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## Life saver has new home

The External Automated Defibrillator (EAD) which was mounted on the wall of the Findon Hall has now been relocated to the ex-phone box in the middle of the village making it



easier for more people to get to in an emergency.

Thanks to the Findon Hall committee who have organised this and will continue to look after this life-saving community

## COOLbokie Gathering 2017

This year's COOLbokie Gathering is being held on Saturday 16 September from 10 am to 4pm. This exciting fun-packed day begins with a Junior Football Tournament. This will be a seven a-side Football Festival for Primary School and Club Teams. A breakfast BBQ stall for hungry spectators and players will be available.

Whilst the tournament is going on the Community Market and Café will be taking place in the Findon Hall with lots of local arts, crafts and produce available. The Market Café will be provided by Girl Guiding Ross-shire, serving teas and fresh coffees with home baking and soup lunches.

To close the morning events and lead us on to the afternoon programme will be the 2017 World

Champions - Ross and Cromarty Pipes and Drums School. They will set off from the Football field and lead us down to the school.

There will be more stalls for you to enjoy at the school. The ladies of the Church Café will be providing the teas and coffees, with the usual wonderful array of home-baking.

Primary school children can have a go at a Highland Games. There will be a Petanque Tournament - teams of three of all ages and abilities are invited to enter, and Highlife Highland will be providing rowing and spinning challenges - teenagers can you beat your mum's and dad's?

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**The next newsletter** is due out mid Nov 2017 - The final **deadline for news is Friday 13 Oct 2017** but the sooner the better!

Please send **items for inclusion** in the newsletter or on the Facebook Page to Carol Elliot on [elliotcarnmor@btinternet.com](mailto:elliotcarnmor@btinternet.com)

For **distribution** queries or to **volunteer** to deliver in your area contact Roger Piercy on [roger.piercy167@btinternet.com](mailto:roger.piercy167@btinternet.com)

**To be added to the Community Council e-mail update** contact Bruce Morrison on [ferintoshcc30@gmail.com](mailto:ferintoshcc30@gmail.com) and keep up to date with all CC news and give your opinion on local matters.

# Culbokie Community Trust - news



## Community Market

The next market is at Findon Hall, Culbokie on Saturday 16 September from 10am – 12.30pm as part of the COOLbokie Gathering (more info on front page).

The autumn markets will be on Saturday 21 October and Saturday 18 November when there will be a chance to press your apples as well as all the usual stalls and Christmas gifts.

You can keep up-to-date with news and events on the Facebook Page – Culbokie Community Market.

If you wish to take part in a market please contact Sylvie on: [market@culbokie.org](mailto:market@culbokie.org) or telephone 07926 044 064.

## Coffee Morning And Book Sale



Saturday 30 Sept at the Gordon Memorial Hall, Rosemarkie from 10am to 12.30pm. Refreshments and

home-baking only £3.

## Evergreen Lunch Club

The first Monday of each month: soup and home baking for those who are retired. All are very welcome. At Ferintosh Free Church, 12noon to 1.30pm. Contact Carol on 864993 or Helen 862546.

## CCT Fundraising Success

‘An Evening with Ian Rankin’, held recently in the Findon Hall, was the first event organised by the CCT fundraising group. The capacity audience listened to Nicola McAlley (news reporter for STV) asking Ian Rankin, the best-selling author, about his life as a writer and his success with his character, Rebus. Ian and Nicola’s relaxed style encouraged questions from the audience in the second half and Ian rewarded them with full, interesting answers and his sense of humour was never far away. Thanks to Ian and Nicola for giving their time so generously.

Thanks are due to Cromarty Brewing Co for sponsoring the event by donating free beer for everyone as well as a beer tasting at the interval. Thanks are also due to the following supporters for food and raffle donations: Cromarty Bakery, Cromarty Cheese Shop, Culbokie Spar, Waterstones, Lidl, Co-op, West End Filling Station, and Tesco.

However, it is the community who made the evening a success by attending, enjoying themselves and giving generously to the raffle as well as buying books. At the time of writing the final sum raised is not available but it will be made known in due course.

The CCT fundraising group is organising events and activities to raise funds for the Glascairn Project. Anyone with a little time to spare and willing to help out in any way should email [info@culbokiect.org](mailto:info@culbokiect.org) or talk to a board member, further information at [www.culbokiect.org](http://www.culbokiect.org).

## Culbokie Church Centre - update

**Church services** 10am on Sunday (including Sunday School and crèche). Contact: Rev. Terrance Burns on 877452.

**Harvest service and supper** is planned for Sunday 8 October.

**Voiceworks concert** on Sunday 10 September at 4pm.

**Soup Lunches** will be held on the last Saturday of the month (30 September, 28 October), 12-2pm in Findon Hall.

The **Senior Citizen's Friendship Group** meets on Monday 2 October, 2-4pm, for an activity, tea and blether. This is its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary! If you haven't been before, why not come along? Contact: Maureen Rose on 877435.

**Church Café** is held on Tuesday afternoons, 1.30-3.45pm.

The **Walking Group** meets on Thursdays at 10am for a sociable stroll. Contact: May Stevenson on 877213.

The **Women's Fellowship Group** resumes on Thursday 21 September with a talk by Carol Rattenbury entitled 'Curds and Way', and following that it meets on 19 October. Contact: Maureen Rose on 877435.

The **Man Friday** group meets on 29 September to hear about Science and Faith by Rev. Doug McRoberts. The next meeting will be on 29 October – activity to be confirmed. Recent meetings included Rod Mackay telling us about a recent trip he and Liz took to Thailand to help out at a Christian charity (Overseas Mission Fellowship); some outdoor bowling hosted by the Conon Bridge bowlers, where we didn't disgrace ourselves too badly; and a visit to three of the ancient monuments in Culbokie – no, not including the Pub, but Teanagairn Henge, Carn Mor Dun (aka Culbokie Castle) and Findon Dun. Contact: Roger Piercy on 877401.

New faces are warmly welcomed to any of these activities.

See [www.culbokiechurchcentre.org](http://www.culbokiechurchcentre.org) website and Facebook for more details.



### Culbokie Social Badminton Club

Come and join us for badminton and table tennis  
**Time** – 7.30-9.30pm Mondays ~ **Place** - Findon Hall, Culbokie  
**Cost** - £20 for the term or £2 per session

Autumn Term starts Monday September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017.  
Call Gordon on 877224 or Martin on 877822 if you are  
over 16 and are interested in coming along.



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There is a full musical programme. Local favourites, The Green Hillbillies, will be kicking off events in the school hall. Culbokie School Choir will be performing a war time medley, and you are invited to pop on your dancing shoes and join the Tea Dance with music from the Highland Brass Quintet.

There will be 'lots' to bid for at our Auction of Promises. Several organisations and individuals have kindly donated prizes which will go to the highest bidder, who will be revealed at the end of the afternoon. Bidding is now open and bids can be placed prior to the event up until 6.00pm on Thursday 14 September, when bids will be transferred to the bidding lists for the day of the Gathering. To register a bid, please contact Angie Morris at [angiecaerglas@btopenworld.com](mailto:angiecaerglas@btopenworld.com) Keep an eye on the Ferintosh Community Council area Noticeboard Facebook EVENTS PAGES for information on all the wonderful things you can bid on.

As well as the Auction, there will also be a Grand Raffle, with some wonderful prizes to be won.

The day will close with an Orcadian Strip the Willow, going from the School down to Cubokie Inn. The Inn will be hosting a happy hour and will have a COOLbokie specials menu, for anyone who is still hungry.

Huge thanks has to go to our main sponsor Cromarty Firth Wireless Networks. This is a community event for all of the Black Isle, so please spread the word and invite all your friends and neighbours. It's going to be a fabulous day.

## Community Cycling UK

Dave Sage is the local Cycling Development Officer Cycling UK, the national cycling charity. He wants to support more people cycling for everyday journeys by forming and helping existing Community Cycle Groups.

Dave can provide existing community groups with free training, support and free insurance so they can begin running their own cycling activities on their terms and challenging local barriers.

Are you interested in being part of a Community Cycle Club? Dave can also help get one established. Clubs offer activities such as led rides for beginners, bike maintenance and bike recycling. They provide a social environment to gain confidence and skills on a bike, improve fitness and have fun!

Cycling UK will provide support through access to training, insurance and advice and lots of other benefits.

If you are interested in becoming a Community Cycle Group or would like more information contact [dave.sage@cyclenguk.org](mailto:dave.sage@cyclenguk.org) or take a look at [www.cyclenguk.org](http://www.cyclenguk.org)

You just need a couple of people in your group who are keen to use their interest in cycling to help get others out and about.

The project is funded by Transport Scotland.

### Next Community Council meetings:

- Monday 18 September - 7pm Mulbuie
- Monday 16 October - 7pm Ferintosh
- Monday 20 November - 7pm Culbokie