



Communities and Neighbourhoods Committee

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Dean of Guild Room, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

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Celebrating the Commonwealth Games in South West



To mark the Commonwealth Games in Scotland, South West Edinburgh Libraries worked in partnership with Herriot Watt University and the South West Community Sports Hub to design and run the “Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games Baton and Poster Competitions”. Involving the local primary schools, the aim of the competitions was to engage local school pupils, raising awareness of sport and sporting facilities across the South West and Pentlands Neighbourhood Partnership areas.

The competitions invited local pupils to design and make their own version of the Queen’s Baton containing a message to say what sport means to them; and design a baton themed poster. Over 325 entries were received, with the winning Queen’s Baton entry from P4 pupil, Chloe Hynd, of Canal View Primary School and the winning poster entry from P6 pupil, Ellie Tulloch, of Ratho Primary School. Prizes for the winners included goodie bags and free activities at Bridge 8, an outdoor activity project based on the Union Canal at the Calders.

The Queen’s Baton arrived at Herriot Watt University on Saturday 14 June 2014, where a Family Fun Sports Day took place. Organised with the University and South West Community Sports Hub, there was a range of sports to try, community stalls, face painting, balloon modellers and a mini science festival. On display was the winning baton and poster alongside the shortlist entries from the nine libraries and the ‘Highly Commended’ baton entries.

The South West Libraries Team also took the opportunity to launch the “Summer of Sport Programme” which ran throughout the summer holidays. Libraries in the South West and Pentlands hosted sport themed activities for local children including the chance to have ‘Good Luck’ cards delivered to the athletes in the Commonwealth

Further information is available from [Christine Doherty](#), Services for Communities, South West Neighbourhood Team

Village and a reading challenge.

Dementia Awareness Day



To coincide with Carers Awareness Week, Almond and Western Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnerships, and the Barnton and Cramond Dementia Friendly Community Forum, jointly hosted a Dementia Awareness Day on Tuesday 10 June 2014 at Cramond Kirk.

The event enabled carers of people living with dementia and their families the opportunity to speak to organisations and get information on dementia and support. Over 50 people attended, with information stalls provided by Barnton Pharmacy, Places for People, NHS Lothian, VOCAL, Alzheimer Scotland, Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations' Council and more. Edinburgh Leisure provided a range of activities including New Age Kurling and dance sessions. Feedback from the event showed that it was a great success and enjoyed by all.

Further information is available from [Audrey Primrose](#), Services for Communities, West Neighbourhood Team

Happy 50th Anniversary Craigmillar!



Portobello and Craigmillar Neighbourhood Partnership celebrated the 50th Craigmillar Festival Fun Day on Saturday 28 June 2014.

The Fun Day marked the beginning of the two week annual Craigmillar Festival. Events that took place included an art exhibition, creative writing competition, craft fair and car boot sale. There was also the Craigmillar Showcase Photo Exhibition, a family barbeque, quiz night, tea dance, reminiscing dinner and a Creative Family Fun Day.

Further information is available from [Mary Dunbar](#), Services for Communities, East Neighbourhood Team

Sportsfest 4

Further information is available from [Evelyn Kilmurry](#),



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Sportsfest is a series of sporting events where local sports clubs and providers come together and offer young people in Liberton/Gilmerton Neighbourhood Partnership the opportunity to take part in different sports for free.

The aims of Sportsfest are to:

- ensure young people take part in healthy exercise
- increase participation in sport
- increase the membership of minority sports in the area

Delivered by the Liberton Gilmerton Sports Forum, Sportsfest 4 took place in Liberton High School on Friday 20 June 2014. The event had a Commonwealth Games theme, and medals were given out as prizes; provided by a grant from the Big Lottery.

On the day, the young people took part in a range of activities including athletics, basketball, cricket, cycling, dance, football, golf, gymnastics, handball, judo, mountain biking, rugby, Tae Kwon Do and tennis.

Consumer Challenge Quiz

This year's Consumer Challenge Quiz saw Pilrig Park School fight off tough competition from Kaimes School to become the Edinburgh champions for 2014.

The competition marks the end of a seven week programme of consumer education delivered to special needs schools in the City.

Feedback from teachers at both schools was enthusiastic, with the programme and competition being viewed as providing extremely useful life skills and knowledge for their, mainly vulnerable, pupils who are all about to leave school. Topics in the education programme include 'Smart Shopping', 'Scam Awareness', 'Keeping Safe and Healthy', 'Food Matters' and 'Money Matters'.

Further information is available from [Alex Jones](#), Services for Communities, Local Community Planning Team

Extended Summer Programme

Portobello and Craigmillar Neighbourhood Partnership's Extended School Holiday Programme took place over the summer holidays.

Further information is available from [Mary Dunbar](#), Services for Communities, East

Organised by the Families, Children and Young People Sub Group, this year's programme of activities involved community centres, sports/swim centres, local libraries and 12 youth organisations and included three "fun days". In addition to the summer, the programme also takes place in the February, Easter and October holidays each year.

Neighbourhood Team

Forthcoming activities:

Almond Neighbourhood Partnership will host a 'Live Well in Later Life' event on Tuesday 23 September 2014 in Rosebery Halls, South Queensferry. This follows on from the success of a Western Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnership event in 2013. The event aims to promote services and activities available locally to older people. Further information is available from [Jim Conner](#), Services for Communities, West Neighbourhood Team.

Drumbrae Library Hub, Clermiston Primary School and the Drumbrae Community Council are working together to develop an exhibition celebrating 60 years of the Clermiston estate. As part of a wider programme of activities scheduled for October 2014, the library exhibition will feature photos, souvenirs and mementos donated by local people. They are also working on a social history project capturing older people's memories of the area and the changes they have seen over the last 60 years. Pupils from the primary school will interview members of local community groups and are planning on capturing their stories on film. Further information is available from [David Hayden](#), Services for Communities, West Neighbourhood Team.