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**Civic Week Parade 2014** 

#### A Message from the Chairman of Cowdenbeath Community Council



Can I begin this message with a big thank you to the 4winds trust who have awarded the Community Council funding to assist with the

production of this newsletter. Also, thank you to the businesses who have advertised with us - it all helps with the costs and allows us to continue with production. And now to some of the issues being relayed to us by you - the folks of Cowdenbeath.

• The proposal by Fife Council to change bin collections - (see article on P12 for more information).

• The request to erect 6 wind turbines on land east of Hilton farm, Kelty - a public exhibition is to be held in the town in the next month or so on this subject. We would encourage you to go along and see what's involved. Details will appear in the press as well as on our Facebook page.

A. Haddow, Chairman

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

13 - 21st June - Gala Week

12 & 13th Sep - Horticultural Show

8th November - Remembrance Day Parade

Like and share our Cowdenbeath Community Council Facebook page

#### WOULD YOU LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE AN ARTICLE TO THIS NEWLSETTER

If you have any news (an article and/or a photograph ) you would like to contribute - please do so.

Articles can be handwritten or typed and sent to the Editor at 1 Elgin Road, Cowdenbeath or you can choose to email the Editorial Team at: cowdenbeathcc@gmail.com

Articles must include your name and address (and organisation or group if applicable) but you may request your name and address not to be printed with the article.

#### **Guidelines for articles:**

1.Maximum of 300 words (unless there is a photograph to be used in which case the maximum words would be 200 words). If emailed, the document should be sent as Rich Text Format (RTF)

2.Photographs should be sent as a jpeg.

The community council reserve the right to edit all material submitted and the editor's decision is final on what will be included in the newsletter

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**The 46th Fife** are one of the best equipped Scout Groups in Fife having invested heavily in camping and programme equipment. They have their own scout hall at Wemyss Street, Cowdenbeath and have recently set up their own indoor archery range. They also have excellent training facilities with computers, projectors, flipchart and touchboard. External organisations also use their hall as a training venue.

**The Beavers** - are for young people aged between 6-8 years of age. Beaver Scouting is all about having fun, making friends and learning new skills. The fun includes going on visits, making things, playing games and exploring the world around you.

**The Cubs** - are for boys and girls aged between 8-10and a half years old. They are the second section of the Scouting family. Recently the cubs have been learning about archery and cooking as part of their cooks and camping badges.

**The Scouts -** are for young people between 10 and a half years and 14years of age. Scouts take part in a Balanced Programme that helps them to find out about the world in which they live, encourages them to know their own abilities and the importance of keeping fit and helps develop their creative talents

**Interested** - then get in touch with them, there are vacancies in all 3 sections. Check out their website for more details



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Option Name	Landfill Waste (Blue)	Cans and Plastics (Green)	Paper and Card (Grey)	Food and Garden Waste (Brown)	Absorbent Hygiene Products (AHP)
Current 4 bin service	Fortnightly	4 weekly	4 weekly	Fortnightly	N/A
Trial 1	3 weekly	3 weekly & Relaxed additional bin policy	3 weekly	Fortnightly (Mar -Oct) 4 weekly (Nov-Feb) Relaxed additional bin policy	Producers of this waste provided with additional capacity landfill
Trial 2	4 weekly	Fortnightly & Relaxed additional bin policy	4 weekly	Fortnightly 4 weekly (Nov-Feb) Relaxed additional bin policy	Prodcuers of this waste provided with 2 weekly collection of landfill bin

# New Bin Trials

With effect from 3rd March, Fife Councils' Executive Committee approved a proposal to Investigate new waste and recycling collections to approximately 4000 households in Fife.

Detailed below are a couple of the questions which have been asked. More questions and answers can be found on Fife Councils' website www.fifedirect.org.uk

# How many collection trials will be taking place and what areas will be involved?

There will be two collection trials taking place - both involving approx 2000 households. We will compare the impact of each trial to help us identify the best performing option in terms of the

amount of recycling collected as well as resident satisfaction. The areas where the collection trials will be carried out have still to be selected. They will not be in areas that have recently been changed over to the 4-bin system

#### changed over to the 4-bin system How will I know if I live in a collection trial area?

If you live in an area where the collection trials are being carried out, you will receive written information well in advance of the collection trial starting.

### WWW.FIFEDIRECT.ORG - CHECK IT OUT

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# BEAUTIFUL 2015 FIFE 2015



Last year, Cowdenbeath was awarded the Silver Gilt award for the Beautiful Fife Competition. The competition is about ensuring that

communities are rewarded for their efforts in trying to improving their local environment.

The Cowdenbeath Environmental group, their volunteers and the staff at Fife Council Parks, Environmental Services and Community Services departments worked hard together last year to improve the local area so more folks could use and enjoy the outdoor areas in Cowdenbeath as well as feel safe and take pride in the surroundings

However, from some of the recent photographs which have been taken by the Environmental Group, they have got 'a few hurdles' to overcome to hopefully do well again in the competition\_\_\_\_\_



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Preparation plans are underway for the Society's Diamond Jubilee Flower Show on Saturday,12th and Sunday, 13th September in Trinity Church.

The Society are looking to have anything from 1955 in their centre piece ideally related to the Horticultural Society but if anyone has anything that is 60 this year the Society would like to get a loan of it for the show. So if you have anything that would suit - get in touch with them.



#### **DID YOU KNOW**

In November 2015, Cowdenbeath will celebrate 125 years since it became a burgh. See next issue for comprehensive coverage on the history of the burgh.

# COWDENBEATH FOODBANK

The foodbank opened in the Fountain Meeting Rooms in Broad Street on Tuesday, 10th March. ...

It is open on a Tuesday between 4-6pm. To help expand the facility to be open on a Thursday and a Saturday - more volunteers are required.

The foodbank is co-ordinated by Rev Gavin Boswell of Trinity Church so if you are thinking of volunteering then contact Gavin.

# CHIC WEEK UPDATE

It's that time of year again and the Civic Week Committee are gearing up for the fast approaching Gala Week. This year the week of activities begin on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June with the Parade on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June.

This years 'theme' is SUPERHEROES. For more details on the programme of the weeks events – see pages 8 & 9). Although the gala week is one week out of the year, it takes time and dedication from the Committee to organise all the events for that week. In fact, the Committee actually begin their work in January.

There's a mountain of forms to complete, meetings to attend, phone calls to make. They have to apply for licenses, complete Risk Assessments, negotiate with Fife Council, Police Scotland, book the stage, marquees, bands, entertainment acts as well as organising the lorries, the floats and the walking procession.

As with any event, there is a cost involved. The Committee receive funding from various sources but they also feel they need to run more and more fundraising events throughout the year to help with the costs for the gala week (as well as the Christmas Events). Approx 5 years ago, the cost to organise the gala was approx £10,000. Last year it cost approx £18,000.

Some of the expenditure is on overheads which are essential to put on any public event such as First Aid, Insurance, Toilets, Generators, hire of halls .....etc. Other expenditure is for the bands, acts, entertainment on the day ......etc.

The more you have in the parade and up at the playing fields the higher the costs.

# CIVIC WEEK PROGRAMME

Check out details of our programme of events on Cowdenbeath Civic Week Facebook page

# SATURDAY 13TH JUNE

Mary Maxwell Fun Day at Cowdenbeath Golf Club. Includes golf competition for all golfers. No Entry Fee. Contact Golf Club for details

### SUNDAY 14TH JUNE

Royal Party & CoY visit to Abbotsford Home. Entertainment will be provided by J Raith.

Evening service at Beath & North Church

## MONDAY 15TH JUNE

Royal Party & CoY visit to Meldrum Court and Sunnyside Court. Entertainment will be provided by J Raith.

Schools 5-a-side Football competition at Leisure Centre

## TUESDAY 16TH JUNE

Royal Party & CoY visit to Roselea. Entertainment will be provided by J Raith.

Childrens Water Disco at Leisure Centre. Free Entry. 6.30 - 8.00pm

### WEDNESDAY 17TH JUNE

Royal Party & CoY visit to Valley House. Entertainment will be provided by J Raith

### THURSDAY 18TH JUNE

1900 - Pet Show at Broad Street Centre

1900 - Bowls Competition at Lumphinnans Bowling Club. Local rinks playing

# FRIDAY 19TH JUNE

Royal Party & CoY visit to Alexander House. Entertainment will be provided by J Raith.



# SATURDAY 20TH JUNE

# PARADE DAY

THE PARADE LEAVES WOODEND AT 12 NOON HEADING DOWN BROAD STREET, ONTO THE HIGH STREET, BEFORE HEADING UP TO THE PLAYING FIELDS AT LEUCHATSBEATH.

#### AND THEN...

HAVE FUN IN THE PARK WITH THE SHOWS, STALLS, RIDES, DANCE, MUSIC, 5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL FINAL, PONY RIDES, TRAMPOLINES. WRESTLING.....AND MUCH MORE

# **SUNDAY 21st JUNE**

AND FINALLY CHARITY SHOW AT WOODSIDE HOTEL

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