

## SUMMER SEASON (HOW CAN WE TELL?)

### ANOTHER BISTRO BLAST

#### The one year anniversary sell out!

Our May bistro evening was another great success, with almost 50 covers generating a profit of over £400.

The bistro concept is proving to be one of our most popular fundraisers. If the weather were to ever be kind to us we might consider a picnic style event - what do you think?

Thanks as usual to our stalwart volunteers who so generously donated their time, effort and enthusiasm.

### THEATRE NIGHT AND BAR

Our latest theatre night was **BURTON** on Saturday 6th June - and what a successful show.

**Rhodri Miles** (Richard II, Torchwood, Game of Thrones) gave a mesmerising portrayal of the younger Richard Burton and it is easy to see why this production received such praise from the critics and won a number of awards



Our only criticism would be that we only saw the one performance!

### FILM NEWS

#### SATURDAY 20th JUNE 2015

#### BIG HERO 6 (PG)

Doors open 6:00pm  
Film starts 6:30pm  
Snacks available or BYO

Donations at the door as usual.

### STORYTELLING EVENTS IN JUNE

All free of charge.



Photo of Lumsden Mary Fair 1915

### SHOPS & OCCUPATIONS Meet @ SSW

#### Finish with tea & fly at Lumsden Hall

#### Friday 12th June, 1-3pm

Join us on a walk from SSW via The Mackintosh (the old Spar shop) to the village hall to explore the shops and occupations people used to have in Lumsden, listen to some of the stories already gathered and relax over a cup of tea in the hall.

### MIDSUMMER WALK FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

#### Sunday 21st June 1-4pm

#### Route to be confirmed

This family walk offers the opportunity to explore the rich heritage in the fields and hills surrounding Lumsden. Bring your own picnic ...

Recycling Lumsden is a partnership project between Lumsden Community Centre Primary School, the Scottish Budget Working Group and the University of Aberdeen and facilitated by community artist Peter Vaughan



### LUMSDEN SCHOOL NEWS

#### Lumsden School Sports Day

We are organising both wet weather and dry weather Sports' Days for the 1st July. If the weather is good we hope to hold the event on the village green. Bring along a picnic and join us from 11:30am onwards. If the weather is wet we will have an alternative Sports' (Games') Day in school from 1:30pm. We hope to have a mixture of group and individual competitive events, new and traditional and finish with a team game. If we have to resort to being in school come and join us anyway.

#### Museum

We have recently found a number of artefacts, newspaper cuttings, letters, registers and logbooks. We have decided to display these in school and hold a series of Museum days to invite the community in to look at these. We hope to find some interesting stories about the people connected with the school and stories about what the school was like in the past. To open the museum we will be holding our first Museum Open morning on Monday 22nd June between 10:30 and 12:30.

We are hoping that the stories and historical facts we uncover can be linked to the Community Storytelling which is ongoing at the moment.

Come along, look at the photos, tell us your memories, enjoy a fine piece and a cuppa!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the events

Regards

Paul

**PTO for more - including some classified ads.**

## THANK YOU

To Janet Trundle for her generous donation of £100 to LCA funds.

And thanks to Terry Stock and Gordon McIntosh for repairing the glass canopy at the hall entrance - at least now we can get a little shelter when waiting outside in the never-ending rain.

## WELL DONE

To Kirsty Farrands for her swimming efforts, raising a donation of £80 for the Archie Foundation African Challenge.

She swam 80 lengths of Alford Pool - about one mile!

## SSW SUMMER CAMP

SSW have sought and been granted permission to hold a residential camp from July 5-15 2015 on the Council owned field at the back of Lumsden Hall.

The CAMP is entitled "Breakdown Break Down – Building a Culture of Survival" and will include: a series of workshops, reading groups, site visits and presentations by guest speakers.

Artist and organiser Brett Bloom describes the camp as follows:

"We will discuss petro-subjectivity and how to build a resilient culture that prepares us for the coming chaos and collapse related to climate breakdown.

...we will use embodied learning techniques to break down our perceptual, metaphorical and emotional registers of the world normalised via our current oil based culture. The goal is to de-industrialise our sense of selves and begin to practice post-oil subjectivities and aesthetics.

... we will read a diverse selection of texts ...

and our discussions will explore the traumatic impact of climate

breakdown. We will make site visits that will help focus our investigations. Invited guests, leaders in their various fields, will present on topics from new forms of empathic capacities for other creatures and landscapes to concepts like deep time. The guest speakers are also involved in projects such as large-scale re-wilding of diminished forests or instituting a nation's land ethics.

These gatherings are not to provide participants with preformed answers, but to provide a space where we can seek them together, collectively, and to open up further explorations and human capacities. I have organised these gatherings so that we can think of other ways in which we can be human, rather than the ones we have inherited from a society that is dismantling itself spectacularly."

If you have any questions about the camp please contact SSW directly.

Call 01464 861372 or email them at [office@ssw.org.uk](mailto:office@ssw.org.uk)

## LUMSDEN PUBLIC TOILETS

Lumsden's Public Conveniences continue to be closed following fire damage caused by vandals.

The Council have informed us that repairs to the building cannot be carried out until after a review of all toilets in Aberdeenshire has been completed and a decision on whether to keep the toilets open or not has been taken.

The review is scheduled for June, and we have been offered no reassurances on the future of our public toilets.

If you have any queries about this subject please contact Aberdeenshire Council's Marr Area Manager at the Alford Area Office, Tel: 019755 64801.

## MORE VANDALISM

In 2010 the Lumsden School children buried their Time Capsule in the Moss Woods, to be opened in 2020

... but this site has now been PLUNDERED!

The six tins, originally buried with coloured stones cemented over the top, have all been smashed away, leaving debris spread around. The exposed contents were found by Norman and Karen Fraser while out walking with their girls and the contents have been taken to the school for safety.

What a huge disappointment for all concerned. There have been offers of building a more secure 'safe' of iron...and reburying the Module in the woods. However, Paul Scrimshaw (Acting Head of Lumsden School) would like the current pupils and their parents to decide whereabouts the Module should be buried - at the school may possibly be a safer option. Your views?

## SOME GOOD NEWS ...

Congratulations to James & Mary Coutts of Littlemill Croft, Lumsden, who celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on Sat 6th June.

## CLASSIFIED ADS ...

### FREE

Miscellaneous toddler toys

Bouncy castle

Plastic run table football

Half-size pool table with balls

Small snooker table with balls

Garden games set

Home theatre/cinema system

## OFFERS INVITED

Yamaha electric organ (slight damage)

Anyone interested in any of these items either contact us at [lumsdenevents@gmail.com](mailto:lumsdenevents@gmail.com)

## SUMMER HOLIDAYS

This will be the last newsletter for a while through the school holidays but we'll be back with Produce Show and other events in September.