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Craíl Parísh Church Servíces are at 9.45am



Tea and Coffee is served after the service in the church tower.







R.B.S. Mobile Branch Tuesdays, St. Andrews Road Car Park, Anstruther 2 .15pm -3.00pm

Thursdays, North Marketgate, Crail, 10.20am - 10.50am



Mobile Library

Crail Mobile Library van visits Marketgate every second Thursday from 10-11am.





Crail Mobile Post Office

In High Street opposite Beehive. Opening times: Monday: 2-4pm Tuesday: 2-4pm Wednesday: 2-4pm

Skeith GP Surgery

Skeith Surgery Routine GP appointments: appointments released Monday at 2pm for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday morning for the following week. Appointments released Wednesday at 2 pm for Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday the following week. Nurse appointments can be booked 1 month in advance.

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Parish Register

Deaths

Committed to God's merciful keeping in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life

September			
22 nd	Nancy Turner	Westgreen, Crail	
November 2 nd	Alan McHattie	Willow House, L/O Mackie Gardens, Crail	A AND
6 th	Catherine Crombie	Lunardi Court, Cupar, L/O Mackie Gardens, Crail	
December			
21 st	Kurt Diggleman	Castle Street, Crail)
22 nd	Betty Petrie	Albany Court, Crail	
22 nd	John Bruce Laing	Simpson Court, Crail	

Marríages

Those whom God has joined together



19th October 2019 30th November 2019 Francesca Grainger and Steven YoungKentJillian Fenton and Philip BurtonGlasgow

A Fond Farewell to Nancy Turner

Nancy Christine Turner was wife of the late Crawford Turner, loving mother to David and Jonathan and caring granny to their children. She was ordained at Dunlop Kirk in Ayrshire on the 10th September 1989 and was an elder in Anstruther before coming to Crail and being admitted here on the 29th January 2012.

Nancy helped with the worship group and readings in church: she was excellent with prayers. She also helped with counselling and those who were in trouble, as she was a trained counsellor. She helped with all the difficult cases we have had over the last year. She was also on the flower group and did her two months a year of flower arranging in church and visiting the sick and bereaved with flowers.

As well as these activities, Nancy was on the hall committee and fund-raising group. Nancy was also worship leader on the committee of the Guild. Nancy sadly passed away on 22nd September 2019 and at her request, her body was bequeathed to medical research.

Nancy was a friend to all of us in the church and a very hard worker; she will be sorely missed by us all.





Donations for the local East Neuk Foodbank can be handed in to Chatbite.

The East Neuk Foodbank helps individuals and families in need in the East Neuk of Fife by providing donated food parcels.



Please no perishable items. Thank You

The Revel John W. Murray

The Revd John Murray has accepted the invitation to be our Sole Nominee for our vacancy. We hope that this profile will help to introduce John to you.

John is presently minister in the parish of Kilmuir & Stenscholl on the Isle of Skye. He is married to Neilian, a school teacher, and they have three grown up children. John was born in Glasgow and his family moved to Peterhead when he was young.

He was educated at Peterhead Academy before attending Aberdeen University where he studied law, obtaining a LL.B (Hons). Following graduation John completed his solicitor training in Glasgow before moving to Inverness and then the Isle of Skye.

John's faith journey led to training to become a Reader. Then John discovered a calling to the Auxiliary Ministry, and he undertook the studies required and was ordained in 2002. He then commenced the prescribed education and formation programme for the full-time ministry of Word and Sacrament at the Highland Theological College where he graduated with a B.A. (Hons). He completed his probationary period on Skye.



John was called to his present charge in April 2015, having been a full time locum in the parish since 2012. John has held various positions at congregational level including Treasurer, Clerk to the Board, Presbytery Elder, and was also Presbytery Clerk to the Presbytery of Lochcarron/Skye.

Community involvement has always been important to John and he was Secretary to Kilmuir Community Council for a long period and sought in that role to generate community initiatives for the benefit of all. John has an interest in areas of social justice and the link between theology and health and wellbeing. To him it is important for a church to be open, warm and inclusive, and a valuable part of the community: contributing to its welfare and reflecting its culture and heritage.

In terms of ministry, John follows the lectionary in preaching and finds that a rich resource. John particularly enjoys the continual challenge of communicating the gospel to all age ranges and to those both with a church and a nonchurch background. In his present parish, John has started a Gaelic Messy Church, introduced some new worship initiatives, and generally sought to develop an atmosphere which is open and welcoming.

John is presently completing a church coaching qualification which will enable him to coach ministers and others as they seek to meet their goals and aspirations.



The Revel John W. Murray

Having had experience of a wide scope of church settings, John considers he has benefited from a number of different strands in the Christian tradition and feels that his spiritual journey has been formative and beneficial in his present role as a Minister of Word and Sacrament.

When relaxing John enjoys a variety of sporting interests including cycling, tennis, badminton, swimming and golf. John also enjoys music, particularly classical and folk, and enjoys singing.

John has been seeking to move to a parish where he feels his ministry can develop, where he feels a calling and where he can use all that he has learned. Having received, as it were, a new vocation following his legal career, John is keen to carry on in ministry for as long as he is able.

Finally, during discussion with the Nominating Committee John summed up his approach to the ministry as "being the best that he can be and getting the best out of everyone in the community".

Comments on John from the nominating committee......



Crail Parish Church

Chatbíte 2019

Chatbite in 2019 was again a very successful year. The takings amounted to **£2828.72.** Our entry fee increased by 50p to £2.50 after Easter last year and the increase is reflected in our takings. The sale of our paperbacks also adds to the Chatbite income, and at 50p per book, a great bargain for all of the Bookworms out there!

Our year ended with a visit from the Glee Club from the Primary School. It was wonderful to see them all and to hear them singing. A great start to the Festive Season for us all.

The Hall Committee would like to thank all our loyal customers, all the helpers, bakers and washer uppers, and we look forward to an even busier 2020.

If you would like to help in any way please contact anyone at Chatbite on a Wednesday morning. You will be made most welcome.

Every Wednesday Morning, 10 until 12 in the Kirk Hall, £2.50 entry.



Craíl Guíld Syllabus

Crail Guild is held at 2.15pm on Thursdays in Crail Kirk Hall.

20 February	St Andrews Botanical Gardens by Jean Stewart	
5 March	Older Drivers Input by Bill Harley	
19 March	Open Meeting by Gospel Quartet	
2 April	From Church to House - Forgan by Mr	
	Dakers Fleming	
16 April	Research using left over blood samples	
	by SHARE.	
30 April	AGM and Entertainment	
14 May	Summer Outing	

Crail Guild held a very successful Christmas Coffee Morning in November with tea and coffee, cakes, raffle and handmade gifts.

At their Christmas Lunch in December, Guild members presented Julie, from the Maggies Centre in Fife, with a cheque for £800 from the proceeds of their Christmas Coffee morning.



Crail Parish Church

Easter Coffee Morning

Saturday 11th April 10am – 12 noon

Crail Kirk Hall

All are welcome and there will be a baking stall and a raffle

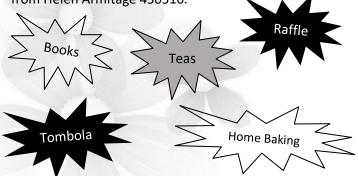


Kírk Sale 15 July 2020

Basket Tombola	Helen Armitage
Books	Patrick Garrad
Bottle Tombola	Eric Dewhirst & Alan Menzies
Cake & Candy	Fiona Hill
Jewellery & Scarves	Patricia Dewhirst
Produce	Liz Arnott & Marjory Richardson
Teas	The Guild
White Elephant	Ruby Mackie & Linda Douglas
Raffle	Sandy Nelson & Andrew Purves
Children's Stall	Catriona Shepherd

Donations for the stalls will be greatly appreciated and can be handed into the Community Hall on the evening of Tuesday 14^{th} , 6.00 - 7.00pm and on the morning of the sale, 10.00 - 12 noon. If you wish anything to be collected for the stalls please contact the stall holders.

Doors open at 2.00pm and more information can be had from Helen Armitage 450516.



Easter Services

In April, Crail Parish Church, linked with St Ayle will have the following services to celebrate Easter:

Sunday 5 th	Palm /Passion Sunday Service, 9.45am in Crail Parish Church.
Thursday 9 th	Maundy Thursday Service, 7pm in Crail Parish Church
Friday 10 th	Good Friday Service, 7pm in St Ayles
Sunday 12 th	Early Easter Service by the Worship Group, 8am, Triangle park with Bacon Rolls after
Sunday 12 th	Easter Sunday Services, 9.45am in Crail Parish Church

IAM - Jesus & Me

We are a small but enthusiastic group that meet every Sunday at Crail Parish Church at 9.45am for Primary aged children. We also go across to the hall for craft and games returning at the end of the service with our artwork.



Throughout this year we will be helping serve coffee after Church, designing the cover of Karail, filling shoeboxes to send abroad, as well as learning about Jesus in a way that is relevant and meaningful to our lives.

Why don't you come and join us!

The Rotary Club of Anstruther & the East Neuk of Fife



Another Christmas Post has come and gone; another 11,000 cards collected, sorted and delivered. We would like to thank everyone who supported Rotary and helped to make it possible - and to make possible another £2,628 for charities and good causes.

We look ahead now as Springtime approaches and puts us in mind of the next big event in our calendar the **Coastal Path Charity Walk**. 2020 will be the 11th year for this always-popular event, which will as usual start and finish in Crail. Why not think about taking part on **Sunday 10th May**.

All money raised is donated to registered charities – and each walker decides which charities to support. Last year those taking part raised £11,255 and since 2010, when the Walk started, a remarkable £127,784 has been raised for many, many local, national and international charities. A great tribute to the generosity of so many people. But Rotary is not just about charitable fundraising. We celebrate fellowship and friendship with like-minded people. We can join with 1.2 million Rotarians across the globe, in ways made possible by a non-religious and non-political ethos.

It is also a privilege to contribute to our local communities with events including a quiz competition for primary schools and sponsorship of 'RYLA' - the Rotary Young Leadership Award. This is a week-long event held at the Abernethy Activity Centre and aimed at skill development in final-year secondary pupils.

And then of course our club CHOIR, under the excellent direction of Miss Jessie Lyon, has been out and about - to Leuchars in November and to Arncroach and Carnbee in November and December. Four visits are planned to St Monans and Crail in January and February and then to Pittenweem in March.

Thank you once again for your interest and support. More about Rotary in the UK can be found at http://www.ribi.org and locally at http://www.rotaryanstruther.org.

Crail Museum & Heritage Centre

In 2020, Crail Museum will be open on the following dates:

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Daily from the 4th April to 1st May

Weekends and Public Holidays during May

Daily from the 1st June to 31st October



Monday to Saturday 11am - 4pm Sunday 1.30 – 4pm

Guided Walks take place most Wednesdays and Sundays when the Museum is open.

They begin at 2.15pm for a 2.30 start.

Adults £3, Children (10-17) £1

Crail Community Choir

Always wanted to try your hand at singing but never quite got round to it?

It's never too late to try something new!

With our COMMUNITY CHOIR we aim to provide the opportunity for anyone to be part of a village choir, learning specially arranged versions of the big hits from stage and screen, choral and folk songs.

Come along and join us!

Starts Monday 17 February 2020 at 7.30pm in Crail Church Hall, Crail. All adults welcome

Need more information? Phone 01333 450122 or 450398



Craíl Folk Club

2019 was probably Crail Folk Club's best year so far with great shows and increased numbers. However, we are expecting 2020 to be even better as we feature some of the biggest names in British folk music and beyond together with our usual Singers' Nights which provide locals and visitors with an opportunity to perform.

On 27th February we have a return visit from the multi-award winning Rachel Newton. Harp player extraordinaire, and no mean violin and viola player to accompany her wide range of material from Scottish traditional to Dolly Parton.

In March we see the first visit from Becky Mills. Becky has supported or collaborated with the great and the good from Barbara Dickson to Pentangle and Fairport Convention so she must be doing something right. In April we have Jack Badcock, the front man of Irish band Dallahan.

May is a bumper month with two guest nights. First up on 14th is Sarah McQuaid. Multi-instrumentalist, writer and singer plus, and this is always a requirement to get a booking in Crail, a great entertainer. On 28th we have John Doyle who has played with just about everyone having spent two years in Joan Baez's band and her musical director and worked as guitarist for Mary Chapin Carpenter. Performing for President Obama at the White House reads almost as well on the CV as Crail Town Hall.

Our final booking for the first half of the year features the vocal and instrumental talents of Jenn Butterworth and Laura-Best Salter. Look out for our night at Crail Festival on 23rd July with a double bill of Malinky and Edwina Hayes. Tickets for all guest nights can be had from www.crailfolkclub.org.uk

Craíl Food Festíval

13th and 14th June Our 10th Anniversary

Crail Food Festival Committee look forward to welcoming you all to our 2020 Festival, our 10th time in Crail. As with last year, the Festival will be free and primarily based at the Community Hall, Beechwalk Park and the Kirk Hall. This year we are creating a Crail Food Trail, linking the main venues to the Harbour, via High Street. This should tempt our customers to seek out the other pleasures of our village as well as seeing some of our lovely buildings. Some events in the Harbour are also being considered.

We will have an emphasis on local, sustainable produce, brought to you in as sustainable a way as we can. There will be the usual food stalls, chefs' demonstrations, street food vendors and a sumptuous taster menu dinner on the Saturday evening. This year we will be able to use a much bigger part of Beechwalk Park, so more room to picnic there. The Committee look forward to welcoming you to our event in Crail in 2020.

Crail Monday Meetings

Crail Monday Club, now Crail Monday Meetings, restarted in early December and has enjoyed good attendance and involvement at the new location, Crail Town Hall.

During the past few months applications for funding for the Monday Meetings were made to Fife Council and The National Lottery. Both were successful and a total of £3,970 will shortly be available to support future events.

The organising committee would like to extend an invitation to people that would like to join in and in particular would appreciate support for organising future events.

Meetings will start at the usual time of 2:15 (in the Town Hall).

2020 speakers and topics:

10th February	Brian Clarke	Northern Norway
17th February	Will Cresswell	Antarctica
24th February	Rotary Choir	
2nd March	George Phillips	China
9th March	Johnny Izatt	Scottish musician





Craíl Art Group

Our November exhibition of paintings, cards, jewellery and various crafts items was attended by 110 visitors who purchased items to the value of £939. A great result for 12 hours over a rather "wintry" weekend!

Kay Thomson kindly donated one of her paintings for the main prize in the raffle which was won by Rita & Ian Ford of Crail. Many businesses, people of Crail & friends of our group also happily gave items for our raffle. Thank you to all. £25 has been given to "Karail". A huge thankyou to Megan Guthrie who helped us as part of her Duke of Edinburgh Award. She was a great help on the Friday evening setting up the exhibition and was very enthusiastic and capable on the Saturday & Sunday managing various tasks involved with an exhibition. Our next exhibition will be Easter Weekend.

Crail Art Group Easter Exhibition

The Kirk Hall will once again be the venue for our exhibition of painting, both framed & unframed, plus cards. All original work of Crail Art Group Members with a few new Artists to look out for this year!

For more information you can contact: Auriol Wood on 450805

Free entry and refreshments will be available, Friday 10^{th} - Monday 13^{th} April.

Friday 10th: 10am-4pm

Saturday 11th: 2pm-5pm

Sunday 12th: 12pm-5pm

Monday 13th: 10am-3pm



Scottish Country Dancing

Scottish Country Dancing Is in Crail Town Hall every Wednesday 7.30 pm until 9.30 pm until March 25th.



12th Fife East Neuk Scouts

Over the past 6 months we have had a very active term within Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers. All sections took part in Remembrance Services between Crail & Anstruther with a Beaver laying a Poppy Wreath at Crail. The Scouts & Explorers had a weekend on the May Island helping to clear litter from the beach and nesting sites, they also had fun having campfires and songs at night. Afterwards they had the privilege of being invited to The Parliament after carrying out the work they did on the May Island. Scouts also had a fun night near Halloween camping overnight with lots of spooky pumpkin lanterns being carved. Beavers & Cubs had a joint Halloween Party and a movie night for Christmas. The Beavers in Crail found out about Tartan and the Scottish Thistle near St Andrews night."



We have lots more events coming up this year. We have Scouts & Explorers having Burns Night sleeping in the Secret Bunker. A Coffee Morning to help raise money for Scouts & Explorers going to Durham in August for a Jamboree. This is on Saturday 7th March in the Legion Hall from 10am. Our annual camp in June & some Scouts & Explorers going to the Scottish Jamboree in Blair Atholl for 2 weeks in July.

If you would like anymore information about your child joining a section or if you feel you would like to be a helper in any way, please contact Alastair or Lisa Aird on 01333 450035.



Anniversary of the Town Hall Bell

In 2020 the Tolbooth bell will be 500 years old. It is the oldest in Fife and of a well-known Netherlands type, having been cast probably by Willem van den Ghein in Michelen, halfway between Antwerp and Brussels. It is 23 inches in height and 26 inches across the mouth. On the shoulder is an inscription, each word being separated by a fleur-de-lys.

IC BEN GHEGOTEN INT IAER ONS HZEREN MCCCCCXX (I was cast in the year of our Lord 1520) Beneath the inscription are three medallions, one having a representation of the Virgin and Child, and another, of a child bearing a cross.

Originally this bell hung in the Parish Church. However, in 1702 the Kirk Session gave " their consent to the taking of the clock and clock bell out of the kirk steeple and for the placing it in a steeple on the tolbooth which was to be built for that effect". The Session considered that "it would be a great deal more serviceable and useful to the far greater part of the inhabitants in that the clock would be better heard and that the tolling of that bell would save the trouble of a hand bell going through the town at the second bell as formerlie." They insisted, however, that both clock and bell should remain the property of the Session.

In the 19th century the Town Officer's duties included ringing the Town Hall bell every morning at six and every night at ten and on Sundays for divine service. The bell is still rung each night at ten o'clock—an ancient custom for warning all decent burghers to withdraw soberly to bed.



Crail. Info

Crail.Info helps promote our Royal Burgh to a wider audience and can be a one-stop shop for locals and tourists requiring any information about our town. From finding Local Businesses to Attractions, Services, Accommodation and Where to Eat and Drink, Crail.Info can provide a platform for our Royal Burgh.

You can also find and add events to our Royal Burgh's calendar so people can view all the events on in Crail. You can also view Crail's latest news and submit news you or your organisation would like posted on the site.



www.crail.info



Wee Crailers

Kids Craft and Lunch Club

Crail Kirk Hall

2nd Friday of the month, 12-2pm

Wee Crailers is an art and craft lunch club for all ages of tiny humans and their big humans too!

Our activities have a nature and science theme to them and are, most importantly, fun!

£4 for lunch and crafts for one grown up and one wee one then £1 for siblings taking part.



Crail Preservation Society Annual Report for 2018/2019

Crail Preservation Society has just completed, probably, its most financial burdensome year, and is breathing a sigh of relief. The two most major elements of the year just completed were the completion of the Doocot restoration and providing support to the Crail Charrette process.

What a crowning glory the Doocot opening was when the Lord Lyon honoured us with his presence, returning Crail's new Coat of Arms to Crail Community Council and stepping into our newly restored Doocot. We now have a financial duty of care for the Doocot that vastly exceeds what was required in the past as we have an iconic, and very popular, tourist venue to look after. The Crail Charrette process worked its way through to delivery of the Crail Local Place Plan in June 2019. As well as some members of CPS participating in the Charrette steering group for the Charrette, CPS had been managing funds for the steering group. CPS is still in the midst of a legal process for transfer of Fife Council owned parts of Denburn Wood to CPS. Hopefully we can close the books on this next year.

CPS stepped into a new fundraising world in 2019, having been given the opportunity by Crail Golfing Society to run a Golf Tournament to celebrate our 60th Anniversary Year. We raised in excess of £4,000 in a single day. We impressed Crail Golfing Society so much that we have their support for another event in 2020. We are very appreciative of the community support demonstrated by Crail Golfing Society.

CPS are now starting a concerted campaign of conservation on Crail Kirkyard's unique Mural Monuments. We are aiming to run a recurring campaign of £30,000 annually for the next few years. Our first target is the Lumsden's tomb. It is thought to be the first Scottish Renaissance monument, and it is the oldest monument in Crail's Kirkyard. We always welcome new members.

Membership forms are available in Crail Museum or on our website.

Crail Community Partnership

Crail Community Partnership has been busy and proactive in Crail these past few months. With representation from Crail Community Council, Crail Preservation Society, Crail Community Trust, Crail Church, Crail Golf Club, Crail Food Festival, Crail Youth, Environmental Interest Group & Crail Harbour Inshore Fisheries Association, we are pleased to get a wide range of views about projects/initiatives to help our Royal Burgh. We hold monthly board meetings and minutes are posted on www.crailcommunitypartnership.org and have been holding regular drop-in sessions to inform the community of where we are at in delivering the Local Place Plan

Some of the work of Crail Community Partnership so far has been:

Establishing the new www.Crail.info website which went live in October 2019. This project has involved young people from within the community.

We have helped to provide support to Wee Crailers who were successful in their bid for Fife Council Community Funding and were awarded £670. We also enabled Crail Monday Cub to continue by seeing the group awarded £670 by Fife Council and successful National Lottery funding of £3,300

One of our biggest projects undertaken in the past few months is a Community Asset Transfer with Fife Council to bring Crail Community Hall into local ownership. Crail Food Festival provided us with £5,000 to help with costs for Community Hall survey, valuation and options proposals and the Scottish Land Fund will provide the initial funding of £8,424 to complete the business case for this potential transfer which we hope to complete by May 2020.

We have been working with the landowner and Fife Council to bring all Crail North stakeholders together. In December, CCP Trustees attended a meeting in Holyrood with 4 MSPs and the Scottish Office Chief Planner and Principal Architect where we asked for financial support to create a design document and Masterplan Consent Area for Crail North.



To find out more of what CCP does and become a member, please visit www.crailcommunitypartnership.org or our Facebook page.

Jímmy Gíllígan The Caíplíe Hermít

You may often have walked past the Caiplie Caves on your way to Anstruther by the coastal path; but did you know that they were inhabited 100 years ago? A troglodyte by the name of Jimmy Gilligan made his home there as we learn from the Coast Burghs' Observer of November 1914.

"The hermit is now bordering on 65 years of age, and as his dialect at once proclaims him, he is an Aberdonian, one who can lay claim to coming from good stock. He had a classical education, and is quite familiar with several languages, including Latin and French.

As a young man, he enlisted in the 92nd Seaforth Highlanders Brigade, and came through considerable skirmishing in Afghanistan and the First Transvaal War, being present at the Majumba Hill disaster. He has been in the cave about five years..

He is willing to enlist in Kitchener's New Army. Some people have said he is a German spy. He has a fine fox terrier and two cats - one a Persian – for the rats. He has a table, several chairs and two oil lamps. A small stove burns the seaware he gathers from the beach. He has a bedstead because of the rats. He has an oil crusey because of the light restriction regulations. He has a door. He has been the subject of annoyance and abuse at the hands of certain hooligans resident in the district. They filled in a well where he got his water, killed one of his cats and smashed his bit of window.

But one of Crail's Good Samaritans, Dr.Horsley, has interested himself and adopted measures to ensure he will not be so shamefully molested. He appreciates visits from members of the Cloth, especially the assistant parish minister in Crail, Rev. Mr Docherty, and the late minister of the EU Church in Anstruther, Noble Scott. He had three sons, two now in Canada. His wife is dead"



Recording the Past for the Future

The Arts Society Church Recorders make records of furnishings, artefacts and some of the fabric of our places of worship, thereby promoting the recognition and preservation of our rich cultural heritage. A full Record divides objects into Sections entitled Memorials, Metalwork, Stonework, Woodwork, Textiles, Paintings etc., Library, Windows and Miscellaneous, which includes the organ. Each object is described in a prescribed format and might be photographed. When possible, it includes the history checked against published information.

Over the next couple of years, you may be aware of a small group of Church Recorders with their notepads, measuring tapes and binoculars busy in our church making such a record. When it is complete, it will be printed and bound for presentation to Crail Church and digital copies made for the V&A (under whose aegis we operate), for the National Library and other important bodies.

Fife Church Recorders are very grateful to Crail Church for allowing us to do this: it's going to be so interesting" recording the past for the future." Thank you.



Craíl Church Choír

Any Crail resident who enjoys singing - or who thinks that they might like to give it a try - is welcome to come to one of the choir practices at Crail Kirk and join in with our regular singers. The choir meets at 6.00pm every Thursday to run through music for the Sunday Service and there are usually 10-12 of us there, covering the standard four vocal parts of soprano, alto, tenor and bass. We prepare an Introit for each service - a short piece of music to begin the worship - and an anthem.

No previous experience is necessary - just a willingness to work at the music and a wish to make music with others. Attending a single practice does not commit you to a lifetime in the choir, but we hope that visitors will enjoy their time with us and will want to join us for an early morning runthrough of the music on Sundays and the service afterwards. You will be part of a friendly team, who lead the congregation in its singing and who lift the services with their own contributions.

For more information, please contact Glynn Jenkins, the organist and choirmaster: glynnjenkins@hotmail.com.

Crail Festival

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Last year's Festival was a conspicuous success and it is pleasing to report that it generated a small but healthy surplus. The website crailfestival.com has been updated and the splendid highlights of Crail Festival 2019 can be viewed for another couple of months. Thereafter all the events for Crail Festival 2020 will feature.

We are fortunate that Alan and Susanne Ferguson have joined the Festival Committee and Jean Purves has quickly settled in as the new Secretary. Planning for this year's Festival is now at a very advanced stage; and we are very optimistic that a varied, entertaining, exciting programme will have broad appeal. The Festival will run from 15-25 July in the usual locations around the village. The Putting Green, providing great fun for all the family, will not only be open 28 June -23 August but also the weekends 6-7 June; 13- 14 June and 20-21 June. Once again the ambitious target this summer is 5000 putting rounds to set a new record. Hopefully this year's weather will be much more favourable. The area around the Hut is being redesigned to make it much more user friendly and wheelchair accessible.



Exciting progress has certainly been made with the children's activities. This list highlights the range of events the children will enjoy. They cater for the competitive, curious, arty crafty, potential BAFTA winners, golf stars of the future, emerging celebrity chefs, budding JK Rowling, stonemasons, animal doctors and so much more. But the real objectives are FUN and ENJOYMENT! In most cases you are advised to book early to avoid disappointment. The activities are-Treasure Hunt, Historical Features Hunt, Rock Pool Guddle, Crabbing Competition, Sandcastle Competition, Rock Stacking Competition, Fossil Hunt,



Zoolab, Morning at the Movies (probably the Lion King), Drama Workshop, Bake Off Competition, Krafty Kids, Storytelling, Archery and Falconry, Junior Golf Skills, Art Workshop, Street Market, Simon Mayor and Hilary James, and Dorodango (Mud Dumpling). This is a Japanese art form in which earth and water are moulded to create a delicate shiny sphere; this workshop will produce "Polished Clay Eggs." Cannot think of any other local Festival which can match such productive entertainment for young people.

Memorable music is rightly associated with Crail Festival and the musical events this year will be outstanding. The sensational Nicole Smit will perform her show stopping Queens of the Blues; Simon Mayor and Hilary James will entertain children with their Musical Mystery Tour; and the following evening the adults will enjoy their mandolin and other instruments; Alexandra Whittingham is the new classical guitarist sensation; Christine Bovill needs no introduction to a Crail audience; Tenement Jazz Band will bring the sounds of New Orleans; the hugely talented Chamber Philharmonic Europe Orchestra from Cologne will be performing in Crail Church; Andrew McKinley and Elliot Bibby's Magic Show will be intriguing; the Folk



Crail Festival

Concert will be headlined by the fabulous Malinky supported by Edwina Hayes; Charlotte Whittle, a dramatic soprano, is an emerging young artist from Fife; and our closing event will be will be the superb Abba Tribute group 'Abba – A Revival'. Come and dance the night away!

Our hardy annuals the new format Festival Quiz, Street Market, and the Art Exhibition will add to the enjoyment of many.

Thanks to the determination of Ian Mooney, our immediate Past Chairman, our intention to be involved in a supportive way with Crail Primary School is coming to fruition for this academic year. Crail Festival is funding an organisation called Drama Box to deliver pupil workshops for each class, training for teachers and access to on-line courses. Volunteers are a core component of a Crail Festival; and this year will be no exception. Please respond to the notices posted on Facebook and in Crail Matters in the month or so before the start of the Festival.

Please follow the build up on www.Crailfestival.com (the 2020 programme will be live from Easter), Facebook.com/ CrailFestival, and Twitter.com/ CrailFestival

Fun for all. Come and be part of our 37th Festival.

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2020 Season

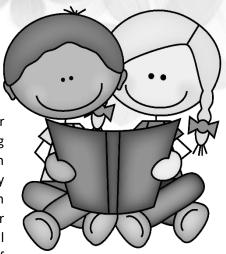
The Putting Green will be open 1.30pm – 7.30pm 6/7, 13/14, 20/21 June then 27th June - 23rd Aug. Adults £1, Children (16yrs & under) 50p Please volunteer to man the starting hut or join the mowing team. Tel. Jenny on 01333 450108

Crail Primary School

We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! Here is a flavour of what has been happening at Crail Primary School since our last article in this magazine.

Scottish Book Week

Towards the end of November we celebrated Scottish Book Week through a number of activities which were planned and organised by our Literacy Leaders of Learning Group. Our P7s, in their House Teams, read aloud the 3 books which had been shortlisted by The Scottish Book Trust to P1/2. Our P7s read these books with fluency and expression. They even asked us lots of questions to make sure we had been listening! Our favourite book was The Station Mouse and we have submitted our votes to the national voting system. We look forward to finding out who the overall winner will be across Scotland. All of our P1-P3 children were given a bag full of reading goodies (and some maths!) from The Scottish Book Trust to share at home with their families. Our teaching staff swapped classes for story time one day and our whole school, including our Nursery, took part in a book treasure hunt in our playground. Our P5/6 class visited our Nursery to read aloud to our children and our P1/2 class joined our Nursery children for a Bookbug Session. We ended our celebrations with every class, including our Nursery, participating in storytelling sessions with Sheila Kinninmonth. The children were really engaged with these sessions and Sheila entertained us all with her enthusiastic performances. Well done to our Literacy Leaders of Learning Group for hosting a very successful week.



Byre Theatre

We all enjoyed our visit to The Byre Theatre on Friday 6th December for the performance of Mother Goose (oh yes we did!) Our children were a credit to our school and families.

Health and Wellbeing

Our Health & Wellbeing Leaders of Learning planned and organised a Health Week for us.

Our children participated in a number of sports including running, basketball, football and dance. They also shared with us the importance of looking after our mental wellbeing and how we can do this.

Well done to our Health & Wellbeing Leaders of Learning Group for hosting a very successful week and for planning and delivering very highquality PE sessions.

Crail Golfing Society

We are delighted to be working in partnership with David Snodgrass from Crail Golfing Society. We are currently offering our P3/4 and P5-7 classes the opportunity to develop their golfing skills after school.

This is such a popular after school club we even have a waiting list.

P3-P7 Leaders of Learning Showcase

Lots of our families came to our Leaders of Learning Showcase on 04.12.19. Our Showcase provided us with an opportunity to share with our families some of the learning which we have undertaken during our Leaders of Learning Group Time. All of our P7s are Leaders of Learning and they have responsibility for different areas of the curriculum: Digital Learning, Health and Wellbeing, Literacy Numeracy, Eco and The Expressive Arts. All of our P3-6 children were given the opportunity to select 4 areas of the curriculum they were interested in developing further. Our P3-6 children are all members of one of these Leaders of Learning Groups and they have worked together for 4 weeks, taking forward their chosen aspect.



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Christmas Singing

Our Glee Club were very busy over the Christmas period spreading Christmas cheer. They entertained members of our community at The Women's Guild, Chatbite and at The Co-op. Everyone agreed that they sounded fantastic and certainly got everyone into the Christmas spirit. Many thanks to Mrs Forsyth and Mrs Thomson for leading our Glee Club.

Christmas Shows

Our Christmas Show 'Primary School Musical took place on Wednesday 18th December. Over our two shows our children performed to lots of family members and friends. I am sure you will all agree that the Christmas Show was wonderful and that all of our children were outstanding.



Church Service

Our Christmas Service took place at Crail Parish Church. Our Glee Club sang Walking in the Air beautifully, our woodwind instrumentalists played Jingle Bells confidently and our P1s and P7s retold The Nativity Story. At our Church Service we raised £119.92 which was split between Young Carers (as voted for by our children) and Crail Parish Church. Thank you for your generosity!

Christmas Parties

During the last week of term all classes, including our Nursery, had their Christmas Party. Lots of fun was had by everyone as the children played games and danced. We even had a very special visit from Santa.

Christmas Lights Switch On

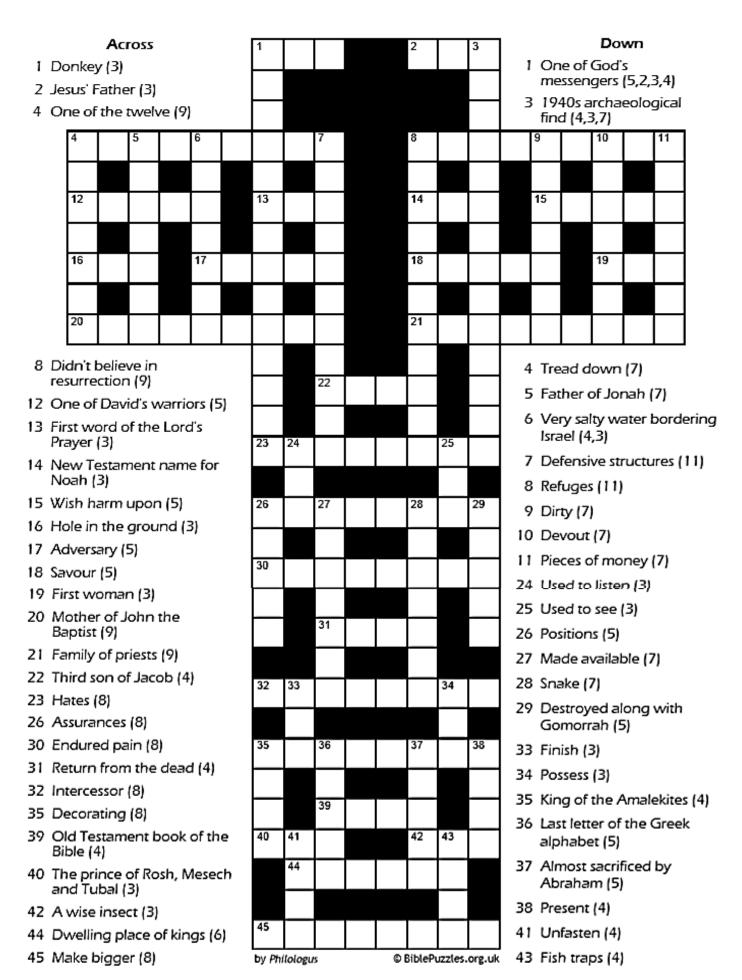
It was lovely to see so many of you at the switching on of the village Christmas lights. Well done to our Crail King and Queen for representing our school and having the really important job of switching on the lights. The Christmas tree looked fabulous so a big thank you to all of our families for helping to decorate it and for making it look so special. Thank you also Jimmy Aird and The Golf Hotel for providing us with special treats!

Scotland

During January we will be developing our learning about Scotland. The children will be deciding what exactly they would like to focus on and how their topic work will develop. We will also be learning some Scottish dances and songs. The results of all this work will be shared at a special Scottish Showcase for our families.



Easter Crossword



Dates for Diary

February

Thursday 13 th	Folk Club Ainsley Hamill & Toby Shaer. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm
Friday 14 th	Wee Crailers, Crail Kirk Hall. 12 Noon.
Sunday 16 th	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd E Gilchrist. 9.45am
Monday 17 th	Crail Community Choir Starts. Crail Kirk Hall. 7.30pm
Thursday 20 th	Crail Guild, St Andrews Botanical Gardens by Jean Stewart. Crail Kirk Hall, 2.15pm
Sunday 23 rd	Holy Communion lead by Revd Peter Neilson. Crail Parish Church. 9.45am
Thursday 27 th	Folk Club Rachel Newton. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm

March

Sunday 1 st	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Worship team. 9.45am
Thursday 5 th	Crail Guild, Older Drivers Input by Bill Harley. Crail Kirk Hall, 2.15pm
Saturday 7 th	East Neuk Scouts Coffee Morning, Crail Legion Hall, 10am - 12 Noon.
Sunday 8 th	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Worship team. 9.45am
Thursday 12 th	Folk Club Singers Night. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm
Friday 13 th	Wee Crailers, Crail Kirk Hall. 12 Noon.
Sunday 15 th	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd E Gilchrist. 9.45am
Thursday 19 th	Crail Guild, Open Meeting by Gospel Quartet. Crail Kirk Hall, 2.15pm
Sunday 22 nd	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd E Gilchrist. 9.45am
Thursday 26 th	Folk Club Becky Mills. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm

April

Thursday 2 nd	Crail Guild, From Church to House - Forgan by Mr Dakers Fleming. Crail Kirk Hall, 2.15pm
Sunday 5 th	Crail Parish Church Palm Sunday Worship led by Revd E Gilchrist. 9.45am
Thursday 9 th	Maundy Thursday Service led by Revd J Barron. Crail Parish Church. 7.00pm
Thursday 9 th	Folk Club Jack Badcock. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm
Friday 10 th	Crail Art Group Easter Exhibition. Crail Kirk Hall. 10am-4pm
Friday 10 th	Good Friday Service led by Revd N Robb. St Ayle Church. 7.00pm
Saturday 11 th	Easter Coffee Morning, Crail Kirk Hall. 10am - 12 Noon.
Saturday 11 th	Crail Art Group Easter Exhibition. Crail Kirk Hall. 2pm-5pm
Sunday 12 th	Crail Parish Church Early Easter Service by Worship Group. 8.am. Triangle Park
Sunday 12 th	Crail Parish Church Easter Worship led by Revd P Neilson. 9.45am
Sunday 12th	Crail Art Group Easter Exhibition. Crail Kirk Hall. 12 Noon-5pm
Monday 13 th	Crail Art Group Easter Exhibition. Crail Kirk Hall. 10am-3pm
Thursday 16 th	Crail Guild, Research using left over blood samples by SHARE. Crail Kirk Hall, 2.15pm
Sunday 19 th	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd D Scott. 9.45am
Thursday 23 rd	Folk Club Singers Night Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm
Sunday 26 th	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd D Scott. 9.45am
Thursday 30 th	Crail Guild, AGM and Entertainment. Crail Kirk Hall, 2.15pm

Dates for Diary

May

Sunday 3 rd	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd E Gilchrist. 9.45am	
Friday 8 th	Wee Crailers, Crail Kirk Hall. 12 Noon.	
Sunday 10 th	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd E Gilchrist. 9.45am	
Sunday 10 th	Rotary Costal Walk	
Thursday 14 th	Crail Guild Summer Outing	
Thursday 14 th	Folk Club Sarah McQuaid. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm	
Sunday 17 th	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd P Neilson. 9.45am	
Saturday 23 rd	RNLI Coffee Morning. Crail Town Hall. 10am-12 Noon.	
Sunday 24 th	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd D Scott. 9.45am	
Thursday 28 th	Folk Club John Doyle. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm	
Sunday 31 st	Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd D Scott. 9.45am	9-9-

June

- Saturday 6th Crail Putting Green Open
- Sunday 7th Crail Putting Green Open
- Sunday 7th Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd D Scott. 9.45am
- Thursday 11th Folk Club Jean Butterworth and Laura-Beth Salter. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm
- Friday 12th Wee Crailers, Crail Kirk Hall. 12 Noon.
- Saturday 13th Crail Food Festival
- Saturday 13th Crail Putting Green Open
- Sunday 14th Crail Food Festival
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- Sunday 14th Harbour Service led by Revd N Robb. 10.30am in the marquee at Anstruther Harbour.
- Saturday 20th Crail Putting Green Open
- Sunday 21st Crail Putting Green Open
- Sunday 21st Crail Parish Church Worship led by Revd P Neilson. 9.45am
- Thursday 25th Folk Club Singers Night. Crail Town Hall. 8.00pm
- Saturday 27th Crail Putting Green Open till Sunday 23rd August
- Sunday 28th Crail Parish Church Worship led by Worship Team. 9.45am

July

Saturday 11th Crail Museum Coffee Morning, Legion Hall, 10am -12 Noon. Wednesday 15th Crail Kirk Sale, Crail Community Hall, 2-4pm Sunday 19th Joint Festival Service at Crail Parish Church. 10.30am

August

Saturday 15th Crail Museum Coffee Morning, Legion Hall, 10am -12 Noon.

