



Autumn Newsletter

Welcome to our Autumn newsletter. Thanks to those who attended our Fair Day. We hope you had a good time, despite the weather! Take a look inside for some exciting news about a new grant we have secured, as well as information about what some other groups in Fauldhouse have been up to. As always, please contact us if you have any feedback.

Another wet Fauldhouse September Fair!

The 4th Fauldhouse Fair Day was held on 5th September. The weather did not deter people and hundreds turned up to enjoy the activities put on by stallholders. Local businesses, community groups and Council services all contributed to make the day a success. Thanks to everyone involved!



See the back page for winners of the CDT raffle!

← Paul Clark pedals to make himself a healthy drink on the 'Smoothie-cycle' sponsored by West Lothian Council Community Regeneration Team

Would you like to try your hand at some work in our local Forest?

The Forestry Commission together with BTCV are giving local people a chance to get their hands dirty! Fauldhouse Forest is a great woodland, right on our door-step, and the cycle trail has meant more people are attracted to go there. The Forestry Commission are keen to know what other improvements people think could be made, and to involve and teach people how the work is done.

The first of these woodland taster days is on **Wednesday 30th September**. We will meet at 10am outside ScotMid (Fauldhouse) and will finish by 3pm.

Please wear suitable clothing and footwear. Equipment, gloves and lunch will be provided. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

For more details and to book your place, contact the CDT (details on back page).



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Fauldhouse CDT will:

- Work with local organisations
- Promote the positive
- Encourage self-help
- Involve you
- Keep you informed
- Be proactive
- Be transparent
- Win trust and respect

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CDT scoops £377,943 investment for Fauldhouse!

The CDT will be organising a Remembrance Day Service at the War Memorial (Bridge St) on Sunday 8th Nov at 1pm.



Fauldhouse CDT are delighted to report that we have secured a grant to purchase a building in Fauldhouse. The Lottery programme 'Growing Community Assets' allows community groups to secure assets like buildings and use them to benefit the community and to help the group become self-sustaining, financially.

Fauldhouse CDT has set its sights on the CIS Office, 10 Main Street, which will become vacant when the Council moves to the new Partnership Centre.



The grant covers the purchase of the building, some redevelopment work (including installing a platform lift), purchase of some new equipment and a contribution towards the running costs for 5 years.

We will be using the building as offices for the CDT, Briech Valley Information Service and West Lothian Retired Miners, plus there will be community rooms, a retail area, soft play and coffee drop-in. This project will allow us to offer part-time employment in Fauldhouse and many volunteer opportunities.

We are still yet to secure £150,000 match funding that is needed, but watch this space for more details and plans, or contact us (details on back page) if you want to know more about the project.

Get recycling and help Falla Hill Primary School

If you want to know how the new Fauldhouse Partnership Centre will involve local people in making decisions, there will be a meeting in the Eastfield Centre at the beginning of October.

Contact Ruth Plevin for details (01506 776377; ruth.plevin@westlothian.gov.uk).



Ethan Reid and Reece Smart from Primary 7 show us the school's new textile bank.

Falla Hill Primary School have recently had a Textile Recycling Bank placed in car park of the Eastfield Training Centre on Eastfield Road in Fauldhouse.

People are being encouraged to use it as an outlet for unwanted clothing, towels, shoes, curtains, bags and belts. The items are used to support both Third World Countries and, at the same time, raise much needed funds for the school. Falla Hill staff and pupils hope you will support this venture.

Victory for the Victoria Cricket Club

Fauldhouse Victoria Cricket Club won the East of Scotland League Division 1 title in the most exciting of circumstances. The equation came down to the last match with the top 2 pitted against each other at Edinburgh Academy's Newfield ground in Edinburgh.

Edinburgh Accies batted first. Accies reached 142 before losing their 4th wicket and declared in order to restrict Fauldhouse's bowling points. Points are awarded on batting and bowling, so Fauldhouse needed 125 runs to win.

It was a dreadful start in the chase. The Fauldhouse openers were gone with just 17 on the board. Worse was to follow with the score at 27-5 and every run a prisoner. As the 9th wicket went down at 87, it simply looked like a bridge too far. Incredibly though David "Duck" Allan kept hitting the boundaries including several 6s to keep the dream alive.

Pressure was telling on both teams as Fauldhouse closed within a few scoring shots. Accies spilled some chances most notably with Fauldhouse on 120-9 as last man Alan McDonald skied a ball going for the winning runs. The drop was fatal for Accies and Duck hit another 4 to bring up the 125 needed. Cue massive celebrations from the team and supporters from the village!

Fauldhouse won the league by 79.23% to Accies 79% ... it could hardly have been closer.

Monday Club

The Monday Club are a group of women who meet every 2nd Monday at the Eastfield Centre.

Thanks to a recent Awards for All lottery grant, we have purchased fitness mats and other equipment so we can now enjoy some gentle exercise as well as the social time and support we offer one another.

We also hope to soon invite visiting speakers, go on trips and start other activities in the village.

New members welcome.
Contact Nancy, 771431.



Whitburn Academy Cricket Club

Whitburn Academy are looking to start a cricket team. Mr Good, Maths teacher and keen cricketer, is running after school practice sessions on Wednesdays 3:30 - 4:40, for S1 and S2 pupils. No cricket experience necessary.



**Remember
the Music
Festival last
April?**

**What events
do you want
to see next
year?**

Let us know your ideas for the Fauldhouse Music Festival 2010 and get in touch if you want to get involved in organising an event.



Does your community group need help knowing what funding to apply for or how to fill in the forms? Contact Rachel (details on back page) for help and guidance on this.



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Dates for your Diary 2009

Contact us for more details on any of the events below, visit our website (www.fauldhouse.org.uk) or look out for flyers and local advertising

Wed 30 th Sept	Fauldhouse Forest Volunteer Day, 10am-3pm. Meet outside ScotMid. <i>See page 1 of this newsletter for more details.</i>
Thurs 1 st Oct	'Fauldhouse Footers' Health Walks group starts a new 12 week programme. Walks last approx 40 minutes. Meet 2pm, St Andrew's Church Hall every Thurs until 17 th Dec.
Wed 7 th Oct	Mental Health Open Day, Strathbrock Partnership Centre, 10am-3pm. All welcome to come and browse stalls and information. <i>Contact Health Improvement Team - 01506 771728 - for more details.</i>
Sun 8 th Nov	Remembrance Day Service held at Fauldhouse War Memorial, Bridge Street at 1pm. <i>Contact CDT if you want to be involved.</i>

Fauldhouse CDT held a raffle at the Fair Day. Here are the prize winners!

- Frances Clark won a TV/DVD combo donated by Weslo Housing Management
- Lorraine Boyd won 2 bottles of wine donated by GRC Tri (triathlon group)
- David Dodds won a jewellery set donated by Ceardannan (www.ceardannan.co.uk)
- Jean Thomas won a wooden bowl donated and made by Wullie McKnight.
- Angela Fisher won a jewellery set donated and made by Caroline King.
- May Logan won a wood encased pen donated and made by Bill Mathieson.
- Gina Hunter won a cycling map of West Lothian donated by Spokes.



Support positive action in Fauldhouse Join the Community Development Trust

Membership of the Community Development Trust costs £1. For that you can show your commitment to helping us deliver positive, sustainable improvements to our village. Whether your commitment extends to being simply a paid up supporter of the organisation or you want to get more involved in our activities, your membership is very important to us. Please complete the form and join up today.

I wish to join the Fauldhouse Community Development Trust and enclose my £1 membership fee.

Name:	Phone No:
Address:	Email:
Postcode:	Would you be interested in being active as a volunteer in the CDT? YES / NO

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO: Fauldhouse CDT, c/o CIS, 10 Main Street, Fauldhouse EH47 9HX

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