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GEARING UP FOR GALA DAY ...

This year's Coupar Angus Gala will be held on Sunday 27th June from 1pm on the Common, Forfar Rd. The afternoon events will include the Flyball Dog Display, Owls, The Rattray School Marching Band, Pipe Band, Stilt Walker, Kiddies Fun Fair, BBQ, Beat The Goalie, Beer Tent,

Children's Races, Dancers, Side Shows and Stalls and a Car Boot Sale. The Car Boot charges are: £8 per car, Vans £12 and Trade Stalls £15 - £20 depending on space taken up. To book a place at the Car Boot or for having stall tel: Jenny Ross - 01828 628539 or Mary Gres - 0799977858.



The Gala Committee would be extremely grateful if anyone could volunteer to help on the day, such as helping set up the gazebos and stalls (we meet on the common at approx 9.30 am on the gala day) or to look after a stall during the afternoon. Any donations for the raffle, tombola or Cake 'n' Candy would be more than welcome. Money raised at this event will be donated to local groups and charities so please come along and give us your support.

STOP PRESS: P7 at Coupar Angus Primary School have said they would like to help with Gala Day (they filled in their questionnaire).

Come along to see what they're doing.... Could it be throwing sponges to raise money, or selling cakes?

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It just keeps getting busier and busier!!!

The former YWCA Hall in Union Street is buzzing with activities for youngsters in Coupar Angus says Rory Maidens from Youth Services.

“Drop in sessions run on a Monday night from 6pm-7.30pm for pupils in Primary 6&7. We arrange activities like rounders, painting and baking and have more plans for the group. It just keeps getting busier!”

“There is a youth drop-in session on a Monday from 7.30pm-9pm and Tuesday 5pm – 8pm for secondary school pupils. They can play pool or listen to music and there are activities if they want to get involved. It’s quite laid back.”
He added.

Everyone is welcome, please come along.

IT'S IN THE BAG...



PRIDE OF PLACE ARE STILL CIRCULATING COTTON SHOPPING BAGS TO SHOPS IN THE TOWN TO REPLACE PLASTIC ONES. YOU CAN COLLECT SOME AT THE CART OFFICE IF YOU CAN'T GET THEM ELSEWHERE.

REMEMBER TO POP THEM BACK INTO YOUR CAR READY FOR YOUR NEXT JOURNEY, LET'S MAKE COUPAR ANGUS A POLY BAG FREE ZONE!

POLICE NEWS: Community PC Steve Brown

ALCOHOL

We are now into the summer months with the longer and warmer days upon us.

Unfortunately with the better weather we see an increase in youngsters consuming alcohol in the open.

This problem mainly occurs at weekends and Police at Blairgowrie have already been confiscating quantities of alcohol from young people.

Problematic areas in the past have included Larghan Park and the Old Railway Line in Coupar Angus and there have already been reports of alcohol consumption by juveniles in these areas with alcohol already confiscated. Also some flowers in the area of the cemetery off Grampian View have been tipped out and this behaviour is unacceptable.

Under age drinking is a problem and needs to be tackled and addressed by all of us. Unfortunately a proportion of adults and other family members have a misguided misconception in allowing youngsters to have the `odd one or two` as it does them no harm at all.

We are aware youngsters obtain alcohol either from home or asking adults to purchase it on their behalf. The reality of this behaviour in allowing and encouraging young people to consume alcohol precipitates anti social behaviour which includes criminal damage and noise disturbance. This mentality and behaviour is unacceptable to those of us it affects and who want to get on with our lives without having to tolerate this problem thrust upon us by others who don't care.

Young people have a much lower alcohol tolerance level than adults and the potential tragic consequences of `drunk` young people does not bear thinking about. In extreme cases it can cause untold heartbreak for the families involved not to mention increased insurance premiums for vandalised property.

Excessive drinking by adults also precipitates anti social behaviour and noise, so I urge adults to play their part as youngsters are impressionable and influenced by their peers.

As parents we are all responsible for our kids. Do we really know what our children are up to when `out of sight, out of mind`.

The police alone will not resolve local drinking problems, so please speak up and inform the Police regarding this type of behaviour as early intervention with your telephone call will help deal with and resolve the problem.

Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

Non Emergency 0300 111 2222

Emergency 999

WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

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REGULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAY 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

* St Anne's Church **Parent & Toddler Group**, 10am-12noon Tea/coffee & children's snacks, £1/family

* **Exercise Class with Sophie** 12noon – 1pm, Town Hall, £3.00/session (inc tea/coffee)

* **Tai Chi** 7-8.30pm at the Coupar Angus Primary School Hall in Coupar Angus Primary School Hall, Adult Education Classes, 8 weekly sessions £28 or £26 for Concessions. Contact Elaine McInlay on 01828 627040 to join.

* **Youth drop-in Sessions** for Primary School Girls 6pm – 7.30pm and for Secondary School Pupils from 7.30pm – 9pm. At the former YWCA Hall, Union Street

TUESDAY 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

Youth drop-in Session – for Secondary School Pupils from 6-8pm in the former YWCA Hall, Union Street

WEDNESDAY 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

* **Karate Sessions** with Ally Whytock in the Town Hall, 6.30pm-8pm £3.50/session

* **Tennis Club Night in Larghan Park** from 7pm - 10pm. Members of all abilities are welcome.

THURSDAY 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

Line Dancing, Coupar Angus Town Hall 7.30 – 8.30pm. Just turn up on the day

FRIDAY 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

* **Relax Art & Craft Group** 9.15am - 11.15am, upstairs in the Town Hall. £3.00/session

* St Anne's Church **Parent & Toddler Group**, 10am-12noon Tea/coffee & children's snacks, £1/family

Other Events This Month:

Exhibition of School Photos

The CAD Heritage Association is holding an exhibition of school photos in the Heritage Centre throughout June. They will be open from Tuesday & Wednesday 2pm-4pm, Thursday- Saturday 11am-1pm. If you have any photos for the exhibition, please contact the Heritage Centre to include them in the exhibition. The exhibition will also be on show at the GALA on Sunday 27th June.

TUESDAY 1st

Age Concern Group Meeting, 2pm at St. Anne's Church Hall

WEDNESDAY 2nd

Textile Arts Project in the former YWCA as part of Adult learning courses between 1pm-3pm. £1.00 per session. There will be a local artist running the workshop, to book call Janet Weir, P&KC Community Learning, Tel 01250 871353.

THURSDAY 3rd

Quiz Night at the Red House Hotel, Coupar Angus, 7.30pm in aid of the East Perthshire Neighbourhood Watch network. £10/table of 4 and raffle. For more details call 01250 874685/870210

WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

FRIDAY 4th

Red House Hotel for **Country & Western Music Club** Evening, at the Red House Hotel, Coupar Angus from 8pm onwards. Music by Buzzard Creek

SUNDAY 6th

Kettins Parish Community Council Village Fete. 2-4pm

Coupar Angus Pipe Band
Woodturning Demonstration, Vintage Vehicles - static display, parade around ring. Highland Dancers, Stalls, Teas, Burger stall, Beat the Goalie, Target Golf, using plastic practice balls, Throwing the Wellie Tug o War, Bouncy Castle, Tossing the Sheaf, It's a Knockout, Beer Tent, Duck races, Army Cadet Force, static display tent. Horses, in fenced off area, and parade around ring.

MONDAY 7th

Asperger Syndrome & Higher Functioning Autism Meeting for parents and adults affected to discuss what support services are required in Perth & Kinross. At Fairfield Neighbourhood Centre, Fairfield Avenue, Perth, PH1 2TF at 6.30 – 8.00pm. For more information call Ann Barrett 01250 874730
e-mail ann@lorntyglen.org.uk

WEDNESDAY 9th

Over 60's Day Out to St. Andrews, leaving the Town Hall at 12.30pm. If you would like to join us call Tom on 628342 or Michael on 627124 to book your seat and for details.

MONDAY 14th

- * **Community Council Meeting**, 7pm in Coupar Angus Town Hall
- * **SNP Bingo Tea** in Coupar Angus Town Hall, eyes down at 7.30pm – 9.45pm

SUNDAY 27th

GALA DAY on the Common, 1pm onwards. See full article in the Bulletin.

MONDAY 28th

Members of the CAD Heritage Assoc will be leading a historic walk through the town 1.30pm - 3.30pm. Booking is essential as there are only a limited number of places. To arrange membership and book your place on the walk call 01828 626244 or call in at the Heritage Centre.

TUESDAY 29th

- * **Little Fishes**, stories and music for the under 5's in St Anne's Church Hall 10.30-11.30am
- * **Pride of Place meeting** at 7pm in the Town Hall, Coupar Angus. All welcome

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Coupar Angus THI update

Alan Clyde of Hurd Rolland and Partners, architects for the Cumberland Barracks project, has sent this report on the project. "The restoration to Cumberland Barracks was halted in 2009 due to the Contractor going into Receivership. Work has been ongoing over the winter to appoint the new Contractor, WJ Davidson Builders of Perth, and work resumed at the end of March 2010 to take advantage of the start of the warmer weather. This is particularly important in respect of lime washing which cannot be carried out in low temperatures. The work involves the completion of chimneys and roof as well as repairs to lime rendering, dressed stonework and replacement of gutters and downpipes.

"Work is now proceeding well. I expect all roof work to be completed by the end of May, and the repairs to the lime rendering are well advanced. The building will be finished with 6 coats of limewash and this has already started on 2 of the elevations and will take about 8 weeks. This will allow the removal of the scaffold so that the boundary walls and landscaping can be completed immediately thereafter. The building will then, once again make a positive contribution to the townscape of Coupar Angus."

Aside from Cumberland Barracks, the painstaking restoration of the Royal Hotel is continuing, displaying the fine masonry and high quality joinery on the building. The THI has also received the first three grant applications for smaller projects and we hope to announce grant awards in the next issue. There will also be details of a lime pointing course to be held in Coupar Angus later this year.

For more information about the THI see the CART website or contact the THI project officer on 01738 475373 or email scarruthers@pkc.gov.uk



Ff Jimmy Dunn

Pictured is Jimmy Dunn and the crew of Coupar Angus Fire Station, Jimmy is being presented with plaque and various gifts by WM Ian Norrie.

Jimmy retired from the Tayside Fire & Rescue Service in April after 35 years service to the community.

BUSY PRIDE OF PLACE AGM

The 4th of May saw Pride of Place holding their AGM which was a great mix of fun and business. A presentation of work in the past year was given and also on display were the plans for the redevelopment of the "Blair Bend".



New office bearers were elected:

Chair - Maggie Langelaan

Vice Chair - Rona McKinnon

Treasurer - Bill Ronald

Minute Secretary - Tracey Thom

Secretary - Bill Ronald

A vote of thanks was expressed to Tom Sharpe and Marion Brown, who both stepped down from office bearer posts.

This month the group will be hanging their basket display and would like to express their thanks to Mr McGregor for his support in housing the baskets prior to display.

As the summer months are busy for the group as they prepare for the annual "Take a Pride in Perthshire" competition, the group would welcome assistance from anyone with a little time to spare who would like to help the town look its best over the summer.

Exciting New Find...

The Coupar Angus and District Heritage Association are inviting visitors to help them with information on a very new acquisition on show at the Heritage Centre in George Street. "We have just acquired a long case (Grandfather) clock which bears the name 'Robert Menzies Couper Angus' and dates from around 1801 when the said Robert Menzies had his business in the town." reported Chair Ron McDonald. "The clock is in remarkable condition for a clock of this age but still requires some renovation." he added.

If anyone can help with information of where Robert Menzies had his business, please contact the Heritage Association on 01828 626244

The Association held their AGM on 4th May and the post holders are: Ron McDonald, chairperson, Allan Legge, Vice Chair, Colin Ferguson, Secretary and Mark Tulley is Treasurer.

EAST PERTSHIRE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION

The latest public meeting of East Perthshire Neighbourhood Watch Association (EPNWA) took place in Alyth Ogilvy Rooms on Thursday 20th May. Inspector Paddy Buckley-Jones answered questions on anti-social behaviour and drug abuse. The EPNWA website was launched www.epnwa.org.uk which includes details of meetings, membership, newsletters and crime prevention advice.

Neighbourhood Watch is one of the biggest and most successful crime prevention initiatives ever. Behind it lies a simple idea, and a central value shared by millions of people around the country: getting together with your neighbours to take action to cut local crime. Members' involvement can be as little or as much as they wish. Joining a 'watch' (streets or areas which have NHW members) helps and reassures those who live in fear of crime. It also encourages neighbourliness and closer communities, and often cuts crime and the opportunities for crime.

EPNWA encompasses over 50 active watches and there are many benefits of joining or starting up a scheme in your area, including a discount in your house insurance. Don't sit back and accept problems in your area. Together we can solve crime and anti-social behaviour in your area. EPNWA operates an informal neighbourhood watch, with no lengthy meetings, AGMs, or other formalities. Joining this organisation is very easy by contacting Tayside Police, Community Safety on 0300 111 2222. The next public meeting will be in Meigle Church Hall on Wednesday 28th July at 7pm. All welcome.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH QUIZ NIGHT

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East Perthshire Neighbourhood Watch Association is holding a Quiz Night on Thursday 3rd June at Red House Hotel, Coupar Angus. A fun night, with prizes and a raffle, is expected and tables of 4 (£10) can be booked with EPNWA secretary Adeline Casey on 01250 874685/870210.

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