

CRAIL PRESERVATION SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

Spring 2011

AN EXCITING YEAR AHEAD

The new committee met in March and we have embarked on an exciting programme of events and initiatives for the year ahead.

We are producing a new updated information leaflet and this will be distributed to homes in Crail along with this newsletter as part of our new membership drive. If you have already paid your subscription this year, please pass it on.

Denburn Wood improves every year thanks to the hard work of our enthusiastic band of volunteers who meet on the first Saturday morning of each month. Do please come along and join in. Part of the bank of the burn has collapsed and an expert stonemason is about to carry out repairs and strengthening work.

We are also speaking to the Primary School about initiatives to have children's work parties in Denburn.

We are having an expert check out the condition of the Dooocot and are taking the first steps to see if we can get funding to carry out an upgrade to the building.

Three years ago we started the hanging basket improvements to the main streets of our beautiful town. We are now going to extend the baskets to the edge of the boundary coming in from Anstruther, and further down Shoregate to the harbour.

Talking about the harbour, we are also looking at initiatives that might produce both short and long term improvements to the appearance of our iconic harbour area.

The History Group are looking at staging a series of talks by invited guests or members on interesting topics. Look out for more



Spring lambs in the CPS's Denburn Field

information on this.

We are also considering how a scheme might be implemented to start improving and replacing the street signage.

Along with our fundraising and social events, there are plenty of things happening this year!

David Jerdan (Chairman)

COLOURFUL CRAIL

We held a coffee morning with a Home Baking stall and a Raffle on Saturday April 9th where we raised £550.00 for the Summer planting of the tubs and troughs. Thank you so much for your support.



Daffodils planted 2010 for the 100th anniversary of the Brownies, in Triangle Park owned by CPS.

We need to replace 31 tubs as many of them have disintegrated. Crail Preservation Society has agreed to buy 10 and they cost £25.00 each - we will need sponsorship for the other 21.

If we get funding from the Fife Area Budget Project we plan to have a bed on the Anstruther to Crail road just before the 30 mile limit sign on the right hand side coming into Crail, in which we will plant the Crail Crab. Stewart McKay has very generously offered to give his time to make the frame for the bed, however if we do not get funding from Fife we hope to get sponsorship from the community for the compost to fill the frame and the plants to make the "Crab and Sea", approximately 1296 plants !! If any one feels they can sponsor any part of this project please contact either Kathleen Main or Kate Eggo or Jeni Auchinleck.

Jeni Auchinleck

WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN CRAIL

Dentist; Doctor; Police presence; Voluntary Dog Warden; Proper street signs at Balcomie development, and more speed limits on main road. (proposed by A.B.)

(Editor's note – this could be a regular item, but it should be born in mind that the CPS can only work towards certain items consistent with its objectives, while the Crail Community Council would be more appropriately approached to campaign for others. Send your wish list to the editor)

MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to all those who have already paid their subscriptions for the current year.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Tuesday 26th April 7.30pm, British legion Hall, talk by Commander David Hobbs MBE RN (ret'd) "The History of Crail Airfield". Arranged by the History Group and Crail Museum.
- Friday 3rd June Collectables Auction – following on from the success of last year's auction.
- 25th June Jazz Evening at Wormiston, possibly starting late afternoon.

To be announced (Autumn) Wine Tasting.

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