

Weel Bressa, Whit News?

As we have recently had some competition from an imposter any contributions to keep the real "Weel Bressa" interesting would be particularly welcome. Please get in touch with news, photos or event details using the new BD ltd email - info@bressay.org or give Beatrice a call on 820 773.

Bressay Development Ltd Update

We are very pleased to confirm that BD ltd has secured funding from Shetland Islands Council and Awards for All Scotland to equip a cafe and community office in the school so we will be able to begin purchasing items in April. We want to open the cafe in time for the tourist season and expect to open the cafe year round. We require one or more individuals to oversee the daily running of the cafe, cook, bake and serve customers. We would be delighted to discuss ideas with anyone who might be interested in the job. This is a great opportunity to try something different and could be a shared post and cuisine style and hours are negotiable.

During the last few months we have taken our first room hires in the school and we would be glad to receive enquiries from anyone interested in using a room. Our basic charge for an afternoon or evening hire is £15. A full list of hire charges will be published soon but please contact us if you have any specific requirements.

We are keen to encourage some regular activities in the school. Ideas suggested by those who filled in our recent questionnaire include; yoga, book club, baking class, crafts, zumba and photo editing class. If there's a class or group which you would like to take part in, either as a one off or something regular then please let us know.

There will be quite a few painting and cleaning days at the school during the next couple of months, please keep a look out for details and come along to help if you can.

The school canteen facilities had a good workout on UHA day when BD ltd produced forty dinners for the jarl's squad and friends. We would like to thank our front of house lasses; Paula, Kira, Erin, Becky and Leigh for all their help and also the Hall Committee for allowing us to borrow quite a few necessary items.

Thank you to all who came along to our Sunday teas on the 6th of March £100 of funds raised will go to Chris towards the purchase of a training defibrillator with the remainder used for BD ltd activities.

BD ltd are planning a fundraising auction to be held in early autumn and we would be most delighted to receive interesting items in good condition. It would be great to have a big and varied selection to auction off so let us know if you have something suitable to donate.

We also intend to produce a calendar full of Bressay images to go on sale in late summer. We would like a variety of photos to display so please send us a copy of any special ones you've taken. No excuses - get your cameras out!

BD ltd has a web site! www.bressay.org, this however is only temporary as we will be launching an improved site later in the year, again we would be happy to receive photos to use on the site.

We also have a new email info@bressay.org & phone 07547 280040.



Jarl squad & bairns at the Hall



UHA Musicians & dinner ladies!



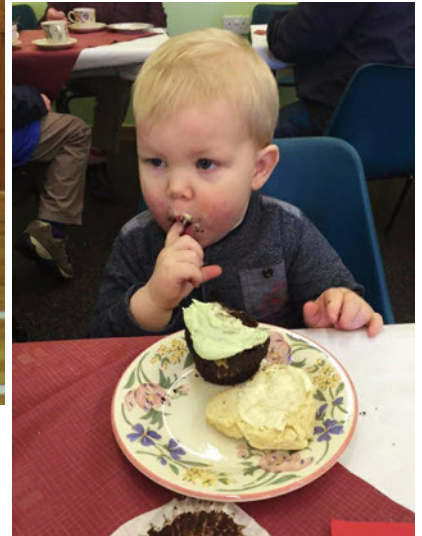
Defibrillator

Bressay has been given a community defibrillator by the Scottish Ambulance Service. This machine is located on the wall outside the community nurse house (24 Voeseide). The machine is a vital piece of life saving equipment in the event of a cardiac arrest. Anybody can use the machine when needed, Simply open the front of the case and remove the machine. Training will be provided in its use as well as Basic Life Support. If you wish to be trained in its use. Please provide names to Alison in the shop and dates will be arranged. Any questions please give me a call 820 245 **Chris**



The Bressay youth club enjoyed their CPR training on 16/02/16. The equipment was supplied by the British Heart Foundation and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. This training is available for all groups and clubs.

Amanda & Shirley would like to thank everyone who donated to the teas held in the school on Saturday the 20th. £420 was raised for the British Heart Foundation. Here is a picture of youngest guest enjoying the home bakes.



Scottish Ambulance Service First Responder Scheme BRESSAY



For every 1000 people in your community one person will die from a heart attack this year.
Less than 5% will survive without resuscitation and defibrillation in the first 8 minutes.

A Community First Responder Scheme can help change this statistic.

If you have some free time and are interested in participating in a First Responder Scheme in your community please contact:

Malcolm MacLeod Mob 07920271639
E-mail – malcolmmacleod@nhs.net



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Whats on.

Friday & Saturday nights; Hall Social 6pm - 1am.
Tuesday nights, badminton 7pm-9pm in the Hall.
Wednesday 30th March & 13th April - 500, 7.30 in the Hall

March;

Wednesday 23rd - History Group & Marc Chivers chat about old Bressay boats, Heritage Centre, 7.30.

Sunday 27th, Easter soup & pudding, from 12.30 in the Hall.

With a raffle in aid of CLAN

Sunday 27th, Easter service, 2.45, in the kirk.

April;

Sunday 3rd - Robina Barton, Shetland Labour Candidate

Drop in meet the candidate and open Question and Answer session at the Bressay school, from 2.30 to 4.30.

Saturday 16th - History Group Redd Up, 10am Heritage Centre.

Sunday 17th - High Level music concert, in the Hall.

Friday 29th - Hall committee soup & cake lunch 12.30 - 2.00.

May;

Sunday 1st - Heritage Centre re-opens for the summer.

Sunday 1st - Bd ltd Redd Up, 10.00 at the school.

Sunday 1st - Pool competition in the hall.

Thursday 5th May - Polling day at the Bressay Hall.

Sunday 15th - Hall Committee plant sale & teas.

July;

Sunday 24th - Bide da day!

Bressay Development Ltd Environmental Bulky Waste Uplift Schedule 2016

Month	Date	Location
March	Sat 19	Voesome
May	Sat 14	Hall

On site 10.15 am - 3:30pm

By prior arrangement and subject to volunteer availability, assistance may be given to uplift large or awkward items from householders.

Contact: South – Edwin 07990547552,

Central – Hazel 820377, North – Alistair 820372

Let us know if you are available to help supervise.



Teddy bears having their tea in the Hall. Beverley Clark and friends raised a fantastic sum of £472.96 (so far) by holding a Teddy Bears Tea Party Annual Fundraiser in aid of Aching Arms UK, a baby loss charity that is run by a group of bereaved mothers based in England.

Bressay Garden Show

This years show, on the 28th of August is still some way off. In the meantime, we thought we would add a new competition this year - "guess the garden" We thought it would be fun to show bits of folks gardens that are not so well known or seen from the road, so watch out for Beatrice and myself armed with cameras, we could be coming your way! We will of course ask gardeners permission first, and it won't be until June or July at the earliest. You can also nominate your own garden so if you have a particularly pretty or unusual bit, that's not so often seen, and you would like us to enter it then please contact me by phone - Moira 820303

Bressay Wall Hanging Project

To everyone who's taking part and wondering what has happened -the project is still very much "alive "and ongoing. It's been quite a while since we were able to meet, and this has been necessarily the case as we have had to concentrate all our energies into securing the lease of the school. Now that this has happened hopefully we will all get together sometime this spring to re-group, re-fresh and restore the plan!

I know that at least one person has finished her square, some have done a little and others, like me, are still planning and changing ideas, so we are all at different stages. It was perhaps a little too ambitious to think this project could be completed in one year, we should probably be thinking more on the lines of a three year plan! The school is now officially available for community use and rooms can be hired - so we should always have a warm space with plenty room for sewing nights and workshops.

We will be in touch before too long so if you've tidied away all your sewing - time to look it out again!

Bressay History Group update

Bressay Heritage Centre opens for the season on Sunday the 1st May, with a new exhibition about 3D imaging of archaeological sites and monuments, including Deadwall and Cullingsbrough.

The centre will also open on Sunday 24th April as part of the Shetland Heritage Festival which takes place for the first time this year. History Group members will be giving guided tours of the Bronze Age burnt mound beside the centre, and leading a guided walk to Cullingsbrough. For details look out for notices at the shop and ferry.

Elizabeth Jane Smith Collection

The Bressay History Group hold a large collection of dialect words collected during 1934 - 1944 by the late Elizabeth J Smith, Old Manse Bressay. In each issue we will give you a word which she heard used in Bressay.

Last issue > **boki-blindi (n) - Blind man's buff**

New word > **blue-melt (n)**



UHA 1974. From left Bjarnhild Tulloch, Mona Anderson, Ivy Craigie, Jeanie Yates, Emma Matches, Frances Henry and Betty Manson. Photo courtesy of George Birnie.

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Well done to all involved e.g. squad members, stewards, torch makers, bar folk, floor mopers, prop makers, bill writers, all three catering teams. And more.

Can you spot? Fiddling photographers. An ex BD ltd chair dressed as the secretary. Shetland's strongest bear. Photos courtesy of Charlie Umphary.

