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LAIRG & DISTRICT COMMUNITY INITIATIVES



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New Lairg Crofters' Queen and Attendants Coronated!

Earlier this month, on the 6th May as the country celebrated the Coronation of King Charles III, there was also a more local Coronation taking place - the Coronation of the Lairg Crofters' Show and Gala Week Queen! In the photo above you can see Emma MacRae (centre) pictured alongside her attendants Annastacia Gailkowska on the left and Katie Dick on the right. Emma and her attendants will take part in a parade of the show field at the Crofters Show on the 26th August and they will also be carrying out regal duties during Lairg Gala week which runs from the 8th -15th July! A warm welcome to the girls and thank you to last year's Queen, Mia Mackenzie for handing over the crown.



Primary School Art Competition

Every Primary School in Sutherland took part in the Primary School Art Competition, as well as one clustered school from Ross-shire, and the whole Lieutenancy would like to thank the many teachers who encouraged and guided so many children during the competition - and for the extraordinarily kind welcomes they received at every school they visited. The response was incredible with over 660 entries submitted, the quality of entries and breadth of imagination was extremely impressive. The competition was split by age group and by

school and had a choice of 2 themes - the Crown in Scotland and the Natural Environment in Sutherland. Awards will be presented to the winners by the Lord-Lieutenant or one of the Deputy Lieutenants during visits to schools from the end of May and into June.

Pictured in the photo above are some of the Lairg Primary pupils who submitted entries. Back row: Deputy Lieutenant Sheila Stewart, Jessica McMillan, Anaistacia Biswas and Front: Anwen Fiddian, Decon Wild, and Lola Mackay.

Lairg Health Walks

The next Health walk will take place next Thursday - on the 8th June 2023. We will meet at the Ferrycroft Visitor Centre Carpark at 10.30am, go for a walk and then have refreshments afterwards.

You can just turn up on the day but if you wish to let us know that you are coming you can email: projectofficer@lairginitiative.co.uk or call 07961 372427.



Lairg Gala Week 2023 Calling All Crafters and stall holders

Saturday 8th July - 1-5pm Marquee Tent, Main street Lairg

Saturday 15th July - 1-5pm, Ferrycroft, Lairg

£10 per table. DM on Facebook or call 07511334080 to book.



Stall holders must provide their own tables.

Meet the new Lairg Gala Week attendants Kalli Robertson and Archie Thomson who both attend Lairg Nursery!



Singing Kettle Show on 13th July

Free Juice and snack provided. Sponsored by Lockharts & Son / Lockharts DIY

Book tickets through the link provided:
. https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/lairg/lairg-community-centre/artie-s-singing-kettle-silly-songs/e-ggadjl

Page 3 Quiz

QUIZ TIME!

- 1. What is the name of the Deputy Prime Minister who resigned recently, after accusations of bullying?
- 2. In heraldry, the name 'gules' is used for what colour?
- 3. Which of these is the odd one out? Titan, Odysseus, Ganymede or Phobos
- 4. Which comedian, who had an alter ego called Lily Savage, died suddenly last month?
- 5. What is the main ingredient of 'Stargazy pie'?
- 6. Which sport is associated with 'Flushing Meadows' in the USA?
- 7. From which country do 'Matryoshka' dolls originate?
- 8. Flora Murray CBE appears on which denomination of the new Royal Bank of Scotland polymer bank note?
- 9. 'Cerumen' is the medical term for what common human product?
- 10. In the Bible, which apostle doubted the resurrection?



Highland Journal - Artwork of the month... 'by Jan Blackwell

Lairg ELC

Coronation

Wow, look at our creations for the Art Competition! Great work from our Nursery. After watching a clip about the King's Coronation and a wee discussion we used the colours from the British flag to create our designs.

The artwork was shared with a competition from the theme across Sutherland: "The Crown in Scotland" to celebrate the Coronation of Their Majesties King Charles III and The Queen Consort.

The winner in our nursery was 'Stella Petrie' who created a beautiful flag.



Gardening

The children have been busy planting seeds. The children carefully tucked the seeds into the soil and gave them some water.

"We are going to care for our seeds, keeping them in the sunshine and watering them everyday."

The children have done a great job caring for their marigold seeds, they have been fantastic helpers, watering our plants.

"The ones that haven't grown need extra water".

They have been talking about what a seed needs to grow, together the children could share all the things needed to help a seed grow "seed", "soil", "water", "sun", "pot 🍪











Sports Day

The rain stayed off for sport's day. We took part in all sorts of races from running to beanbag on head.





Sponsored Cycle

The children finished their sponsored cycle challenge. The children did fantastically with their sponsored cycle - this was a great opportunity to practice their bike skills, counting skills, turn taking skills and talk about safety awareness, wearing our helmets and not going to close to each other on the bikes.

They smashed their target and completed 282 laps in total raising an amazing £805 which will help pay for a bus and tasty lunch for their trip to Dalmore Farm in Alness.









Best hat won by Christina along with her mum Alison Graham















iPads and Tablets for Beginners

4 week block starting the 26th June. 11:00am - 12:30pm at

Lairg & District Learning Centre.

FREE CLASS

Do you have an iPad or Tablet but not sure how to use it? Or maybe you haven't used it in a while and would like to know how to use the basic functions. These classes cover the basics of how to use your device from how to initially set it up, getting familiar and using your apps, creating and using an email account and more!

To book a place call us on: **01549 402050**



East & Central Sutherland CAB

Citizen's Advice Bureau - Drop In Clinics

New drop-in clinics have started up in Lairg. They will be held every Thursday morning (9.30 - 10.30)am), in the Lairg Community Centre for anything from benefits, energy and housing to money advice and employment. We are also now open 9 – 5 weekdays in the bureau in Golspie.

LDCI Quiz Answers

- **Dominic Raab** 1.
- 2. Red
- 3. Odysseus is not a moon
- 4. Paul O'Grady
- 5. **Pilchards**
- 6. **Tennis**
- Russia 7.
- 8. £100
- 9. **Earwax**
- 10. Thomas

Crofters' Show Coronation Celebration continued...













SATURDAY 17th JUNE LAIRG

COMMUNITY CENTRE

Come and join us between 10am and 1pm

Let's celebrate your local hall in style with free refreshments & traditional live music from the talented EVERGREEN

A CHANCE TO MEET OLD FRIENDS & NEW ENJOY HOME BAKING AND A CHATTER* SEE
WHAT GREAT THINGS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED IN AT YOUR CENTRE *GET THE GUIDED
TOUR IF YOU'RE NEW TO THE AREA*BRING YOUR IDEAS ALONG*CHAT ABOUT
VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES*ENJOY THE MUSIC*

Contact Ros on (01549) 402843 / lalegeonnumbitycentrellymail.com for more information

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May 10, 1941, a Scottish farmer named David McLean found a German Messerschmitt burning in his field. A parachutist identified himself as Captain Alfred Horn.

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Rudolf Hess Second in succession Nazi regime 1942



1894-1987

Rudolf Hess, a long-time Hitler loyalist. He joined the Nazi party in 1920. Hess was positioned behind Hermann Goering in the succession hierarchy of the Nazi regime.

Hess left an airfield near Munich in a Messerschmitt twin-engine fighter-bomber a little before 6 pm. By 10.30, Hess was over Scotland, out of fuel, and forced to bail out just 12 miles from his destination - Dungavel House, home of the Duke of Hamilton.

The Hess flight was remarkable in itself. He left the airfield, flying up the Rhine and across the North Sea. Hess displayed considerable skill by navigating such a course alone, using only charts and maps, on a foggy dark night over largely unfamiliar terrain, eventually running out of fuel.

Hess hoped to make contact with one of the highly placed British figures who were willing to make peace with the Nazis on Hitler's terms. He believed that Hamilton headed a faction of such people and immediately asked his captors to be taken to him. But Hess was misinformed. Hamilton was not at home. He was on duty, commanding an RAF air base, committed to his country and to its fight against Germany.

Hitler was unaware of the Hess mission and therefore he was not given diplomatic courtesies and was arrested and imprisoned in the Tower of London. Later he was transferred to other prisons.

Hess was tried at the Nuremberg War Crimes Court. He was sent to Spandau Prison, Germany for life, along with seven other Nazis by the War Trials.

There is a great mystery about his death. He was found strangled to death in Spandau Prison in Berlin at the age of 93, apparently the victim of suicide. Hess was the last surviving member of Hitler's inner circle and the sole prisoner at Spandau since 1966.

Community Housing Development

Engagement Evening - re the **Allocations Process**

Come along to a Community Engagement **Evening with Albyn Housing** and Lairg & District **Community Initiatives** regarding the allocations process for the 8 new houses that will be built on the former Sutherland Arms



Drop in session:

Lairg Community Centre – in the Conservatory Date: Thursday 22nd June 2023 Time: From 5–8pm

Refreshments available.



Lairg & District Community Initiatives



Thank you for reading issue 60 of the Lairg Magazine! If you would like to submit something to the magazine, please send it to: projectofficer@lairginitiative.co.uk.

Phone: 07961 372 427 or write to us at: Schoolhouse, Main Street, Lairg, IV27 4DD