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Dear Friends,

Please accept my apologies that I have not written a proper letter this month. Many of you will be aware that my father, Rev Clifford Strong died in Ninewells Hospital, Dundee on 21st September. I spent a good chunk of last week in the hospital and will now be off until after the funeral.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the congregation for their love and support to our family at this time.

God bless!

Colin A. Strong

Parish Register

Funeral Mrs Nancy Mathewson 18/09/19

“The Scots Night”

Fenwick Church’s annual event will be held in the Church Hall on Saturday 23rd November at 7.30pm. A meal with a Scottish flavour will be followed by entertainment by Linton McMillan.

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Fenwick Church Guild

Our first meeting of the 2019/2020 season was held on Tuesday 24th September. Instead of our usual entertainment evening we had a quiz set by the Church of Scotland Tear Fund to help them raise funds and as a result we will be able to send them £150.00.

The Sunday Afternoon Tea held on the 8th September was really enjoyed by all (I think). Our grateful thanks go to all who helped in any way especially the bakers and our two young musicians Eva and Olivia.

As a result we are able to give to the Church £1500.00 towards the cost of the new heating system which will benefit us all and we will still be able to support our favourite charities.

The October meeting is Douglas Wilson telling us about the Glasgow Children's Holiday Scheme. That's on the 29th October at 7.30pm Subs may be paid up and also book your Christmas Dinner (It surely can't be that time again !)

Hope to see all our old members again and any new ladies who would like to join us

HAPPINESS IS

FENWICK BOOK GROUP

Next Meeting

Thursday 3rd October 2019 at 7.30pm

Church Hall upper room

Come along and join the group for a light hearted discussion on the likes and dislikes of the storyline/characters/author of the chosen book, and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and cake.

Meetings 1st Thursday of every month

3rd October 2019	6th February 2020
7th November 2019(cancelled due to Gardening Event)	5th March 2020
5th December 2019	2nd April 2020
Winter Break	7th May 2020
	4th June 2020

For more information please call Susan on 01560 485439 or Janette on 01560 600540



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Our new Charity Shop in Brown Street in Stewarton is now open. We would like to thank everyone who has supported us with help and generous donations. We are working hard to make this a success and we are still looking for volunteers, ongoing donations and new customers. We would also welcome any suggestions of local charities who should receive a share of our profits.

The Shop is open every day except Sunday, we look forward to seeing you soon.

For more information, to make a donation or to volunteer please contact Susan on 01560 485439, Janette on 01560 600540 or Irene on 01560 600520

CRAFT CAFÉ

Monday 7th October

Fenwick Church Halls 2.30 – 4.00pm

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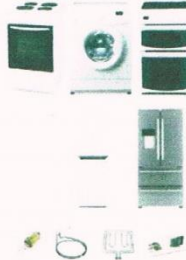
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Fenwick Bowling Club

We have now closed for the season. Both sections got lovely days and members enjoyed their final games. The prize winners were as follows. Ladies - Wappenschaw winner Jean Murdoch; r/u Catherine McInnes: Triers Trophy winner Carole Mills; r/u Rosemary Hope: Jubilee Cup winner Janette Weadon; r/u Catherine McInnes: Nominated Triples winners Catherine McInnes, Agnes Land and Marilyn Morton: r/u Donna Elliott, Ann Campbell and May Templeton: Nominated Pairs winners Morag Auld and Rosemary Hope; r/u Karen Lamont and Janette Weadon: Jenny Irons singles winner Catherine McInnes; r/u Elsie Notman: Club Triples winners Morag Auld, Grace Freel and Catherine McInnes; r/u Karen Lamont, Jean Murdoch and Mary Hepburn: Club pairs winners Elsie Notman and Marilyn Morton; r/u Ann Campbell and Catherine McInnes: Championship singles winner Janette Weadon; r/u Donna Elliott. Senior mixed pairs winners Catherine McInnes and Jack Wells; r/u Elsie Notman and Jim Steele.

Gents senior Wappenschaw winner Gordon Steele: Monday night wappenschaw winner John Logan; r/u John O'Rourke: Tom Donald pairs winner George McCulloch and Tom Paterson; r/u John O'Rourke and John Logan: Triers singles winner John Boyle; r/u George McCulloch: Silver jack winner John Boyle; r/u Jim Shanks: Club rinks winners Derek Lamont, John Black, Matt Auld and Douglas Shanks; r/u John O'Rourke, Alan Slater, George McCulloch and Hugh Morton: Club triples winners Hector Barrie, Alan Dickerson and Jim Steele; r/u Roy Rutherford, Ian Gibson and Hugh Morton: Club pairs winners Derek Lamont and Tom Paterson; r/u Jim Shanks and Alan Dickerson: Nominated pairs winners Derek Lamont and Matt Auld; r/u Ian Gibson and Allan Blair: Senior singles winner George McGavin; r/u Derek Lamont: President's prize winner Douglas Shanks; r/u Derek Lamont: Singles champion Douglas Shanks; r/u John Logan.

The club had a successful time at the Champion of Champion at Kilmaurs. Douglas Shanks won the Singles and Tom Paterson and Jim Shanks won the Pairs Hector Barrie, Alan Dickerson and Jim Steele were runners up in the Triples. Fenwick also won the Lockart Trophy against Dunlop, Stewarton and Kilmaurs At the ladies competition Janette Weadon was the singles runner up and the triples team of Morag Auld, Jean Murdoch and Catherine McInnes were also runners up.

The whist drives begin again in October, Thursday 3rd at 2pm and Saturday 12th at 7.30pm, both in the clubhouse. If you are a beginner, come along on the Thursday and help will be given, but everyone is welcome on both dates.



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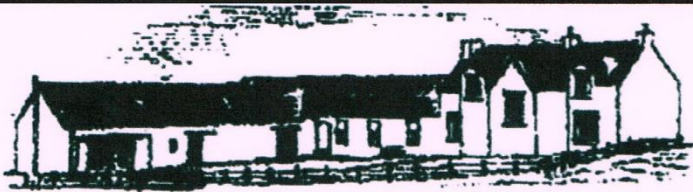
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FENWICK GARDEN CLUB

Finally, after months of plotting and planning on the QT - the secret is out!!

On Thursday 07 November 2019, in the Church Hall, we will have our very own version of Gardeners' Question Time. The Panel of Experts will consist of Jim McColl – retired co-presenter of Beechgrove Garden, Alan Burns – Spott Nursery Stewarton and Brian Young – Holmes Farm Plants.

This event will only work if we have valid, interesting garden-related questions for the Panel, so please get your thinking caps on and help to make this a great success. If at all possible, bring your delinquent plant(s) along with you – it's for their own good!

This will be a ticketed event and the doors will open at 6.00pm. Ticket price is £15.00. Obviously, due to the size of the hall, there will be a limited number of seats so get your order in early. A maximum of two tickets per applicant can be accommodated at this time.

Complimentary savoury snacks and refreshments will be available before the fun begins with everyone seated for a 7.00pm start.

Raising funds for Perennial - the horticultural trade charity. Helping horticulturists in need – founded in 1839 www.perennial.org.uk

If you would like further information, please contact any of the Club Officers listed below:

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FENWICK GARDEN CLUB

September Meeting The second meeting of our 2019/2020 session took place on 19 September. The speaker, Matthew Heasman an amateur gardener with wide and varied experience on just about everything gave us an entertaining insight into the care and propagation of rhododendron and azaleas in our gardens.

Fenwick Gardeners' Question Time We have had a good response to the sale of tickets for our exciting special event – Fenwick Gardeners' Question Time, featuring Jim McColl of Beechgrove Garden fame. The event will take place in the Church Hall on 07 November. Doors open at 6pm, complimentary savoury snacks and refreshments will be available before the fun begins with everyone seated for 7pm. If you would like to purchase tickets for this event, please contact any of the Club Officers listed below:

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Open Gardens 2020 As part of the Scottish Garden Scheme the wheels are in motion for Fenwick Gardens Open Day on 04 July 2020. We are on the lookout for gardens to open their gates to visitors. There are no limitations – be your garden large or small, formal or rustic we would be delighted to hear from you; your garden could be the one to inspire others. If you would like further information about this please contact either Kim Donald on 07836 583546/ e-mail kd581@aol.com or Sandra Macpherson on 07842 577455/ e-mail sandra.macpherson@hotmail.com.

October Our next meeting will be in the Church Hall on Thursday 17 October 2019 when the speaker will be David Knott, Curator of Living Collections at the Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh.

November Dates We have a very busy month in November. As well as **Fenwick Gardeners' Question Time** on 7 November, we have a 'hands on' tutorial by Jean Brown on how to create your own **Christmas Wreaths and Arrangements** on our usual Club night of 28 November. Visitors are very welcome to join us at this event (more information next month). We also have two stalls on **Fenwick Market Day** on 23 November and details of some of the items for sale will be in the next edition of the Covenanter.

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WELCOME BACK TO OUR SATURDAY MOVIE NIGHTS

We are starting off with a famous old black and white film – CASABLANCA.
Please make an effort to come along, and maybe even bring a friend or friends!

The dates we have arranged so far for 2019 are as follows:-

SATURDAY, 5th October
SATURDAY, 16th November
SATURDAY, 14th December

All starting at 7pm

There will be a Christmas movie for children of all ages on Sunday, 22nd
December probably starting at 2pm but the time will be confirmed later

I hope you have put all of these dates in your diary.

ENTRY TO ALL MOVIES IS FREE

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THE DROP-IN CAFÉ

The Drop-in Café had its last meeting on 12th September. We have had a very enjoyable year, although numbers are down on previous years. There was plenty of chat, and lots of tea and coffee and home baking to keep us going, thanks to all our hostesses.

From donations received we were able to send cheques of £150 to three chosen charities: Alzheimers Scotland, the Ayrshire Hospice, and Muscular Dystrophy Research.

Sheena and I would like to thank all our hostesses, everyone who brought books for the Book Exchange, those who helped wash dishes and clear up, and the Kirk Session for allowing us use of the hall free of charge; but a special big THANK-YOU to everyone who came and supported us. See you next year!

Sheena Greer and Irene Couper

COME FOR COFFEE



IT'S FOR MACMILLAN

Be part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning and help raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Support.

Where? Fenwick Church Hall

When? Saturday, 12 October

Time? 10.30am – 12.30pm

Cost? Adults: £2.50, Under 5: Free, 5-12 year olds: £1.50

What better way to spend a few hours on a Saturday morning than to sit down, relax, have a cuppa, enjoy home baking and a good old natter with friends and neighbours.

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FENWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Fenwick Community Council held their first meeting after the summer recess on Wednesday 18th September.

We were pleased to welcome Sgt. Roy Williams who introduced us to Inspector Jason Peter. Inspector Peter has recently taken over responsibility for our Locality Policing team and brings with him a wealth of experience from his time with Locality Policing in North Ayrshire. During the period 14th June to 13th September there were seven incidents of theft and two incidents of breach of the peace in the Fenwick area. Both Inspector Peter and Sgt. Williams encouraged residents to report any suspicious activity by phoning 101. They really want to hear from you as anything you report may well add to a bigger picture. Please don't think you are wasting police time. Due to the recent heightened activity, there has been some interest in holding a community meeting with the Locality Policing team to look at advice for home security and the benefits of Neighbourhood Watch. This would be a great opportunity to get to know your local officers and we will publish a date for this as soon as possible.

It was reported that the Community Council had requested the opportunity to be consulted on the "Planning in Principle" planning application for the proposed development at Stewarton Road. There was considerable discussion and our comments have now been submitted for consideration. Full details of the planning application are available on the EAC website under planning reference 15/0528/PPP. By the time of publication, the Community Council application for a cycle shelter on the A77 slip road will also have been re-submitted.

On 16th September, Nick Lobnitz and Irene Wilson met with Fraser Smith, Stagecoach; Kerr Chalmers, Ayrshire Roads Alliance, Cllr. McFadzean and Louise Hughes, Vibrant Communities to discuss the Community's ongoing concerns about safe access to the X77 bus service. Kerr Chalmers has agreed to instigate a study and report on how access could be improved. He is aware that this is a key priority for the village and would expect to report back before the end of the year.

There is considerable housing development proposed for Monkton within the next few years and Fraser Smith reported that it would be Stagecoach's intention for the X77 to serve Monkton in approximately two years' time, at which point the more frequent X76 would switch to serve Fenwick.

He has also agreed to look at the option of the No. 4 service stopping at the X77 stop. This would allow residents to access the express service via the No. 4 and, should the X77 be full, it would at least allow passengers to get the No. 4 without changing stops. In line with this, he will also review how the current ticketing structure can be simplified.

We are delighted to report that the Community Council is again back up to full strength with Maryann Dempsey and Peter Steel being enthusiastically and unanimously co-opted to the Community Council. Going forward, our meetings will be held in the (small) Fulton Hall on the second Wednesday of the month with the next meeting being held on Wednesday 9th October at 7.30pm. Please come along, we'd love to hear your views and have your support.

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DAY/DATE	HALL	TIME	EVENT
<i>Sundays:</i> All	Both	10.15 – 12noon	Junior Church/Creche
<i>Mondays:</i> 7, 21, 28 7 ALL	Guthrie Paton Paton	9.30m- 11.30am 2.30 – 4pm 6.30 – 8.30pm	Mothers & Toddlers Craft Café Basic Sign Language Class
<i>Tuesdays:</i> ALL 29	Guthrie Paton	6.30 – 8.30pm 7.30 – 10pm	Weight Watchers Guild
<i>Wednesdays:</i> 2, 9, 23, 30 2, 9. 23, 30 2	Guthrie Paton/Guthrie Paton	9.30 – 11.30am 5.30 – 9pm 2 – 4pm	Badminton Rainbows & Brownies Fulton Club
<i>Thursdays:</i> 3, 10, 24, 31 3 3 10 17 31	Guthrie Upper Paton Guthrie Guthrie Both	9.30 – 11.30am 7 – 9.30pm 7.30 – 9pm 7 – 10pm 7.30 – 9.30pm 5 – 8.30pm	Mothers & Toddlers Book Group Fenwick WI Fenwick WI Fenwick Garden Club School Halloween Party
<i>Fridays:</i> 4, 11, 25 11 18	Guthrie Guthrie Both	6.30 – 9pm 10.30 – 3.30 6 – 11pm	BB Quilting Class Moscow WI Whist
<i>Saturdays:</i> 5 5 12 19	Both Guthrie Both Both	10am – 5pm 6.30 – 9pm 9am – 2pm 10am – 2pm	Covenanters Association AGM Family Film Show Macmillan Coffee Morning Children's Birthday Party

** At 23.09.19. Bookings taken after this date not shown.

To enquire about booking the halls, please phone Irene Couper (01560 600520), or email at irenecouper@btinternet.com

Light Up Fenwick - Christmas Window Walk and Lantern Procession

The nights are drawing in and there's a definite chill in the air. It's time to start thinking about getting your windows ready for the Fenwick Christmas Window Walk!

Last year's inaugural event was a huge success. We were overwhelmed by creativity and variety, ranging from Nativity scenes, to toy shop dioramas, silhouettes, tissue paper stained glass, sparkling lights and even an appearance by the Grinch! We can't wait to see what creations you come up with this year.

For event information, photos and step by step instructions to make your own tissue stained glass and lanterns, go to

www.facebook.com/FenwickChristmasWindowWalk

If you plan to decorate your windows for November 30th, please sign up so we can add your house to the map. If you participated last year, please sign up again as we will not automatically re-register you.

To sign up, either email your name and address to corrinne.taylor@gmail.com or complete the slip below and drop it off at 64 Main Road, Fenwick, KA3 6DU.

Please feel free to stop by with any questions about the event.

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Fenwick Christmas Window Walk - Saturday 30/11/19

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Church Duties October & November 2019

Beadles

October

6 W McNab
13 J Logan
20 D Barbour
27 A Crosbie

November

3 K Wadsworth
10 AN Other
17 W McNab
24 J Logan

Finance Team

October

T Geddes
K Geddes
M Anderson

November

J Douglas
M Morton
F McKellar

Welcome Team

October

M Young
G Watt
K Crawford

November

S Murray
F Gibson
M Anderson

Bible Readings

October

6 Kevin Wadsworth
Derek Mason
13 Ann Campbell
Pat Wilson
20 Gerry McGeever
George Seaton
27 Stephanie Young
Irene Couper

November

3 Mary Tedford
Gordon Watt
10 Kevin Wadsworth
Shona Crosbie
17 Martha Speirs
Simon Young
24 Alastair Naismith
John Douglas

Prayers

October

6 Stephanie Youg
13 Gerry McGeever
20 Ann Campbell
27 Alastair Naismith

November

3 Mark Young
10 George Seaton
17 Sandy Scott
24 Anne Naismith

Flowers

October

6 HARVEST
13 Annie Tivendale
20 Mary Tedford
27 Jean Brown

November

3 Rose Davis
10 Ann Campbell
17 Frances Gibson
24 Marilyn Morton

Crèche

October

6 Martha Speirs & Catherine McInnes
13 Marilyn Morton & Isobel Wotherspoon
20 Jean Bowes & Nan Tivendale
27 Manuela Barbour & Martha Speirs

November

3 Catherine McInnes & Marilyn Morton
10 Isobel Wotherspoon & Jean Bowes

Tea And Coffee After Service

October

6 Jean Bowes & Marilyn Morton
13 Irene Couper & Mary Tedford
20 John Douglas & Lynn Smith
27 Anne Borthwick & Senga Loudon

November

3 Rose Davis & Syllvia Murray
10 Janet Park & Susanne Young

Moscow SWI

Our first speaker of the new session was Leanne Cairns who has developed her own millinery business over the last few years. She brought along a wide selection of her hats and fascinators and explained how she had begun in millinery and how her business has developed to include hiring out her hats and remodelling and reviving old hats. Leanne also talked about the practicalities of making hats from the physical work of stretching out the material to the delicate art of making silk flowers for the hats. Leanne patiently answered all our questions and we enjoyed looking at the headwear afterwards.

Competition results:- favourite hat , 1 Mary Montgomerie, 2 Nancy Anderson, 3 Helen Green, article beginning with the letter “U”, 1 Mary Montgomerie, 2 Nancy Anderson, 3 Elsie Notman.

Hostesses Rosie Pensom and Rosie Morris produced lovely sandwiches and cups of tea and an effusive vote of thanks was given by Mai Lawrence.

The October meeting will be in the Hogg hall, Galston, on Monday 7th October when Rachel McTavish will speak on “life as a presenter at STV”. The competitions will be:- favourite brooch and an article beginning with “W”.

Moscow SWI held their annual coffee evening for Guide Dogs for the Blind at Fenwick hall on Monday 9th September. It was a very successful evening with home baking and bottle stalls as well as a raffle. Guests of honour were Robert Blackwood and his guide dog Jasper.

Myra Seton, Moscow WRI President, handed over a cheque for £800 to Mr Blackwood who thanked the Rural for our continued success in fund raising over the years. This is the 50th coffee evening run by Moscow SWI and in that time we have raised over £25,000 for Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Vice President Mai Lawrence thanked everyone for attending and contributing to a delightful evening.

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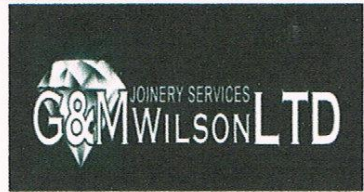


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