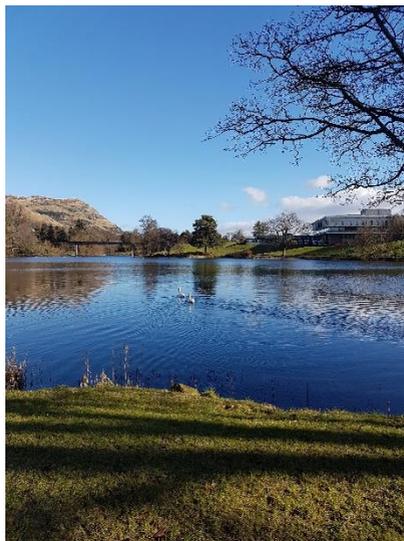


LOGIE KIRK NEWS  
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LOGIE KIRK STIRLING  
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Dear Friends,

It is now just over 6 months since Kenny and I arrived with you and felt very much at home from the start. Already we have made many new friends. When Kenny had a heart attack at the end of February we were so grateful for all the kindnesses shown to us at what was a difficult time. Thankfully he is now well on the way to a full recovery.

In worship recently Kenny and Jim Miller performed a little drama for us entitled 'servant or friend' and we reflected on Jesus' words in the gospel of John where He says to the disciples, "I have called you friends". We remembered that we approach the majesty and mystery of Jesus, who is not only wholly human but also wholly divine, with humility and reverence.

According to John's gospel Jesus also said:

"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you, abide in my love"

This is our guide for life. Jesus calls us his "friends". But this is no ordinary friendship to which Jesus summons us. It is a friendship which He himself has initiated, and that results in commitment and trust on our part. The people of Logie Kirk know that we must not assume that we are part of a privileged club, for in reality this is a call to service and loving faithfulness. What joy and fulfilment it is to be chosen by Him and to be called the friends of Jesus.

With love and blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rev Ruth Halley". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with two parallel lines.

Rev Ruth Halley (Minister)

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## **Logie Kirk Website**

A small team is currently developing a new website.

The address for this is:

[www.logiekirk.org](http://www.logiekirk.org)

If you have any news items or photos which you think would be suitable for inclusion then send them to the following email address where they will be picked up by the editing team:

**logiekirkwebsite@gmail.com**

Front cover picture shows Airthrey Loch in the grounds of the university



**Palm Sunday at The Old Kirk  
before the congregation processed  
to worship in the Kirk, with some  
waving palm branches**

## **Easter Sunday**

Club 1-2-6 saw the sun rise at the top of Dumyat on Easter morning.

It wouldn't be an Easter Service at Logie Kirk without the appearance of a lamb for the Children's Address! This year was no exception and here our visitor is being well looked after by members of Club 1-2-6 and J-Club.



## Fair Trade

During Fair Trade fortnight, the Fair Trade stall was successfully relaunched at Logie Kirk after the children's address featuring a giant Fair Trade banana! This highlighted the importance of Fair Trade to producers across the world.

**What do we sell?** We sell a variety of Traidcraft products including wonderful handmade cards, giftwrap, gifts, such as a wonderful wooden 'tree of life' trivet made from mango wood, socks, gardening gloves, laundry products, Kitchen and toilet rolls all as well as food.

**Why do we sell it?** As Christians, we believe in helping to alleviate world poverty. Fair Trade enables producers to be paid a fair wage for their produce and also gives a premium to the community. The community decides how the premium will be spent. Examples are the building of schools, providing solar panels for schools so that the children have electricity, proper irrigation systems to enable villages to have water. By buying fair trade products, we allow people who are working very hard to have dignity and enough food for their families.

**When do we sell Fair Trade goods?** There will be a stall at the Kirk on the second Sunday of every month. Anyone can order in between times by contacting **Maggie Roderick** on **07984 604205** or [revmaggieroderick@btinternet.com](mailto:revmaggieroderick@btinternet.com)

Fair Trade catalogues are available from Maggie and you can find out more from <https://www.traidcraftshop.co.uk/> before ordering from Maggie.

The Fair Trade Foundation website <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/> has a lot of information about Fair Trade and is well worth visiting.

## Fair Trade with Riverside Primary School

As part of Riverside Primary School's quest to gain Fair Trade Active status from the Fair Trade Foundation, Maggie Roderick went into primary 4 classes on three successive Wednesdays to discuss Fair Trade with the pupils.

They 'picked' tea, 'made' tea bags, packaged and boxed them and sold them on – with payment being in Maltesers. By receiving so little for their efforts, the children understood why Fair Trade is so important to communities.



**'I have now learned how Fair Trade makes such a difference on payment'. I will now buy Fair Trade products. P4 pupil**

Over the three sessions, they discussed where tea and chocolate are grown, how Fair Trade works and the impact of buying Fair Trade goods.

Maggie told them about Deena, a small tea producer who worked alongside her husband, mother-in-law and 8 year-old child for approximately £5.00 per month. When she joined a Fair Trade group, her income rose to approximately £97.00 per month and the community benefitted from the premium.

**Will you consider buying Fair Trade goods to help people out of poverty through trade?**

## Funerals

*My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? John 14:2*

07/03/18. Mr Daniel Knowles

19/03/18. Mr Ian Hutcheon

30/03/18. Mrs Jean Reid

04/04/18. Mrs Doreen McNicol

24/04/18. Mr Bertie Gammack

Carriage for funeral of Mrs Jean Reid



# Standing on Seats Strictly Prohibited!

## LOGIE PARISH MISSION HALL RULES AND REGULATIONS

To be observed by Parties using the Hall

The Hall will be used only for such purposes as may be consistent with its character as a Mission Hall, and the Hall Keeper is directed to see that the following Rules and Regulations are observed by all persons using the Hall.

1. Parties engaging the Hall shall be held responsible for any damage that may be done to the Building, Musical Instruments, Furniture and Fittings of the Building, during their occupancy.
2. The use of Fire Works of any kind, or whatever might cause extra risk to the Property is strictly prohibited.
3. The use of Spirituous Liquors, in any part of the Building or Grounds, is strictly prohibited.
4. Smoking or Standing on Seats, strictly prohibited in any part of the Building.
5. The Proprietors will not permit any person, except one selected, or otherwise approved of, by them, to play on the Harmonium or Piano.
6. The Proprietors, and Hall Keeper, shall have free admission to any part of the Building when Meetings, or Entertainments, may be going on therein.
7. The Proprietors reserve power to decline to grant the use of the Hall, whenever they think it proper to do so, without reason assigned.
8. Applications for the use of the Hall, stating the purpose for which it is required, must be made in writing, and addressed to the Session Clerk.

### SCALE OF CHARGES FOR THE USE OF THE HALL

1. For Lectures, Sermons, &c., when no charge for admission,	-	£0	7	6
2. For Do. Do. with charge for Do.	-	0	12	6
3. For Political Meetings--Local,	-	0	7	6
4. For Do. Candidates or Lecturers,	-	1	5	0
5. For Concerts, for other than Benevolent purposes,	-	0	15	0
6. For Social Meetings, when no charge for admission,	-	0	5	0
7. For Social Meetings--with charge for admission,	-	0	7	6
8. For Meetings for County or Parochial Business--per hour,	1st hour, -	0	15	0
	thereafter per hour,	0	3	0
9. For use of Committee Room (Evening)--per night,	-	0	7	6
10. Bazaars, Sales of Work, and Concerts for Benevolent purposes by special arrangement.	-	0	3	0

*All exclusive of Fire and Gas.*

Rockwood, Causewayhead,  
January, 1924.

WALTER HARKNESS, Session Clerk.

The Logie Hall Management Committee has recently held its AGM where new guidance to hall users was discussed. A copy of the rules and regulations from 1924 is displayed in the minister's room. In addition to the above proscription, smoking, the use of fireworks and spiritous liquors are also banned by order of the session clerk. It would be interesting to know if these were a set of standard conditions or if they were drawn up to deal with specific issues in the halls. If it was the latter, they must have been a rum lot in Causewayhead in those days!

## More Memories from Lorna ....

In the 1960s/70s Rev Stanley Mair was minister at Netherlee Church, Glasgow. He used to broadcast on TV every Sunday evening. One Monday morning there was a ring at the doorbell and there stood Dr David Smith and this gentleman. Dr Smith introduced us and I said "I was listening to you last night". Recognising the North East accent, he said "Aye Aye, fit like?" It transpired that we had both gone to the same academy but not at the same time.

Dr Smith explained that Mr Mair's son Ranald was coming to Stirling University. The new residences would not be ready in time and he wondered if I had a room left. I said that I only had a tiny room (which we later used as an office). Mr Mair asked if he could see it and to my surprise he said "Oh that's fine he'll be ok there" and so Ranald duly arrived and stayed with me for his first year before moving into residences.

At the Freshers Ball which was held in the Museum Hall, Bridge of Allan, Ranald met Kath and they have been happily married for 45 years, with 2 sons, one a cancer consultant and the other a teacher. After his degree at Stirling Ranald graduated in social work. He practised in Gateshead and Coventry and then lectured at Sheffield University before coming Head at Gielisland school in Ayrshire, one of Church of Scotland's residential schools.

From there he became Chief Executive for Scottish Care in 2006 where he remained for 10 years. He continues to be heavily involved in the child protection and safeguarding programme for the Church, so it is possible you may meet him at some point.

In his Christmas card he enclosed a photo of himself and Kath having done the London Marathon and also the whole family outside Holyrood Palace where he had received the OBE. Ranald is the middle son of 5 boys. The oldest one, Michael Mair, has written quite a few hymns in the new hymn book.

Ranald's mother Isobel was a well-known paediatrician in Glasgow. When she retired she spent 2 years in Thailand with Save the Children and was named Scots Woman of the Year.

Ranald and Kath have very fond memories of their time at Stirling, not least the knickerbocker glories from Corrieri's Café.

LORNA GAMMACK

### **Lunch Club**

Numbers have been declining for some time in our weekly lunch club; so, it is with regret we finally decided in March to discontinue our Thursday meetings.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank all the different team members who have supported us over the years. Your help was much appreciated. You were so important in creating a friendly and happy atmosphere and providing a warm welcome to our diners.

While we are sorry that we are no longer meeting, it is satisfying to know that the lunch club brought do much pleasure and companionship to so many diners over the years. It was a pleasure to befriend and serve so many lovely, interesting people who had so many experiences and memories to share with us.

ELIZABETH CROZIER

### **Dementia Friendly Club**

With the huge rise in dementia worldwide, Logie Kirk is looking to start a Dementia Friendly Club in the Autumn in the hall.

This will require a lot of volunteers in different capacities. We shall need car owners willing to pick people up, bakers, entertainers, kitchen staff and crucially, a list of carers and their loved ones whom you think might be interested.

Lists for the various categories will be in the Church vestibule over the summer. Please sign up if you would like to help or contact Lorna Gammack on 01786 463618 for further information.

## Logie Guild



The Guild AGM was held on March 20<sup>th</sup>, bringing the 2017/18 season to an end.

The final meeting featuring Tricia Chillas and Chair Aerobics had to be cancelled due to the severe weather and this has been rescheduled for the new session in October.



In February we heard from the Leprosy Mission about their work to defeat leprosy and transform lives in parts of Africa and Asia. Their work in Scotland is to educate, inspire and enable Scots to become part of the solution to the problems caused by leprosy.

In the last year Logie Guild has raised and donated £1344 to the Guild projects, Logie Kirk, the Manse, Start Up Stirling and the Club 1-2-6 Strasbourg trip.

Nationally the Guild has chosen 6 new life changing projects to support over the next 3 years, including, Malawi Fruits, Boys Brigade, Seema's Project, Journeying Together, Join Up The Dots, and the Sailor's Society.

# The Church of Scotland Guild

Logie Guild is part of The Church of Scotland Guild.



Contrary to popular opinion, the Guild is there for **men and women of any age**. Historically it was the Women's Guild and a woman would be over 40 or her first child would be in High school before she was eligible for Guild membership. Thankfully, all that has changed.

Many ask why they should come to the Guild. As a national organisation, the Guild contributes to national life in Scotland in many ways. Who would have known that the Guild was one of the first organisations to campaign against people trafficking or FGM, female genital mutilation. The Guild is therefore a modern campaigning Christian organisation. Our meetings are always informative and engaging.

We also raise money for projects on a three year cycle.

**Current donation totals for 2015 - 2018 projects to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**Ascension Trust: £124,836.96**

**Care for the Family: £105,255.77**

**Christian Aid: £105,373.76**

**Feed the Minds: £139,234.42**

**Mission International: £109,987.00**

**Prospects: £104,889.95**

**Total: £689,577.86**

Find out more about the Guild on

[http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/serve/the\\_guild](http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/serve/the_guild)

## Long Service Awards



Peter Stuart and Peter Campbell were presented with certificates recognising their dedicated long service as Elders by the Minister during Morning Worship on February 11th.

## LOGIEGG

During the summer Sunday Open doors season we are always delighted to welcome visitors to the Old Kirk where we offer guided tours and tell our visitors a little of our fascinating history. Last summer over 300 visitors came to the site on these afternoons and have left many positive comments in our visitors' book.

If you have not taken a tour of the site yet, why not do it this summer, and bring some of your friends along with you. It is a lovely destination for an afternoon walk.

### Open Days - Volunteers Needed

As usual the church will be open between 2pm and 5 pm on Sunday afternoons during July and August. Three volunteers are needed each afternoon to welcome our visitors. There is a sign up sheet in the Kirk vestibule and if you are able to help please sign up for your chosen date as soon as possible or contact Eleanor Young on 01786 475414.

This year the World Mission Council's Stamp Appeal will support centres for young people with learning difficulties and disabilities in the Ukraine.



Please save your used postage stamps and place them in the collecting box in the vestibule of the Kirk or hand them to your elder or Anne Pickles.

### **Friends of Logie**

The Friends of Logie Awards ceremony which celebrates the achievements of young people in Logie will be held in the Kirk Hall at 7.00pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June.

## Grand Day Out

### The Golf Outing 2018

Sunday 6 May saw the sun shine down on the Spring Outing of the Logie Kirk Golf Society to Muthill Golf Club in Perthshire. The trophies up for grabs were the Knock Out Rose Bowl and the Session Clerk Shield.

After a lunch of soup and sandwiches washed down by lashings of tea, ten intrepid golfers attempted to tame the 18 holes, holes with such interesting names as Kittle Knowe, The Neuk , and Gowan Lea.

Three and a bit hours later we had the result! The deserved winner (aka jammy dodger) was Ian Lumsden with a score of 20 points to secure the Knock Out Trophy, and a grand total of 37 points to pick up the Session Clerk Shield. Runners up in the Knock Out were Cameron Taylor in second place, with Craig Taylor and Colin Anderson sharing the bronze medal spot. In the Session Clerk Shield, positions were reversed with Craig in silver spot and Cameron in third place.

A huge thank you to Muthill for hosting the event, and , of course, to the terrific ten for taking part.

Hopefully, our Autumn Outing in September will be blessed with the same gorgeous weather and a similar standard of golf!



Well done , Ian!  
Fore!

Ricky Cassidy

Eleanor Young presents the Session Clerk's shield to the winner Ian Lumsden at Muthill Golf Club on 7th May.

## Presbytery Planning Forum

Last September I attended Stirling Central Churches Forum in Bridge of Allan, members from 17 churches in the centre of the Presbytery were invited to the meeting to look at the challenges and opportunities for the future of the area.

The membership of the Church of Scotland since 1956 has dropped by 20%, between 1995 and 2015 there was a 48% fall. Within this time Ministers in post had fallen by 34% causing an increase in longer term vacancies. In 2015 there were 76% of ministers over the age of 60 years and 50% were due to retire in the next 5 years.



Financial offerings had risen between 2008-14 but there were challenges on these funds with the up keep on surplus buildings, diminishing congregations and costs continuing to rise.

We now had to look at the bigger picture. We were introduced to Hub Churches where a minister would be the key person with help from Pastoral support Workers, Project Workers, Readers and Ministry Development staff supporting several communities. There are other types of Hub Parishes that could be formed e.g. Urban, Priority area, Cafe` Church or Rural Church.

At a Presbytery meeting this year the Committee overseeing the Presbytery plan informed us that by 2023, only 5 years from now, the estimated number of ministers would be 19 full time posts down from the 35 we have at present in Stirling Presbytery.

Presbytery planning has already commenced as some Churches in vacancy are not being allowed to call a Minister or on a restricted basis.



We now have to think of where we see Logie Kirk and Parish in 5 year's time, it would be good if we had a crystal ball, we have to move forward positively and support our Minister. We always think it will never happen to us. I think it does not matter how old or the history of our lovely church is, we are just a number in the overall picture and discussions.

HAZEL TURNBULL

## **Data Protection**

Like many organisations Logie Kirk is having to review the information it holds to ensure compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation. If you received this copy of Logie Kirk News from your elder or through the post then you should already have received a data protection form for completion earlier in the year. However, several members have yet to return the form which means that Logie Kirk will no longer be able to hold their up to date details and may result in the Church losing contact. Elders will be asking members in their districts to return the form if this has not already been done and a reminder is being sent to those who are normally contacted by post.

In case the form has been mislaid another copy has been included with this news letter and when completed should be returned marked Private & Confidential to the Kirk Halls, 15-17 Alloa Road, Stirling FK9 5LH or handed to your district elder or one of the duty elders on a Sunday morning.

## Five Go Off to Strasbourg

Fundraising for our Strasbourg trip has been great fun. From the two Christmas Market Truffle Stalls (£403) to a noisy evening in the hall with our own Beetle Drive (£428). Next was the Coffee Morning (£647) followed by the car wash (£170). Our most recent evening was the Quiz night (£485)



We are very grateful to Logie Kirk Guild (£150), Logie Fellowship team (£250) and Fiends of Logie (£500) for their generous donations. We would like to thank everyone involved in helping us achieve such a great sum so far of more than £3,000. In addition, there are the proceeds from another Beetle Drive on 1<sup>st</sup> June. It will be wonderful to be involved with the twinning visit and meet our friends again in Le Bouclier from 20<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> July.

**MEGAN, AMY, AILSA, LUCY, CHLOE**



The Quizmaster,  
Jim Miller, hosting a  
great fun quiz night

and the ecstatic winners



## WHATS HAPPENING

### Dates for the diary

1 <sup>st</sup> June	Beetle Drive for Strasbourg	7pm	Hall
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Fair Trade at The Kirk		
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Evening Service	7pm	Old Kirk
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Logieegg Work day	10am	Old Kirk
16 <sup>th</sup> June	J-Club Coffee Morning	10am	Hall
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Congregational Picnic	12.15	Park
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Friends of Logie Awards	7pm	Hall
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Session Café	12pm	Kirk
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Open Doors	2pm	Kirk
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Fair Trade at The Kirk		
12 <sup>th</sup> August	Fair Trade at The Kirk		

## **Names and Contacts**

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## **Hall Bookings**

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Phone 01786 448251 and leave a message

## **Logie Kirk News**

The Autumn edition will cover the months of **September, October & November** and will be published at the end of August

All material for this issue should be submitted by

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August**

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