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Winter 2017

YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE 2018: CREATE18

A new national funding programme, Create18 gives young people across Scotland the opportunity to create and host innovative events in their community, and to bring the Year of Young People 2018 to life. Developed by EventScotland and Young Scot, the Create18 funding programme is open to groups of three or more young people, aged 8-26, across Scotland to stage their own events. Create18 will distribute £42,000 of funding through grants of up to £1,000 for each event. You can apply online at: http://young.scot/Create18

ARE YOU HELPING TO RUN A YOUTH SPORTS CLUB IN THE AREA?

Do you need more publicity, some support or increased funding to take that next step in your development.

Stobswell Forum would like to hear from you, we'd like to try and work with you to help as many children and young adults as possible get fit and stay healthy.

You can contact us on our Facebook Page, by email on info@stobswell.org.uk or mobile: 07801 419941

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY EVENT FOR STOBSWELL

MJV Dundee Wanderers Women are hosting the Eurohockey Indoor Club Champions Cup at DISC in February. This will be a display of the best, fast-paced, indoor hockey as the top club teams from throughout Europe fight for the top spot.

Dundee played host to this event last year and were commended for the level of organisation which lead to a very enjoyable tournament for the teams and a spectacular display for the crowd.

Looking to win the cup are teams from Holland, Spain, Switzerland, Germany, Austria, Belarus, Ukraine and of course Scotland. Games will be played all day between 23rd and 25th February and we would hope that locals could come along to cheer the teams on.

If you would like to lend a hand to make this a successful event or sponsor the event to advertise your business contact Lindsay on 07954133396.

Further information is available on the website at:

www.eurohockeydundee2018.com

DUNDEE DUCKS ROLLER HOCKEY

First three sessions free!

Team Training is on Tuesday evenings:

Beginners/Under 8s	5.30 – 6.15pm
Under 10s/12s	6.15 – 7.00pm
Under 14s	7.00 – 8.00pm
Under 16s	8.00 – 9.00pm
Under 24s/Seniors	9.00 – 10.00pm

Dundee Ducks Inline Hockey, Manhattan Works, Dundonald Street, Dundee. Telephone 07984 149028
Email: info@duckshockey.co.uk

THE STOBSWELL FORUM ARE...

Colin Clement, Robbie Fotheringham, David MacDougall, Lorraine Clement, Chris Airlie, Sandra Mitchell, Mairi Scott, Alesandro Insalaco, Nichola Fraser

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COMING TO A DOORWAY NEAR YOU!

Early in the New Year, an innovative project is to be launched in Stobswell. Businesses and others will be asked if they want their doorways painted by up and coming local artists to create an art trail around the area. Across Europe, city centres - including Dundee - have used art to draw people in and promote discussion about what places are for. But we think other parts of town should be involved too.

Here in Stobswell, the Open/Close project, a collaboration between Stobswell Forum and the Fleet Collective group of creatives, will brighten-up dark corners and doorways and provide the basis for tours around our part of Dundee. The artwork will complement the existing architecture and open spaces, highlighting local areas of interest.

Opportunities will be provided for the community to comment on the artwork and offer ideas for the project. If you would like to get involved or if you have a doorway that you would like to be considered, please get in touch.

Stobswell Open/Close is funded by the Maryfield Regeneration Forum and NHS Tayside's Community Innovation Fund.



DISCOVERY CREDIT UNION

Discovery Credit Union is about helping people. We're here to help you save so you can get control of your money. We offer affordable loans to help get through those tough times, cover unexpected costs or get those things you really need. Our lovely volunteers - Norma, Jenny, Jennifer and Georgina run a collection point at Stobswell Parish Church every Tuesday at 11:30am to 12:30pm. Come along and find out how we can help you, everyone is welcome.

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OUR HISTORY

Billy MacKenzie

Here in Stobswell we are rightly proud of the impact of the people who have chosen to live and work in the area. One of those people was Billy MacKenzie. Billy along with Alan Rankine formed the Associates in the 1970's and for 20 years was a major influence on the "Post Punk" era.

We would like anyone to contact us with a view to establishing a suitable tribute to Billy in Stobswell. If you want to get involved please email us at info@stobswell.org.uk. Also if you are in contact with any of Billy's family we would really like to talk to them about the project before we take it further.



Dora's Fish and Chip Shop

Stobswell's Voice sat down with Giulio Dora from Dora's Fish and Chip Shop. Anyone who knows Giulio will know that pinning him down was no easy task.

The Dora family story started in the mountain village of Rovinaglia, high above Borgotaro near Parma in north west Italy. In the mid-1880s, due to an economic downturn, these hardy "mountain men" decided they needed to start over somewhere with more opportunities. That somewhere, according to family legend, might have been New York if they hadn't left the boat that bit earlier and ended up in Dundee.



There is another great family legend that back in Italy, Serafino's wife used to fry mountain trout and potatoes which came in handy when they arrived in Dundee where the diet at the time might have been a bit boring for a family from southern Europe. The family all worked together in the Princes Street shop with the Grandparents looking after the children allowing the adults to get on with making a living.



Things changed when World War II came on the horizon with Giulio's Grandfather and Grandmother both being interned. Giulio Senior was sent to the Isle of Man and Veronica to Abernethy. When their sons Charlie and Peter (Giulio's father) were called up, the authorities relented and let Giulio Senior and Veronica return home to look after the rest of the family.

The brothers served throughout the war with Charlie eventually ending up fighting in Italy and Peter joining the Seaforth Highlanders and spending time in London during the Blitz. After the War was over and things settling down, Giulio's father Peter and mother Matilde moved into their shop in Dura Street, Dundee in 1954.

After leaving school, Giulio trained as a motor mechanic working in some of Dundee's best known garages; Duffus, Parkview Motors and Scott Fyfe. He also became seriously involved in motorsport. While this was all going on Giulio's mother continued running the shop in Dura Street while his father ran shops in Broughty Ferry, St Mary's and latterly Barnhill Shopping Centre.

In the late 1970's, Giulio became more involved in the family business and in 1981 he bought the shop in Dura Street from his parents. Giulio has seen lots of change in his time in the shop. Fish and chips was just about the only "fast food" available to the public at a time when pubs closed at 9:30pm and people making their way home to Fintry, Linlathen and Douglas would often stop at Dora's. It would also be busy with people visiting the nearby Maryfield Hospital or with customers from the various local cinemas in the area at the time.



Dora's menu hasn't changed much over the years with fish, puddings, pies and obviously chips! Other things have come and gone over time but it seems Dundonians are a traditional lot with even cod disappearing from the menu as haddock is what the locals really want. The fish provided has always been freshly supplied, nowadays it is North Sea Haddock landed in Peterhead from sustainable stocks and delivered daily by E&O Fish Merchants based in Arbroath.

When we asked Giulio if he ever sold anything a bit "strange" he did say a few years back battered "Clootie dumpling" was popular but demand gradually tapered off and disappeared from the menu – maybe we should start asking for it again!

Dora's has attracted a few celebrities and sportsmen to the shop over the years, perhaps the most famous being Donny Osmond. George Duffus also filmed a TV sketch in the shop. Players from both local football clubs have been regulars, this even prompted Jim McLean to check and make sure none of his team were eating fish and chips after training! Bobby Cox and Alex Stuart from Dundee's 1960's team were also regular customers and our own local ice hockey star John Dolan is also a customer.

The big current news is that Giulio is thinking about retiring, nothing is settled yet and if truth be told I think everyone in Stobswell, Maryfield and much farther afield would hope he stays on a little longer. If, or when, he does decide to hang up his overalls, we are sure that everyone who has been a customer of Dora's over the years will remember the good times, the great food and the banter from the man doing the frying!



DUNDEE DEMENTIA RESOURCE CENTRE OPENING OF THE SENSORY GARDEN

Dundee Dementia Resource Centre opened a new sensory garden on Monday 21st August 2017. It was such a lovely day, helped by the sunshine. The celebration was attended by Dundee's new Lord Provost Ian Borthwick, MSP Stewart Hosie, President Ron MacWalter from the Claverhouse Rotary Club and Alzheimer Scotland Chief Executive Henry Simmons.

The dementia-friendly sensory garden has been made possible thanks to generous funding received by Claverhouse Rotary Club members who raised over £10,000 to finance the project by taking part in a 24-mile Three Castles Charity Walk featuring Cortachy Castle, Glamis Castle and finishing at Dudhope Castle in Dundee. As well as fundraising, green fingered members also donated their time to develop the garden into a multi-sensory haven featuring a summer house and pergola, seasonal flower raised beds and bird feeders to encourage wildlife. Ron MacWalter, President of the Claverhouse Rotary said "We discussed the design and building options fully with staff and visitors of the day centre based at Morgan Street and plans were all agreed in consultation. Work was carried out by members with a building specialist helping with the more physically challenging work to complete the garden. On behalf of the Rotary Club of Claverhouse, I hope that the new sensory garden offers all visitors to the centre a sense of relaxation and enjoyment for many years to come."

Nadia Sutherland, local Dementia Advisor, said: "The new sensory garden is a wonderful addition to the facilities on offer at our Dundee Dementia Resource. We've been magnificently supported by the community and by members of the Claverhouse Rotary Club in the creation of the garden, through fundraising efforts but also from the local residents who use our services, who helped with ideas on what the garden should include and those who supported us with hands-on work.

We are currently looking for new volunteers to assist within our day-care (Wednesday - Saturday):

- Support volunteers - helping with social activities
- Kitchen volunteer – supporting with catering and domestic tasks

We are also looking for volunteer support within the Scottish Dementia Working Group:

- Assisting Scottish Dementia Working Group members with travel and preparation for meetings

If any of the above opportunities are of interest to you, please contact Jeni Sinclair, Volunteer Coordinator on:

Telephone: 01382 210016

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