

# The Edderton Newsletter

Late Summer 2024







## A Note from the (sort of) 'Eddertor'

### WELCOME

Apologises if this latest newsletter is a little tardier than normal, it has been a very busy “summer” and autumn/winter looks set to continue in the same vein.

I say “Summer” because we appear to be giving way to winter without either passing Go or collecting £200!

However, the fires of community warmth in Edderton look set to continue warming the cockles and, in this newsletter, you will find details of a new community grant to encourage groups to use the village hall, details of a community beetle drive evening as well as our traditional Remembrance Day Service.

Edderton remains a fantastic and place to live. I hope that keeps us all warm through the long winter nights!

For any feedback – good or bad – please feel free to drop me an email at: [pajnewman@outlook.com](mailto:pajnewman@outlook.com) or better still (if it's bad), to Nikki at [eccsecretary@aol.com](mailto:eccsecretary@aol.com)

## Community News

### Beetle Drive

EMMA Jones has produced these wonderful posters promoting the next Beetle Drive being held by the Village Hall Committee on Friday September 27th at 19:00. Entry free, everyone welcome, donations appreciated. Hall meetings are the last Thursday of the month.



### Day of Action

EDDERTON Village Hall are preparing a Day of Action on Saturday October 26th to help keep the hall grounds and surrounding areas tidy. Times are yet to be confirmed but the proposal is to meet for a couple of hours to freshen up flower beds, prune bushes and generally ensure that village goes into autumn/winter in the best possible state of resilience.

### Remembrance Sunday



REMEMBRANCE Sunday this year falls on October 10th.

The service will be conducted by Michael Brown once again at the request of the Community Council. The service will begin at 10:45

The Village Hall Committee will be serving tea and coffee in the hall afterwards to allow people to mingle and chat out of the cold.

## Halloween's A-Coming



EDDERTON Village Hall will be running a spooktacular evening for everyone in the village for Halloween on 1st November at 19:00.

The parents can bring their own bottle while the youngsters will be amused by a spookily decorated village hall. An event for the young—and the young at heart.

## The Wheels on the Bus

CHRISTMAS is rapidly approaching, as ever. The bus for Christmas shopping—free to everyone—will be leaving Edderton Village Hall on 7th December at 09:00. The service will return at 16:00.

Contact Nikki at [eccsecretary@aol.com](mailto:eccsecretary@aol.com) to reserve a place



## Christmas Is Coming— The Goose is Getting Fat

THE Senior Citizens dinner is normally held in January. If you are 60 or over, you are entitled to attend the Christmas dinner (date and venue to be arranged) if you do not attend the dinner you will receive a gift voucher.



Could anyone wishing to attend, or receive the gift voucher, please get in touch with Nikki or Lorna before the **1st December**

Anyone not stating whether they wish to attend the dinner will automatically receive a voucher.

All children up to the age of 18 are entitled to a Gift Voucher from the Community Council. I think I have a note of all of the children but please let me know if I have missed anyone.

## Edderton Community Council Grants Available.

### Skill Seekers Grant Up To £250.00



THIS grant is available annually for anyone that doing some form of training/re-training, these include University costs, driving lessons, the list goes on...

### Smoke Alarm Grant Up To £200.00

THIS grant is available to help with the costs of installing smoke alarms to the required Scottish Government legislation.

### Energy Conservation Grant Up To £300.00

THIS grant is to help with the costs of installing insulation, double glazing and anything to help energy conservation.



### NEW START UP GRANT AVAILABLE

A NEW grant is to try and encourage new groups to use the village hall to provide different activities for villagers has been launched. Setup grants of £300.00 available now.

For more information on any of these grants or a copy of the application form, please contact Nikki on [eccsecretary@aol.com](mailto:eccsecretary@aol.com) or 07483234172.

### GARDENING CLUB

**Meetings are held in Edderton Village Hall, at 7.30p.m. Everyone welcome.**

THE Club's formal meeting programme finished for the season in April, but members have enjoyed a busy summer since then, starting with a group visit to Struanbridge garden near Inverness in May.



Members' gardens at Amat and Astle have been opened to the public under Scotland's Gardens Scheme, and the summer social meeting also took place at Amat.

This year the competition winners were Steve for the potatoes, and Sara for the carrots.

The new Club programme began on Monday 2nd September 2024, at 19:30pm in Edderton Hall. New members, or guests interested in one particular topic, are always welcome.

Membership is £10 per person for the full season, £5 if joining after January 1st, and £3 per night for visitors (deducted from membership fee if you subsequently join). Members' benefits include discount at Scotsburn Garden Centre, Tain, and from Suttons Seeds. For more information, please phone 01863 766061 or 01862 811381, or email pahannah@hotmail.com

*7th October—Speaker: Philip Ward, Tain*

*4th November—Speaker: Tracy Munro, Butterfly Conservation Scotland*

*2nd December—Speaker: Ian Crisp, Dunrobin Castle Gardens*

*3rd February—Gardening quiz night*

*3rd March—Speaker: Lydia McKay, "Seed sowing"*

*7th April—Speaker: Dave Brown, "Carnivorous plants"*

*5th May—Speaker: Gillian MacKenzie, with plants for sale and soft fruit growing tips.*

## School News

THE pupils of Edderton Primary School wish to say "thank you!" to all those people who contributed money, time, equipment and

seeds. They are enjoying eating the produce from their new vegetable patches!



## Here for you

Current Community Councillors.

Below are your current Community Councillors, if you have anything you want raised please contact one of them or you can attend our regular meetings, (first Wednesday of every month, 19:00, Village Hall):

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