



As you will have read in last month's Sanday Sound, I have taken over as Learning Coordinator for the Skills for Sanday project, and I would be delighted to hear from you with any suggestions for training or workshops that you would like to see the Skills for Sanday project provide.

*Tracy Ranger, Coordinator*

## **Courses and Workshops**

Skills for Sanday will be offering a full programme of courses throughout the year. Continuation funding for this project has been secured through the generous support of not only Sanday Development Trust, but also SSE/Sanday Community Council and Scottish Sea Farms 'Heart of the Community Trust'.

**To book courses or for course suggestions -**

**email: [learning@sandaydevelopmenttrust.org.uk](mailto:learning@sandaydevelopmenttrust.org.uk) or phone 600359**

### **March**

**Saturday Morning Kitchen - Saturday 4th March 10am - 12 noon - Heilsa Fjold**

**Geoff from Backaskaill is back to give you a Sauce-y Saturday!**

This month's fun cookery morning, which as usual will be a demonstration class, is a masterclass in sauces for every occasion. Everyone welcome! Cost is £3.00 to cover refreshments and ingredients. Accompanied S3's welcome.

**WDC Shorewatch is coming to Orkney—A FREE training session will be taking place at Sanday Community School on Saturday 25th March 11am—3pm.**

Come and join the Sanday Ranger and learn how to watch out for whales & dolphins from your local coastline. This free training day will teach you how to identify whales and dolphins/ and record your shorewatch data. All equipment is provided and no experience is necessary.

**Craft Discussion Group—Monday 27th March 6.00pm—8.00pm—Heilsa Fjold**

An informal get together, in conjunction with Jane Taylor, to discuss craft skills from basic sewing skills, crochet, etc. through to more complicated projects. All welcome to drop-in, whatever skill level, so we can decide how to take this forward.

### **Courses planned for the Spring and Summer .....**

**Photography Skills Course - outdoor weekly sessions**

**Adam Hough will again be offering tuition in the field, using your own camera and equipment in small groups of four.** These workshops will be run as a course of 6 weeks and cost £30. Course start date to be confirmed and he will offer more courses if there is sufficient demand - **Please get in touch now if interested.**

**Please note cheques for courses should be made payable to Sanday Development Trust**

**You can contact us by email: [learning@sandaydevelopmenttrust.org.uk](mailto:learning@sandaydevelopmenttrust.org.uk), or leave a note or message at Heilsa Fjold tel: 600359. Tracy works part time and will get back to you. If you would like to meet and have a chat about any course ideas or bookings, she is normally at Heilsa Fjold on a Tuesday between 11.00 and 1.00 pm** *We look forward to hearing from you soon*

### **Straw work with Sandra Higgins**

Straw-work is a traditional Orkney craft, and has been used for everything from storage boxes, baskets and trays to furniture, the 'Orkney Chair' being much sought after.

I am currently arranging a one day workshop with Sandra for late May/early June. Materials will be supplied—price TBC.

Please reserve places now by email, facebook or telephone.

You can read more about Sandra at <http://www.orkneyartsandcrafts.com/sandra-higgins/>



### **Are you interested in any of these courses?**

- ◆ **Knife skills for the kitchen - chop your veg and not your finger!**
- ◆ **Get to know your lawnmower**
- ◆ **Make-up skills**
- ◆ **How to get the perfect nails**
- ◆ **Power tools and how to use them**
- ◆ **Genealogy**
- ◆ **Basic motorbike/moped maintenance**
- ◆ **Car maintenance for ladies**
- ◆ **Car maintenance for men**

**Please let us know which, if any, of these courses you would be interested in attending. If there is nothing here that takes your fancy, let us know what does! If you have responded via Facebook there is no need to respond again.**

**Saturday Morning Kitchens** - We have some great Saturday Morning Kitchens coming up over the next few months, but I am always looking for new ideas—please let me know what kitchen skills you would like to hone up on.

**Patchwork & Quilting** - I have two possible tutors lined up now for these courses. I thought we could start with a one day workshop and if it proves popular and there are a group that would like to take it further, then maybe this could turn into a longer course. Both tutors are experienced and produce stunning work. PLEASE let me know as soon as possible if you would be interested in these workshops.

**Highlands & Islands Enterprise** - There are some great courses and workshops in Kirkwall being offered by H&I Enterprises through the Digital Boost initiative, quite a few of which are free. Here is the website link to the workshop page - <http://www.hie.co.uk/regional-information/digital-highlands-and-islands/news-and-events/default.html#events> - if this is something you would be interested in, why not check them out?

There are also a series of free live webinars called 'Tune into Tourism Expertise' aimed at businesses — here is the website link: [www.hie.co.uk/tourism-webinars](http://www.hie.co.uk/tourism-webinars)

