

BULLETIN JUNE 2011



WORSHIP SERVICES ARE EVERY SUNDAY MORNING IN CRUDEN PARISH CHURCH AT 10 AM.

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DIARY DATES

SUMMER 2011

Worship services will continue every Sunday morning in Cruden Parish Church at 10 am and will be conducted by the minister.

June

Thursday 2nd : Guild Senior Citizens' Outing

Sunday 12th : Sacrament of Baptism during the morning service

Saturday 18th : Congregational Walk leaving Hatton Hall at 8 am

Spectacular Deeside – Hill of Fare Circular

July

Sunday 17th : Congregational Walk leaving the hall at 11.30 am

Buchan Beach – A Sandy Walk from St Combs

August

Saturday 20th : Congregational Walk leaving Hatton Hall at 8 am

Angus Glens – Walking along the Minister's Path

Monday 22nd : : Kirk Session 7.30 pm Hall

The Social Committee intend to resume the monthly Coffee and Chat mornings on Wednesday 7 September. Remember to keep the first Wednesday mornings of the winter months free.

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL COME OUT ON **28 August**. Copy for inclusion to be handed in to the Manse as soon as possible.

PARISH REGISTER

*(denotes church member)

DEATH

*Mrs Sarah Thom, 17 Rowan Terrace, Hatton.

FROM THE MINISTER 25 MAY 2011

Dear Friends

West Church

One or two people have been asking me what progress has been made with regard to the West Church. Our application for outline planning permission has reached the stage where a Section 50 Agreement has to be signed. This is being negotiated with Aberdeenshire Council by the Law Department of the Church and is taking longer than expected. Once completed the planning permission should be granted and we can move on to the next stage of placing the site on the market.

Old Church

We have just heard from both the General Trustees and Scottish Churches Architectural Trust that they are unwilling to approve grants at this stage. Both share a concern about the cost of repairs that we are seeking to tackle. We have been recommended to appoint a conservation architect to produce a phased scheme of repairs to be completed as funds are available. As yet we have had no time to consider this failure to get grants from these two bodies. No doubt, by the time the September Bulletin is issued, I will be able to give you an update on what steps we have decided to take.

Fund Raising

Since work has to be done, fundraising must continue. You will see on a later page details of two of the fundraising efforts. Also, in September there will be a Gourmet Roup and at the end of the month my wife and I will do a sponsored walk – the mere 96 miles of the West Highland Way. Elders will be given sponsored forms to enlist sponsors and I hope you will give us your support. Finally we possess a collection of 18th and 19th century Communion Tokens which are going to be attractively packaged and made available for purchase. Other fundraising plans are currently being hatched and you will hear about them in due course. I cannot stress enough how much we need the support of each and every member.

Your friend and minister

Rodge Neilson



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to Mr James Morrice, 6 Kinmundy Walk, Peterhead and Mr Albert Mee, 9 Hatton Farm Gardens, Hatton who will be celebrating their 80th Birthdays.

to Mr & Mrs W Chalmers, 3 Chapelhill Road, Ellon who will be celebrating their Golden Wedding.

to Mr & Mrs A Morrison, Nosirrom, 1 Hobshill Place, Hatton who will be celebrating their Silver Wedding.

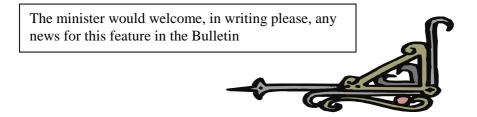
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to **Mr & Mrs G Morris, Mossgiel, Hatton** who will be celebrating their Diamond Wedding.

to **Mr & Mrs Smith 128 Prunier Drive, Peterhead** who will be celebrating their Ruby Wedding.

AUGUST

to **Mr & Mrs N Smith, Fernlea, Hatton** who will be celebrating their Golden Wedding.



The hymns sung during the summer will be from Combined Mission Praise.



When we counted the money collected from the 'House to House' during Christian Aid Week the total counted was £2,835.80.

To this we can add Buttery Morning £361.00 Sunday Brunch £126.25

Other donations £200.15 making a total of £3,523,20

Further donations are still to be received so this total will be added to.

Once again we are delighted to say thank you to all who have worked hard and to those who have supported this fundraising,

- Wilma Moir who organised the Buttery Morning and the after church Brunch.
- Rosemary Reid who organised the house-to-house collection in Hatton.
- Mary Bratton who organised the house-to-house collection in Cruden Bay.
- our Christian Aid Organiser, Rosemary Pittendrigh, who organised the count.
- those who helped with the 'House to House' collection;
- those who came along on Friday evening to help with the count;
- those who supported the buttery morning, being there, helping with the serving, giving and buying of raffle prizes;
- those who stopped off after the service to enjoy the Christian Aid brunch in the Hall and those who made it possible
- those who over the year collect coins in jars/boxes/bags etc.



The figure raised shows that the parish of Cruden continues to support and help the poor and needy of today's world. This amount of money will make a great difference to the lives of many people giving them a chance to enjoy a better life.

CHURCH WALKS

APRIL The Guild and Walking Group Sponsored Walk Aden Park to Nareshowe, Sunday 17 April

In beautiful sunshine our group of 21 set off from the play area in Aden Park, past the lake and onto the Buchan Line walkway. With Mary, Rosemary and Amber as our pacesetters, we soon passed the ruins of Deer Abbey and reached Bridgend where we were given a brief history of the disharmony between the neighbouring lairds of Pitfour and Aden, resulting in the irregular parapet walls of the bridge.

In the village of Old Deer a drinks stop (by the dogs only) enabled the group to catch up and we swung round past Deer Parish Church onto the Stuartfield road. Safely off the road just below the twin lodges, we had a grandstand view of the cavalcade of vintage tractors as they rolled past on their charity run through the Buchan villages towards Fetterangus. The 1930s and 1940s International Farmall tractors were the oldest in the parade of 85 and were waved past enthusiastically, as were the familiar and robust Fergies and John Deeres.

Back in Aden Park, we followed the bridle path to Hareshowe and onto the car park. While the rest of us headed off to the Happy Plant for tea, young Oliver had enough energy to rope in his grandparents for further football practice!

MAY Kincardine O'Neil Dess Waterfall Aboyne - Saturday 7 May

We shuttled one car to Aboyne before setting off from the car park at Kincardine O'Neil, up past the Episcopal Church on Pitmurchie Road and along a grassy track through open woodlands to Westerton Farm and steading.

An undulating track, along a zigzag route following the waymarked posts in Dess Wood, took us to the waterfall, described as a hidden gem in the Deeside crown. Liz had hoped to have a refreshing paddle in the tumbling waters but given that we were high on the opposite bank and behind a retaining safety fence this could not be achieved!



Orange tipped butterflies flitting among the bluebells caught our attention as we continued along the rough track bed of the railway just beyond Dess Station. Across the A93 at The White Cottage we headed for Belwade Farm before finishing by picking up the

route of the Old Deeside Road, the 200 year old highway in the days of horse and cart. Straight as an arrow for 1% miles the old hill road, now overgrown with turf and whins, is used by sheep and cattle as part of their grazing. A Jacobs ram with splendid forward-pointing horns initially stood his ground on the track but thankfully moved off as we approached.

Back in Aboyne we reunited with Marilyn and Muriel who had taken a jaunt to Ballater for a walk there. We headed back to Banchory and the bustling Raemoir Garden Centre far coffee before heading home.

Our June walk is on Saturday 18th to Hill of Fare, near Banchory, and we are hoping to have the same excellent turnout and weather then.

Margaret Wisely

CRUDEN GUILD

MONDAY 28 MARCH

SCOTLAND'S MOUNTAINS

Once again this meeting was well attended, even though it was Easter Monday, and many people were on holiday. After the opening hymn and prayer, Rosemary welcomed our speaker for the evening, Mr George Cruickshank, an avid hill walker, who gave a wonderful pictorial presentation of several of his favourite routes on the mountains. This was enjoyed by all, and of course helped to remind us, of how fortunate we are to live in a country with such spectacularly beautiful scenery.

MONDAY APRIL 25 AGM and THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS.

Rosemary welcomed all members to another well attended meeting, the last in the session. The AGM took place, and the new committee was selected.

Rosemary Pittendrigh, Shonah Taylor, Mary McNaughtan, Kathleen Craig, Lorraine Neilson and Beatrice Fawkes.

Irene Will decided to stand down this year and Rosemary thanked her for her many years of service on the committee.

After the business was concluded, she then handed over to Rodger, who proceeded to take us on a journey to the Galapagos Islands, and share with us all, his love of birds and animals. His presentation was both interesting and amusing.



A welcome buffet and refreshments was provided. Rosemary wished everyone a safe journey home, and reminded all members of the forthcoming Senior Citizen's Outing on Thursday 2 June.

The new session of the Guild will commence on Monday 26 September in the church hall. All members and guests are welcome.

Lorraine Neilson

GUILD SPONSORED WALK & SENIORS' OUTING

The Guild would like to say a big thank you to all those who took part in the Sponsored Walk on 17 April in aid of the Senior Citizens' Outing and Guild Funds and also those who sponsored them. £1,014 has been raised so far.

This year the **Senior Citizens Outing** is going to Touched by Scotland, Oyne followed by high tea at Buchan Hotel, Ellon on Thursday 2 June. An invitation is extended to all senior citizens who are church members.

A bus will pick up in Cruden Bay at 12.30 pm and Hatton at 1 pm. Due to the high cost of buses, we want to know numbers in advance. If you would like to come please can you notify any Guild Committee Member – Kathleen Craig, Rosemary Pittendrigh, Shonah Taylor, Irene Will, Lorraine Neilson.

WATCH AND TALK GROUP

The meeting on 4th April brought to an end a most enjoyable winter session when the subjects covered by the DVD's ranged from Women in the Bible to the Teachings of Paul and included Robert Esson's introduction to his involvement with the Mission Aviation Fellowship.

We are grateful to Beatrice and Allan Fawkes for recording the programmes for us, to Jenny for the excellent reports she writes for the Bulletin and also for the cakes a number of our members have provided for us to enjoy, when celebrating three important birthdays.

We want to give a very special thank you to Marilyn Samways for the generosity with which she hosts each meeting and for arranging our end of session lunch at Buchan Braes.

Annette Garden

Last month's Bulletin mentioned the possibility of a pilgrimage to the holy sites in Israel. Another possibility is to travel in the footsteps of St Paul by touring the sites of the first Christian churches in Turkey (Ephesus etc.). Anyone interested in this pilgrimage is invited to let the Minister know.

CHURCH FUNDRAISING

IN AID OF THE CRUDEN OLD CHURCH PROPERTY PROJECT TO REPLACE WINDOWS AND DO OTHER RECOMMENDED WORK

STRAWBERRY FAYRE

in CRUDEN MANSE GARDEN, HATTON in aid of the Cruden Church Property Project

Saturday 16 July: 2 - 4 pm

Organised by the Social Committee Offers of help to Betty Forrester (841205)

Tickets

Preschool - free

Primary school - £2

Everyone else - £5

Teas.

Tombola.

Family games

NOTE CARD As part of fundraising for Cruden Church Windows Project a notecard has been produced featuring a photograph of the view through one of the windows in the Church. Attractively presented, the card will be available at the beginning of June priced £1.50 for 1 and £5 for 4.

SUNDAY MORNING DUTIES 10 am

Date	Door	Flowers	Teas	
5 June	Sarah Paterson Lewis McKechnie	Betty Forrester	Rosemary Reid Doreen Buchan	
12 June	Norma Forman Michael Buchan	Muriel Cantlay	Lewis McKechnie Betty Morris	
19 June	Norma Forman Michael Buchan	Margaret Cruickshank	Wilma Moir Iris Durno	
26 June	Dorothy Cruicksank Liz Carnie	Anne Smith	Alison Neilson Betty Forrester	
3 July	Dorothy Cruicksank Liz Carnie	Mary Bratton	Margaret Adams Jessie MacDonald	
10 July	Kathleen Craig Anne Cadey	Rosemary Pittendrigh	Wilma Moir Sharon Clark	
17 July	Kathleen Craig Anne Cadey	Wilma Moir	Elizabeth Bruce Anne Cadey	
24 July	Margaret Adams Sandy Smith	Joyce Willox	Margaret Jamieson Dorothy Cruickshank	
31 July	Margaret Adams Sandy Smith	Beatrice Fawkes	Betty Morris Wilma Moir	
7 August	Kate Clark Isobel Young	Jean Beedie	Elma Cumming Liz Carnie	
14 August	Kate Clark Isobel Young	Helen Fowlie	Beatrice Fawkes Rosemary Reid	
21 August	Shonah Taylor Jim MacDonald		Marilyn Samways Lewis McKechnie	
28 August	Shonah Taylor Jim MacDonald		Alison Neilson Norma Forman	

Date	Children	Date	Children	Date	Children
5 June	NO SUNDAY CLUB	12 June	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Joyce Fowlie Charlotte Lamb	19 June	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Mary Bratton Charlotte Lamb
26 June	Karla Buswell Brenda Cadger S or C Skinner Helen Smith Charlotte Lamb	3 July – 14 August	School Summer Holidays	21 August	Katherine Hyman Maureen Reid S or C Skinner Joyce Fowlie Charlotte Lamb