

# ROUSAY, EGILSAY & WYRE REVIEW

JANUARY  
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A Happy New Year to all Our Readers  
From the Community Association, Community Council and  
Community Development Trust.

## FOLK DANCE

Why not come along and give folk dancing a go? The folk dance group will resume meeting in 2009 on Wednesday, 14th. January at 8 p.m. in the Church Centre. You do not need a partner as these dances are done in a line or circle, but the more people who come the more fun it is! We do dances from across Europe - from wedding dances to war dances. Dances, to suit all abilities, are taught, so beginners should not be discouraged. The music is great and we have been known to dance the syrto to Meat Loaf and Basement Jaxx! You don't have to dance every dance and if you just want to come and watch you're welcome. The cost is a £2 donation to Christian Aid. Give it a try - you might enjoy it. It's a great way to keep fit.

More information from Christine Courtney on:- 821 247

## ROUSAY SURGERY

will be CLOSED from January 1st. to January 4th. inclusive.  
The Surgery will OPEN as usual on and from Monday, January 5th.

## STOP PRESS

### REWGCC and RED CROSS

There is still space available on the proposed Red Cross First Aid courses aimed for some time in January. Names to Bob Trigg please, on 821 314

## BURNS' SUPPER

The Burns' Supper this year will be held on Friday 23rd. January at the school, 7.30 for 8 p.m. Cost will be £6 or £3 for P7 or younger. As mentioned in the last Review, music will be provided by local volunteers. Please bring your instruments along. Further details from Bob Trigg on 821 314.

## BROADBAND SURVEY

A Masters student and former Egilsay resident, Kye Valongo, is requesting residents of Rousay, Egilsay and Wyre who have poor or no Broadband access, to fill in a short survey to help his research. Hopefully, the results of the survey will help to solve the problems of access by examining and documenting the current problems and alternative solutions. This survey is available online at:

[www.acornconcepts.com/broadband](http://www.acornconcepts.com/broadband)  
- or printed questionnaires can be posted out to anyone interested by 'phoning Kye on:- 861 363

## ROUSAY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

The next meeting of the School Parent Council will be the A.G.M. on Thursday 22nd. January, 2009 at 2.15 p.m. at the school. All Parents are welcome. If there are any items you would like added to the Agenda at Parent Council Meetings, please contact the Clerk to the Parent Council, Michelle Koster on 821420.

## WHAT'S ON IN JANUARY



### Sunday, 4th.

Shooters A.G.M.  
Curquoy, 1 p.m.

### Monday, 5th.

Needlecraft Group restarts.  
Community School 8 p.m.  
Come along for Tattling,  
Crochet, etc.- your choice -  
or just a natter.

### Tuesday, 6th.

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Spinning Group restarts  
Community School  
2 p.m. All welcome

### Wednesday, 14th.

Folk Dancing continues  
Church Centre, 8 p.m

### Sunday, 18th.

Ladies only Shoot  
Hammerfield, 1 p.m.

### Monday, 19th.

Yoga Classes resume  
Church Centre, 11.30

### Tuesday, 20th.

S.W.R.I.  
Community School, 8 p.m.

### Thursday, 22nd.

Rousay School Parent  
Council A.G.M.  
2.15 p.m. at the School

### Friday, 23rd.

Burns' Supper  
Community School  
7.30 p.m.

### Sunday, 25th.

R.N.L.I. S.O.S.  
Scones on Sunday  
Church Centre  
3 to 4.30 p.m.

## ROUSAY CLAY SHOOTERS

The end of the year is upon us and the Clay Shooting season has come to an end once again! All shooters forward their thanks to Russell Marwick for allowing us to use Quoy Grinnie as a shooting ground, which also hosted the North Isles Clay Pigeon Shooting Competition at the end of August. Teams attended from the Mainland, Stronsay and Eday on one of the bonniest days of the Summer. The Mainland team are very strong shooters and won on the day. The Rousay team came 3rd. after Stronsay, who only beat us by a margin, with the two guns from Eday coming in last. Eday have kindly offered to host the 2009 event, so there will be plenty of clay shooting activity in the forthcoming year! The group have increased in number this year with Shellie Cook now a regular gun, and Tony Mason from Bellona and Jacko Woodford supporting the shoots when they are on the island.

|                | 3rd.                 | 2nd.                   | 1st.                   |
|----------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Top Gun:       | Michael Taylor (634) | Rolf Soames (635)      | Richard Koster (649)   |
| Top Average:   | Rolf Soames (37.35)  | Richard Koster (38.18) | Michael Taylor (39.63) |
| Most Improved: | Billy Kemp (-1.07)   | Ricky Marwick (1.67)   | Shellie Cook (4.17)    |

The regular guns have participated in a tight contest, with every shoot counting towards the final result. Tension on the last day was very high but the scores demonstrate the improving skill of everyone who comes along, whether an old hand, or a new addition. The results are as follows, together with the placings from the Side by Side Competition held at the end of last year:

Once again Billy Kemp kindly hand crafted this year's trophies which were presented at the Christmas Dinner on 20th. December by the team Captain, Rolf Soames. The Top Gun Trophy was passed on to Richard Koster...but he will have to work hard to defend it!

In 2009 the Clay Shooters are considering "formal" status by registering the club with the national Clay Pigeon Shooting Association and an AGM will be held at Curquoy on the 4th. January, 2009 at 1300hrs. Come along if you are interested. The club will also host a ladies-only shoot at Hammerfield on the 18th. January at 1300hrs. Anyone wishing to come along and support the Club either at the meeting, or to take part in a shoot will be made most welcome.

Please contact any of the guns listed above, or Michelle Koster on: 821 420

### S.W.R.I.

The next Meeting will be held in the Community School on the evening of Tuesday, 20th, January, at 8.00 p.m. There will be a presentation by Gwen and Malcom Gilbert on their time spent in the

#### "Pitcairn Islands"

This is an Open Evening and ALL are welcome. There will be a Charity Collection in aid of Childhood Leukaemia.

#### Competitions:-

1. Foreign Postcard.
2. Handmade 6" crochet square.

Contact Chris on 821 427 for further details.

### R.N.L.I.

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The next fundraising event will be

#### "Scones on Sunday"

which will take place at the Church Centre on the afternoon of Sunday, 25th, between 3 and 4.30 p.m.

#### LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT AUTUMN

If you might like to make yourself a walking stick later in the Year, then save or get an old Xmas tree and put it aside. Interested? Contact Anne Kovachich on 821 375 for more details.

**All items for the February Review should be sent to  
Ian Glen at Hanover, Sourin by the 25th. January, 2009  
Ring 821 427 or email: [news@rousay.org.uk](mailto:news@rousay.org.uk)**