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# CRAIL MATTERS

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*Crail, The Jewel of the East Neuk*

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**Kingsbarns  
Hidden  
Gardens**

**Sunday 22nd July  
12 noon- 5.00 pm**

**Tickets and map £4.00  
from Kingsbarns Square  
Children free  
Plant Sale, Book Stall, Gifts, Quiz  
Refreshments in the gardens, for a  
donation to CHAS**

**In aid of Children's Hospices Across Scotland  
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## Letters to the Editor

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Dear Sirs

I hope I am writing to the correct organisation but I am just back from holidays in Scotland and visited Crail twice. You must and should be so proud of your town. It is spotlessly clean, absolutely stunning and your cafes, pottery etc were all so welcoming. The people are friendly and warm and I really didn't want to leave. I come from a coastal town in Dublin called Howth and we could learn a lot from you. We don't even have working public toilets in our town which is packed full of visitors all summer long and we have a major litter problem. Well done to you all - you do a fantastic job. Many thanks.

*Heather (Traynor)*

## Fife Coast & Countryside Trust

Fife coast and Countryside Trust urge those taking advantage of the good weather to consider the following: **FIRE RISK - CRITICAL** Fire risk on sites is now regarded as critical by Scottish Natural Heritage, Forestry Commission Scotland and other Land Management Organisations. Please think carefully before lighting fires and BBQ's in the countryside and dune areas near beaches.

## Community Council Elections

An election for membership of Crail Community Council will be held on Thursday 4 October. The election timetable is:  
*Publication of Notice of Election* Not later than the 41st day before the day of election – Friday 24 August 2018  
*Submission of nomination papers* Not later than 4.00 p.m. on the 28th day before the day of election – Thursday 6 September 2018  
*Publication of Statements as to Persons Nominated* Not later than 4.00 p.m. on the 23rd day before the day of election – Tuesday 11 September 2018  
*Submission of Notice of Withdrawals of Candidature* Not later than 4.00 p.m. on the 20th day before the day of election – Friday 14 September 2018  
*Notice in case of uncontested election and Notice of Poll in contested election* Not later than the sixth day before the day of election – Friday 28 September 2018  
*Polling* (Return of postal votes by 4 p.m.) Thursday 4 October 2018  
Please note that, if required for contested elections, the count will be held on Friday 5 October 2018. The votes at the poll will be by postal ballot and the result will be ascertained by counting the votes given to each candidate.

## Scam alert.

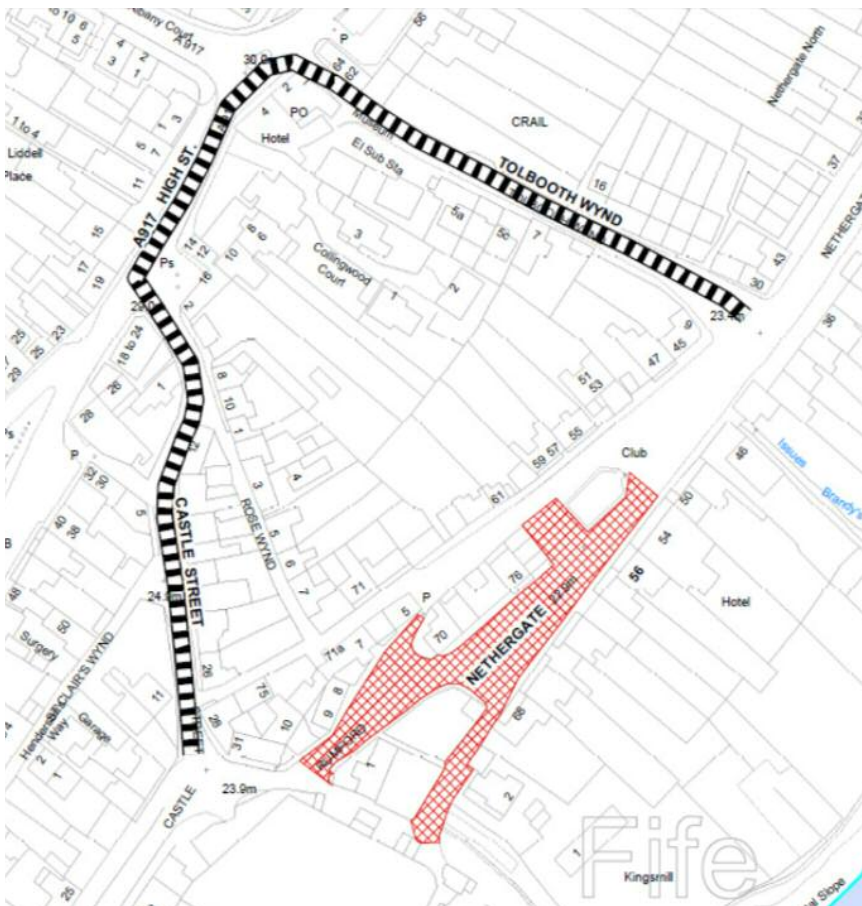
Over recent months Openreach has had a significant increase of reports from their customers of hoax calls from individuals claiming to be from Openreach. Quite often scammers will tell people that a router or connection is faulty and will ask them to supply bank details so they can be provided with compensation. Openreach will never ask anyone for their bank details either in person, over the phone or via email. Please remind your family, friends and neighbours to be aware of telephone scammers. If someone contacts them claiming to be from Openreach, asking for financial information they should simply hang up and report all bogus calls to their Communications Provider. No financial information should be given out.

# EAST NEUK SUMMER '18

WEEK \ DAY	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
1	MINDFULNESS @ WAID 1pm-3pm	Summer Youth Group @ East Neuk Centre Pizza Party Juniors 10am-12pm & Seniors 1pm-3pm Family Fun Day, East Neuk Centre 1pm-3pm		Breakfast Social @ East Neuk Centre 9am-11.30am ABE Tasters @ WAID 1pm-3pm Friday Fun Nights @ East Neuk Centre Juniors 5.45pm-7.30pm & Seniors 7.45pm-9.15pm
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For more info/to book places contact Tessa on 03451 55 55 55 ext 450834 ; Tessa.Sim@fife.gov.uk

**Crail Festival Street Market** will be taking place again this year in the area indicated on the map. Can all residents/visitors



please ensure that their vehicles are removed from this area by 6.00pm on Friday 20th July. The area will be closed for 24 hours until Saturday 21st July.

The Market will have 30 stalls of fabulous products, mostly handmade by local producers, a children's games area, a children's entertainer & face painting and food vans, including a prosecco van. Don't miss it! We apologise for any inconvenience to residents/visitors.

*Crail Festival Society.*

## Crail Mobile Post Office Service

Location - Along High Street  
Opening times:  
Monday 1400-1600  
Tuesday 1430-1630  
Wednesday 1400-1600

**Crail Museum & Heritage Centre** would like to thank all those who supported their Coffee Morning on 7th July. £473 was raised for the work of the Museum. Thank you, everybody. The next one is on 11th August. Do come along

## Crail Rowing Club win Gold and Silver at the Ullapool Regatta

A group of 19 from Crail Rowing Club attended Ullapool's annual regatta over the weekend of 7-8 July. Having gained an overall top ten position in the previous year's regatta, Crail were delighted to be given a priority invitation. A total of 28 clubs attended, competing in 15 categories on a 2km course on Loch Broom. The weather varied greatly over the two days, from warm glorious sunshine on Saturday to a cold drizzle and heavy mist on the Sunday morning, before finally clearing towards late afternoon. On both days, water conditions remained generally good in the lee of the shore, but a strong broad-side breeze whipped up the waves around the exposed turning buoys near the mouth of the loch. Nothing the Crail rowers weren't able to cope with, being used to windy conditions at home.



Congratulations go to the young Mixed Open team – including two novices – who, in the opening race of the weekend, came 5th in their heat, and then 9th in a very close final of 16 clubs. Throughout the weekend Crail did consistently well, with many closely fought 4th and 5th positions. However, it was the Ladies 50+ team who broke the mould with a nail-biting photo-finish taking silver, a split second behind winners North Berwick. Sunday's opening race saw Crail's Mixed 50+ crew win their heat and then go on to win a hard fought final with Ullapool and North

Berwick relentlessly on their stern the whole way. However, Crail's final sprint saw them take a very decisive gold with a strong 7 second lead. Overall, with good positions throughout the weekend, Crail were delighted to come 5th equal out of the 28 clubs.

The next event Crail Rowing Club is attending is the St Andrews Harbour Gala on Saturday 21 July, a fun day out of six clubs and comprising timed sprint pursuits on the Kinness Burn behind East Sands.

For further information on Crail Rowing Club or if you are interested in joining please see the club's website <https://crailrowingclub.weebly.com/>

### Job Opportunity - Casual Canvasser

Fife Council is seeking casual/relief canvassers, to assist in the Electoral Register Canvass. The canvasser will visit each household within a designated area to -

- deliver and collect Household Enquiry Forms and Invitation to Register Forms
- check that the forms are fully completed, and
- leave additional forms with guidance notes and prepaid return envelopes, where no contact can be made
- record information about properties, e.g. if vacant or derelict.

Salary pro rata £13,234-£14,379. Details at:

<https://www.myjobscotland.gov.uk/councils/fife-council/jobs/temporary-canvasser-fif11156-124104>

### Scottish Fisheries Museum

We have some last minute additions to our July programme that we'd like to share with you!

#### MUSIC AT THE MUSEUM: THE TROOTERS

Sat. 29th July, 1pm-2pm & 3:45pm-4:45pm

Suitable for all ages, Free ticketed event

Contact us to book or use Eventbrite

As part of Anstruther's Harbour Festival, the Scottish Fisheries Museum presents an afternoon of traditional music and dance.

Our Zulu ulu Gallery will resound to the famous fiddle of Pete Clark as he and his fellow Trooters, Gregor Lowrey and Jim Leighton, accompany the energising and colourful spectacle of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society Edinburgh Branch and put them through their paces.



#### MUSIC AT THE MUSEUM: Ceòl na Mara

Sat. 29th July, 2:30pm-3:30pm.

Suitable for all ages, Free drop-in

Outside, in our atmospheric courtyard, we present Ceòl na Mara (music of the sea), featuring Anne Bennett and Ross Penman of the Dundee Gaelic Choir who will perform a selection of Gaelic songs on nautical themes.



# Crail Festival Putting Green



## Opens

### 23rd June-19th Aug.

### 1.30-7.30 pm

### Adult £1 Child 50p

Crail festival



#### Little Monkeys Childcare

offers the only registered child minding service in Crail for children from birth to age 12.

I currently have a few spaces for morning, afternoon, full day and after school places, and I am now taking bookings for over the summer holidays. I am fully PVG checked, First Aid trained, Foodsafe Inspected, fully insured, and registered with the Care Inspectorate.

If you're looking for childcare outwith nursery, or over the summer, whether it is single days or blocks of weeks, please get in touch!  
07917 237 335

#### Contact your Fife Councillor?

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THE ROYAL  
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Royal British Legion  
Womens Section Crail  
Branch

Prize Bingo  
Legion Hall, Nethergate  
on

Tuesday 17th and 24th July  
at 7.30pm - doors open at 7pm

A family evening - all welcome

#### RBS Community Liaison

RBS Community Liaison staff will conduct drop in sessions each Tuesday from 1000 to 1200 in Anstruther Lower Town Hall. Anyone with questions or concerns is welcome to attend.

#### Do you know any young carers?

We are the respite care officers for Disabilities Fife. Carers that are actively looking for families to help. Please feel free to contact us anytime by:

Phone - 01592 203993

Email - [respite@disabilitiesfife.org.uk](mailto:respite@disabilitiesfife.org.uk)

Website - [YoungCarersRespite.com](http://YoungCarersRespite.com)

#### Crail Matters Summer Publication

Crail Matters will be taking a summer break – there will be no issue on Monday 27 August and 3 September. Copy for the final pre-summer break issue will need to be received 17 August for the issue of 20 August. Publication will resume on 10 September, with final copy needed by 7 September.

#### Senior Carers Respite Fife

Senior Carers Respite Fife are pleased to introduce our great new service - Senior Carers Respite Fife.

This is for carers 60 plus. We come to you and lend a helping hand. At a time that's convenient to you. This is a FREE service. For more information email Moira or Adele at [respite@disabilitiesfife.org.uk](mailto:respite@disabilitiesfife.org.uk) or call on 01592 203993

## Crail Festival

### Crail festival



Exciting activities for children are at the heart of our busy programme. The Archery sessions are already sold out! The ever popular Workshops offer Print Making, Puppet and Mask Making, Art, Drama, Story Telling and Krafty

Kids. For the competitive the Crabbing, Putting and Sandcastle Competitions, Animal Magic Bake Off and Junior Golf Skills should be fun and challenging. The more curious will revel in the Falconry, Fossil Hunt, Doggy Detectives, Rock Pool Guddle and the Dundee Science Centre's 'Rocket Science' sessions. We are confident that this package will provide opportunities for fun, friendship, adventure, education, surprise and wonder! Be part of it!



## Bus Service changes

There will be bus service changes on Monday 13th August. These changes are mainly due to the award of the North Fife Tender, where Moffat & Williamson won some of the routes currently operated by Stagecoach. Stagecoach are also taking the opportunity to amend timetables throughout Fife, due to passenger feedback received from previous consultations. Bay Travel are also amending service 13 and service 18. A summary of the changes for each of the operators is on the Crail Matters website ([www.crailmatters.com](http://www.crailmatters.com)).

Timetables should be available at the beginning of August. The timetables will soon be available online via the Stagecoach, Moffat & Williamson and Bay Travel website. Of particular concern to Crail, Service 95: Leven – Anstruther – St Andrews Proposal: Additional Sunday journeys at 0650 Leven to St Andrews and 0810 Anstruther to Leven will be introduced.



## Serious about recycling and being kind to the planet?

Eco cleaning and body care refills are now available from The Smoked Fired Whole Foods Shop in Crail. Just take along your own container to refill! Save on money and plastic waste too.



## Lion's Mane Jellyfish Alert

Fife Coast and Countryside Trust issued a warning, asking members of the public not to touch the beached animals.

Large numbers of Lion's Mane Jellyfish have been washed up on local beaches; this one was on Seafield Beach. Please be aware that the tentacles of this particular species keeps its sting for a long time after the jellyfish has died. You should never touch them and always keep children and pets away.



## Letters to the Editor

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Having had to move temporarily out of our house in Pinkerton Road to Bow Butts, we have started to use the Green Gym in Beech Walk Park on a more regular basis as it is so convenient. Although the equipment is relatively simple and not overtaxing, we have both felt considerable benefit from using it. Our physiotherapist was impressed that our village has such a facility.

We find being in such lovely surroundings and out in the

fresh air really promotes a feeling of wellbeing in mind and body.

We shall certainly maintain this regime when we are able to move back home. Incidentally, our dog loves the routine too as she gets a great runaround before we exercise and can then sit and watch - probably with some amusement!

Highly recommended.

*Fenella and Roger McClelland*

# The Crail Seagull



I was having a look round in Crail earlier this week, and I saw a newspaper lying round. Went to have a look in the hope that there were some chips there - no such luck - but saw a report that Fife Council have removed and destroyed the model village at Pittenweem. Are they telling us something? After all, it would be much easier for Fife Council if all the villages were removed and there was no one here, and then they didn't have to have any regard for local residents.

As you all know, I've been swooping up and down to St Andrews a fair bit recently as the pickings there are better without the nasty signs forbidding kind folks from feeding the gulls. The wise owl says I'm daft going all the way up there, you can just nip down to Crail Harbour almost any day of the week as there are often overflowing bins there. You can help yourself and no one needs to break the "Do Not Feed the Gulls" rule. I may give it a try soon.

I also like to keep an eye on the progress of the road resurfacing between Crail and St Andrews but I'm puzzled: at the entrance to the big Fairmont Hotel, there are some lovely flags flapping in the breeze and the Saltire appears to be almost at half-mast. The Union flag and the Fairmont flags are all flying from the tops of the flagpoles but the saltire is not, it's quite a bit down its pole. Does the Fairmount know something that we don't know? Are they waiting until Fife Council has resurfaced the entire road? I think we should be told.

Scottish Water is asking customers to use water wisely in their daily activities to help maintain supplies during the current period of hot summer weather. Following a sustained dry period without any significant rainfall, customer usage has increased significantly. With the current weather conditions forecast to continue, Scottish Water is encouraging people to take simple but important steps to conserve our public water supplies.

Simple, practical steps which we encourage include:

- Taking shorter showers
- Using a watering can rather than a hose to water plants
- Using a bucket rather than a hose to wash vehicles; only

washing windscreens/lights instead of the whole vehicle

- Turning off taps in the home whenever possible
- Using washing machines and dishwashers fully loaded



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## Crail Community Council Notes

### Elections to the Community Council

Elsewhere in this issue, the notice of poll for the Community Council elections is published. The final meeting of the current Community Council will be Monday 24 September, and the first meeting of the new Council will be 29 October.



### Misuse of Landfill bins, and overflowing bins

The Community council have been informed by Cllr Porteous that one local village has obtained a lockable large bin for the use of residents or those paying full council tax only - only those get keys. This is an option to explore further in areas where there is misuse of bins.

### Recycling Sites

In response to the request for proposals for a new recycling site, the following have been suggested:

1. Behind East Neuk Hotel
2. Car park behind the bowling green. This car park is very underused and the access would be ideal
3. The car park beside the Community Hall. Central and accessible
4. Car park in Beech walk beside the community Hall
5. The old site at Kilminning

The Community Council will forward these suggestions. This is too good an opportunity to miss.

**There will be no Community Council Meeting in July, the next being 27 August.**

Material for inclusion in Crail Matters should be sent to [crailmatters@gmail.com](mailto:crailmatters@gmail.com) and received on Friday midday before publication. Any views expressed in Letters to the Editor are those of the author, and not of Crail Matters.

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