



THE RECORD



Isabella Hood, Orchardhill's Church Officer, about to receive the Queen's Baton from Sophie Gibson during the baton's relay through Giffnock on 16 July, the week before the start of the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow

This is the winning photograph in the Orchardhill Record's competition for the best photograph of Isabella with the baton. Congratulations to Lindsay Barr, who took the photograph in Fenwick Road. The photo winner's prize is the honour of publication! The Editor thanks all who entered the competition.

Inside pages include photographs of Huntly Hound week and Chips Café.

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Guild Syllabus

After the glorious sunshine which blessed us this summer and the excitement of the Commonwealth Games the Guild still have much to anticipate as we look forward to meeting together for our new session.

Nearly all of our meetings are in the afternoon at 2.00, and our programme contains a wide variety of topics which we hope will be of interest to our faithful members as well as other people in the congregation. We would be delighted to welcome everyone who would like to come to any of our meetings: we are friendly and enthusiastic and still bake delicious cakes!

The Guild's 2014-2015 syllabus (meetings 2.00pm unless stated):

6 October	Waverley Paddle Steamers: Mr Gordon Wilson
13 October	Yorkhill Children's Trust
20 October	Chaplaincy in the Fire Service: Rev Gordon Armstrong
3 November (7.30pm) ..	Scottish Love in Action: Mr Willie Hendry and Mrs Shona Cook
10 November	Life's a Gas (the History of Anaesthesia): Dr Jane Chestnut
24 November	Glasgow's Hidden Treasures (Part 2): Mr David Walker
1 December	On the Buses (Glasgow tour buses): Mr Alistair Whitelaw
8 December	Christmas Lunch
12 January	Guild Theme (A World to Serve)
26 January	Passage from India (self-help groups in Scotland)
9 February	History of Women at War: Mr David Wright
23 February	Pollokshaws Wurlitzer Organ: Mr Ian McNaught
9 March	Glasgow's Best Loved (story of the Grand Central Hotel)
16 March	Guest Afternoon - Guild Project (Comfort Rwanda): Dr Calum Henderson
30 March (7.30pm)	Allocations and talk on The Britannia Panopticon Music Hall: by Mrs Judith Bowers

Sunshine Bags

Sunshine Bags will be collected in during October, so those of you who took one have one more month to gather money for Mary's Meals in Haiti. I have received an email telling me that Mary's Meals is now feeding 923,372 children around the world, having added nearly 30,000 new children in the last four months, and inviting us to make it a million. Maybe in Orchardhill we can help achieve that goal?

Jeanette Birnie

Hope and Unity

Dear friends

Thank you for the welcome you have given to Tom and me. As we walked into the church premises for the first time we met a lady and asked her where Rev John Miller was. She said: "Oh, you must be Tom and John." Now that is a welcome!

An unspoken welcome had also occurred two minutes earlier. We parked in an EMPTY car park. In our last vacancy (we're specialists) we had to drive around, spot a car leaving and step on the accelerator to get the place.

Then there is meeting various folk with duties and also those with a very important duty – to attend faithfully. All expressing welcome in different ways. All meeting to worship our great God. Sharing together in studying the message in God's Word.

This message can be symbolised by thinking of the Cross. The upright part points heavenward to God. The horizontal part represents outstretched arms of welcome. Together they represent Hope and Unity for the church through Jesus dying for our sins to be forgiven.

Notice we are considering a Cross not a crucifix. Jesus is not there. He has risen. He lives and is with us through the presence of the Holy Spirit. Hallelujah!

Some readers may not know that I recently spent 10 days at an SU Camp in Slovakia: 50 Slovak youngsters attended plus 19 Slovak leaders and me. It was held in a ski hostel at Ziar in the Tatra Mountains (log on to www.spojar.sk to see slides). This camp was to help the Slovak boys and girls learn more about Jesus.

Also, they had an English lesson every afternoon. My group consisted of three girls and three boys, all 13 years old. Their English was fairly good. The most important thing they learned was that there is more fun at a Glasgow funeral than there is at an Edinburgh wedding!

No matter if our time at Orchardhill is short or long, thank you for your welcome to Tom and myself.

God bless,

John Phillips



We've had a wonderful summer with (mostly!) great weather, happy holiday memories, and the excitement of the Commonwealth Games. Didn't we do well!

The Commonwealth Games are over, the children are back at school, summer is drawing to an end. What can we do next? Why not come to the Orchard Café and enjoy coffee, cake and a chat? We are open Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 2 September and look forward to seeing you.

World Challenge Thanks

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported me in getting to India for the World Challenge project. I had one of the most amazing experiences.

Once we got to Delhi we spent a day and a bit adjusting to the time difference and the food, which wasn't bad, mostly dahl and rice. Then we started to walk to our next destination, which took most of the day. Once we got there we dropped all our bags off at the hut and then walked down to the village where we were doing our project.

Our project was to help put guttering on a building and build a furnace for the village to incinerate their rubbish. The first thing we had to do was go and buy materials from the nearby town while others in the group carried bricks for the furnace to the village. There were 23 of us, who took three days to complete the project, and that included some time for playing with the village children and teaching them some Scottish words and some games.

Once the project was complete we began our trek which was for another three days. Unfortunately, I was unwell during that phase, but it didn't detract from my overall enjoyment of the trip.

After the trek we were stayed in a hotel and were able to go to a tiger reserve and visit the Taj Mahal before making the long journey home.

I have too many stories to recount here. But please feel free to ask me at church, and I'll do my best to remember some.

Catriona Cook

Chips' Successful Week

Chips Café enjoyed another successful week with over 30 teenagers coming along each night for some "chips 'n' cheese". They enjoyed cheesy games and activities, including a camera scavenger hunt, mini-triathlon (with inflatable bungee), butter churning and a 70s night involving twister and space hoppers. On the Friday night we headed to Troon for a BBQ and watched a lifesaving demonstration from the RNLI and Newfoundland rescue dogs.

Thank you to all those who were volunteered to be speakers during the week. We listened to a variety of messages about life, faith and cheese from Christine Worthington, Kat Moir, Pat Byrne, Kirsty Davidson and Gray Fletcher. We also welcomed Chris Volley, who is the head coach of the Scottish triathlon team, fresh from the Commonwealth Games.

The older teenagers stayed for Late Night Live, where they watched instalments of the film, *The Book Thief*, and enjoyed healthy debate and discussion around its themes.

Of course, the week could not take place without a dedicated team of organisers – planning, leading activities, selling in the tuck shop, cooking the BBQ, running the IT equipment and more. We are also grateful a number of local businesses who gave donations of produce and discounts to help us keep the activities within budget. A special thanks to C2 concepts interior designs who donated £50 for our BBQ and Galbraith butchers for a discount on the burgers. Thanks to everyone who made it happen, and well done for another fantastic week at Chips Café.



A new Olympic or Commonwealth Games event? Chips' Café's inflatable triathlon course.

C'mon get fit with Huntly Hound



Singing with Huntly Hound (above), the Orange team (below left) relaxing on the way to winning top marks in the Summer Mission, and team mascots





Ready! Steady!! Throw!!!

Commonwealth Games Theme

This year Huntly Hound went with a Commonwealth Games theme: "Don't be a numpty - c'mon get fit with Huntly".

During the week 80 children attended plus a team of very enthusiastic team leaders. Because of the inclement weather we were in the halls every day, but we had fun playing games, listening to stories and making crafts. The stories this year were about Jesus healing the lame man, David and Goliath, the Tower of Babel, and Jesus calling the fishermen. We had a range of crafts – making flags and mascots for the team countries, medals, Clydes, and the compulsory iced biscuits as well as a banner and mascot competition.

The children earned points for their crafts, games and stories.

It was another fantastic week at mission, and everyone had a great time. The Orange team were the winners.

If you have never joined us at Huntly Hound you don't know what good fun you're missing. I have been involved for 30 years, and it has been a fantastic experience.

Kirstie Watson

Stepping Stones

Stepping Stones' groups for children from nursery age to the end of P7 are up and running.

The Hotshots and Superstars children are meeting in the Fellowship Room. Their topic is "What is the Kingdom of God/Kingdom of Heaven?" There are 7 keys to the Kingdom, each one relating to a passage in the Bible, and you can be assured there will be plenty of challenging questions, discussion and activities.

Kirstie's Smartie Gang are also meeting to hear Bible stories and do crafts.

We will never have too many children to welcome into Stepping Stones, so if you know of any child who may be interested please invite them to come along. We would love to have more!

Collection Rota

SEPTEMBER

7	David Evans 571 7846; Valerie Clarke 638 6148; Bill McMurtrie 572 1512; Ronald Carswell 638 6639
14	Norma Hannah 638 7515; Allan Rennie 882 9703; Peter Worthington 638 4316; Ronald Carswell
21	Norma Hannah; Allan Rennie; Peter Worthington; Colin Williamson 571 9119
28	Jim Kerr 638 2747; Joyce Winning 571 7854; Neil Mackenzie 638 0591; Hilary Kennedy 638 6114

OCTOBER

5	Jim Kerr; Joyce Winning; Susan McQuilter 638 6936; Norma Hannah 638 7515
12	Gillian Brogan 639 6269; Maureen Park 638 0273; Susan McQuilter; Irene Kinniburgh 638 3722
19	Alex Mall 585 7169; Fiona Thomson 571 7153; Ann Pope 616 4809; Irene Kinniburgh
26	Alex Mall; Fiona Thomson; Ann Pope; Evelyn McMurtrie 571 2512

NOVEMBER

2	Ian Brown 638 9754; Fiona Cameron 571 7656; Roseanne Henderson 571 7375; Evelyn McMurtrie
9	Ian Brown; Fiona Cameron; Jim Blair 638 1901; Ian Anderson 638 0689
16	Ian Brown; Norma Hannah 638 7515; Jim Blair; Ian Anderson
23	Ian Brown; Norma Hannah; Jim Blair; Dave Thomson 638 3289
30	Hilary Kennedy 638 6114; Dorothy Cartlidge 571 7839; Jim Blair; Dave Thomson

Inspiring Games!

Have you been inspired by the Commonwealth Games, especially the badminton? If so, please read more on this page about Orchardhill's badminton clubs.



Juniors on Saturday mornings

Orchardhill's Junior Badminton Club season has started, meeting in the Memorial Halls every Saturday morning from 10.00 until noon, and we would love to see you there. All standards of play are catered for, and any boy or girl aged between 10 and 15 is welcome to join.

Any child younger than 10 can be added to the waiting list by emailing the name, date of birth and a phone number to Barbara Mackenzie (neilmackenzie@msn.com) or by calling 638 0591.

As well as regular Saturday mornings we hold a variety of events throughout the year: coaching, friendly matches, a visit to the Scottish Grand Prix, senior/junior mornings, crazy tournament, singles and doubles tournaments. We finish the season with the local churches' Thornlee Tournament.

Fitness, Friendship and Fun!

Do you think of yourself as the next Kirsty Gilmour or Mr and Mrs Adcock? Have you taken a few years out of the game for school exams, university or to look after your children? Did you play when you were younger and are thinking of dusting off your racket? Are you just looking for a fun way to keep fit? If any of these are you then come and join Orchardhill's senior badminton club.

The new season of the senior badminton club begins on Tuesday 2 September at 7.30pm in the Memorial Halls for all current members and anyone else interested in playing. The club meets every Tuesday evening for social (well, slightly competitive) games, and the standard of play varies to suit all skill levels. We also meet on Thursday evenings for matches.

The 2014-2015 season will hopefully be a successful one for the mixed, ladies', and gents' teams and also the club as it competes in the annual inter-club Thornlee Tournament next spring as the finale to the season. There is the club doubles and single competitions to look forward to, too, and we have some social events planned such as a meal out, a quiz, and a fun crazy tournament when the normal rules of badminton go out the window and points don't necessarily make prizes!

If you are interested in joining, please contact Shona Fisher (01357 523149; shona.fisher2@mail.com) or Shona Fletcher (0141 639 4523; shonafletcher@btinternet.com). We hope to see many old – and new – faces on 2 September or any Tuesday after that!

En Route to India



Orchardhill's Scottish Love in Action group at Glasgow Airport before boarding the plane to Dubai and then to Kolkata (Calcutta) in India. In the photograph are (back row, left to right) Alastair Arthur, Ewan McLellan, Willie Hendry, Eilidh Naismith, Olivia Frank, Shona Cook and (front row) Erin Birnie and Heather Cook. Missing from photo is David Birnie, who flew direct from Ottawa, Canada, to Kolkata (three flight changes).

Lodging House Mission

The Lodging House Mission has announced changes at the top of its organisation. Most notably, Peter Roger, who came to Orchardhill to address us two years ago, has retired as chairman, and Trina Gibson has retired as the education co-ordinator. Both have given exceptional service to the Mission over many years. That said their successors have been appointed - Ewen Mackie will take over from Peter, and Mags Wilson has the daunting task of filling Trina's shoes. We wish them both well in their new posts.

Needless to say, the work of the LHM is as important today as it has ever been, and we hope that we will be able to continue to support them in whatever way we can at Orchardhill.

Communion Roll

Disjunction

Mr James Dinsmore, c/o 3 Kirkvale Drive, Newton Mearns G77 5HB (district 1)

Congregational Register

Change of Address

Jean Richmond to 47 Hilltree Court, Fenwick Road, Giffnock G46 6AA (district 34)

Octave on Song Again

Octave is a group of eight singers hand-picked by David Fisher. Many of you will have heard the group at Orchardhill as they performed a concert in March this year as a church fundraiser and in 2012 supporting the Scottish Love in Action mission trip. Octave are currently preparing for their own annual fund-raising concerts in this month. The group will present an entirely new programme of ensembles, solos and duets of well-known tunes: from Broadway musicals to classical and perhaps a few surprises. There will be songs from Wicked, Les Miserables, The King and I and others by Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and The Beatles. As those that have seen Octave will know, there truly is something for everyone.

The GLO 4th concerts will be held on Thursday 11 to Saturday 13 September at 7.30pm in Motherwell's GLO Auditorium. Tickets, priced £11, are available from David or Shona Fisher (01357 523149 or shona.fisher2@mail.com).

The group are completely voluntary: so after the deduction of running costs, proceeds from their concerts are donated to charity. In last three years the group were delighted to give £1000 each to British Heart Foundation, Maggie's Cancer Caring Centre (based at Wishaw General Hospital) and Diabetes UK Scotland. This year Octave are supporting The Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice in Glasgow and hope to be able to be present this worthy cause with a substantial donation later in the year. Your support would be much appreciated.

Flower Delivery

If you can help with the much appreciated flower-delivery service please add your name and contact details to the sheets at the Tower Door. For further information, contact Norma Hannah (0141 638 7515 or norma@mikehannah.plus.com).

Orchardhill Calendar

SEPTEMBER

Tue	2	10.00am	Orchard Community Café reopens	
Sun	7	10.30am	Family Worship	
Sun	14	10.30am	Sacrament of the Lord's Supper	Very Rev David Lunan
Tue	16	7.30pm	Kirk Session	
Sun	21	10.30am	Family Worship	
Sun	28	10.30am	Family Worship	

OCTOBER

Sun	5	10.30am	Family Worship	
Mon	6	2.00pm	The Guild In Fellowship Room	
Thu	9	1.30pm	Giffnock Primary School Inclusion Service	
Sun	12	10.30am	Family Worship	
Mon	13	2.00pm	The Guild in Fellowship Room	
Sun	19	10.30am	Family Worship	
Mon	20	2.00pm	The Guild in Fellowship Room	
Sun	26	10.30am	Family Worship	

NOVEMBER

Sun	2	10.30am	Family Worship	
Mon	3	7.30pm	The Guild in Church Hall	
Sun	9	10.30am	Remembrance Service	

Orchardhill Record : Next Edition

Sunday 14 September is the deadline for the October edition of the *Orchardhill Record*. Contributions should be sent by email to record-editor@orchardhill.org.uk before 1.00pm that day or left in the relevant slot in the rack in the church corridor no later than 10.30am. We prefer contributions to be sent by email, and we cannot accept any handwritten or typed item that does not identify the source.

However, it is possible that the October edition may not be published because of reasons outwith the editor's control. Please check the Sunday intimations on 7 and 14 September for further information.

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