for somebody else to use. We have a small stock of preloved bikes for sale at very low prices. If you are looking for a bike, come to us first – we may have just what you need.

Weekday Social Cycles - Wednesdays 1pm

New to cycling or trying to get back into it for fitness, fun or to get you from A to B? Why not join our weekday cycling group leaving the Bruce Lounge on Wednesdays at 1pm for a short local cycle, in the company of like-minded people. We can provide bikes, helmets and plenty of support, followed by some hospitality at the Bruce Lounge after the cycle.

Not available during the week? Join a Saddle Up Sunday social ride, held on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Meet outside the Bruce Lounge at 10, leaving at 10.30 for a 2-to-3-hour cycle loop of about 12 to 20 miles. Relaxed, easy pace with lots of time to socialise and enjoy the scenery.



For more information about any aspect of our Active Travel programme, please contact Scott Bamford on 07922 797799 or email scott.bamford@clackmannandevelopmenttrust.org

Clackmannan Community Policing

The community police officers for Clackmannan and the surrounding area are PC Barry Reiter and PC Barry Ritchie who are based at Alloa Police Station, Kilncraigs, Alloa. They cover Clackmannanshire East ward which consists of Clackmannan, Forestmill, Dollar and Muckhart.

Community officers can be contacted by calling 101 or by emailing; ClackmannanshireEastCPT@scotland.police.uk.

Parking outside Clackmannan Primary School has been highlighted as a constant issue. There are restricted parking zones around the school which were installed to create a safe space around the school to allow children to attend school and cross the roads safely. Whether or not drivers agree with the restrictions, they should be adhered to. We will continue to attend and carry out enforcement action where necessary.

Community officers have been carrying out patrols in the Clackmannan area in the evenings and weekends. It is requested that residents continue to report any Anti-Social Behaviour issues by calling 101 at the time the behaviour is occurring. This will allow us to have officers in the right place at the right time.

Speeding continues to be reported as an issue around the village and in particular Alloa Road. Community officers have been carrying out speed detection patrols where possible assisted by the Forth Valley Road Policing Unit.

Reports in relation to online and telephone scams where people have been deceived into giving out personal and bank details are still being reported across Forth Valley. These incidents can have a devastating impact mentally and financially on the victim. The vast majority of these incidents originate from abroad and are complex enquiries. Residents are reminded not to engage with these calls or emails and not to give out any personal/ bank details. Further information and advice can be found at **www.scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/scams-and-frauds/**



Clackmannan Bowling Club

Opening day is planned for 6th April at 1pm which is always a great day being the first game of the season, weather permitting. Game will be followed by a meal then entertainment from Alana Johnson. Players are all looking forward to a full season of games and hopefully win some trophies. We have a number of members who fill our planters in spring which brightens up the bowling green. The Pool team saw some new faces over the winter and came 2nd in the league.

We are concentrating on a junior section this year and sessions will be on a Friday afternoon. More Information on how they will run, who can attend and the times will be advertised shortly. Adults who would like to give the game a try, either for a first time or returning, please contact the Secretary on clacksbc1886@outlook.com. Informal sessions on a Sunday 1pm should restart in May.
We are in year 4 of the 5-year upgrade plan with triple glazed windows along the back of the clubhouse fitted early January courtesy of a grant from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund Capital Grant Scheme. The Bar is going through a total upgrade in March.

Social events coming up and open to everyone:

- April 6th 6-10 pm Alana Johnson local singer no charge
- April 13th 3 – 6pm Blackberry Way – popular 2-piece band £3
- May 18th 7:30 – 11:30 Craig Johnson – taking us through the decades £5
- June 29th 8 – 11:30pm Richard – Comedy Hypnotist £10

If interested in becoming a social member at £15 message via the Facebook page, e-mail the Secretary on above, call the Club on 01259 722440 or pop in.



Art Competition Winners

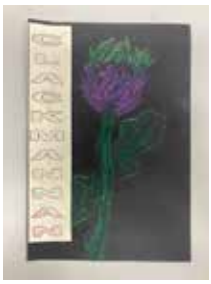
Choosing the winners of the art competition was a very tough job for our two judges, local artists Bobby Rennie and Kyle Blain. The standard of work was absolutely outstanding, and the huge variety of subjects chosen allowed us to choose a whopping 12 winners and 12 runners up!

Bobby and Kyle were hugely impressed by the quality of the art, highlighting the different ways in which texture and depth had been created, effective use of mixed media, and clever application of shading to show perspective.

All the artwork received was exhibited on the walls of the Bruce Lounge in March, for visitors to enjoy. Children from the primary school came down in groups to see their work displayed and collect their prizes and certificates.

We are very grateful to Bobby and Kyle for taking the time to judge the competition.

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Calendar of Community Events 2024

April

1st	Bike repair workshops, Bruce Lounge
2nd	Forest School
3rd	eBike taster session
4th	Games in the Park
6th	Alana Johnson at Clackmannan Bowling Club
8th	Bike repair workshops, Bruce Lounge
9th	Forest School
10th	eBike taster session
11th	Games in the Park
13th	Butterfly Garden Seed Sowing Event
13th	Blackberry Way at Clackmannan Bowling Club
23rd	Bingo Tea

May

18th	Craig Johnson at Clackmannan Bowling Club
31st	Bingo Tea

June

15th	Clan Bruce Visit & Clackmannan Tower tours
15th	Rock around the Park featuring Rock Choir, Alexander Park
29Th	Comedy Hypnotist at Clackmannan Bowling Club

August

27th	Bingo Tea

September

6th	Fashion Show, Clackmannan Town Hall
14th	Harvest Fayre and Ceilidh
24th	Bingo Tea

October

22nd	Bingo Tea

November

1st	Halloween event

December

1st	Light Up Clackmannan
5th	Christmas Tree Festival, Parish Church
6th	Christmas Tree Festival, Parish Church
7th	Christmas Tree Festival, Parish Church
11th	Senior Citizen's festive event 11th

Local Business Listings

Alloa Furniture Restoration & Upholstery Services
Tower Hotel, Alloa Road, Clackmannan
T: 01259 219955
www.alloafurniturerestoration.co.uk
email alloafurniture@gmail.com

Davidsons Chemist
30 Main Street, Clackmannan FK10 4JA
T: 01259 722635
Business Hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5.45 pm | Sat 9-12

Man With a Van
T: 07758 654890 - Available any time

Toni's Bakery
13 Main Street, Clackmannan FK10 4JA
T: 07961 047 560

Useful Numbers

Clackmannanshire Council **(01259) 450000**

Citizens Advice Bureau **(01259) 219404**

CTSI **(01259) 213840**

Dial a Journey **(01786) 465355**

Wellbeing Scotland **(01324) 630100**

Age Scotland Helpline **0800 12 44 222**

Clacks & Falkirk Carers Centre **(01324) 611510**

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DAY:	TIMES:	LOCATION:
Monday:	2pm - 4pm	(Main Street)
Wednesday:	10.30am-11.30am	(Alloa Road)
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