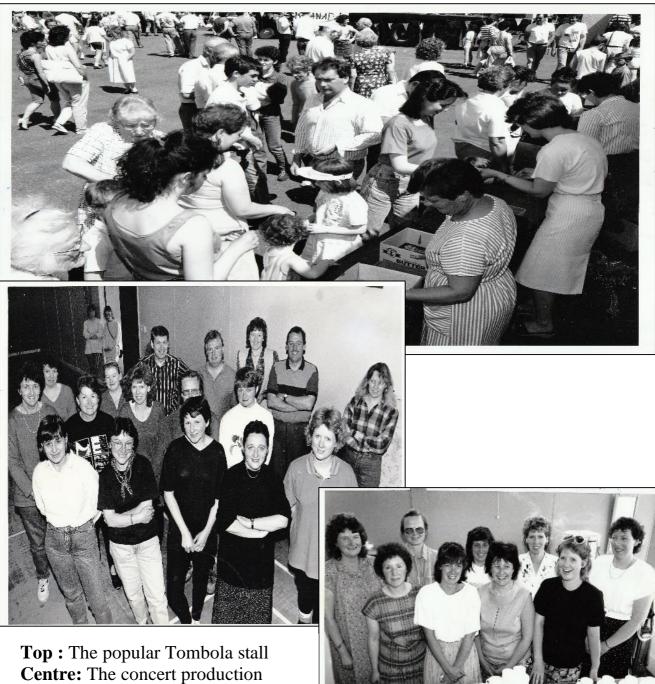


Another Gala free summer - so to make up for the lack of festivities . . . a wee trip down Memory Lane. The way we were!



**Centre:** The concert production crew. **Right:** Cheerful tea ladies!

# What's on in Maryburgh and District

#### <u>Text in green means that these activities are running again but following the Scottish</u> <u>Government's guidelines with priority being to keep users safe.</u>

<u>Hall</u>: <u>Monday</u>: Highland Radio-Controlled Car Club. 6.30pm – 9pm. First night FREE! Adults: £7. Under 16s: £4. Any RC car can be used. Just bring it along. Club cars can be hired. Sockets available for charging.

Tuesday:AvailableWednesday:AvailableThursday:Martial Arts 6 - 8pm. £5/1hr, £8 / 2hrs. First Class free.<br/>Min age 5yrsFirst class free.No upper age limits

Friday: Available

\*To book the hall, contact: http//maryburghhub.info/hall-booking-enquiries/ email: contact@maryburghhub.info Call Steph: 07970 010 718

#### Senior Citizens Lunch Club:

Cottage Bar.12 noon on Wednesdays. All welcome. A chance to socialise and have a great lunch! Contact Traci 01349 861230

#### <u>SWI:</u>

<u>To be updated</u>

<u>Maryburgh Outdoor Bowling Club:</u> (More information on P11) Following the guidelines from the Scottish government. Times are: Tuesday -Friday 6.45pm for 7pm. Cost: £3.00 to get on the green Contact: Stephen 07570804193

#### Loch Achonachie Angling Club

The majority of the club's fishings will open on April 1<sup>st</sup> until 6<sup>th</sup> October. If you are interested in joining the club, contact the club secretary, Mr Okain Maclennan, 19 Seaforth Drive, Fortrose Tel: 01381620674, go to our website:http://highland fishing.net/ or check us out on Facebook.

#### <u>The Badminton Club</u> Mondays at The Leanaig Centre. 7.30pm – 9.30pm £3.00 per session (£2.00 for Hi Life members) New members always welcome

<u>Beavers, Cubs and Scouts</u> Conon Church Hall: Beavers: - Tuesday, 6.pm – 7.pm, Leanaig Centre<u>: Cubs are desperately in need of leaders</u>. (Thursday <u>6.30 – 7.30pm</u>) Scouts:- Friday 7.30pm – 9.30pm

# Maryburgh 150 Club 3

# The village's very own lottery is returning!

(The numbers have been reduced from 200 to 150 to ensure the club is fully subscribed)

The 150 Club will help to boost the funds needed to continue with improvements to the hall and membership is only £20 for the year  $(1^{st} July - 30^{th} June the following year)$ .

The Club draw takes place at the end of each month using a random number generator. A recording of the draw will be uploaded to the Maryburgh Community Facebook page, with numbers and names of winners listed in The Roundabout.

	January- May	June	July- November	December
1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	£40	£200	£40	£200
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	£25	£100	£25	£100
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	£10	£75	£10	£75
Max. prizes per month	£75	£375	£75	£375

# You have a ONE IN FIVE chance of winning a prize!

We are really hopeful of a full subscription to the club but if a number is drawn that has not been allocated, then this is a blank draw and no prize is awarded.

Please submit your name, address, phone number and email on paper with your £20 (cash only, no cheques) to the hall postbox, which is checked daily, before the 27<sup>th</sup> June. You'll receive a receipt in return with the details of your number. Or for more information, contact Steph on 07970 010718.



## Ross and Cromarty Heritage Society Maryburgh History (Extract from www. rossandcromartyheritage.org)

Prior to 1857 a school would have existed in Maryburgh but its location and standards are obscure. It is said that Pear Tree Cottage on Hood St was a "Dame School" In 1857 the Minister, the Rev Daniel Ross Munro, convened a meeting of parents, heads of families, and others connected with the Free Church congregation, who were interested in the education of the young, for the purpose of proceeding with the erection of a new school and schoolhouse.



On the understanding that (a) a site would be granted for the purpose at a nominal feu duty and that (b) the Hon Mrs Stewart-MacKenzie would supply the required timber from the Brahan Policies to the value of £100, it was decided to proceed in the expectation that the cost would be defrayed by voluntary subscriptions and by a grant from the Central Education Authority.

A collection taken at the meeting amounted to £5 and subsequently Mrs Stewart-MacKenzie gave the sum of £65 by way of subscriptions obtained by her.

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The buildings were ready for occupation on 22nd October 1860 and in anticipation thereof the post of Headmaster had been advertised at a salary of £40 per annum. Mr Arthur Sutherland, from Evanton, was appointed the first teacher and a Committee of Management under the chairmanship of the Rev D R Munro fixed the fees to be charged by the teacher:

Reading, Writing and Arithmetic: -

1/6d per quarter

#### Latin and Greek – 5/- per quarter

The school hours were fixed as 10 am to 4 pm and forenoons only on Saturday.

The head teacher, Mr Sutherland, resigned his post in 1881 and was succeeded by Mr Alexander MacKenzie from Dornie, who remained in the post for 37 years. At the commencement of his teaching it was decided by the Management Committee that Gaelic should be included in the curriculum as the majority of parents spoke that language.

Management of the school by the Free Church continued to 1873 when the Finance Committee of the Church gave powers to arrange the transfer of the property to the School Board of Fodderty under the provisions contained in the EDUCATION (SCOTLAND) ACT of 1872. This transfer was sanctioned at a congregation meeting in June 1873, subject to certain conditions of which the following is one: "The use of the School should be given to the Maryburgh Free Church for religious meetings when required at such times or hours not to interfere with the ordinary teaching in such School."

More information about The School is available in a book published by Ross and Cromarty Heritage Society. Photos and information on, and from, pupils can be found on Facebook: Maryburgh Primary School Memories



### Ross and Cromarty Heritage Society.

In late 2019 the trustees of the society decided the website that was originally created in the late 1990's and upgraded in the second decade of the 21 century should be re-developed to suit the new technological changes and new regulatory requirements that have occurred since. After delays due to the Covid 19 pandemic the new website was finally completed and went live at the beginning of April 2021.

. Our website has always received a wealth of contributions from visitors to the site, so the new website now has areas within each community page to allow visitors to add additional local contributions.

Some of the funding for this project was from the Dingwall Ward Common Good Fund and one of their requests was that the project should make a contribution towards promotion of the Gaelic language. The website therefore has a translation facility to allow a visitor to read it in either English or Gaelic.

If you would like to visit the website the URL is <u>https://www.rossandcromartyheritage.org</u> where you can find lots about Maryburgh's heritage. Alternatively our members are always willing to answer questions about the website or the society, or perhaps you have an interest in local heritage and would like to be involved.

Community Posts from Facebook:

<Stopped to chat to our Maryburgh gent, Tom, this morning at the playing field. Guess what he was doing? Voluntarily picking up all the rubbish of sweet wrappers, paper, plastic items, gloves etc . by people who are FORTUNATE ENOUGH, FREE OF CHARGE to have a lovely playing field to exercise on, play sport etc. Be ashamed those of you who do this - you have no respect. And, why should an elderly member of the Community tidy up after you? Because he respects his Community. Think about it and next time take your rubbish home.>

<I wondered this morning who had picked it all up. Well done Tom. Wise man leaving the bag for them to use. Obviously too much of a strain for them to walk the 50 yds to the bin.>

A new bin has been placed above the football pitch for litter and dog perhaps waste, local dog walkers can use this bin and refrain from dog discarding bags on the pavement by the bin at the hall which is not currently in use.



# Maryburgh Community Council



Community Councils bridge the gap between local authorities and communities and help to make public bodies aware of the opinions and needs of the communities they represent.

We're looking to co-opt 2 additional committee members, all that's asked is that you altend at least 6 meetings per year. At the moment these are held via Microsoft Teams.

We'd also like to add a junior member, so if you're aged 16-18 yrs and would like to represent the young people of Maryburgh, we'd love to hear from you.



Maryburgh Community Council



MaryburghCC@gmail.com

#### **Community Garden**

Work is currently underway down at the community garden. Plan is to remove the large rectangular bed , use the soil to replenish the big border along the fence and around the wee wall; to give the bench a good clean and lay down more bark. Also putting in more plants /shrubs in the borders. A huge thanks to the children of Wrightfield Park for helping to lay the new bark in our Community Garden. As a result of their and the other volunteers' efforts the Community Garden looks great! Thank you to the team of volunteers who have made this transformation possible – and to Moira for the sustenance!



More bark has been spread at the community garden.. There's a picnic bench on order so, soon, you'll be able to have a seat and enjoy the garden. There are also some wonderful beasties for you to find. Have a look for them!





Jane Menzies 29<sup>th</sup> June. Age undisclosed but over 21 !

Thank you Anne Maclachlan for your generous donation to the Roundabout's expenses! Gratefully received!

Thank you Tom and your team for keeping Maryburgh in Bloom continuing to make the village look bonnie!

Thank you to the folk who've adopted some of the flower tubs . . . Albert Place, Seaforth Place and Rosshill Drive. You're doing a grand job!

## **Community Council**

As most of the information can be found on the Facebook Page and no information has been sent to The Roundabout there is nothing to report. However, having trawled through the MCC published minutes, the issue of potholes has, yet again raised its ugly head but Highland Council are looking into it. (Exactly which pothole has not been specified.)

## Men's Shed

Nothing to report – apart from the fact that, in April they were looking for a plumber to do some work in the old building . . . any offers? Sorry . . . no contact details!

## **Maryburgh Matters**

Maryburgh Matters are looking for residents to get involved in the new community room they are hoping to get in the former school. Contact Fiona Ross for more information on the Facebook page.

Oh dear . . . Roe Deer!

Apparently, some Roe Deer have decided that Birch Drive is a great place to have a wander. When driving up the road, please be aware!



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#### CONON/MARYBURGH BOWLING CLUB.

The new season got under way on Saturday 1st of May with the green being opened by our new President Stephen MacDonald's children: Michael, Hannah & Joshua.

Club nights will be held every Tuesday & Friday at 6.45 for a 7pm start.We are also bringing back a bounce game on a Thursday at 2 pm.

New members are most welcome and for this season only we are offering a half price membership fee of only £25.

Interested? then contact Stephen on 07570804193



# **Come and try** Cameron's School of Martial Arts



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> Cameron's School of Martial Arts restarts from 3<sup>rd</sup> June for children aged 6 and over If interested drop me a wee message for more details Find Cameron's School of Martial Arts on Facebook. Phone: 0781000946



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