

BURNing Issues

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POTENTIAL NEW DEVELOPMENTS FOR WALKERBURN AND INNERLEITHEN

Since 2001 Scottish Borders Council has been working with local people in the Walkerburn and Innerleithen Community Council Areas to improve local people's lives and economic opportunities.

In order to do this Scottish Borders Council's Planning and Economic Development Department helped set up the Walkerburn Innerleithen Partnership (WIP).

WIP ran a grant scheme open to community groups and businesses that disbursed £136,400 of European Union, Scottish Borders Council and Scottish Enterprise Borders money. This money was used to lever in an extra £168,000 worth of private funds into the two communities. This grant scheme has now finished and all the projects funded are up and running

Whilst no more European money is available, Scottish Borders Council is still committed to working on projects that benefit the local economy. Following discussion with local people Scottish Borders Council has come up with a

number of ideas for projects to be delivered by April 2007.

Potential Planned projects include:

- Promotional leaflet highlighting things to do and see in both communities.
- A Sculpture Trail
- Interpretation Boards highlighting the history and things to do in both communities.

If you are interested in finding out any more information or have any questions/suggestions please contact:

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Walkerburn Community Development Trust

The AGM was held recently in the Village Hall and included the display of the Feasibility Study into a Community Trails Network.

The response from those attending has been very positive and the Board are now considering which of the various trails we will look into developing.

At the meeting two of the Directors resigned as required by Company Rules. Cathie Sutherland was re-elected but unfortunately Robin Cowen was unable to stand for re-election as he is no longer a resident of the village. The Board would like to thank Robin for his work and support over the last year.

Membership of the Trust is open to any residents living in the EH43 post code and costs £1 per year. Any one interested in joining or any existing member that may be willing to consider joining the Board as a Director should contact me.

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Company Secretary
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Computer Room at the HBMI Club

Due to a decline in users to this facility, the computer suite will close when the current Broadband contract runs out in September. Unfortunately the £1 charge for Internet access has not been sufficient to cover the cost of broadband connection, phone line rental and

essential maintenance to keep the computers free of unsuitable downloads.

The computers and associated office equipment are available free of charge to any community group. Please contact the WCDDT via the Vestry office post box or through e-mail.



Several local organisations including Walkerburn Bowling Club, Primary School, Out of School Club and Hall committee, now have someone on hand for their catering purposes, who are the proud holders of Food Hygiene certificates.

Thanks to the Healthy Living Network, early summer saw 10 local people including Community Health Volunteers pass the course, so well done to all!

The smoking cessation group has now finished and the three people who gave up are still going strong and resisting temptation.

The **Family Food Group** is held at the village hall on Mondays from 12.45 - 2.45pm. A practical class aimed particularly at parents & carers, it looks at healthy ways of feeding a family. On 18th September Janice Rutherford, our local health visitor, will be coming along to support Leanne Haining, HLN food and Health worker, who will be holding a practical session on weaning. This is open to all Innerleithen and Walkerburn mums, dads and carers who would like to discuss any problems or need practical advice on feeding babies and toddlers. You would be advised to book a place by calling Nichola, Heather or Sheila. All participants will receive a starter pack.

Due to great success with **Lunch Club** at the school before the summer holidays, this year's Primary 7 children will have the chance to learn about healthy eating. They will help prepare and enjoy a tasty lunch, thanks to Ina Brown and Nichola Sewell, who are returning to run lunch club for September.

HB Club

The HB Club is available for any kind of parties or celebration. For more information phone the Club on 01896 870 267.

Don't forget the Fund Raiser Race Nite on 7th October. Come and have a good night out and support the HB Club at the same time (see main advert for more details).

Advance Notice - Back by popular demand on Saturday 21st October Highway Jones Rock and Roll. More details in next months Burning Issues.

Walkerburn Newsgroup News

The next BURNing Issues production meeting takes place in Walkerburn Church Vestry on Wednesday October 4th at 7pm. If you have any contributions to make to the October issue, please submit the material to us by this date.

Activity Groups

Walkerburn Fitness Group is the longest running group and has started up again after a summer break. All ages are very welcome to come and join in at the village hall from 9.30 - 10.30am every Monday. Friendly and informal this has become quite a social event!

This is followed by the 'Healthy Living group', with Heather, for tea, chat and a weigh in for those watching their weight.

The **Dance Groups** have started again on Monday evenings, again at the village hall, juniors (P4-7) from 7-8pm, seniors (S1 up) 8-9pm. New members are always welcome, just come along!

Both Tai Chi groups should be starting later in the month and are moving towards independence from healthy living network. Dates still to be confirmed.

Information posters are displayed regularly at the Post Office, Village Hall, School and other local places so remember to look out for them. If you need any other information about any Healthy Living activities on offer or have any queries, give Nichola Sewell 07748 320108, Heather 07747757434 or Sheila Horsburgh, (01896) 870235 a call during office hours.

Thank You

£150.00 was raised at a recent Young Farmers Stock Judging Event held at Holylee and catered by the George Hotel.

The money raised at these events is usually donated to groups/charities in the area local to the event.

This money was split between the Youth Group (£100) and the After School Care Club (£50) and both groups would like to express their thanks for this generous donation.

September Wild Side

Having written about the exceptional weather last month, it's been all change and the grass has returned to its usual green and needing cut once again.

The light is changing in quality and with dusk coming much earlier which is ideal for bat watching. So, sitting in a darkened porch with only a citronella candle for company, watching the bats feed near an outside light, led me to decide that either citronella isn't the insect repellent it's cracked up to be or bats aren't greedy enough. I was soon covered in bites. Insect life of all descriptions has flourished this summer with bees and butterflies of all shapes and sizes, amongst all the other flying beasties. There have been a lot of white butterflies in particular this summer. I don't grow cabbages, which they love to lay their eggs on, but nasturtiums do just as well, and we do grow those. The tiny specks on the underside of the leaves are the eggs which will hatch into the familiar black and green caterpillars. These will then hibernate as pupae till next April, when the cycle begins again.

I was thrilled to find a huge, beautiful insect on the peonies, which I couldn't find in any of my faithful reference books. It was long, (altogether about 4 inches), slim bodied, black banded white, with bright orange eyes and long orange legs. At the end of the abdomen was a spike

almost as long as the rest of its body. The digital camera came out and I emailed a picture with my questions to the Ranger service. The reply explained the size of this insect. This was a Sabre Wasp and not a true wasp. It parasitizes Wood Wasps, also huge, by using this long egg laying spike or ovipositor to deposit eggs inside the wood wasp, which then grow and feed on it from the inside. Wood wasps, aren't technically wasps either and don't sting, just munch wood, but are fearsome looking insects. Their larvae spend a long time maturing inside wood, and I have since read that they can sometimes emerge as adults from furniture made from new wood. Now that would make you spill your tea on that new table!

Why not come and discover bats for yourself at St Ronans Wells Visitor Centre on Friday 15th September from 8-10pm with an evening of activities and a walk, led by the SBC Museums & Galleries service. Under 8's must be accompanied. Bring a torch and suitable clothing. Free with a donation to local animal charity.

CAB needs new management committee members

Peebles and District Citizens Advice Bureau is one of 76 CAB offices across Scotland which form the country's largest independent advice network.

The Peebles Bureau covers the whole of Tweeddale and is looking for more local people to volunteer not just as advisers, but also to sit on its management committee and help steer the work of the Bureau.

Management committee members play an essential role in ensuring the Bureau runs smoothly. They are responsible for making sure it meets the needs of local people and is run efficiently. They oversee the services provided in line with the policies and standards set by the CAB service nationally, and play a key role in the development, funding and management of the

Bureau.

Some management committee roles require specific skills such as legal or financial - but the Bureau is also looking for people able to attend several meetings a year who are committed to the aims of the CAB service, and who are able and willing to take on the responsibilities of a management committee member.

For further information, contact John Montgomery, Peebles CAB Manager on 01721 7 2 1 7 2 2 or by e-mail at manager@peeblescab.casonline.org.uk.

St Andrews Church, Innerleithen

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER
ALL SUNDAY SERVICES ARE AT 10AM
Sunday school first Sunday of month at 10am
Coffee after Service first Sunday of month.
HARVEST FESTIVAL OF THANKSGIVING
1st OCT AT 10AM

OASIS DISCUSSION GROUP
MEET ON TUESDAYS AT 10am
in the Father Hurt room.

ALL ARE MOST WELCOME!
Rector Reverend Robin Lee

WALKERBURN RUGBY CLUB

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www.sru.org/sites/walkerburn-rfc

RUGBY CLUB NEWS

We are looking for volunteers to fill the following positions for this season - for further information contact Lesley Millar on 01896 757042; Physiotherapist, First Aider (Full Certificated Training Course Offered) and Sevens Convenor

MINIs started training 9th September at 9.30am - 10.30am on pitch. Free of charge - just show up. Questions to Gail Thoms on 01896-754342

Sponsors for 1 or 2 years. Get on the bandwagon NOW and benefit from some excellent promotion for your company over either one or two years.

Jersey Sponsors! For only £30 next season you can sponsor a team jersey- yours to keep at end of 2006-7 season Contact Lesley Millar on 01896-757042

Members Fixture Cards are ready. Club Memberships are due NOW. Forms in Club House and from Membership Secretary. 01896-756875 and 870762

200 Club monies are due NOW for the chance of a great return of up to £100 monthly on only £12 a year investment! Pay to Jock Anderson 870528.

A new Lotto draw has started and you can win! Simply select 3 letters.

The Hawaiian Evening Fancy Dress, with Divas Disco and delicious Barbecue Supper was enjoyed by many! Great costumes and dancing!

Start planning to come to our Halloween event NOW 28 October following the match v Peebles 2nds (H)

The Sunday Spectacular and Celebrity Charity Games at Peebles RFC in aid of Macmillan nurses and Maggie's Centre on August 27th raised more than £5000. Walkerburn captain Scott McIntosh played at No 8 in the winning side v the Scottish Legends!

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES.
Sept 16 v RDVC (A)



Walkerburn RFC 200 Club September Winners

£50	179: C. Beetson
£10	167: Mrs K. Henderson
£5	103: L. Herbst
£5	64: I. Henderson

Sept 30 v Liberton (A)

Oct 7 v St Boswells (A) National Cup Game 1st Round

Contact the Secretary on 01896-870762 for INTERNATIONAL TICKETS - WRFC allocation Tickets are available through Club Secretary /Treasurer for the Autumn Tests NOW and the Spring 6 nations by 20th September.

WALKERBURN R.F.C.



INDIVIDUAL JERSEY
SPONSORSHIP
ONLY £30.00

KOOGA/RUGBYSTORE.CO.UK

Sponsor and INDIVIDUAL home jersey and it will be yours to keep at the end of the season.

Jerseys will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

In the event of more than one sponsor per jersey, the nearest number will be allocated.

Please contact the club for further details, to check availability and for an order form.

Borders public Information Support Site for You



New health information service on the Internet



www.bissy.scot.nhs.uk

This site has information on

- medical conditions
- surgical operations
- support groups
- healthy living
- a small number of leaflets in languages other than English
- and much more.....



The BGH information shop now has a kiosk, where you will find this information. It has a touch screen, keyboard and printer.

Walkerburn Community Council

Open questions - Q. Can the Community Council do anything about the state of Sunnybrae lodge given that it is grade A listed and potentially dangerous due to state of the roof and broken windows? A. This is not a new issue and SBC have been made fully aware of the situation and have started the legal procedure to address the problem but it is a slow process. WCC will keep the public informed of any developments.

Q. Walkerburn Development Trust is considering applying for the tender to write a brief local history of Walkerburn to go onto Information boards which SBC are planning to erect in various points of the village. Do the WCC have any objection to the Trust doing this bearing in mind the work done by WCC on the Environmental Challenge Project? A. No objection.

Police Business - again there was no representative from the police. Secretary to write again.

Matters arising - Floral Gateway Competition - after consulting with members of the Vegetable and Flower Society it was considered that because Walkerburn is a long thin village it would not lend itself to showcasing the floral event.

WCC had not received a response from SBC re the school minibus problem. However Jeremy Purvis reply was read out and he expressed his support to the school.

Community Council Special Project Fund- The

landowners on Caberston Road had been approached and were agreeable to the lights being attached to their buildings. In order to apply for funding SBC would need a copy of the inspected accounts of WCC, which the treasurer agreed to send.

Community Plan - there were no comments from the members.

Planning Applications - None.

Correspondence - The minutes from the Forestry Environmental Planning meeting had been sent along with an invitation to the follow up meeting in September.

WCC received information from the Fire Brigade about Integrated Risk Management Plans.

Annual seminar of Community Councillors is being held on 7th October at St. Boswells. The secretary would collate a list of attendees.

Waterwatch Scotland is holding a public meeting at 2pm 14th September at Peebles Borough Hall.

Energy Trust is going to be at Galashiels Langlee centre to discuss any Community Energy projects.

Members Report - None.

Councillors Report - Parking on pavements SBC is clamping down on this see report in Burning Issues.

AOB - None

Date of next meeting: 18th September 2006 - 7pm at the Public Hall.

Report provided by Denise Hanks.



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Re: Neighbourly Consideration

As residents of High Cottages and Caberston Avenue we are all aware of the problems of parking and delivery vans. We are probably all guilty at some time or other of being impatient waiting for delivery vans to move. While agreeing that consideration needs to be taken regarding deliveries we take issue with the statement that the residents are thoughtless. Obviously Anon has given some thought to the problem as it has prompted him/her to put pen to paper. Has Anon really thought out the practicalities of the suggestions made? The recipients of deliveries do not usually have a say when deliveries are to be made. At best the businesses offer a `time window` of either am or pm

It is acceptable that when residents are moving house Anon`s suggestion is carried out as this has been found to work.

However, there are approximately 28 households on the two roads.

Does Anon envisage that every time a household is expecting a delivery, 27 letters will be written and delivered to all the households? The time to produce, remember not everyone owns a computer, and deliver these letters would be time consuming for people who already lead busy lives.

Given the number of delivery vans and trade vans if more than one household are expecting deliveries on a certain day we could end up having 4 or 5 notes through the letter box on a daily basis.

We have to be realistic and accept that there are difficulties and that there are no magic solutions to the problem. `Neighbourly consideration` is usually observed by most residents. Perhaps Anon should remember these difficulties and leave a few minutes earlier for their `important dates`.

**Anne Barbour, Carol Conkie, Paul Conkie,
Rosemary McKean, Tom McKean, Betty
Smith, Gordon Smith, Heather Tracey**

The editorial team reserves the right to edit or omit letters. Views expressed attach only to the writers. All submissions must include a full name address and telephone number. This will be withheld by request to the editor.

LOCAL BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Accommodation

● The George Hotel
Lounge Bar and Restaurant
Walkerburn
Tel 01896 870336
georgehotelscotb@aol.com

Antiques and Books

● Last Century
Antiques and Books
Books bought and sold. Local books
on history, Tweed Mills, the Tweed.
Also photographs and maps
Tel 01896 831759

Ceramics

● Made for Life Ceramics
Hand Made Tiles
Frost Proof Garden Ceramics
Commissions Welcome
Tel 01896 870224

Doctors Surgery

● St Ronans Health Centre
Buchan Place
Innerleithen
01896-830203

Engineering Services

● DCB Welding Design
Engineering Services
Hall Street
Walkerburn
Tel 01896 870596
Mobile 07721 336594

Fencer

● Jim Grieve
Fencing Contractor
Tel 01896 870335

Mobile 07790 919264

Household Goods

● Home Basics (Tweeddale)
Registered Charity
Collection of furniture and household
items for distribution in the Borders
community
Tel 01896 870355

Laboratory Supplies

● Rathburn Chemicals Ltd
Laboratory Supplies
Tel 01896 870329

Marketing and Promotions

● Jeremy Ballantyne Marketing
Textiles and Marketing Company
Tel 01896 870392

● Brian Lees Promotions
Clothes shopping to your home
Club Embroidery
Tel 01896 870364

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● Paul Allen
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11 Glenbenna
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All aspects, including Ames Taping
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Painter and Decorator

All Interior and Exterior Work
Ceramic Floors and Wall Tiling
Tel 01896 870757

Pharmacy

● D & E Ogilvie
31 High Street
Innerleithen
01896-830384

Picture Framers

● Frame It
5 High Street
Innerleithen
0771 961 8241

Social and Sports Clubs

● Henry Ballantyne Memorial Institute
Social Club
Tel 01896 870 267
● Walkerburn Rugby Club
01896-870762
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Video & DVD Hire

● Film Fun Video
Sale/Hire Video and DVD Films
Chapel Street
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