

BLAIRLOGIE BUGLE

Your Window on the Village and the Logie Community July 2015
Blairlogie, Cotkerse, Gogar, Manor, Powis and Witches Craig

Whither the Reading Room – Part Two

A small group continues with the work of merging the activities and property of the Reading Room with the Blairlogie Community and Heritage Trust. The drive behind this is to ensure the continued existence of the Reading Room as a centre for leisure and cultural activities in the community and to simplify the management arrangements. The detailed legal work is led by Mary Maxwell-Irving and the Chair of the Trust is Gordon Adams. The Interim Committee of the Reading Room will meet at the end of the summer break to plan the autumn and winter activities.



What Next?

The annual village barbeque will take place on Saturday 8th August, starting at 6.30pm or whenever people care to show up! A large gas barbeque will be in place, but feel free to bring a charcoal one for those who prefer it. Bring your own food and drink and enjoy a good evening with neighbours old and new. The weather will be what it is but a retreat to the hall has been known in the past.

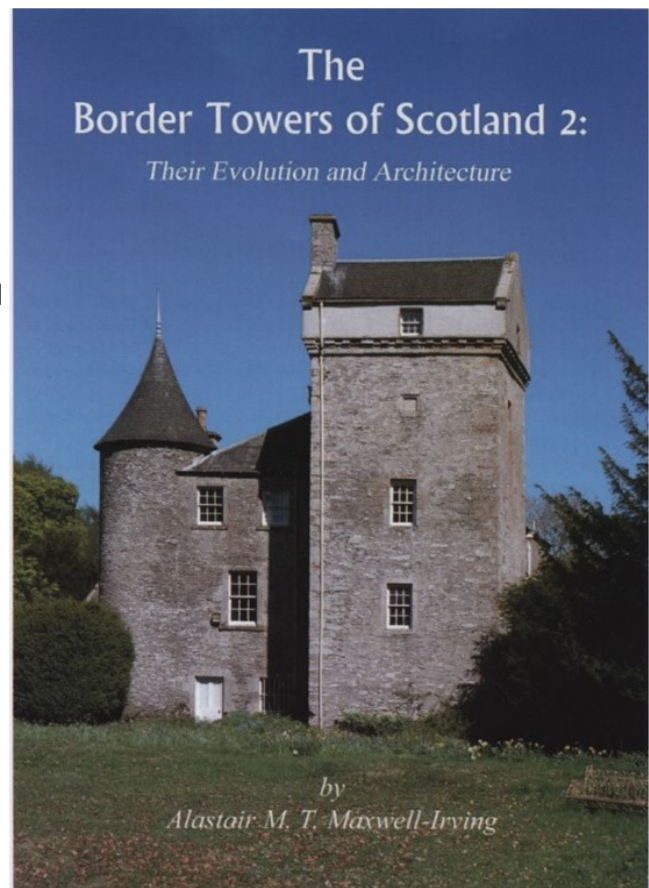
Blairlogie Author - A Piece of History

Alastair Maxwell-Irving has recently published volume two of his momentous reference work on the Border Towers.

This has been a lifetime interest for Alastair and volume two encompasses fifteen years of painstaking and detailed work. Volume One was a sell out and hard back copies are now difficult to find.

The book has 494 A4 pages and more than 1650 illustrations many from measured plans old pictures and drawings. The initial print run is limited to 500 hardback copies which will without doubt become scarce in due course.

For anyone with an interest in how the towers and castles of the Scottish Borders evolved from the violent medieval years to this day, this book is a great read and can be purchased from the author.



Logie Charity News

Strathcarron Hospice Support Event

At 10am on Saturday the 26th September Una Bryce will run another Coffee Morning in support of Strathcarron Hospice. Una says that all donations of baking and help will be gratefully accepted but if you could let her know in advance exactly what you plan to donate by way of baking etc that would avoid an excessive amount of leftovers. Also the event will be an opportunity for anybody who wishes to exhibit or sell arts and crafts.

A Recent Blairlogie Charity Event

On Saturday 4th of July, Mhairi Fergusson hosted a Cupcake Afternoon tea at Redcarr House with generous help from the Blairmains Farm Shop and Coffee Bothy. This event was to help raise vital funds for the Muir Maxwell Trust, a Scottish paediatric charity which aims to increase awareness about epilepsy and its impact on family life. It gives practical support, including the provision of life-saving night time seizure alarms to children with epilepsy and their families.

Mhairi said "The Event was a great success and we were delighted that the sum of £3,400 was raised for a very worthwhile charity. I would like to thank everyone who generously contributed to the afternoon, and hope all those who came along enjoyed themselves despite the weather".

Mhairi has campaigned to raise awareness of the condition since being diagnosed herself with epilepsy at the age of 13 and has spoken widely at events across Scotland.

This year Mhairi is a top ten finalist in the Miss Scotland competition and says her main objective is to act as a positive role model for young girls across Scotland. She hopes to inspire other young women to strive for success and follow their dreams, no matter how big and no matter how many obstacles they may face along the way.

To support Mhairi or for information, visit

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Mhairi-Fergusson-Top-Ten-Miss-Scotland-2015/1440344279606200>

Mhairi Fergusson Charity Ambassador



News from the Community Council

The next meeting of Logie CC will be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 28th July and details for this meeting have been previously circulated. It is hoped that one of the Stirling District Councillors will be present and able to explain the implications of the Community Empowerment Act, presently progressing through the Holyrood Parliament.

The CC Treasurer Tom Cox has obtained a grant of £300 with a view to improving communications within the community, including improvements to the Bugle. Suggestions about how to spend this grant could be raised at the CC meeting.

And finally, this would be a good point to have a new editor for the Bugle as the present editor has been doing it for a long time.



I'm holding a Coffee Morning to raise money for Macmillan

When

10:00AM on 26 September 2015

Where

Reading Room
Blairlogie
Stirling
FK9 5PX

From

Una Bryce

RSVP

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If you can't come but would still like to give a donation to Macmillan just text CUPCAKE to 70550 (one text=£5) Texts cost £5 plus network charge. Macmillan will receive 95p of every £1 donated in this way. Obtain bill payer's permission first. Or phone 0845 074 2606 to make a donation.

Or go to <http://macmillan.org.uk/coffee>

