

### Chairman's message...

As summer heads towards autumn, our thoughts usually turn towards holidays. But, of course, closer to home gardening might be your first priority. In this day and age when prices for food is ever rising, growing our own food is definitely an option. If you already do, good luck with this years crop which is ever more important.

With our Trustee John Done not able to provide his usual contribution to the flora & fauna of North Queensferry, we have added a small article, which we hope will attract others who would like to share their thoughts on our natural heritage.

We are also delighted that Stan Green from GrowForth, Hillend will give us a talk about the garden in the autumn. More details in the autumn. After two long years, we are happy to tell you that the Village Show is being planned for Saturday 27th August. We hope for a record number of entries for anything garden related that you think is worthy of display or competing with... the largest carrot, or potato, or the bonniest flower or plant. Of course, art in all its forms has always been a large important part of the Village Show, and we expect many excellent entries from the local children. We must encourage these important parts of our heritage.

The Heritage Trust, through its Village Show committee, is doing all it can to encourage participation and entries. We hope, as our events start up again, that the Village Show will be well supported by a large turnout of local residents and visitors.

*James Lawson - Chairman*

### Village Show

This is our biggest event of the year. It will be held on Saturday 27th August. As usual, set up on Friday evening and that is when the Village Show group appreciate all the help they can get!

This year we have pleasure in introducing a new trophy for the children to win. This will be called the **John Done Flora & Fauna Trophy**. The winner will be selected by the Primary School who has shown the most appreciation of the fauna and flora of the region in the form of artwork or in the support of our natural heritage.

### Village Show - 2022: Saturday 27th August, 2 PM

This year's theme, consistent with the theme of local shows throughout the UK is "Jubilee". There will be an exhibition of village produce, home crafts, floral, art, photography and baking.

We hope that the villagers as well as the many new comers to the village will participate, with particular emphasis on the children.

They can all look forward to our ever popular raffle and auction... and much, much more. Prize Giving of the following trophies will be at 3.20 pm... they include the **Bob Cubin Cup** for the overall show winner with the most points gained from all categories; the **Maureen Trotter Cup** for the best Fruit and Vegetables; and the **Jubilee Cup** for the overall winner in the Children's section. For the best pot plant, the **Connie Dennison Cup**, and the **SWRI Cup** for the best home baking entry.



Adding to these trophies, starting this year, will be the John Done Cup...

### The John Done "Flora & Fauna Cup"

Our founding Trustee, John, better known for his natural cultural contributions, and his "Ferry Birds" articles. But, he was also a racquet sports champion of local, national and international events! He has kindly donated these two cups as an annual award for the best artwork of our local flora and fauna. We are sure John will appreciate all entries that are made!



### Children's Classes

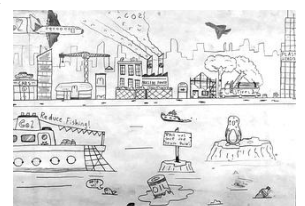
Photography of any subject from 12 years and under), and 13 to 16 year olds. There are also general classes for 7 year olds and under, 8 to 12 year olds, and 13 to 16 year olds that include many various subjects.

**For 7 year olds and under...** the classes include artwork for a favourite book cover; an edible tray garden; collage of litter; display of 6 grasses; 3 decorated biscuits (homemade or bought); a Jubilee Crown; and animal made from a fruit or vegetable!

**For 8 to 12 year olds...** classes include: artwork for a favourite book cover; a display of 4 wild herbs; 4 cup cakes; 3 pom poms (for a hat); any model or craft item; their own plant; and a Jubilee Crown.

**For our older children from 13 to 16 year olds...**

artwork for a favourite book cover; a Lego model (max 12 inches/30.5 cm square); their own plant; and a painting or drawing.



*Last year's overall winner's entry by Ben Muschamp.*



### Adult Categories

The adult classes include lots of opportunities to show your talents, whether in photography or in one of the other groups... fruit & vegetables, flowers, pot plants, preserves, home baking, floral arrangements, sewing, knitting & crochng, or arts & crafts.

### Update on the Heritage Trust's Activities The Trust's storage now complete

The Trust is pleased to announce that the storage and display grant was successful. and the project has has now been completed on time and within budget. Thanks to Robert Irvine of *Fine Art, and Renovations*. We have now started in moving our collections into this storage space, and look forward to putting on more exhibitions. Our next exhibition will be delving into the history of the Queensferry Passage when the village made a huge contribution.

### Pierhead Museum

Our wee museum at the pierhead is still attracting lots of visitors from near and far - sometimes very far away from across the globe. In fact, a significant visit for a newly wed couple from Peru included lighting the Light Tower lamp at night. Their visit was managed by the [Islay Whisky Academy](#)... they got a beautiful night to start their honeymoon in Scotland!



### St James Chapel

We know have the key for St James Chapel, and are delighted to make it accessible again. It will be open for Doors Open Day 18th September, and until then you can request it to be open by emailing [NQHTinfo@gmail.com](mailto:NQHTinfo@gmail.com),

or by making contact with a volunteer at the Light Tower... but it is best to email to get in touch.

**STOP PRESS** - The Trust has convinced Fife Council to make a detailed assessment of the ivy and the building.

### Website enhancements

We are pleased to announce that our website has



also been given a make over. We hope this will enhance the use of this very valuable resource. We are constantly adding new

research articles. The latest is a personal story about the [McRitchies](#), a family with members interned in St James Chapel. This story dates from 1650-1902.

### 2022 The Year of Stories... update

*If history were taught in the form of stories, it would never be forgotten - Rudyard Kipling*

Our grant request for producing local booklets was unfortunately declined, so we are replanning our efforts in this area.

### Doors Open Day - Sunday, 18th September

Watch out for posters telling you more!

### Flora & Fauna ...

Here are a few pictures of some of our wild-life by the editor. A nesting duck, a stuff falcon from John Done, and a wee surprise of a fawn popping it's head up among the grass.



If you have some good pictures of the flora or fauna of the area please send them in and we'll try and use them. NB A story with each would help to get it published!

**STOP PRESS** - With the Ukraine War in full flow, we have decided to postpone the talk about *Submarine Miners* by Boyd Williamson, until further notice.

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