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DURHAM HALL

The Hall will be used as the hub for Largo Arts Week, 2021

See a preview of LAW on pages 18, 19

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Editorial

As we wrote the editorial for Issue 2, we were just entering a new phase of lockdown. This time, three months later, we are starting to relax the restrictions. We can all wish that this time, it lasts ...

We have some good news about your Community magazine: for the moment, our finances are in good shape. Fife Council has awarded us a one-off grant to cover some of our start-up costs; donations have been very generous; and more advertisers have come on board. We thank everyone who has contributed to setting us on such a good footing. We also thank our distributors – about 40 volunteers who deliver *Largo Links* to houses and businesses in our area.

We still have very few reports of Community Activities. It is too early for most groups of people to be able to say that on a particular day, an event will happen. Next time, we hope, we will be able to feature an Events Diary. If you would like your “Day” to feature on these pages, please contact: largolinksevents@gmail.com

We hope that you all have a very pleasant time between now and our next Issue, which will be in August.

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If you would like to make a donation:
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The Editor is James Kay.

He has been ably assisted by:

Amy Dalglish, Catherine Taylor, Eileen Reynolds, Fiona McCaul, Fiona Wyllie, Jan Kerr, Matt Allan and Roger Ferguson.

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We hope to produce Issue 4 in August. If your Club, Society or Organization would like to submit a report, please send it to the Editor by **July 11, 2021**.

Finance

Delivery

We aim to deliver your Community Magazine, free of charge, to every household in the area. Fife Council gave us a one-off grant to cover some initial costs, for which we are very grateful.

To maintain our aim, we need to cover our costs. This is done partly through the selling of advertising and partly through donations.

If you think that Largo Links is worthy of support, please consider the following ways in which you may do so.

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Email version. The online version can be sent by email. If you, or someone you know, would like to receive *Largo Links* in this way, then contact the Editor. Your email address will be added to our online subscriber list.

Large Print. We also print some copies of *Largo Links* in a larger format. Again, these will be placed in the Library and in Zaphar & Andy's stores. But if you would like one delivered, then contact the Editor. Your name & address will be added to our delivery list.

Please note:

The online version is in the larger format – if you wanted to print it at home, then you could do so for yourself or for someone else who needs it.

Some Stories: We know from within our Editorial Team and from comments that have been passed to us that copies of *Largo Links* have been sent to many places outside Scotland: England, France, Germany, Australia, New Zealand ...

We sent email copies to the Mayor of Robinson Crusoe Island (thank you, Google Translate, for helping us with the exchange of messages). He told us that he had been here, in Largo, in 2017 and that a descendant of the Selkirks had shown him around. Does anyone know who that might have been?

In addition, he told us that Ian Hendrie, another descendant of the Selkirks, had been to his island in 2019. The mayor, Leopoldo González Charpentier, is seen on the left in the photo below; Ian and his wife Stéphanie on the right. Ian's account of his visit is on page 25 of this issue.



April, 2019: Ian & Stéphanie are welcomed to Robinson Crusoe Island

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www.largocommunitiestogether.org.uk

Scroll down to the Community Pages, then click on our logo:



Largo Parish Church

By the time you read this Easter will be behind us and maybe even the lockdown of the last 4 months and we would as a community know what the next stages of getting back to normal life will be. Many of you will have also had your first vaccination. So we live with hope for better days.



As such, on Sunday 11th April, the Largo Church was able to re-open for Sunday worship services. We do, however, still have to adhere to Covid protocol and are restricted by the number of places or spaces available within the church during a service. We would be delighted to see you at a service but we do have to ask you to book a place at Sunday worship. Please see the church website or Facebook page for details - addresses below.

During the time of lockdown and over Lent, Holy Week and Easter, we shared in online Zoom services as part of the East Neuk Gateway Cluster of Churches. This gave us an opportunity to enter the virtual world with our neighbouring church friends. As a congregation we are now looking to develop our own worship into the virtual world on the internet. We hope to at least begin by recording our weekly services and then uploading them to the church's website or a platform like YouTube. We are a little inexperienced in this skill and certainly could benefit from any assistance from people in our community who may feel this is something they could offer and bring to our congregation. If you feel you could help us, we would love to hear from you.

You will see in this publication too, our partnership with Largo Arts Week (LAW) and we are excited to be able to think about how, as a Church, with the Durham Hall we can make our building more accessible to our community. It is our hope that this will also allow us to enter in the near future into a consultation about the use and service of the Durham Hall to all in our community.



Christian Aid Week 10th – 16th May – Standing together against the climate crisis.

Normally the church would be holding all sorts of events which are always well supported by all in the community, when generous funds are raised each year. However, this year you have the opportunity to give direct by going to our church website (below) where there will be a 'Just Giving' link direct to Christian Aid.

Or you may wish to hold your own event or walk? Go to www.christianaid.org.uk for details.

Rev Gavin Boswell - The Minister

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Durham Hall

The Durham Hall building started out as the Durham Female Industrial School, founded in 1859 by Mrs Dundas Durham of Largo House. Girls were provided with a curriculum that included both traditional education and training in domestic 'industry' (e.g. sewing, knitting and laundry). From the start the building was also used outside of school hours. The Volunteer Force (established in Fife in 1860) held drills in the school and its grounds. When a company of the Boys' Brigade was started in Largo in 1909, the Durham School was chosen as its meeting place. The Parish Council held meetings there and the Red Cross ran classes in first aid and home nursing.

The school did enrol both girls and boys for much of its existence and in 1911 the school underwent modernisation. A new chimney was built, a partition was added to divide the largest classroom, and a laundry room was created with washing tubs and a cooking range. These works enabled new 'practical instruction and continuation classes' to take place covering laundry, cookery, dress-making, upholstery, woodwork, book-keeping and shorthand. Evening classes continued after the 1923 closure of the Durham School. Day pupils transferred to either Lundin Mill or Kirkton. In the 1930s, the former school was a venue for Scout, Guide and other camps, before becoming an A.R.P. base during the Second World War. Locals went there to have their gas masks fitted. After a spell lying empty, St David's Parish Church bought the building in 1955. Tradesmen from the congregation worked to repair the roof, remove a wall to create the large hall and install an up-to-date kitchen. Completed in August 1957, the new hall has been in active use by the Church and other groups ever since.

Those interested can read more about local history at:

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Largo Bay Art Society

With everything starting to open up again we hope that we will be able to have a couple of workshops before our annual exhibition at the end of July. To make sure that you will be able to attend and also display your art and craft in the exhibition please join LBAS. It's only £25, renewable again in the Autumn term. Existing members will pay again then. Please contact me if you wish to join:

More art works have been added to our Facebook page. Please apply to join if you

wish to add anything. I am still continuing with my sketching.

Here is one I did of my friend's dog as she slept next to me on the sofa.



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Durham Hall - 60s and 70s

Many boys in the area were members of the 1st Largo Company of The Boys' Brigade. Its purpose is to bring boys up in the Christian faith, while also promoting physical well-being, developing useful practical skills, and having fun.

The Durham Hall was the meeting place for all the Sections, Anchors and Juniors on Monday evenings with the Company Section meeting on Friday evenings. Drill was normally the opening activity on a Friday evening, followed by instruction classes led by local qualified instructors – during one session First Aid was in the hands of Dr Roddy Keir, and Field Studies were led by Mr Gilbert Robertson. The final hour of the evening's activities were recreational – 5-a-side football, badminton and table tennis all featuring regularly.

The older lads in the BB were required to attend Bible Class, and again the Durham Hall was the venue for the Sunday morning classes.

In the early 1970s the larger hall was in need of decoration, and one Easter school holidays, members of the Bible Class volunteered to perform the work, so scaffolding was arranged and the work was successfully completed. Miss Annie Hutchison, long time Treasurer of St. David's, and a stalwart member, would appear unexpectedly mid-morning some days, bearing refreshments and a variety of goodies for the workers, which was greatly appreciated.



From time to time social events were organised in the hall, and particularly popular and successful were Beetle Drives, which usually saw the hall filled to capacity – as can be seen in the photograph above.

(Editor: Can you spot anyone you know in the photograph? Let us know.)

Lundie Theatre Group

Zoom rehearsals for our next production 'Full Circle' are under way and going well. No news yet of when we will be on stage, but we are getting prepared. New members are always welcome. whether it is to act on stage (or off!), make costumes, help with stage creation, directing or producing. There is always something that needs doing! We normally meet every Thursday at 7.30pm. Interested? If you would like to join us, please email bs.lundie@gmail.com

One Person's Lockdown

Editor's Note:

This letter – unsigned apart from the initials – arrived at our house one day. It lifted our spirits, and we hope it does the same for you.

Hi there,

Mr Editor, this comes to you via 'Snail Mail', for some reason my Tablet has decided to hate me, so now it is Pen to Paper.

I thought I would tell you how I am managing with this Lockdown – Not too badly really.

My daily shopping from Zaphar's is delivered by a wonderful (slightly mad) friend, in fact she has turned out to be my 'Personal Shopper' – how Good is that I do a lot of baking, cakes mostly. They are for giving away, for folk to enjoy with their Cup-o-Tea, It's a way of spreading a wee bit of friendship in these trying times.

After all it is not just the medical people who are pulling out all the stops, it's the Bin men and the Postie, Lassies from Blacketside delivering on their way home from work, also the Post Office van. It's a wonderful Street I live in, everyone is caring. I think this Virus is making people aware of each other.

I am also doing a lot of writing. I am a member of WRI and we have a successful entertaining group. One member is wonderful on her keyboard, really super. Another has loads of Talent at Crafts – she is really the brains of the team. I write most of my stuff, just to make people laugh.

I am giggling as I write and rewrite the latest. All you men out there be afraid – Be very afraid. The Punch-line is a knockout.

But Spring has arrived and soon early Summer. The Primroses are a joy, the early Camellia is covered in Pink blossom and the Greenhouse is full of healthy seedlings also my wee duck has laid an egg.



So Keep Well everyone.

RS

♥ Largo Friends + Neighbours

This is the telephone service set up by LACRT to reach out to members of our community who may feel lonely or isolated during the Coronavirus pandemic. It is developing at a steady pace.

Feedback from participants is very positive and both parties involved find the weekly telephone chats enjoyable and supportive.

Moving forward, the service has secured funding to pilot the use of digital platforms for virtual face to face chats and this will begin when COVID restrictions are eased and training can be given safely.

The service is also currently piloting a shopping buddy scheme helping a person maintain their independence.

Volunteers are always welcome, as is anyone wishing to make use of the services mentioned above. More details from the Befriending Coordinator - please contact the LACRT helpline:

0800 999 3465

The Crusoe Club in Days Gone By *by Jean Jurecki*

It's Saturday night there's nothing to do
Well that's a big lie for I'm telling you
You could go to the pictures or out to the pub
Or come with me to the Crusoe Club.
It's down at the bottom of Hillhead Street
The roads can be slippery, please watch your feet
As you go in the door they'll give you a smile
They need new members, have been for a while.
Isobel's the Treasurer, she'll make you pay
I won't be surprised if you can hear her say
There's whist on a Thursday & Saturday too
And bridge on a Tuesday, but that's up to you.
It's 7 o'clock so we begin,
playing our hands & hoping to win.
If you don't get the cards, then just do your best
You'll get eight when you come to the rest.

The half time raffle, we all like to choose
At 2p a ticket how can you lose?
The dishes are done & we've had a good laugh
It's now time to begin the second half.
After 12 games we stop for our tea
It helps to revive us I'm sure you'll agree
All change says Sandy, now he is a case
He wouldn't think twice of trumping your ace.
The games are all finished, we've played 24
Haven't got time to play any more.
After the prizes, there are some that I know
Who linger a while for a game of bingo.
I hope you've enjoyed it, sure that you've found
It's been a great night for less than a pound.
So go tell all your friends & bring them along
Without new members we just can't go on.

Editor's Note:

This poem was written some time ago. Nowadays, the Bridge Club meets (Coronavirus restrictions permitting) on Tuesdays at the Durham Hall.

Caroline Trotter Photography



There is something special about photographing people and getting to know them. My emphasis is on taking photographs 'on location' away from the confines of the studio, using natural light to create classic and relaxed portraits with a mixture of posed and spontaneous images.

I am a qualified member of the Master Photographers Association and the Society of Wedding and Portrait Photographers, based in Upper Largo.

Please contact me to discuss your ideas

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Realistic Pilates

Great news that we have been given a (hopeful) date to return to indoor Pilates classes on the 17th May. If you would like to put your name down to join a class please get in touch. Classes will be kept smaller to ensure space for social distancing and all other rules will be adhered to. I offer private 1-1 sessions which are permitted to return from 26th April. Would you like to feel more steady putting on your socks or tights? To improve your mobility and strength to get back to enjoying other sports again? I can help you with a range of issues you may have... Do you want to improve your posture, balance or coordination? Would you like to reduce and manage your back, hip, shoulder or neck pain? Get in touch for a friendly chat and free consultation.

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For up to date information on walks and local timetable, go to:

www.activefife.co.uk/bums-off-Seats

For any other queries, please contact:

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Please keep active by walking with people in your household or doing some online exercise. There are leaflets called *Paths for All - Walk Your Way to Better Strength and Balance*. They are in a box on the bench outside the Durham Hall. This leaflet provides a set of 10 simple exercises which will help to keep you strong and balanced.

Moira Bell, Volunteer Walk Lead

Lundin Sports Club

Thank you everyone that contributed to our community consultation for funding. We are pleased to announce our funding application was successful and we will be having a new court surface laid in April/May 2021.

Our Mini Tennis Coaching in the Easter Holidays was sold out with almost 30 children attending everyday in all weathers. We're excited to continue our after-school Mini Tennis Coaching

from May '21.

Welcome to all our new members and their families over the last month and we look forward to welcoming more along.

For more information on our club including membership and coaching, please follow us on Facebook

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Seasonal Cooking - Asparagus

Asparagus! It has a very short season in Scotland and is worth going out of your way to source it. Blacketyside sells it and it will be available from Ardross as well. There is something rather special about British asparagus and I never buy it from anywhere else as I feel that the longer the time between being cut and prepared the more the flavour disappears. This is really where an awareness of seasonality and localism is important. When I had *Scotland's Larder* I had an asparagus evening and invited the then only commercial Scottish asparagus grower to head a dinner we did to celebrate the season. Sandy Pattullo from Glamis came with his family and the restaurant was fully booked, we served asparagus at every course!

This recipe wasn't one of them! It does however celebrate another Scottish delicacy – mussels and the recipe appears in my forthcoming book “Coasts and waters The British seafood cook book” out in June.

Christopher invites food-related questions. Contact him at: ct@christophertrotter.co.uk

His books may be bought from: <https://christophertrotter.co.uk/shop/>

ASPARAGUS AND MUSSELS COOKED WITH TURMERIC AND COCONUT

INGREDIENTS

1 kg mussels, washed and de bearded
1 onion, finely chopped
stick celery, finely chopped
2 tsp vegetable oil
1/2tsp turmeric
150mls dry white wine
4tblsp double cream
30g creamed coconut, grated
1 tsp chopped chervil
20 spears of British asparagus, trimmed
Salt and pepper

METHOD

- 1 Heat half the oil in a saucepan and sweat the onion and celery in it.
- 2 When soft add the turmeric, and stir for a few minutes.
- 3 Add the mussels and stir in to get the vegetables mixed through.
- 4 Pour on the wine, cover and steam over a low heat until the mussels all open - a few minutes.
- 5 Strain off the liquid through a sieve and set the mussels aside, return the liquid to the pan and put back onto the hob.
- 6 Reduce by about a third, then add the cream and coconut cream and simmer to combine, set aside.
- 7 Remove the mussels from the shells maybe keeping a few still in the shell for decoration.
- 8 Brush a griddle pan with the remaining oil, and put over a high heat. When hot place the asparagus spears onto it and cook turning occasionally, for four or five minutes, season lightly.
- 9 Take 4 hot bowls and strew the mussels over the bottom, and place the asparagus over them, pour over the hot sauce and sprinkle over chervil.



Asparagus & Mussels

LACRT – One Year On

Largo Area Coronavirus Response Team was established in March 2020 to support the community during the pandemic. Here are some of the achievements during this past year.

- Set up a Helpline (0800 999 3465) for those needing help
- Recruited & trained over 100 volunteers to provide a shopping service (Deliver2U) and signposting service (Support2Connect) for those wanting more information.
- Issued regular Bulletins – initially through letterboxes and later by email – providing updates and further information. The response to these demonstrated the need for a community magazine – and you’re reading it now!
- Supported Civic Pride & Wellness by: providing financial support for the Largo community Christmas tree; helping adopt the Upper Largo Telephone Box for primary school projects; working with local people and Happy Beaches to clean up our local area; with Donald & Alison Low, organised two successful Kites for Kids events
- Provided gifts and cards for the residents and staff of Peacehaven Care Home
- Provided funding for Waid Academy & the local primary schools to purchase materials and literacy software
- Established a Support in Times of Need Fund to help residents affected financially by the pandemic

- Provided IT support to help those unfamiliar with digital technology and “virtual” ways of keeping in touch during lockdowns
- Established Largo Friends & Neighbours to support older & vulnerable residents. Currently 12 “befriendees” are benefitting from this service with regular phone calls from trained & vetted volunteers. It’s intended to grow this service in terms of the numbers of befriendees, the use of digital platforms such as Zoom for “virtual” face-to-face befriending, and offering a “Shopping Buddy” scheme

LACRT looks forward to growing and adapting its support over the next year.

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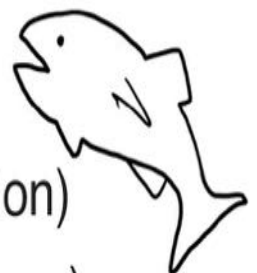
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Largo Bay Sailing Club

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We will still likely commence with informal social sailing (as we did last year) and hope that as time progresses, we can return to racing and eventually re-open our clubhouse. Unfortunately our Open Day is cancelled for the second year running, as is our annual Regatta. The club thought it best not to be actively bringing up to 100 people from other sailing communities into our own – we've been lucky to avoid any major outbreaks of COVID and want to ensure this continues.

Funding has now been sourced to repair the public slipway at the Orry and the funding partners have asked that LBSC be the managing partner for this. We hope works will get started in the coming weeks, including a new set of pedestrian steps with a handrail on the east side of the slipway. Our clubhouse refurbishments continue, with new windows installed and a new winch for the recovery of our safety boat about to happen.

Please get in touch if you'd like to get involved with us when sailing resumes in May.

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Wildlife in Spring

It may not always feel like it, but Spring is well and truly here! At the time of writing, it certainly feels like a slow start to the new season, with chill winds and snow flurries outside!

However, that will not stop the progression of the seasons and the stirring of wild things as nature begins its busiest time of year! Anyone who spends time outside will notice the welcome signs of Spring. The dawn chorus seems louder each day. Listen out for blackbirds, song thrushes, robins, and dunnocks. The beautiful, uplifting song of the skylark can be heard above fields and open spaces and the first of our summer migrants have arrived! Chiffchaff, a species of warbler, is named after its rather simple two-tone song which can now increasingly be heard in gardens, parkland and countryside. Most will have spent the winter in southern climes, though a small but increasing number of birds remain all year. Dazzling white gannets can once more be spotted diving offshore along with the first of the sandwich terns. Smaller creatures are also stirring; queen bumble bees fly low over the ground as they search for nest sites after winter hibernation. Gardeners can help by allowing a small patch of dandelions to flower. These are an important source of nourishment and their flat flower heads allow the heavy and rather clumsy queens to land and feed safely! On still, warm days, you might spot peacock or small tortoiseshell butterflies. Both are species which hibernate as adults through the winter months. More and more wildflowers are coming into bloom, including primrose, celandine and cowslips. Blackthorn is one of the earliest shrubs to flower with its pretty, sparkling white blossom appearing even before its leaves have unfurled. All in all, this truly is a wonderful time to take note of the natural world around us as it fully awakens to the bustle and new life of Spring!

Suzibluejewellery

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Largo Arts Week 2021

(or 2020 if you are buying a T-shirt!)

2021 sees the return of Largo Arts Week. After the frustration of cancelling the 2020 festival the organisers are keen to build upon the success and momentum of the inaugural festival in 2019. Already an amazing 60 artists and makers have signed up to take part in the popular Open Studios event which has exceeded expectations being almost twice the number that took part in 2019.



Participants will exhibit over 34 venues spread across Lower Largo, Lundin Links and Upper Largo. For such a relatively small population it's an impressive level of participation which goes to show the extent of creativity and engagement with the arts we have throughout our community.

Durham Hall in Lower Largo has been kindly offered by Largo Parish Church to serve as a hub throughout Largo Arts Week, hosting performances, talks and exhibitions. Tea and coffee will be on offer throughout the day. This use of Durham Hall will be the first step in a process which hopefully sees the hall become a permanent community hub in parallel with the needs of Largo Parish Church. Throughout the week the community will be consulted and invited to share their thoughts on the future use of the hall.

Largo Communities Together (LCT) will host presentations during the week. These will update the community on the wonderful achievements of LCT and associated community subgroups – one of which is the team which produces this very magazine. The Arts Week is being hosted by Largo Arts who, as a community interest company, aim to bring a taste of Largo Arts Week to the community all year round. A year long trial will see Largo Arts continue to use Durham Hall throughout the year hosting exhibitions, workshops, talks, art & makers markets and live performances.

The Durham Hall will host evening performances by a mix of established and new acts, most of whom have a strong connection with Fife. This year sees the return of Rab Noakes and Withered Hand along with other recognised names. Local, internationally renowned artist, David Mach, will curate a special evening of 'well kent' Fifiers with a mixture of music, comedy and spoken word.

In recognition of the Upper Largo Hotel's support to the community throughout lockdown, Largo Arts will host a charity gig by the Fife bluegrass band, Longway. Donations will go towards upgrading the phone boxes in Lower and Upper Largo for use as community spaces. Our amazing local soprano, Charlotte Whittle, will return for a special performance in the magnificent surroundings of Upper Largo Kirk. A one-off not to be missed.

Spoken word events and workshops will take place in the Largo Library and

Largo Arts Week 2021

(17 July – 25 July)

Community Hub featuring the children's favourite, Leo and the Lightning Dragons, the former Scottish Makar, Liz Lochhead and many more.

Due to ongoing social distancing restrictions, capacity – and therefore ticket allocations – will be reduced. As in 2019, expect most nights to sell out - so be quick when tickets go on sale.

Largo Arts Week 2020 T-shirts will be available to buy shortly (if 2020 is good enough for the Tokyo Olympics and the Euros then it's good enough for LAW!).

The aforementioned phone box in Lower Largo has been adopted by Largo Arts with the assistance of LCT with a view to transforming it into a pop-up gallery. Local sculptor, Alan Faulds, famed for his stunning gates throughout Lower Largo and the iconic Malagan sculpture, has been invited to create a piece of artwork for the phone box. All being well it's hoped that Alan's creation will be unveiled at this year's festival. The official launch of Largo Arts Week will take place at the end of May when full details of the calendar of events will be available on the website www.largoartsweek.com and across the media. Regular updates will be posted on social media.

All in all it's going to be a fantastic week. The sunshine has been booked - so please visit, take part and enjoy.

Andrew Stenson, Director, Largo Arts CIC
info@largoarts.co.uk



A selection of photographs from Largo Arts Week, 2019

Lawview Christian Fellowship

Lawview Christian Fellowship is still enjoying 'interesting' times. The group is still led by Rev Daniel Pollin, Minister of Coastline Community Church along with retired Baptist ministers Rev Frank Murray and Rev Bill Macdonald.

Like so many others Zoom has become a part of our life and we continue to meet each week with its help. Monday mornings are informal and for coffee, Tuesday evenings are for Study and Prayer, led by Bill and Frank and on the last Sunday of each month we meet to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

We are privileged to be able to broadcast Sunday worship, "Here I am to Worship" on radio. In March we had our first anniversary service broadcast on K107fm. Daniel, Frank and Bill along with their wives, Malin, Christine and Morag all took part ... with Keith putting the recordings together seamlessly.

In the past few months we have also been able to broadcast Sunday worship on Phoenix Country Radio and along with K107fm we now have thousands of listeners around the world.

If you would like more information about our activities then please visit our website

www.lawview.online

where you can find our weekly newsletters. Or find us now on Facebook. We look forward to the time when we will be able to return to familiar premises under the new name of "The Aurrie" when we hope to welcome some old and new friends.

April 2021

Your Community Needs You!

President John F Kennedy said:-

Ask not what your country can do for you but what you can do for your country.

If we paraphrase his words for our community this becomes:-

Ask not what your community can do for you but what you can do for your community.

Largo Area Community Council are looking for a new Community Councillor to serve our community.

LACC was established over 40 years ago and exists to serve the interests of the community and to this end works with other community organisations.

The issues range from the pandemic and housing developments to traffic calming, speeding, parking and many other issues.

The community council also monitors planning applications which have a community interest.

Due to an increase in the population of Largo Area, Fife Council have authorized an increase in our complement of community councillors from 11 to 12.

If you reside in Largo Area and have an interest in serving your community please Email or telephone the Chairman of LACC at:-
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Open Gardens

For some time the idea of having an Open Gardens event has been milling around in my mind. During lockdown, I realised that working in my garden has been such a help to my mental wellbeing. How fortunate I am to have a garden and to have had the time to tend it. Having an Open Gardens event would be a way of celebrating the gardens in the area, sharing them with others and perhaps even encouraging new gardeners to have a go. The term 'garden' could be very flexible and include window boxes, doorstep planters, the planters in the villages, community gardens, a front garden viewed from the street. Quite simply a celebration of all things growing.

The purpose of this article is to gauge whether there is any interest in having an Open Garden Event during 2022.

I have discussed this idea with the Chair and a few members of Largo Communities Together, including Largo Arts organiser and folk involved with the village planters and Largo and Newburn Horticultural Society. All are open to the idea. I have no firm idea of any details at the moment, time of year, length of the event etc, and it would be really good to hear what people think about any aspect of this.

If anyone shares this vision and would like to be involved in making it happen then it would be great to hear from you too. (my email and phone number are below)

Yvonne Stephenson

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Homelands

Homelands is a local charity providing high quality accessible holiday accommodation to those with disabilities, life limiting conditions and their carers. We will be reopening our self-catering lodges, in line with Government guidance, on April 26th following a period of enforced closure due to the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic. The Homelands team are delighted to be welcoming guests back, many of whom have struggled enormously through the pandemic due to shielding constraints etc. and are hugely looking forward to their upcoming respite breaks.

Unfortunately, we have no news yet as to when the Paxton Centre will be reopening. The current restrictions mean it is impossible to reopen our Café and treatment rooms at the moment. We hope to reopen as soon as we can but do not believe it will be until much later in the year.

Whilst we have been closed, we have not been idle and have been pushing on with our phase 2 development. We are now in the process of gathering and evaluating tenders from contractors with a view to starting work on the project late Spring / early Summer. This will add 5 more lodges to our estate which will provide fantastic retreats and respite breaks for our guests.

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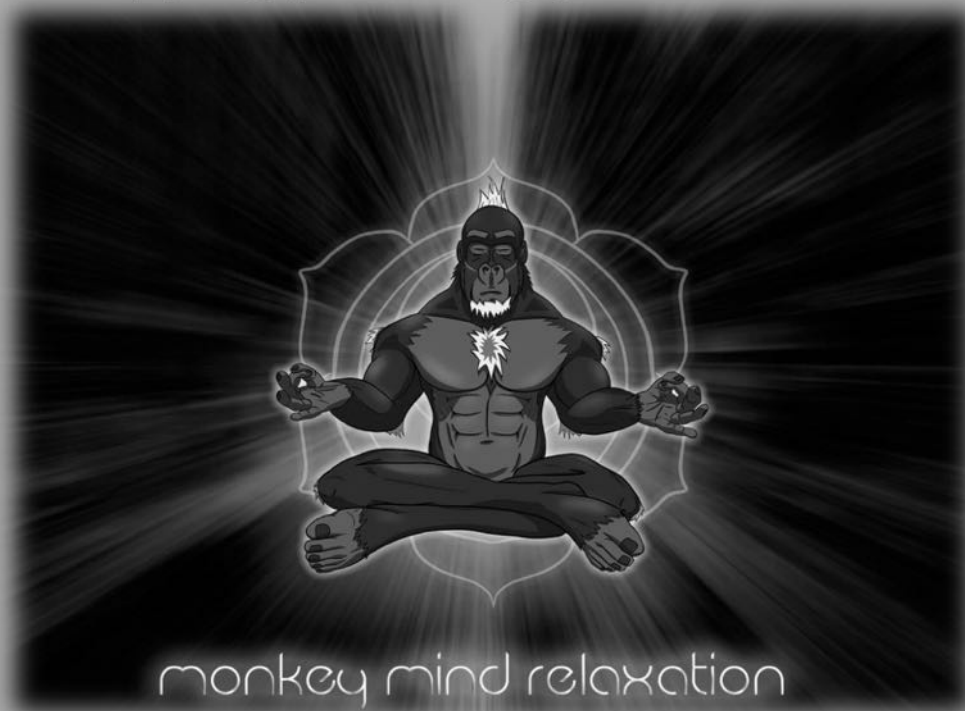
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I am part of a Facebook page created by Morag Small called "Poppies for Lundin Links, Lower and Upper Largo".

Our aim is to create one or more displays for Remembrance Day in our villages. The *Angels of Lundin Links* are kindly sponsoring us by buying our wool and netting.

Should you be willing and able to take part by making poppies or sewing them onto the nets, then please join our Facebook page and/or contact me at

stephie.hendrie@btinternet.com

so I know how much to order. Thank you.

Ferry Cross the Forth

In mid-1830 the *Royal George* carried 8,168 passengers to Dysart, Leven and Largo in a two-month period, as well as 1,181 pleasure trippers who did not land in Fife. In 1831 the *Victory* and *Lady of the Lake* made daily sailings from the Chain Pier (pictured, right, about 1840) to the same destinations. The lowest fare to Largo was 2 shillings. Stagecoach connections were available from there to Anstruther and St Andrews.

Wikipedia

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Largo WRI

It is difficult to predict when we will be able to hold our meetings again as the virus seems to thrive where groups of people gather, especially indoors. We normally do not meet during the holiday months of July and August. However, with the vaccination programme progressing and the reduction in the number of deaths recently and fewer people testing positive, there is some cause for cautious optimism that we could perhaps be able to meet in the autumn, providing, of course, that the Hall's cleaning regulations would also be eased. So let's be patient a little longer and move forward gradually with caution and restraint. Keep smiling and have a good summer. Further information is available from the Secretary:

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An early photograph, called a calotype. Who took it is unknown.

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Puzzle Page

Brainteaser

Professor Sir John Leslie (1766 - 1832) lived in Largo. After his death, his works were bound into three volumes.

Many years later, one of his former students wished to verify something which Sir John had written. He found that a bookworm had eaten all the way from the first page of Volume I to the last page of Volume III.

If there were 512 pages in each volume, then how many pages had this industrious bookworm bored through? And how many covers?



Robinson Crusoe

Find these words hidden in the puzzle

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A Visit to Robinson Crusoe Island

April 9-12, 2019

All my life I have walked past the Crusoe statue in Largo and looked up knowing that he was a distant ancestor. I don't suppose I ever really expected to get the opportunity to actually visit the famous island.

Our daughter Eloise went to Birmingham University to read Modern Languages with Business Management, and part of her studies included working in Paris and Santiago. We therefore took the opportunity to visit Chile in April 2019.

Robinson Crusoe Island is a remote destination. The short runway sits on top of 50m cliffs and flights only take place if conditions allow. Check-in includes weighing passengers.

The 12 seater plane has a flight time of 2.5 hours, you get ear plugs but no toilets.

We landed in good time on this rocky outcrop some 450 miles into the Pacific, collected our bags, loaded them onto a pick-up truck for a 5 mins drive down to the quay at Bahia Padre where a boat awaited to take us to St Juan Bautista.

The boat took 45mins to Cumberland Bay where the monthly supply vessels call with everything needed by the c800 residents.

Our ECO Lodge host Guillermo was wondering

why we were visiting and we were able to explain the Selkirk connection.

We started off by walking around St Juan Bautista, the only settlement on the island. The tsunami in 2010 was devastating and all of the municipal buildings have moved up to higher ground.

Our guide Rosa took us to discover further as well as show us the unique Firecrown hummingbird. However, the highlight of our visit was to climb to *Mirador de Selkirk* (Selkirk's Lookout). The 90 mins walk up to the height of 565m is a bit more strenuous

than climbing Largo Law. Part way up we took a breather at the ruins of Selkirk's cabin.

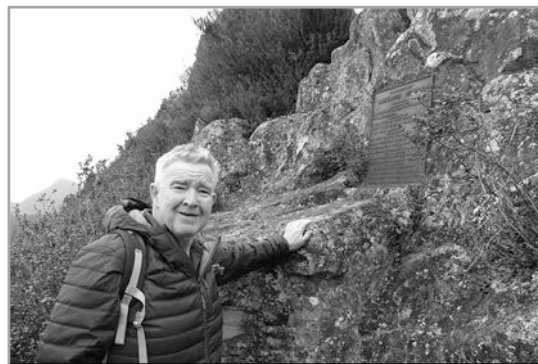
We made it to the top and the plaque recording the stay of 4 years 4 months of Alexander on the island. We had views to St

Juan Bautista one way and to the airport and Isla Santa Clara the other.

There were so many wonderful moments and we were so well looked after. As we left for the boat and our return to Santiago the mayor arrived and presented

me with a very special Diploma in recognition of my visit.

As I walk past the statue now I can see 'Uncle Sandy' looking out from the Mirador.



Ian at the top of Selkirk's Lookout



From the top, overlooking Cumberland Bay

The Simpson Institute



William Galloway



Mrs Galloway



George Simpson

A well-used and much-loved village hall, the Simpson Institute has served the community since the 1890s, but few people now know how it got its name. The following are edited extracts from the original deed of conveyance, dated 1891:

Mrs Janet Simpson or Galloway, widow of Wm Galloway, sometime clothier in Edinburgh, directed in her will that £4,000 be set apart for founding and establishing in Upper Largo an Institution for the social and intellectual recreation and improvement of the inhabitants thereof to be called the Simpson Institute, in memory of her late father, George Simpson, who resided and carried on business in Upper Largo.

The original trustees of the bequest looked for a building and finding nothing suitable they bought land, commissioned Edinburgh architect, Charles Tweedie, and built the hall. The total cost of the building, including books for the library, was £2,374, leaving a surplus which the Trustees invested in 4% loan stocks, now long used up. The hall finances were in a difficult state in the 1950s but now the hall is financially secure for at least the short term. Revenue comes from events organised by the Committee, hall bookings, grants and the rent from the flat upstairs. The hall comprises a main room (good for dances, the horticultural show, parties, talks etc), a good modern kitchen, a small meeting room formerly used as a library, and an upstairs flat which was originally built for a caretaker, but which is now let out.

Mrs Galloway also stipulated in her bequest that portraits of her husband, her father, and herself were to be hung in perpetuity in the hall. Quite large, and not of the best quality, these paintings were indeed hung in the hall for over a hundred years, until their state of decay, assisted by some very poor attempts at restoration, persuaded the committee that the essence of the bequest could best be satisfied by photographs, at greatly reduced size from the originals, of the paintings being displayed in the library /meeting room, where they look very good. They are shown here above this article. The originals are in storage.

Hopefully the Institute will start to be open for use soon.

Editor's Note:

(With thanks to the Vintage Lundin Links blog for the research)

The opening of the Simpson Memorial Institute took place on 8th May, 1891. The *East of Fife Record* stated that after the opening there was a luncheon in the Commercial Hotel, followed by a soiree in the Institute at which every part of the Hall was crowded.

Elsewhere, it notes that the Hall was capable of accommodating fully 300 persons.

We are sure that the present Committee hopes for as many at the reopening of the Hall.

Lundin Bowling Club

By the time you read this the bowling season should be under way. It won't be back to normal as we still must 'social distance' and follow procedures from the governments and Bowls Scotland but at least we will be out on the Green. We would love you to join us no matter what age you are. Coaching is available for all newcomers as well as those who need refreshers. We hope to have the Clubhouse open soon where you will be able to get a cup of tea or coffee after bowling or join in a social evening when the bar will be open. For further information email:

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Hope to see you soon.

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Largo Pier and the Crusoe Hotel

I am sure almost everyone in the villages will be aware that little progress can be made in our objective to restore and renovate Largo Pier until the ownership of the Crusoe Hotel and the Pier is resolved. To this end, we kept in close contact with the Administrators and through them, were introduced to the purchasers of the Crusoe. The building was transferred into their ownership on 5th March. The owners will not operate the Crusoe but are entering into an agreement with an operating partner who intend to run the business as a hotel and restaurant. We are advised that they are people of the highest reputation in the industry who will give the project the attention it deserves. We have also been assured that the wishes of the people of Lower Largo and the surrounding villages must be respected and a harmonious relationship between the Crusoe Hotel and the community will be encouraged.

Negotiations between the owner and the operator continue and it is highly likely that these will be concluded by 1st May, at the latest. In the meantime, we have been asked to respect the confidential nature of these negotiations.

However, our plans for the restoration and renovation of the Pier have been discussed with the new owners and they are fully aware of what we intend to do. As soon as agreement is reached between the owners and their operators, we will meet with them to fully explore the way forward. This is all good news as we lost a great deal of time following the closure of the Crusoe. It subsequently went into administration. However, as you are aware, with the funds which we had raised, we were able to carry out preventative repairs to the Pier in November, 2019 and December, 2020 to ensure there was no further deterioration in its condition.

We very much look forward to a satisfactory agreement being reached with the new owners/operators in regard to the ownership of the Pier which will allow us to move forward with the project and, in particular, applications for grant funding. We will endeavour to keep the villages advised of progress through further articles in *Largo Links* and the LCT website.

Largo Pier Subgroup of LCT

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Countdown

The first page of Vol I and the last page of Vol III are the closest pages to Vol II.
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Brainteaser

Largo Library/Community Hub

We are pleased to announce that Largo Library and Community Hub will reopen on Tuesday 4th May. Please pop in to browse, borrow and return books. We have books and DVDs for sale, printing and photocopying services, free Wi-Fi and local information; and don't forget to collect your free food waste disposal bags. We are happy to accept your good quality book donations and there is a Book World book bank outside the library so you can recycle any unwanted older books.



We can't wait to get started with our popular programme of film nights, evening literary events, Bookbug and Science Saturdays as soon as we are able. We have introduced measures to keep you safe, including hand sanitiser, limiting

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As a family club, of course we also have an active and popular junior section for boys and girls aged 6 and above. Junior training is held on Sunday mornings in April and then Friday evenings from 6pm between May and August.

We are hopeful & optimistic that cricket can return this year and we welcome anyone young and old, experienced or those with an interest to find out more, to come and join us.

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Andy Bonnes: Shop 'Superhero'

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Andy Bonnes, owner of Andy's Store in Lower Largo, received this heart-warming message inside one of nineteen personalised 'thank you' cards from primary 2/3 students at Lundin Mill Primary School.

"Three children came in and said 'thank you for being open during lockdown - we've written you some cards'. It was a lovely surprise actually. I was deeply touched."

Each card was handmade, featuring drawings of Andy and his shop alongside messages of thanks - particularly for keeping the sweets well stocked!

As Andy's Store approaches its 5th birthday later this year, the shop has become a real staple in the village. "I hadn't done anything like this before", Andy admits. "I'm from Bathgate, I lived in Orkney, then Cupar and finally here. I only knew 2 people in the village when I first moved, but the opportunity for the shop came up and I took it. I love it - people are very supportive."

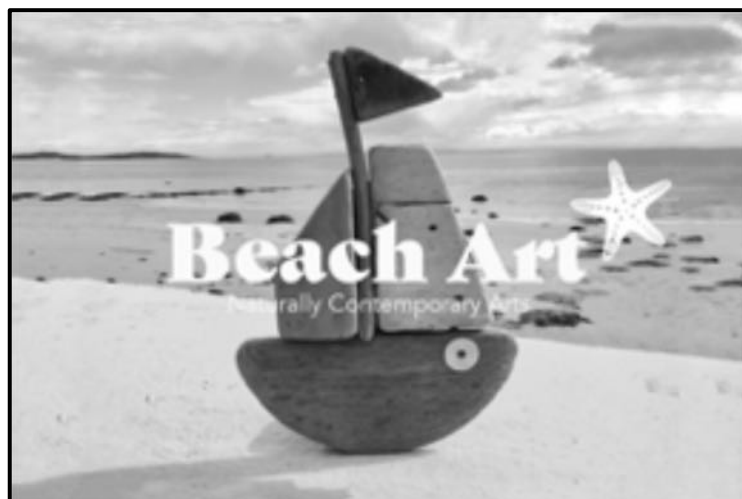
It's easy to see the positive influence

Andy's Store has had on the community; not just from keeping locals supplied with groceries and goods, but also through support for the Levenmouth Foodbank.

"When holidaymakers come into the shop I ask them if they have tins of food they don't want to take home at the end of their stay, drop them off here for the foodbank. A lot of regulars will also buy a tin of soup or beans and pop it in the collection when they're in. It's good that people are using it.

"I get occasional donations (mostly anonymous) of money, which I split into smaller chunks and see what's on offer at the Cash & Carry with a long date on it, then spread the supplies out over a period of time for the Foodbank to use. Alan Ryley does basically all the work at the Foodbank - it's amazing stuff."

As restrictions continue to ease in time for Summer, Andy hopes things will return to normal soon: "I'll be excited once the Railway re-opens and hopefully the Crusoe soon, too. When the sun's out here shining on the water on a calm day, it's an absolutely stunning place to be. We're very lucky to live here.



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We include local field trips, in-house projects, discussion on members' photographs with constructive comments and talks/advice on the use of their cameras. The club also takes part in some small local exhibitions.

Meetings are normally at 7.30pm on a Monday evening in the Simpson Institute, Upper Largo but, like everyone else, this is on hold during Covid. During this time, members have been posting photographs

on our Facebook page. We are now meeting on Zoom and of course we have been providing the cover photographs for the *Largo Links* Magazine. If you would like to know more, contact Ian

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Keeping Levenmouth Safe

As the Community Inspector at Levenmouth, I am charged with overseeing the Policing response to maintaining the welfare and wellbeing of our local communities.

Since landing in Levenmouth as the Community Inspector in January 2020, I have aspired to work closely with the public and our partners to provide a service, which meets needs and expectations.

The COVID-19 pandemic changed my role for a number of months and delayed my plans for engagement.

I am looking forward to working with our partners to implement projects and



initiatives in the area to assist in crime prevention and diverting persons from engaging in criminality. I recognise the need to be innovative and explore alternative ways of preventing crime. I am fortunate to have an experienced Community Policing team, led by Sergeant Craig Fyall. Constables Gordon Latto and Steven Hathaway are the Community officers for the Largo Links area. Both officers have years of experience in policing and go above and beyond to provide an effective service.

I would encourage everyone to contact my team if they would like to discuss any aspect of Policing in Largo Links, via online links from the Police Scotland website, by giving us a call on 101, or indeed calling into Levenmouth Police Station.

Paul Gillespie, Community Inspector

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| LACRT Helpline | 0800 999 3465 | Leven Health Centre (Drs Page, McDonald/ Stevenson) | 01333 432 555 |
| Local Shops and Businesses: | | National Domestic Abuse Helpline | 0808 2000 247 |
| Zaphar's Premier Store | 01333 320 851 | National Emergency <i>Fire, Police, Ambulance</i> | 999 |
| Stuart's of Buckhaven | 01333 320 213 | NHS 24 (includes Mental Health Hub) | 111 |
| Blacketyside Farm Shop+ Meals | 01333 423 034 | Over 50's Help | 0800 1244 222 |
| Archer's Fish | 01333 329 850 | Psychological Services/Emotional Wellbeing of children | 01592 583 349 |
| Lundin Links Pharmacy | 01333 320 274 | Samaritans. | 116123 |
| All above are currently delivering | | | |
| Andy's Store (Text) | 07754 329 042 | Scottish Gov. Business Helpline | 0300 244 4000 |
| (Shop) | 01333 329 237 | Scottish Welfare Fund | 0300 5550 265 |
| Allan Moncrieff Alarms | 01333 320 075 | SAMH mental health (not crisis) | 0344 800 0550 |
| Coates IT Consulting | 01333 329 118 | Scoonie Medical Practice and Lundin Links Branch | 01333 432 588 |
| Donaldson and Son Joiners & Undertakers | 01333 360 228 | Universal Credit Helpline | 0800 328 5644 |
| Headrush, Upper Largo | 01333 360 437 | Women's Aid-Fife | 0808 802 5555 |
| Hillhouse Boarding Cattery | 01333 360 582 | Women's Aid-Scottish | 0800 027 1234 |
| Jane's at Nineteen | 01333 320 266 | Council & Utilities Helpline Numbers: | |
| Martha Watt Podiatry | 07909 964 898 | Fife Council | 03451 550 000 |
| Mercury Motorsport | 01333 320 158 | Fife Social Work | 03451 551 503 |
| Monturpie Guest House & Caravan Park | 01333 360 254 | Fife Housing Register Emergency Accommodation. | 03451 550 033 |
| Old Manor Hotel | 01333 329 368 | Fife Council (Roadworks & Emergencies and out of hours) | 03451 550 011 03451 550 099 |
| Penny & Black | 01333 320 415 | Fife Rent issues | 03451 550 044 |
| The Finishing Touch | 01333 320 956 | Utilities Helpline Numbers: | |
| The Studio | 01333 320 174 | Electricity Emergency | 0800 092 9290 |
| Upper Largo Hotel | 01333 360 347 | National Gas Helpline | 0800 111 999 |
| Upper Largo Chandlery | 01333 360 217 | National Power Cut Helpline (from a mobile) | 105 |
| Vintage Barber, Lundin Links | 07562 390 361 | Scottish Power | 0800 027 0072 |
| Woodland Gardens Caravan and Camping Site | 01333 360 319 | Scottish Water Emergencies | 08000 788 788 |
| Medical and Mental Health Helpline Numbers: | | SEPA Floodline | 0345 988 1188 |
| Age Scotland Helpline: <i>Confidential service for older people, carers and families. Call free</i> | 0800 12 44 222 | Politicians, Councillors, Churches | |
| Breathing Space (<i>low mood/anxiety</i>) | 0800 83 85 87 | MPs / MSPs | |
| Carers UK | 0808 808 7777 | Wendy Chamberlain, MP | 01334 656 361 |
| Childline UK | 0800 1111 | Jenny Gilruth, MSP | 01592 764 815 |
| Citizens Advice and Rights, Fife. | 0345 1400 095 | Local Councillors: | |
| Community Police and Police Scotland | 101 | David Alexander (Co-Leader Fife Council) | 01592 764 815 / 03451 555555 Ext 490127 |
| Cosy Kingdom: Telephone advice service for any energy billing or supplier issues | 01592 807 930 | Colin Davidson | 07864 619 335 |
| Covid 19 Community Helpline | 0800 952 0330 | Graham Ritchie | 01334 828 969 |
| Deaths/Still Births Registrations | 0345 155 0099 | Alistair Suttie | 07515 289 170 |
| East Neuk Emergency Planning Team (ENCEPT) | 0800 999 6543 | Alternative number for Councillors | 03451 555 555 Ext 44232 |
| Fire and Rescue | 01224 728 600 | Local Churches: | |
| Fife Covid 19 Helpline | 0800 952 0330 | Largo Parish Church | 01333 320 850 |
| Gingerbread Lone parent Helpline | 01592 725 210 | St Agatha's & St Giles RC | 01333 423 809 |
| Levenmouth Police Station | 0845 600 5702 | St Margaret's Episcopal Church | 01333 426 609 |
| Levenmouth Foodbank | 07966 502 854 | Coastline Baptist Church (Pittenweem) | 01333 312 041 |

Websites / email addresses

Largo Area Coronavirus Response Team Largo Communities Together

LACRT@largocommunitiestogether.co.uk
www.largocommunitiestogether.co.uk

Social, Health & Information:

Citizens Advice

www.cabfife.org.uk / www.citizensadvice.org.uk

Fife Council Coronavirus advice

covid.communityhelpline@fife.gov.uk

Fife Health and Social Care

www.fifehealthandsocialcare.org

Fife Voluntary Action/Helping Hands

www.fva.org

information on volunteering, prescription delivery, pandemic support & shielding

Health Guidelines and Status

www.nhsinform.scot/coronavirus

Helpline Money & Benefits advice

www.fife.gov.uk/moneyadvice

NHS

www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/mental health

Over 50's Help

www.ageuk.org.uk

HEALTH Websites Relating to self

Advice for businesses.

findbusinesssupport.gov.scot

Cosy Kingdom

info@cosykingdom.org.uk

Fife Health/Social Care Partnership

www.fifehealthandsocialcare.org/

Impact of coronavirus on Fife's hospital and clinical services

coronavirus.nhsfife.org/

NHS Inform – Coronavirus advice

www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/mental health

SAMH -about mental health

www.samh.org.uk/

Scottish Government

www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/

Young Scot

www.young.scot/campaign/national/coronavirus

Utilities/Council Websites

Fife Council

https://www.fife.gov.uk/

Fife website has links to forms, helplines and information on bins/waste and recycling and business rates

Bin Collections for your area

Fife.gov.uk/bin calendar

Tradesmen: Community Police recommend using:

www.trustedtrader.scot

MPs / MSPs

Wendy Chamberlain MP

Wendy.Chamberlain.mp@parliament.uk

Jenny.Gilruth.MSP

Jenny.Gilruth.msp@parliament.scot

Defibrillators can be found at the following locations:

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| Largoward | Village Hall - 25 St Andrews Road (A915) KY9 1HZ |
| Lower Largo | Andy's Store KY8 6BW |
| Lower Largo | Durham Hall KY8 6DL |
| Lundin Links | Lundin Golf Clubhouse KY8 6BA |
| Lundin Links | Lundin Golf Club Greenkeepers Shed, Links Road |
| Lundin Links | Homelands Trust KY8 6AT |
| Lundin Links | Stuarts the Bakers KY8 6AQ |
| Lundin Links | Lundin Bowling Club, Largo Road KY8 6AH |
| New Gilston & Woodside | Village Hall, KY8 5TF |
| Upper Largo | Simpson Institute, KY8 6EN |



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