

**Highland  
One Stop Shop  
October Newsletter**

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*New Moon: 6th, First Quarter: 13th,*

*Full moon: (Hunter's Moon) 20th, Last Quarter: 28th,*

***A warm welcome to all who are reading this newsletter.***

### **Changes to our service**

The booked place Drop-in sessions are available 2 days a week,  
We will still require you to book your place, we will now be open for  
Tuesday and Friday Drop-in sessions.

Please contact Jeni if you would like to book a place.

### **Pool Group**

Jeni will be starting the pool group again on Wednesday 20th October.

We will be attending the 147 Club and meeting outside at 12:30.

We know that several of you are keen to start attending the pool group so  
please can you contact Jeni for further information or to book your place.

### **HOSS Lunch Club**

We are looking forward to starting our Lunch Clubs again  
and are pleased to inform you that on the first Wednesday of each month  
we will be re-starting our Pub Lunch meet ups.

Our next Lunch Club will be on Wednesday 6th October.

We will meet outside The Auctioneer's at 12:20 and the table/tables  
will be booked for us to sit down at 12:30.

You must book your place with Jeni as soon as possible  
because due to Covid rules we do need to book the table/tables in advance,  
you will not be able to turn up on the day and join us  
unfortunately you must be booked in advance.

Please Text or email Jeni asap to get your place booked.

## **Skype Sessions we are holding instead of Groups and Activities**

Gill is holding a Skype Coffee Club on Monday's between 1:30-2:30pm as well as the Thursday Coffee Club held between 11-12 midday. Thursday Coffee Club will also meet out occasionally for a walk and coffee out too. If you would like to join Gill on a Monday or a Thursday for the Skype Coffee Club please get in touch.

You can email Gill : [gill.maclennan@aiscotland.org.uk](mailto:gill.maclennan@aiscotland.org.uk) ,you can call her on: 07850308237 or you can Skype Gill and give her a wave on: [hossgillmaclennan@gmail.com](mailto:hossgillmaclennan@gmail.com) and then Gill can add you to her contact list on Skype and invite you to the call.

Why not join Jeni on a Skype call on a Tuesday afternoon between 3-4pm to have a catch up with some of our other service users who may also be missing the Drop-in sessions and the Activities that we used to attend together.

Jeni will also be holding our usual Coffee and Cake Chat Club between 3-4pm every Friday afternoon through Skype and if you would like to join us from the comfort of your own home it would be great to see you.

You will need to book your place as we are limited in numbers but please speak to Jeni if you want to join in the Skype group.

We will also be holding our booked place Drop-in sessions twice a week on Tuesday's and Fridays between 12-2pm.

This will require us to conform to the current guidelines and we will need to book individuals a place rather than allowing it to be open for anyone to turn up and join us.

This may result in a waiting list but we will do our best to let everyone who would like to join us have a chance to join us.

Unfortunately if you turn up on the day expecting to just Drop-in you will be asked to leave as we must stick to all the guidelines including those on how many people are in the building.

If this is something you would be interested in please contact Jeni or Kirsten to book your place.

You can email Jeni: [Jennifer.pacitti@aiscotland.org.uk](mailto:Jennifer.pacitti@aiscotland.org.uk) or you can text Jeni on: 07741264812

**Stay home, stay safe, and remember to keep washing your hands.**

## **Neurodiversity Support Group @ UHI**

We are pleased to let you know that our College Support group has started up again  
at The UHI Inverness Campus  
meeting every Thursday between 12-2pm.  
Room number still to be confirmed.

This is a group for those who are attending College to offer peer support and  
autistic tailored advice to help you succeed .

If you would like any further information about attending the College support Group  
please contact Andrew Directly.

You can contact Andrew via email:  
Andrew.denovan@aiscotland.org.uk

## **Eden Court Cinema Club**

We are pleased to announce that our Cinema Group will be meeting on  
Wednesday 6th at 2pm for a 2:15pm Showing to see  
'No time to Die - James Bond'  
and if you would like to attend please contact Gill to book your place.

We will also be meeting at Eden Court on Thursday 27th  
at 1:45pm for a 2pm Showing to see  
'Dune'

Still to be confirmed

Again if you would like to attend please contact Gill to book your place.

You can contact Gill on: gill.maclennan@aiscotland.org.uk  
or phone/text Gill on: 07850308237

**Please let us know if there are any groups or activities you would like to see on our  
Calendar as we are allowed to open up and offer more activities and groups.**

**Then as we are allowed to offer more activities and groups we will know which  
activities and groups are the most popular.**

**Please see below for the individual staff members contact details  
and contact them directly  
to arrange a phone or Skype appointment with them**

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**You can still stay home if you would like to, there is no need to rush out and go  
anywhere unless you need/want to go out.**

As we are slowly moving out of restrictions and life is starting to become more familiar  
it is ok to feel worried or upset about the changes.

It is still a worrying time for many of us and we keep hearing things on the news  
and in the papers which is worrying but if we all keep doing our bit to stay safe  
we will get through this.

Remember to still use FACTS as much as you can.

F—If you can wear a face covering in public places

A—Avoid crowded areas unless you have to visit them

C—Clean your hands using sanitiser on entering and leaving a premises

T— Two meters away if you can unless you share a household or are a family bubble

S— Self Isolate if you think you have symptoms and organise taking a test  
via the NHS online web page.

If you have any questions please get in touch and we will try to help you.