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Keeping Udny Beautiful

April is the perfect time for a spring clean, and we would like to say a huge thank you to the 17 fantastic volunteers who joined our community litter pick in Pitmedden on 18th April, for the **Keep Scotland Beautiful Spring Clean Scotland** campaign. The litter-busting heroes collected an impressive 13 bin bags of rubbish, making a visible difference to the village. If you feel inspired, we are hosting another **litter pick on Saturday 30th May**—check the 'Key dates' on page 3 for details on how to get involved.

In line with our commitment to sustainability, our programme of works to improve energy efficiency at The Medan Centre continues. Following the successful insulation of the staff office—where we have already noticed a significant improvement—works have now started in the Conference Room. These upgrades are vital in ensuring that our community spaces are comfortable for users; reducing our environmental footprint, and helping us to manage rising energy costs.

Last, but definitely not least, please **SAVE THE DATE** for the **Udny Community Summer Fayre: Saturday 27th June, 11am - 3pm**. While essential maintenance on our flat roof means space will be limited at The Medan Centre, Pitmedden Amenities Trust has kindly allowed us to expand into Pitmedden Park. Expect a brilliant day of pony rides, games, bouncy castles, artisan crafts and handmade goods, with Cafe48 providing delicious refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there for a fantastic family day out.

If your group would like to take part, please contact **Teresa Costanza** by 15th May: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.



Scan for grant information

Spotlight

BOCCIA



Boccia is a seated, totally inclusive game of strategy which can be played by anyone regardless of age, gender, ability or disability.

An enthusiastic group meets to play Boccia every second Monday, at

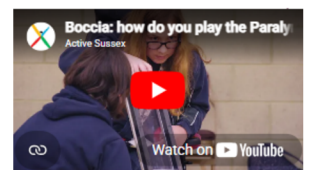
Dr Spence Memorial Hall in Udny Green and they are looking for new players! If you fancy trying something new, you are welcome to come along for a game and a cuppa.

The next Boccia sessions are on 4th and 18th May, from 2-4pm. The cost is £5 per person, per session, which includes tea, coffee and biscuits.

For more info, contact Brian on 07538 543646.



Boccia is a Paralympic sport. Scan the QR code to see Boccia in action on Youtube!



Highlights

Pitmedden Duck Race, Saturday 23rd May
The annual duck extravanga takes place beside the tennis courts with ducks racing in the Bronie Burn. See 'Key Dates' for details.

UCTC Small Grant Deadline. The next deadline for small grants (up to £1,000) is Monday 18th May. Terms & conditions apply. For more information and to apply, scan the QR code or visit www.udnycommunitytrust.org.uk/grants

Swap Shop. Heads up, the next Swap Shop is from 5th - 7th June. Keep an eye on 'Udny Swaps' Facebook page for details but start sorting your items to swap in plenty time!

What's On

Everyone welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

at The Medan Centre



Daily
Mon - Sat
10am - 3pm
Quarry Room



Weekly
Monday
10am - 12noon
Quarry Room



Weekly
Tuesday 10am
Cuppas & blether after!
Quarry Room



Weekly **Adults only**
Tuesday
1.30 - 3.30pm
Bronie Room



Weekly
Tuesday
2.30 - 4.30pm
Quarry Room



Weekly
Friday
Approx 2.20 - 2.45pm
The Medan Centre



Fortnightly
Fridays
3.30 - 5pm
Quarry Room

May 8th,
22nd
Adults only



Monthly
Second Monday
3 - 4.30pm
Bronie Room

May 11th



Monthly
Third Monday
6 - 8pm
Quarry Room

May 18th



Monthly
Last Thursday
10.30am - 12.30pm
Quarry Room

May 28th



Monthly x 2
Afternoon & evening
groups. A different book
each month. Get in touch
with Teresa for details!

Event schedule subject to change. Keep an eye on our website and Facebook pages for latest info and details. For more information contact Teresa Costanza: 01651 843776 or admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



Key Dates

Community Events and Activities - May 2026

Starting
1st May

Wullie's Sunflower Competition, The Medan Centre

Collect a sunflower seedling from Head Gardener Wullie or a member of UCTC staff. Nurture your seedling through then let us know how tall it grows! Competition closes on the 21st Aug. The winner will receive a voucher for Cafe48. Suggested donation £1. Contact Teresa for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk

Mon
4th,
18th

Boccia, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Dr Spence Memorial Hall, Udney Green

See 'Spotlight' section on page 1 for more info. A seated, inclusive game of strategy open to anyone. Takes place fortnightly. £5 per person, per session including tea, coffee and biscuits. Contact Brian for info: 07538 543646

Wed
6th, 13th,
20th

Threads & Yarns, 7-9pm, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Sewing, knitting and crochet community group. Come for a cuppa and a natter. Adults and children aged 12+ (if younger, must be accompanied by an adult). For info call Julia (07817 762723) or Lynette (07971 117599).

Mon
11th

Udney Conversation Cafe: Deaf Action - Connect, Learn & Support, 3-4.30pm, Quarry Room

Come along and catch up over a cuppa and a fine piece. Join us in recognition of Deaf Awareness Week for a friendly and informative session with Sam from Deaf Action. Contact Teresa Costanza for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Mon
11th

Udney Community Council Meeting, 7.30pm, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Udney Community Council meets on the second Monday of every month. Meetings are open to parish residents. Contact udnyccsecretary@outlook.com for information.

Tues
12th

Social Group, 7.30-8.30pm, Bronie Room, The Medan Centre

A simple space to connect with others, have a chat, slow the pace a little, and enjoy being around people. Relaxed social connection and wellbeing are the focus. For more info visit: www.facebook.com/Jotransforminglives

Mon
18th

Udney Community Fund: Small Grant Deadline

Small grants available for projects in Udney seeking up to £1,000. Ts&Cs apply, see visit www.udnycommunitytrust.org.uk/grants or scan the QR code. To discuss a project or for support with an application, contact Ruth Cluness: manager@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



Tues
19th

Bereavement Café, 5.00-6.00pm, Bronie Room, The Medan Centre

Peer support group for those who have experienced loss, either recently or in the past. Grief has no time limit. Contact Teresa Costanza for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Fri
24th

Pitmedden School Duck Race, 1.00 - 3.00pm, Bronie Burn & Tennis Courts, Pitmedden

Raising funds for Pitmedden School. Giant sand pit, hot food, games, tombola, prizes and of course, the DUCK RACE!! £2 per duck, £100 top prize. Bring friends and family!



Mon
25th

Book Bug @ Baby & Toddler Stay & Play, 10am-12noon, Quarry Room, The Medan Centre

Boost language skills and meet other families through rhymes, songs and stories. Our regular Baby & Toddler session with added Book Bug bonus at 10.30am. No need to book. Contact Teresa: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.

Thu
28th

UCTC Guided Long Walk: Newburgh Beach, 10.30am - 12.30pm, Meet at Newburgh Village Hall

A long walk from the village hall, through course, along the beach to see the seals. Route will be sandy. Friendly and experienced local walkers leading the way. Please let us know if you will be joining; contact Teresa on admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk

Sat
30th

Community Litter Pick, 10 - 11.30am, Meet outside the Bronie Room @ The Medan Centre

Join in a local litter pick to tidy up Pitmedden. Litter picking equipment will be provided and participants will receive a discount voucher for Cafe48. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Teresa for info: admin@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk.





The Medan Centre

Your Community Hub



Cafe48



Tuesday to Sunday, 10am - 3pm

Sit in and take away. Fresh local food and home bakes. Regular specials and offers. Booking is recommended!



Senior Tuesday Deal

Tuesday 10am-2.15pm

Soup & Main OR Main & Dessert

Two Courses - Only £10.50!



PitmeddenCafe



SCAN TO BOOK A TABLE ONLINE



01651 842346



cafe@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



Community Information Point

This month, our Community Information Point will focus on:

National Walking Month & Mental Health

We also have a 'Services & Support Directory' containing information on a wide range of health, wellbeing and social care topics.

The Community Information Point is outside the Bronie Room, in The Medan Centre.

To access professional support you can speak to a Healthpoint Adviser. They will help you find free and confidential advice on health and wellbeing matters.

Call 08085 20 20 30

Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm

Room Hire

We have rooms for hire at competitive rates and we welcome volunteer-led community groups to use our space for low or no cost.

Rates and information on our spaces can be found on UCTC's website. To find out more about our spaces or to book, contact Ruth Cluness: 01651 843776 or facilities@udnycommunitytrust.org.uk



Udny Community Shelf



Open daily, 9am to mid-afternoon.

Udny Community Shelf helps our community to reduce food waste. Volunteers collect surplus food from local stores, saving it from landfill.

Everything in the Shelf is free of charge.

The Shelf operates from a trailer in The Medan Centre car park.



Visit us...

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Speak to us...

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