

Scourie News

October 2018

Issue 148

Dates for October

Tues 2nd, 16th & 30th Refuse bins
Tues 9th & 23rd Recycling bins
Mon 8th Gala committee AGM
Fri 12th Schools closes for October holidays
Mon 29th Schools re-open

Lynn's Chip Van

now open every **FRIDAY** evening

from 5pm to 8pm



Scourie Gala Committee

Did you enjoy Scourie Gala 2018?
Have you some ideas for next year's
events?

Come along to the gala committee AGM in
Scourie Village Hall
on **Monday 8th October**
at **7.30pm**
New members very welcome!



2019 Calendar

I'm pleased to say that I now have enough pictures to print a calendar for next year. I will be putting this together in the coming week and hope to get them printed for early November.

Pete Tuck

Scourie & District Community Council Innogy Renewables UK Ltd Maldie Hydro Scheme Community Benefit Fund

Scourie & District Community Council invites applications from interested parties to the Maldie Burn Hydro Scheme Community Benefit Fund.

The funding can be used for charitable, educational, environmental or community purposes within the Scourie & District Community Council Boundary only. Funding applications will be considered on their merit and benefit to the local community at the Scourie & District Community Council meetings.

The approval process takes place in April & October but these months may be subject to change from time to time and entirely at the discretion of S&DCC. Application forms must be completed in full and returned before any funding request will be considered.

Please note: Applicants may be required to provide further relevant information in support of funding applications on request.

Application forms can be downloaded from the Scourie Website. Any application form obtained before October 2018 will be out of date. Please download the latest version from: -

<https://www.scourie.co.uk/the-community-council>

Completed forms should be returned by 31st October
via email to:

ScourieandDCC@gmail.com

Or posted to

The Secretary
Scourie & District Community Council
5 Kylestrome
Lairg
IV27 4TL

North West Training Centre
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Art with Alison

Saturdays 3, 17, 24 November 2018
Kinlochbervie High School, 10am-1pm.

Join us for a series of three sessions with Alison Wood working with ceramics to create a wonderful piece of art.



Nature inspired bowls.
Week 1: Create a unique hand built ceramic bowl or tile by impressing items of your choice into clay. It could be a rock pool, or sea floor, or pebbles, feathers...whatever you like!

Weeks 2&3: glaze your bisque fired creations and experiment with melting glass to create 'pools' at the base of your bowl. Bring your own natural collections to impress a design into your clay and use molten coloured glass to add a dash of sparkle!
Just £30 per person for the whole course.
All materials included.

For more details or to book a place contact Gary Sutherland on 01991 72 238 or email northwest@outlook.com.



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Computer Safety for Email & Internet

Tuesday, 6 November 2018
Kinlochbervie High School, 10am-12pm

How to spot fake emails, stay safe on the internet, and avoid getting ripped off or your identity stolen.

Scammers use Ireland's email confirmation (the New Year's Eve 2018) to steal your personal information.

Gee@northwest.kinloch.com

Thanks for taking the time to contact NWTC. Your request has been received. We will be in touch with you as soon as possible. We will be in touch with you as soon as possible.

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Learn how to spot fake email designed to upend your personal information, passwords or banking details.

Present multimedia software from taking over your computer to control every function.



Stay safe on line and on social media.

How to safeguard your personal details and reduce the risk of identity theft.

Tell our secrets and what to do about them.

This free session is a one-off course - just 10 one per cent plus is not limited so book your place without delay to avoid disappointment.

For more details or to book a place contact Gary Sutherland on 01991 72 238 or email northwest@outlook.com.



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Courses and Workshops for the rest of 2018

We've lots of interesting courses and workshops coming up over the next few months.

Elementary Car Maintenance on 6 October provides a hands on approach to motoring safety and maintenance.

Knit'n'Natter starts up again on 28 October and we have a three-session art and ceramics course beginning on 5 November.

Learn how to spot fake emails, and avoid being scammed on 6 November. How they work and what to do to keep your personal data safe.

We have a day of training for people wishing to attain their Scottish Certificate for Personal License Holders on 8 November and Emergency First Aid at Work on 27 November.

Finally for 2018 we have a one-day workshop making stained glass decorations and art on 7 December.

For more details or to book a place contact Gary Sutherland on 01991 521238 or email northwest@outlook.com.



Rock Stop News

After a successful summer at the Rock Stop we hope to be able to keep open daily throughout October. This will depend on us having sufficient visitor numbers to cover our costs. Opening hours will be 11am to 4 pm. We will be serving hot and cold drinks, cakes, soup, sandwiches and toasties. We even have some ice cream left should we have a late heat wave! Why not come and check us out? All profits from the Rock Stop go to supporting your Geopark. Updates to opening hours will be posted on Facebook, or can be obtained from Jean at jean@nwhgeopark.com. Over the winter we hope to be able to finish the refurbishment of the kitchen, if anyone would like to help with this please contact Jean or any other board member.

It's your Geopark!

The NW Highlands Geopark stretches from Coigach to Tongue. And 5 of Scotland's 50 Best Places to See are right here. We are working with communities to run the 2018 festival from April to early November.

Friday 12th, 8pm as part of Earth Science Week Coigach Community Hall Geology for Climbers talk as part of the Reiff Climbing Festival. This is an open event for all that have an interest in Deep Time. £5 for those without climbing festival tickets. This year Pete Harrison, Geopark Geologist will tell the Story of the 1200 million year old Torridonian Sandstone, including a major meteorite strike and what the environment was like at the time.

Saturday 13th, 1pm as part of Earth Science Week Badentarbet and Achlochan See some of the Rocks around Coigach from the Friday night talk. Meet at Badentarbet Beach at 1pm. Following a quick look at the rocks at Badentarbet (Coigach Geotrail stops 58 - 59) we will park at the Community Hall and walk down to Achlochan (trail stops 24- 29). Walk is free but donations to the Geopark are very welcome (it's a charity/community organisation).

Thursday 18th, 12-4pm as part of Earth science Week, Rock Stop, Unapool Guided Tours on the hour from 12 to 3pm of the exhibition at the Rock Stop Geocentre, Unapool. No charge but donations are welcome. There is a new time machine, an interactive sandbox, interpretation panels and a specimen collection. See the material ejected by a meteorite impact 1200 million years ago and the oldest fossils and rocks in the UK.

Saturday 20th, 10.30am – 5pm as part of Earth Science Week, Loch Eriboll Come and see some of the rocks caught up in a major mountain building episode and which caused a national controversy at the end of the 19th century. We will start at Kempie Bay on the eastern shore of Loch Eriboll and then work our way north by car, including a walk out to Heliam and the lighthouse north of Port an Altain. Details from Pete Harrison pete@nwhgeopark.com, 01854 612568. Booking essential. Cost £9 for the day.

Tuesday 23rd, 10.30am – 3.30pm Achnahaird to Garvie Bay Geology Walk Just after Earth Sciences week, we are visiting a favourite geology-themed coastal walk in Coigach. Step back in time and take a glimpse into the fossil records of the first life to appear on earth. Walk through the fall-out of a meteorite strike. It's also a great walk for spotting seals, seabirds and otters. Bring sturdy footwear and lunch. 5.25 mi/8.5 km. There is no charge for this event though donations are welcome. Booking essential at <https://booking.highlifehighland.com/> using booking reference number 001088ULLA. Further details from jenny.grant@highlifehighland.com, 01854 613904.

Thursday 8th November 7pm, Rock Stop, Unapool, Assynt Mountain Rescue – Saving Lives in Caithness & Sutherland with Sue Agnew, Team Leader of Assynt Mountain Rescue. A volunteer group available 24/7 to assist with those in need in the Caithness & Sutherland Area, Sue will talk about the team, how it operates, its members including search and rescue dogs, some rescues and adventures, and Scottish Mountain Rescue in general.

Friday 9th November 7pm, Rock Stop, Unapool, A Meteorite Strike 1200 million years ago. Pete Harrison will explain what the environment was like in our area at the time and the results of the impact. The possible position of the impact will also be discussed.



Congratulations!



On Saturday 29th September
Kinlochbervie Football Club played
Melvich at the Durness pitch in the final
of the MacKay Cup.

Kinlochbervie were the victors with a 4-3
results.

Scorers for Kinlochbervie were James
Flett, Nathan Corbett, Jack Hatherall
and an own goal.

Man of the Match was Jack Hatherall.



SCOURIE VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2018

12 NOON

ALL PROFITS IN AID OF
SCOURIE PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL
VARIOUS CRAFT STALLS
SOUP & CAKE LUNCH

To book a stall, please contact the
primary school on 502282.

Thank you!

Neil MacDonald & Julia MacKay would like to sincerely thank everyone who helped them to celebrate their 50th birthdays and for all cards & gifts received.

A marvellous total of over £950 was raised for the Defence National Rehabilitation Centre which is a purpose-built hospital for treating wounded service people. Some Reay Forest Estate staff members recently visited this

establishment and were inspired to continue with the much-required fund raising on their return home.

September Weather

Firstly, apologies for missing the last two months reports. I've included a table of monthly records to make up for this.

September proved to be the wettest month of the year so far, we had a 36 hour period where 55 mm fell.

If this was all collected from just the football pitch, that would have been almost 4 million litres of water! We also had the first named storm of the winter, storm Ali mainly affected the central belt, with us just getting rain and high winds. There have been some lovely days of warm sunshine, but the ground is now very wet. On the 25th September, the day and night lengths were both 12 hours exactly, and we're now starting the longer winter nights.

2018 Month	Temperature (deg C)			Rain (mm)			Sun (watts/m ²)			Wind (mph)			Barometer (mB)		
	High	Average	Low	Total	Wettest	Days without	Total	High	Ave	Ave	High Av	Gust	High	Low	Ave
Jan	8.8	4.6	-0.4	127.8	22.8	10	239.2	14.5	7.7	8.4	19.9	52.6	1022	972	992
Feb	9.3	4.0	-4.2	73.8	12.6	7	673.4	42.9	24.1	7.6	17.3	34.9	1030	976	1006
Mar	9.0	4.0	-3.9	39.9	20.4	21	1504.7	96.2	48.5	10.5	30.6	65.2	1023	981	997
Apr	17.4	7.8	-0.9	54.9	9.6	10	2769.0	154.6	92.3	6.4	14.9	42.5	1013	992	1001
May	24.2	11.9	3.6	41.1	18.6	18	4003.0	223.8	129.1	5.4	12.6	30.0	1025	989	1010
Jun	25.1	13.1	7.8	33.6	9.0	19	4655.1	246.6	155.2	3.6	11.8	32.4	1023	983	1011
Jul	25.3	14.9	9.5	70.2	12.3	15	3660.9	233.4	118.1	3.2	9.3	32.4	1023	986	1008
Aug	21.5	13.1	8.9	91.8	12.9	7	2703.5	136.3	87.2	4.8	16.0	32.4	1015	994	1004
Sep	21.6	10.6	5.5	236.7	33.6	3	1675.4	122.3	55.8	6.1	13.6	34.9	1022	980	988
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Nov															
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