

# Carloway Community Newsletter

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## Bliadhna Mhath Ùr Dhuibh!

**The Carloway Flag was raised to welcome the New Year although the usual walk and gathering couldn't take place.**

**Due date for next newsletter is : Friday 5 February 2021**

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## The Spider

By Mark MacArthur

The spider has eight hairy legs,  
He crawls up on to my bed,  
Every night he falls asleep,  
Under my pillow I like to peek.  
In the morning he runs and runs,  
On the wall he likes to turn,  
He spins a new web up in the  
corner,  
To catch his breakfast because he is  
hungry.

## Carloway Community Association

### Redevelopment Project Update

In order to meet the funding requirements of one of our main funders – the Regeneration Capital Grant Fund (RCGF) – we need to post an invitation to tender for the redevelopment works from Monday 11th January on the Scottish Contracts Portal. While we don't yet have all the funds in place, this is a normal process and does not bind CCA in any way until we actually sign a contract. Needless to say, we are chasing a few funders with renewed vigour!

### Happy New Year

We hope everyone had a safe festive season. The staff are now back to work after the holidays but sadly the office is still not open due to Covid-19 restrictions. It is business as usual, as much as possible, so please do get in touch if you have any queries or would like a catch-up on what is happening with any projects.

The staff can be contacted directly by phone on 01851 643481 or by email:  
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Stay safe during this difficult time.



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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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WARM WISHES TO YOU ALL

2021



## Cuairt & Cèilidh



Health Walk Every Thursday  
Meet outside Carloway School Annex at 1pm

**Join us for a short socially distanced walk.  
Please do not attend if you have any symptoms  
of Covid-19 or you are currently self-isolating**

For further information or to register please contact:  
Sally Reynolds, Walks Leader.

Tel: 01851 643481 / Email: info@carlowayestatetrust.co.uk



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## Covid-19 Support

We have a supply of emergency food boxes available for anyone across the area who has found themselves in need as a result of Covid-19.

If you would like support please contact us on:  
Breasclete Community Support Line - 07395 929 314  
Carloway Community Association - 01851 643 297  
Urras Oighreachd Chàrlabhaigh - 01851 643 481  
Or by email to info@carlowayestatetrust.co.uk

All food boxes can be delivered direct to your home.  
Please be assured all requests will be dealt with  
confidentially & discreetly.

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The food boxes are supported via Western Isles Citizens Advice Bureau, FareShare and The Supporting Communities Fund from The Scottish Government, via Highlands and Islands (HIE)

## Senior Citizens' Christmas Dinner

It's safe to say it wasn't the ideal Christmas or New Year for any of us this year - by a long shot. However, the Senior Citizens' Christmas dinner went ahead - with some bells on and by delivery! Just over 100 three course meals and add-ons were delivered to households across the Carloway area - from Tolsta Chaolais to Dalmore. The feedback has been fantastic and the folks organising were so pleased there was much less washing up to do at the end of it! This was an incredible community effort. The Carloway fishermen (in alphabetical order!) Douglas Craigie, Iain Knight and Donald A Martin did the Community proud by generously supplying top notch local seafood for one of the starters. Thanks also to Sharon Borton for the soup, Louise Casselden for the Bailey's Cheesecake, Dòmhnall Macleòid for the quiz and the army of volunteers who peeled and chopped veg. A very special thanks have to go out to chefs de cuisine Karen Macleod and Margaret Graham for cooking the mains, veg and the all the accompanying extras (including oatcake, trifle, and cake) to perfection, and also to the helpers in the Hall on the day - Mary Ann MacIver, Donald Mackinnon, Ranald Fraser, Dòmhnall Macleòid and Lauren Macleod and to our awesome fleet of 'Deliveroo' drivers who took the meals out to people. Finally, without the organisation, logistics, planning and huge effort on the part of Chris Schofield this would not have happened. CCA is extremely grateful to Urras Oighreachd Chàrlabhaigh, Carloway Community Council, Cllr Ranald Fraser, and the many anonymous community members for financial assistance and donations in helping CCA make this all possible.





## ***Caraidean Chàrlabhaigh***

### ***Pre-loved Bazaar***

We know people are looking forward to the Bazaar reopening this Saturday and we know that this is permitted under the current Covid restrictions.

However, we feel that it is not an essential activity and have decided to postpone reopening for the time being.

It is vital that we protect the health of our volunteers and we do not wish to put them at any additional risk.

Thank you for your support and we will notify you when we feel able to reopen.