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SV 'Tenacious': the next stage of Prof Annalu Waller's Summer of Madness Fundraiser

Rev Prof Annalu Waller, fresh from her parachute jump, (see video of the jump here) continues with her 60th birthday celebration "summer of madness" with her next challenge, crewing a tall ship across the North Sea! Departing on the 28th July, she is joining the mixedabilities crew on the Jubilee Sailing Trust Sailing Vessel 'Tenacious', for a nine day voyage sailing from Lerwick, Shetland to Arendal, Norway. The following link can be used to access a live tracker for the Tenacious and cheer Annalu on her journey: https://jst.org.uk/ship-tracking/



SV Tenacious at sea, June 2023. Reproduced by permission by IST.org, image credit 'Shaun', a crew member.

Many thanks to everyone who has sponsored Annalu so far: she is helping several excellent charitable causes with the activities she is undertaking. The charities Annalu is supporting are:

 Riding for the Disabled at <u>Brae Riding</u>, providing horse-riding experiences for people of all abilities

- <u>Capability Scotland</u>, a Scottish charity that delivers exemplary care, support and education for disabled children and adults
- <u>Communication Matters</u> / ISAAC (UK) a UK charity that campaigns for those who have no speech to improve communication and understanding.

If you have not had a chance to support Annalu yet, please help her reach her target by sponsoring her at https://www.justgiving.com/team/
AnnaluSummerMadness.

SEC Youth Week 'Yeek' starts this weekend: keep in your prayers!

The youth week at Glenalmond School starts this coming weekend. See the video taster at (https://www.facebook.com/reel/3667285010173707).

There is a good contingent of leaders and delegates from the Diocese of Brechin going this year. Please keep all those leading and attending the camp in your prayers: that they have a good time of meeting and fellowship and that they will be built up in their faith and enthusiasm! For details of this or future events please contact Claire Benton-Evans youth@brechin.anglican.org.

Final Leg of the Companionship 'Young Adult' Pilgrimage: starts 8th August

The group of Brechin Diocese pilgrims are preparing to travel to lowa on the 8th of August for the third and final leg of the three way 'young adult' pilgrimage with Iowa, Swaziland (Eswatini) and Brechin Dioceses. The first leg was in Eswatini in 2015, the second leg was in Dundee and environs in 2017. This leg was delayed by the COVID pandemic but is finally taking place now.

Young people from the US, Africa and Scotland, along with some slightly older leaders from the Dioceses, will spend 10 days together in Iowa, with a full programme of visits, social events and time getting to know each other. Please watch this space for reports on the progress of the pilgrimage. A service of thanksgiving is being planned once the pilgrims have returned to Scotland to share experiences will all in the Diocese.

<u>'Naloxone' Training - St. Paul's Cathedral Thursday 3rd August</u>

Naloxone is a short-acting emergency response medication used to treat some drug overdoses. It is injected into the outer thigh or upper arm. Naloxone saves lives by reversing the effects of an opiate overdose. 90% of drug overdoses are preventable with the use of Naloxone and knowing the signs and symptoms to look out for.

Cathedral staff have arranged for some Naloxone Training to be delivered on 3rd August at 11am by the team from Hillcrest at the Cathedral for staff, welcomers and stewards. It will last around an hour and at the end each participant will be issued with a kit for emergency use.

They can accommodate a good number of people at this training session and so please do let Rev Roxanne Campbell know if you and/or members of your congregation or church groups want to come so the training team knows how much to bring. The only stipulation is that attendees must be over 16. Please contact Rev Roxanne Campbell at roxanne@saintpaulscathedral.net to reserve your space.

Iona Pilgrimage October 2023: Calling All Young SEC Pilgrims!

Applications are now open for the Provincial Youth Pilgrimage to Iona in October 2023. There are spaces available for young people from each Diocese. It is a wonderful opportunity to spend time away with God in a very special place, in the company of other young people and Provincial youth leaders. Full information and booking details for pilgrims aged 12-18 here https://tinyurl.com/piskypilgrim1218 and pilgrims aged 18-25(ish) here: https://tinyurl.com/piskypilgrim1825



The ferry crosses to the Island of Iona (Image <u>Scottish Episcopal Church Island Retreats Limite</u>d)

Please share this with anyone you know who may be interested, and contact Claire if you have any questions: youth@brechin.anglican.org.

Diary Dates:

Special Evensong for Installation of Deans & Chancellor: 27th August

Dean Kenneth Gibson will be installed at a special Evensong at the Cathedral on Sunday 27th August at 5pm. During this service, the Bishop will also be installing Very Rev Fay Lamont as 'Dean Emeritus' and Sheriff George Way of Plean as Diocesan Chancellor. George started his role during the pandemic with 'Zoom' services, so this will be an 'in-person' thank you for all he has been doing.

Please come and support Kenneth, Fay and George at this special service of thanksgiving and blessing.

Teddy Bear Parachute Jump—10th September

St. Mary's, Broughty Ferry hosts a fun day for the family. Starting at 3pm on 10th September, come watch your teddy parachute jump from the Fire Station Drill Tower at the Balmossie/Monifieth Fire Station and receive a certificate of bravery.

Donations for the teddy bear drop will go 50/50 towards the Firefighters Charity and Abelour Children's Charity.

Cost of Living Crisis: Info and Projects

The Cost of Living crisis continues, so we have placed information and resources to help with living costs on a new page on the Diocesan website. The page can be found here: Cost of Living Crisis page here.

If you are aware of any special projects that are running for the school holidays with food or activities for young people, please pass details on to the office who can share them in future bulletins.



Any news to share in the Bulletin?

If you have details of upcoming events, stories and photos of events around the diocese, please email Elliott Scarfe in the office on office@brechin.anglican.org.